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Think of the greatest love story you've ever heard of.

We all have read, watched or heard of at least one tale, where the hero or heroine willingly sacrifices, endures insurmountable hardship and even dies to protect and save their loved one.

Yet, the greatest human love story of all time does not even come close to the love our Heavenly Father has for each of us.

A love so compelling, complete, encompassing and pure that He not only would but DID take our punishment, suffered for our sins, died our death—so that He could not only redeem us but then also lavish all His love and blessings upon us. And He did this 'while we were yet sinners' and (His) 'enemies.'

Salvation, redemption, sanctification, righteousness, justification—we obtain them ALL at the very moment we understand what Christ actually did for us on the cross and choose to accept this 'FREE GIFT" of love.

You don't have to beg or plead for it.

You don't have to 'get right' first to accept it (Jesus will 'get you right' Himself)
You don't have to follow a bunch of legalistic rules and regulations

You don't have to become a missionary in some faraway land....

You just have to understand what Jesus did on the cross, trust Him and accept it. It's that awesomely & shockingly simple!

He's done ALL the work. Took your punishment. Won the battle.

And, just like Adam and Eve, you go right into the 'Sabbath rest' of His completed work. Once you have made that decision—there is NOTHING you can do or don't do that will ever change God's love for you - or your standing before Him. Because it's not about YOUR works - but Christ's alone!

John 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

Get to know this loving Jesus who said, I love you $\it THIS$ much," then stretched out $\it His$ arms and died for you.

So, how does one respond to this free gift of salvation?

There's no secret formula prayer you need to pray. Just admit you're a sinner, (all of us have done, said or thought things that are wrong. This is called sin, and our sins have separated us from God. The Bible says "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." God is perfect and holy, and our sins separate us from God forever. The Bible says "The wages of sin is death.") believe in your heart that He not only died for you on the cross but rose again to give you LIFE and FREEDOM from sin, and confess that with your mouth.

Rom 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved



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Jesus said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," and "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." By His grace and love, God has already done everything to provide our salvation-He made ONE way of reconciliation—through the sacrifice and death of His Son, Jesus. Our part is simply to believe and receive.

If you'd like to be forgiven of all your sins, be reconciled to God the Father and start your new life in Christ, just say the following (or similar) prayer out loud:

Father in Heaven, I come to you in the name of your Son, Jesus. I know that I have sinned against you and that I'm not right with you and that no amount of good works can make up for my sins. I believe that You love me and that you sent your son Jesus Christ to die for me, and I believe in my heart that you raised him from the dead. Please forgive me of all my sins. I trust Jesus to be the Lord and Savior of my life. Please come into my heart and teach me how I should live. Thank you for saving me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

That's it! If you prayed that prayer and accepted Jesus Christ as your savior, the very moment you committed your life to Christ, you have been born again, there's a brand new you! His Spirit now lives within you.

Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

1Co 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

Welcome to the Family. Now that truly is the GREATEST love story of ALL TIME!

If you prayed that prayer, or have questions, please email me at u-got-grace@hotmail.com and let me know so that I can pray for you.