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Jesus rescued us from sin by dying on the cross. He rose from the dead and lives forever. He helps me obey, and do what is right, and now I am forever a child of God! Matthew 4:10 is special to me because that is how I fight my battles.

Alyssia Burgess

Jesus died on the cross for our sins and saved us. He rose from the dead and is alive. What Jesus has done helps me forgive and be nice and kind to others. He made me a child of God and I believe in Him!

Ephesians 6:1 is special to me because I want to obey my parents and do what is right. I want to know Jesus more and more every day.

Marshall Tilley

I asked Jesus into my heart as my Savior at 7 years old while watching Billy Graham on television. I've always loved God but drifted away from the commitment to Christ as I became an adult.

I realized that the life I was living was not the life of a follower of Jesus. It was very humbling because I felt like I already knew Jesus.

Asking Jesus to renew my life has inspired me to take better care of myself mentally and physically.

2 Corinthians 12:9 is special to me because even in my weakest moments, the Lord is there to see me through.

Jennifer Robson

I cannot remember a time when I did not know Jesus. I accepted Christ at a young age in the Awana Cubbies. The Lord blessed me with a loving family and a supportive church which helped further my faith and understanding. Until now

I have lived life fairly protected from the dangers of the world. Before I go off to college, I want to profess my faith in front of the congregation so that I will continue to live according to His Word wherever life takes me.

Baptism represents an internal change. I want to be baptized now as an outward profession of my faith.

Matt Sadowski

My life before I met Jesus was one of loneliness and a need to acquire physical possessions in the hope that society would accept me. I endured emotional and physical abuse at a young age which had a profound impact on my life for over 20 years. I was raised as a Roman Catholic but was unable to find healing. I turned to drinking, physical possessions and shallow relationships. My marriage ended, I lost my job, and I lost a relationship with a woman I truly cared about who had tried to support me as best she could.

I met Jesus when I finally realized the futility of my coping mechanisms and realized that the cross I thought I was bearing was insignificant compared to the one He bore. I understood that all I had to do was put my faith in Him and walk with Him, and my pain would go away. I finally found the peace and salvation I had been searching for. I know that I have been saved and I am at peace since meeting Jesus.

Laurel Carter

I was raised in a Christian household yet was in a constant lukewarm state of faith. However, on November 4, 2018 I came to my first One Night at Crossroads. I was called out of that lukewarm state and, of my own accord, accepted Jesus as my true Savior. Since then I have devoted my life to Him, and I have been happier with Him by my side.

I have wanted to be baptized for a while, and after coming out of a quarantine spent in the Word, I wanted to show everyone He is my King and I am glad I am

His child.

Kenney Wilkins

I accepted Christ at the age of 12. My mother was a pastor and she led me to the Lord. My life was great, but over the years I made some crucial mistakes. I decided to get my life back on track because I had done so many things against God's will.

Now I am at a place where I find blessing in doing life His way, blessing beyond measure. I was baptized as a child but today I make a public profession as an adult and rededicate my life to Christ.

Danielle Jeffreys

The first thirty years of my life was spent going to church occasionally but not knowing what it meant to have a personal relationship with God. It wasn't until my life became very dark, and I no longer wanted to be on that path, that I asked God for forgiveness and gave Him control of my life. I put all my trust in Him, to give me the strength I needed to remove myself from my sinful ways. He was there every step of the way. When I look back at how He has transformed me in the last twelve years, there is no denying that He is good, He is merciful and gracious, and that He loves me. I really can do all things as long as I look to Him to guide me.

Charlotte Otto

My family are Christians and I have always been to church. I asked Jesus into my heart when I was a little girl because I knew I needed Him. I know He lives in my heart because I feel Him working in my heart. I sometimes cry when I think about how good He is. Jesus helps me get over my fears. I love Jesus!

Titus Slack

My life before I met Jesus was not as good as it is with Him. I met Jesus when I was six and my mom and I were riding on a golf cart and my mom asked me if I knew Jesus. I said no. She asked if I wanted to ask Jesus into my heart and I said yes. We prayed together.

Since I met Jesus, my life is better and I ask everyone I meet if they want to be my friend, and if they know Jesus. I love Him.

Vanessa Wallace

Before I met Jesus, my life was hard. I didn't know how to act or behave. I prayed to accept Jesus into my heart. Every Sunday we go to church and I learn more about Him there.

Since I met Jesus, I have better moments and He helps me see how to solve problems.

Noah Bowman

Before I met Jesus, my life was full of sin and negativity. I was disrespectful, I lived a party lifestyle and had no regard for myself or others. I believe I have had a few run-ins with Jesus. Recently I got caught using illicit drugs and after that event I decided to change my lifestyle and commit fully to Jesus.

Since I met Jesus, I have been doing my best to repent when I sin, I pray every day, I started reading my Bible almost every day, and I have become more positive. I have a better outlook on life. I want to be baptized as my next step as a faithful Christian.

Judy Janke

While my family rarely missed a church service, we did not experience what it meant to live as believers in our everyday life. My parents were humble, hardworking people of integrity with a strong sense of right and wrong, but, there was no modeling of what it meant to be a believer and who we are in Christ because of His sacrifice for us.

It was at a youth group event when I was 12 or 13 that I gave myself to Jesus. I remember what I was wearing and how the sanctuary glowed in the dim lighting, and the absolute assurance that God heard me, and I mattered to Him.

I have been a follower of Jesus for over 48 years now. He has been my constant source of hope and endurance. He continues to show me the beauty of a life lived through Him and for Him, turning my heart from the things of this world. He speaks to me through His word every time I open it and knits my heart to His more and more. He has always provided a church for us to use our gifts and talents for His glory.

Jennifer Cook

I learned about Jesus when I was a little girl, at a church I didn't enjoy very much. When I was older, I attended a different church with friends and learned that church can be fun and interesting.

During my high school years, I gave my life to Jesus. I went to an awesome youth group and I understood why it was important to be saved. Once we had a guest speaker and he was amazing. At the end someone guided me in a prayer to accept Jesus as my Savior. I did feel like a new person and I wanted to do what was right in His eyes. I feel like I've always been a good person but being a follower of Jesus is different.

Even after accepting Christ there have been times I have struggled with

following Him the way I should. Being a believer doesn't make you a non-sinner, and I've learned that no matter how far you go from Him, you can always come back. I am a better person with Jesus in my life!

Grace Turnquist

People talked to me about Christ when I was a little girl, but I did not enjoy church and I did not pay attention. My biological mom was an alcoholic and I went through a lot. I didn't really care about school and I was kind of a bad kid. My brother moved to North Carolina with his biological dad and that was very hard for me. I had a lot of negative thoughts and I was bullied in school.

Things changed when my uncle invited me to his church. I loved it! I gave my life to Christ when I was ten. I started attending more often and tried to be more like Christ. When I was 11 I moved to North Carolina with my brother and his family. I started to behave more like Christ. Now I care more about school and try to be a good kid. When I'm down, I remember He gives me strength.

Ainsley Thomas

I am growing up in a Christian family. My parents talk to us about Jesus a lot. I attend CBS and have heard a lot about Jesus. I've always known that He is good and loves me a lot, but I didn't understand until recently that I need Him to be my Savior.

One morning my mom was reading a Bible story to us and I had some questions. She asked me if my heart was ready to accept Him and I said yes! I gladly prayed with her and now my life is forever changed! I hope that my light shines for everyone to see!

Victoria Frent

I grew up in a Christian family, always aware that God cares for us. I knew the

standards of a Christian lifestyle, but I never had a desire to grow my relationship with Christ.

There are many times in which God shows Himself in unexpected ways, and in my case, this is true. I gave my life to Jesus a while back, but only recently, after receiving multiple signs, did I truly have a desire to get closer to Him and to live a Godly life.

Since I've grown in my relationship with God I've focused more on the good. I have stopped letting all the little bad things happening around me take over my emotions. I am more intentional about showing kindness to those around me.