

## A NEW BEGINNING IS NOT A NEW PAST

Becoming a Christian does not rewrite history or remove every wound and consequence. But it does give something far greater: forgiveness before God, reconciliation with Him and a new direction for life.

Read about Jesus in the Gospels. Bring Him the truth about your life.

Your past is not a stronger saviour than Jesus is.

## TURN TO JESUS

Repentance means turning from sin toward God. Faith means relying on Jesus Christ rather than yourself.

Do not wait until you have repaired yourself enough to come. Come because you need mercy.

God's grace does not give us permission to continue comfortably in sin. It begins a new life of following Christ.

IS MY  
LIFE  
TOO  
MESSSED  
UP FOR  
GOD?

## THE BIBLE DOES NOT MINIMISE SIN

God knows the truth about us. Christianity does not heal guilt by telling us that sin does not matter.

**"There is no one righteous, not even one."**

Romans 3:10

That means nobody comes to God with a spotless record. Some sins have painful earthly consequences, and following Christ does not erase every consequence. But no sinner is saved because his or her past was respectable.

## JESUS CAME FOR SINNERS

Jesus was criticised for welcoming people with shameful reputations. He answered:

**"I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."**

Luke 5:32

He did not approve of sin. He came to rescue sinners from it.

At the cross, Jesus bore the judgment of guilty people. He then rose from the dead.

## GRACE IS GREATER THAN YOUR RECORD

God's forgiveness is not based on pretending your past never happened. It is based on Christ paying for sin.

**"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."**

1 John 1:9

The question is not whether you can make your past good enough. You cannot. The question is whether Christ is a sufficient Saviour.