

Please pray:

Dear Jesus, I am a sinner. Please forgive me for all the sins I have committed. Please enter into my heart. Give me your eternal life and Holy Spirit. I entrust you with the rest of my life. Thank you for saving me. Pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Who is the true God?

Let us analyze the topic objectively. Think of the characteristics that a true God should possess.

There is only one God

He must be the Creator of all substances, the source of all living beings. He must not be a creature nor a hand-made 'God'. But an idol is a hand-made 'God'. Man makes idols and deifies them. There are a lot of idols in this world with different names. There are different 'gods' in different villages or cities and there may be even several 'gods' in one superstitious family. If you objectively think about the origin of these idols, you will realize that they are created by man. Some of them are historical heroes and had already turned into dust for years. Some are legendary characters which are fictitious. Moreover, as these idols of clay, wood, copper, iron, gold or silver are made by man, they cannot protect man or themselves. Instead, they need man's protection.

The Creator of heaven and earth reveal to man through the Scripture, "*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*" (Genesis 1:1) "*All things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made.*" (John 1:3) God is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. Thus He does not need man's offering to Him. Instead He Himself gives man life and breath and everything. Anyone who trusts in God can enjoy His care and protection.

Idol is not God

When Dr. Sun Yat-sen, a famous politician, was a young child, his mother was a very dedicated idol-worshipper. One day Dr. Sun went with his mother to a temple and his mother offered the idol a chicken. Wanting to find out whether the idol would have the chicken as meal or not, Dr. Sun stared at it for a very long time. As nothing happened, Dr. Sun presumed that the idol might be shy to eat before the worshippers. So he left and went back there the next day in order to find out the truth. He found that the chicken was gone, but it was eaten by a group of hungry rats. Also, as the fats of the chicken stained the idol, the rats had bitten a big hole on it. Without any doubt, Dr. Sun concluded that he could not trust such idols that cannot protect themselves. As he grew up, he experienced God and accepted Jesus as his Savior.

The one true God is omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent beyond the confine of time or space. In all circumstances our Lord Jesus Christ is the One True God. When we pray devoutly to Him, we will experience His help and presence wherever we are, whereas idols cannot help you and they will not accompany you. When facing an airplane accident, you can go nowhere to ask idols for help. When in danger, such as in a fire, the idols need your help to bring them out of the scene rather than giving you protection. Idol-worshippers are in fact deceived by the devil.

True God's Salvation

In 1992, a company has granted its staff a free round trip to California. Unfortunately, when the plane flew over Grand Canyon, it crash-dived downwards. On the plane a Christian told one of his colleagues to pray to Jesus for help. They both asked for God's mercy. In the end, all the passengers except these two persons had passed away.

These two survivors only got foot-bone fracture. Afterwards, journalists asked the non-Christian survivor whether he believed in Jesus or not. He replied definitely, "Of course I do. Jesus has saved my life." When we are in trouble, we can realize how kind and powerful Lord Jesus Christ is. All through the years and ages past, Christians have experienced our Lord.

God is holy and righteous

God is holy. God is righteous. His standard of morality is above that of man, whereas idols are of the opposite. Idols do not care about sins. Idol-worshippers would ask their idols to protect them from being caught after committing crimes. Some even rely on sorcery to commit crime. Yet the one true God is a righteous judge. He judges us according to our sins, including idol worshipping. It is just like a prince allowing a pauper to be his father, how humiliating to the real father. The Scripture says, "*In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent.*" (Acts 17:30)

God gave His beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to us to save us from our sins. Jesus was crucified, died and was buried, on the third day He arose from the dead. Whoever believes in Jesus shall not perish but have eternal life. Henceforth, he can enjoy peace and happiness in God. He no longer needs to be afraid of the devil as he has been freed from the devil's bondage. What a blessing!

Dear friends, God has given us this miraculous and wonderful grace. Just do as the Bible tells you to do. Pray to God devoutly and loudly. Accept Jesus as your Savior. And that is it.