It Is Finished! Believe It!

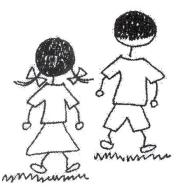
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Commentator: You may be asking, "What is finished and what should I believe?" Our redemption is finished! Redemption is the ransom or the PRICE paid by our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross for our sins. Our debt to God for sin has been taken care of by Jesus Christ once and for all! Redemption means our sins have been forgiven! We are to believe that!

When we believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, God the Holy Spirit puts us in union with Jesus Christ giving us His eternal life. Jesus Christ comes to live inside of us! Awesome! And, the Holy Spirit comes to live inside of us! He is our Guide, Teacher, Protector and Comforter. He teaches us the way Jesus Christ lived - obeying God the Father and serving others! We are set free to live the spiritual life! We are free to serve God and others. Let your freedom begin!



John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.



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Jesus Christ: Let freedom begin is right! Because of My love, I went to the cross and died for all mankind. My resurrection, ascension into heaven, and being seated at the right hand of the Father is the proof of My victory over sin! By believing in Me as your Savior,

you are free to have a relationship with God the Father; you are free to live the life He desires for you. God the Holy Spirit will always be with you to guide you along the way Learning how to live the spiritual life takes time, so don't be discouraged! I'll always be with you to encourage and comfort you; and you have Our eternal life!

Child: I'm so grateful for this tremendous grace gift from God the Father, accomplished by You, Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit!

Ephesians 1:7-8a In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace which He lavished on us.



Jesus Christ: It is absolutely clear that God has called you to a free life. In Galatians 5:13 it Says: For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

Child: As You know, it is easy for us to use excuses. We get distracted by the cosmic system and our flesh. We put ourselves back in bondage! Not a good place to be!

Jesus Christ: You've got that right. Whenever that happens, acknowledge it and turn back to Me and My thinking. Remember that God the Father forgave all of your sins because of My redeeming work on the cross. Also, remember that the Holy Spirit is inside of you and He is your power, Guide, Teacher and Comforter. He will set your thinking straight!



Child: And what a comfort He is! I'm grateful to have all that You, the Father and the Holy Spirit give me to live the spiritual life. I know I can't do it without Your help! I've tried doing it without Your help and I failed miserably! It was painful and ugly!

Jesus Christ: You have Our help available to you every second of every day! There is no need to be miserable.

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Jesus Christ: There are many things in your world today that seem very attractive but are evil. Temptation can be attractive. For example, your friend may have something you like and want. He or she may be good looking, have lots of nice things, etc. When you think of these things, you start to feel discontent because you don't have them. Remember, Eve became discontented because she didn't know what the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was. Did she become content when she learned about that tree?



Child: She did not become content when she learned about good and evil. Our only true contentment comes from You, the Father and the Holy Spirit. When I let my human viewpoint have power over my thinking I'm really unhappy or discontent. Giving it power causes me to be anxious and

to have fear! In the Bible, which is Your thinking, it says:

Philippians 4:6-7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests by made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Jesus Christ: Living in fear is not living in God's grace provisions for you. When fear grabs hold of you, remember My thinking in the Bible. The Holy Spirit will restore your peace of mind.

1 John 4:16, 18, 19 We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. V18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves punishment, and the one who fears is not perfected in love. V19 We love, because He first loved us.

Child: I also like this promise:

Isaiah 41:10 Do not fear, for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.



Jesus Christ: There are many promises in the Bible to help calm your thinking. Use them so you won't be tied up in your human viewpoint and the cosmic system. When you let yourself get tied up, you're in bondage again and you can't truly love Me, yourself or others. Because of My work on the cross you are free to live in God's grace and experience God's love!

Galatians 5:13-14 For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.



Child: I want the Holy Spirit to keep reminding me that You have paid the debt for my sins. All that You suffered was a tremendous price to pay! Redemption is finished! I just have to believe that. When I start to be anxious and think thoughts other than Your thoughts, I want the Holy

Spirit to immediately guide me back to You, Your cross, death, resurrection and Your love!

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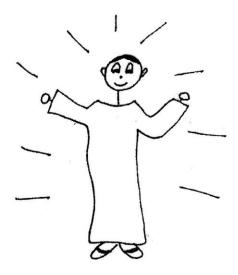
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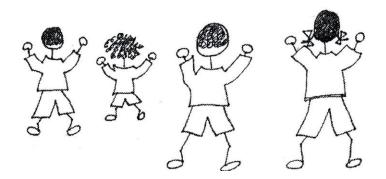
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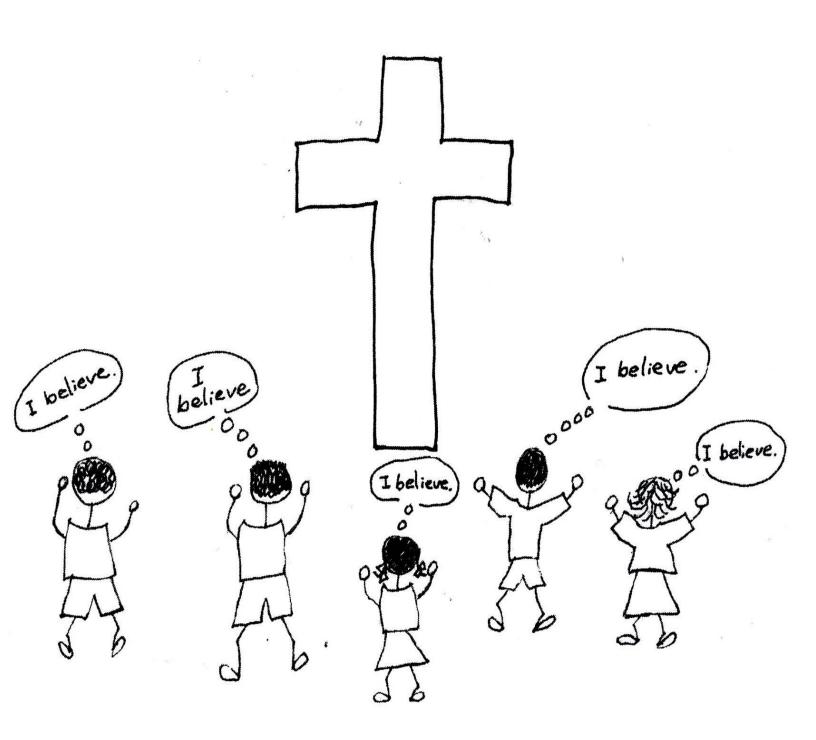
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Saved and sanctified I am

All my sins are washed away, I've been redeemed.







Ephesians 2:8-10 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.