Confess, repent and move on.

I am one of Jehovah's (God's) Witnesses. I testify/witness to people of Jehovah's goodness. Allah (God) is my Father and Jesus is my older brother. "Unkulunkulu" is my God Almighty. "Modimo o LERATO" - God is LOVE (1 John 4:7-21). "Jesus Panzaka" - "Jesu Kumkani" – "Jesu ke Morena" – "Jesus is die Here" – "Jesu Nkosi" - Jesus is Lord (1 Corinthians 12:3). Jehovah is LORD Almighty. Jesus is the first begotten son of Allah. All born-again believers are sons and daughters of Allah Almighty. Allah is omnipresent, omnipotent and omniscient. "Ons Hemelse Vader is alomteenwoordig, almagtig en alwys."

I am a Spiritualist, i.e. the opposite of a Materialist. Jesus the Christ of Nazareth is my ultimate master and teacher of choice. Jesus is the King of kings and Lord of lords. He is the ultimate. He is my role model and blueprint. He is Allah personified in flesh. He is the Anointed One of Allah. He is the Christ (the Messiah) that the Old Testament prophets prophesied would come. All born-again believers are anointed ones of Allah. Allah loves all people and He does not take pleasure in punishing His children. Allah is merciful and He welcomes all repentant sinners back to Himself in His Kingdom of LOVE and light. Unrepentant hearts will have to face the consequences on Judgement Day. As you sow, you shall also reap (2 Corinthians 9:6 & Galatians 6:7-8). Jesus does not save his followers. His followers/disciples have to save themselves through perseverance (Luke 21:19), which cannot be done of their own strength. We need the help of the **HOLY SPIRIT** (the Helper and Comforter). Allah is merciful and forgives any repentant heart. Confess, repent and move on.

Do you want to live or do you want to die? It is up to you. God gave us free will, so that we can determine our own destinies. Isn't God great? What an awesome God we serve! He gave us His commandments to protect us from ourselves. He is a God of LOVE and not a god of wrath. He doesn't take pleasure in punishing us, but naughty children have to be disciplined. Everything we go through is as a result of our own choices. Make a choice – your destiny is in your own hands. Who is it going to be – the "devil" or Jesus? There is no room to sit on the fence. It is either black or white – there are no grey areas.

If you call yourself a Christian, you have to be a committed disciple-making disciple of Jesus (Matthew 28:19-20). You cannot be a Christian unless you are born-again. There is no such thing as a Christian who is not born-again (John 3:1-21). Being a Christian implies being born-again. Going to church does not make you a Christian, just as living in a garage does not make you a motorcar. 99% commitment is not good enough. God expects 100% because He is Holy and does not tolerate lukewarm "Christians". Lukewarm "Christians" are vomited out of God's mouth (Revelation 3:16). Lukewarm "Christians" are not real Christians – they are fake. God's Word is the true standard according to which we should live. If we call ourselves born-again believers/Christians, we have to come to the party and live Holy lives. 99% is not good enough (1 Peter 1:14-16 & Hebrews 12:14). Confess, repent and move on.

LOVE God, LOVE yourself and LOVE all of creation selflessly. This is the golden rule (Matthew 22:34-40). Stop reading the Old Testament – read the New Testament first. Psalms and Proverbs in the Old Testament are also very helpful. If you are interested in history, then read the old Jewish history in the Old Testament or the Torah. Remember the golden rule: LOVE God, LOVE yourself and LOVE all of creation selflessly. This is the most important thing in life. Don't fear hell – just LOVE God. God is LOVE (1 John 4:7-21) and perfect LOVE drives out all fear. You cannot say that you LOVE God if you hate your brother. How can you LOVE God whom you cannot see while you hate your brother whom you can see (1 John 4:7-21). Love your brothers and sisters, as well as your enemies. God created all of them and

therefore they ought to be loved. If you know and understand the great commandment and if you apply it, then life becomes a breeze and a joy. Life becomes really uncomplicated and everything starts to make sense. We are not here to build our own little empires. We are here to show LOVE and compassion to our fellow creatures, humans and animals alike. We are here to live together in peace and harmony with all of creation on this beautiful planet that God has placed us on to rule and reign. We have all made mistakes and we have all sinned and strayed from the straight and narrow way – nobody is perfect. Don't be trapped by feelings of guilt. God is merciful and gracious, and any sinner who confesses that Jesus is Lord of lords and King of kings, and who decides to follow Him, will be saved (John 3:36). We have to be obedient to Jesus' teachings or face the consequences of our actions and non-actions (John 3:36 & James 4:17). Are you thinking yet? Do these words make you think? Do you need more information?

Read the Gospel of John, starting from chapter 1 verse 1. That's right, start at the beginning. The book of John has 21 chapters – a chapter a day should suffice. Read a chapter a day, and after 3 weeks (21 days) you will be born-again. If not, then you are just plain stubborn and disobedient. It is very important that you pray every day before you read, that the **HOLY SPIRIT** may come and break open the words and make them live. Just do the right thing and stop being stubborn and disobedient to our Heavenly Father. The only way back to our Heavenly Father is to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Just read the four Gospels and get to know Jesus personally. He is God personified in flesh. His teachings are non-religious teachings of LOVE, light and truth. He is the ultimate Master and Teacher and Prophet of all times. He is the first-begotten son of God. He points the direction back to our Heavenly Father. He is our elder Brother and the example to all his disciples/followers, of how to live our lives in peace and harmony with all people. If you require more wisdom, insight and inspiration, then read the book of Proverbs in the Old Testament. There are 31 chapters – one for each day of the month.

Jesus is the way and the truth. The current calendar was started at zero in honour of Him. So wake up sleeper and smell the roses – it is time to change. You did not read this document by accident - it is all in God's plan. God does not want anyone to be lost. God is a loving Father who desires every lost sinner to return to Him, and to take part in His Kingdom of LOVE and light. Don't be stubborn and rebellious – just make up your mind and do the right thing. Jesus is standing at the door, knocking. Are you going to open or are you going to deny Him. There is no handle on the outside – only you can open the door. Your future is in your own hands. You can determine your destiny in this life and hereafter. God gave mankind free will, remember. Are you going to do the right thing? No pressure – it is your choice. God does not force himself onto anyone. He is a loving and merciful Father – He loves His creation. If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved (Romans 10:9). You have to be born-again in order to be saved. This means you have to start afresh and lay down your former life. You have to close the chapter you are currently in and start a new chapter (John 3:1-21 with emphasis on verse 16). Life is a journey, not a destination. Enjoy every day and serve humanity, as Jesus did. Today is the first day of the rest of your life – today is a new beginning. Don't look down and be depressed. Don't be blinded by your current circumstances. Just look up and know that God is in control. He loves you and he has special plans with you and for you. Just thank him for every new day that he gives you and do your best to follow Jesus. When you stumble and fall, just get up and try again. God will help you and lead you through his SPIRIT (Luke 11:1-13 & 1 Corinthians 12:3). The HOLY SPIRIT is our helper. Don't remain lying down when you fall - get up and complete the race (Hebrews 12:1-3). Ask the **HOLY SPIRIT** to help you. He will give you new power and new strength –

just call on Him. Every believer receives the **HOLY SPIRIT**. Please don't grieve Him by being disobedient. Smoking and drinking and drug abuse grieves and quenches the **HOLY SPIRIT** and then He leaves you to your own resources. The **HOLY SPIRIT** is gentle and kind and He does not force himself onto anyone. He is exactly the opposite in character and nature to the "devil". Impulsive decisions are from the "devil" and will cause you great pain and suffering. Just listen to the still, small voice of the **HOLY SPIRIT**. Pray before you make decisions. If someone makes you angry by challenging you or by provoking you, just count to ten before reacting. Walk away from confrontations and provocations.

Now, have you decided yet? Have you made up your mind? Are you ready to move on? If you are ready, then pray the following or a similar prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, I confess that I am a sinner and that I have strayed from the straight and narrow way. I want to follow You and listen to You. I want to inherit eternal life and be welcomed in the Kingdom. Please forgive me for leading a sinful life. Please fill me with the **HOLY SPIRIT**. Help me to say: "No thank you", when temptation comes my way. Help me to grow closer and closer to You and to break with all wrong thinking, wrong doing and inappropriate actions. Please deliver me from ignorance, foolishness and evil. Please be my personal Lord, Master and Teacher. Thank you Lord Jesus for leading the way and for being a light unto my path. Thank you for your amazing and unconditional LOVE towards me. I love you Lord Jesus. AMEN!

Congratulations if you have prayed this prayer sincerely. Welcome to God's family. You have now received eternal life (John 3:16, 36 and John 6:47). Don't be ashamed about your decision to follow Jesus. Tell as many people as possible, so that they also may turn around from the path of self-destruction and come to faith and follow the example of the Lord Jesus Christ. Read the New Testament daily and systematically to feed yourself with very important spiritual food. Failure to do so may result in stagnation and backsliding.

Be blessed, have an exciting **SPIRIT-filled** life and remember: "Jesus is Lord" (1 Corinthians 12:3).

Believe in yourself, follow Jesus and trust God.

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