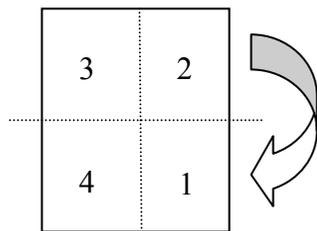


# The Four Spiritual Laws

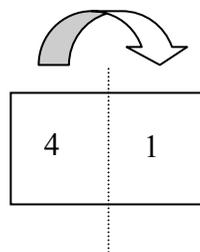
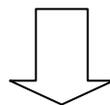
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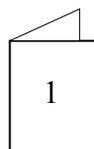
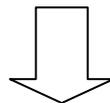
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"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way and the truth and the life: no one comes to the Father but through me.' (John 14:6).

### He is the Only Way to God

"Christ died for our sins... He was buried... He was raised on the third day, according to the scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:3-4).

### He Rose from the Dead

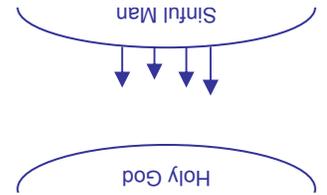
"God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)

### He Died in Our Place

Jesus Christ is God's *only* provision for man's sin. Through Him you can know and experience God's love and plan for your life.

The third law explains the only way to bridge the gulf...

This diagram illustrates that God is holy and man is sinful. A great gulf separates the two. The arrows illustrate that man is continually trying to reach God and the abundant life through his own efforts such as a good life, philosophy, or religion – but he inevitably falls.



[Christ speaking] "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come into him" (Revelation 3:20).

### We Receive Christ Through Personal Invitation

"By grace you have been saved through faith; and not of yourselves. It is the gift of God; not as a result of works that no one should boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

### We Receive Christ Through Faith

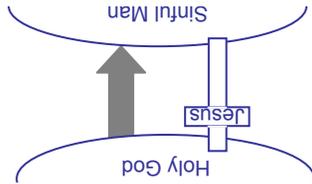
"As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become Children of God, even to those who believe on His name;" (John 1:12).

### We Must Receive Christ

We must individually *receive* Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; then we can know and experience God's love and plan for our lives

It is not enough just to know these three laws...

This diagram illustrates that God has bridged the gulf that separates us from Him by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross in our place to pay the penalty for our sins.



Receiving Christ involves turning to God from self (repentance) and trusting Christ to come into our life to forgive sin and to make us what He wants us to be. Just to agree **intellectually** that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that He died on the cross for our sins is not enough. Nor is it enough to have an **emotional** experience. We receive Jesus Christ by **faith**, as an act of the **will**.



These drawings illustrate a person (the circle on the left) with Jesus outside, knocking on the door and wanting to come in. But He will only enter if invited. The circle on the right represents a person who has opened the door and invited Jesus in. Which circle do you want to represent your life?

You can receive Christ by faith right now through a prayer of faith. God knows your heart and is not concerned with your words. The following is a suggested prayer.

*Lord Jesus, I need you. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. I receive you into my life as Savior and Lord. Thank you for forgiving my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person you want me to be.*

Does this prayer express the desire of your heart?

If it does, I invite you to pray this prayer right now, and Christ will come into your life as He promised.

## The Four Spiritual Laws

### 1 God *loves* you and offers a wonderful *plan* for you life

#### God's Love

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

#### God's Plan

[Christ speaking] "I came that they might have life, and might have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

*Why is it that most people are not experiencing the abundant life? Because...*

### 2 Man is *sinful* and *separated* from God. Therefore, he cannot know and experience God's love and plan for his life.

#### Man is Sinful

"All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23)

#### Man is Separated

"The wages of sin is death" [spiritual separation from God] (Romans 6:23)