

Heavenly Father ... I admit I am a sinner and need your forgiveness; I believe that Jesus Christ died in my place paying the penalty for my sins; I am willing right now to turn from my sin and accept Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour and Lord. I commit myself to you and ask you to send the Holy Spirit into my life, to fill me and take control, and to help me become the kind of person you want me to be. Thank you Father for loving me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

To continue as a true believer you must follow the Lord Jesus Christ. This involves regularly: 1. Read the Bible; 2. Pray to God in Jesus' name; 3. Fellowship with other born-again believers; 4. Get baptized in water.

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One evening, many years ago, before the days of radio, Captain Oldrey and the crew of his ship, the Hyacinth, were sailing toward Barbados, a tropical island on the eastern edge of the Caribbean Sea.

The Warning and The Response

The sea was calm and the sky cloudless. So Oldrey was greatly astonished when he looked at the barometer in his cabin. It had suddenly fallen to indicate "storm". In his concern he went up on deck and surveyed the area and sky for any signs. There was not the slightest indication of a change in the weather. Oldrey consulted his officers. They presumed that the instrument was defective. But the experienced captain feared the hurricanes in that area and took the warning seriously. He ordered everything to be instantly made secure and all to be cleared or secured upon the deck. Two hours later the "Hyacinth" was struck by a hurricane, but resisted it's raging force.

The Ultimate Storm

The Holy Scriptures are the barometer which warn of the coming storm of God's wrath and judgment which will soon break over this world. Unbelievers may say "**Where is the**

promise of His coming?" (2 Peter 3:4). To them the sky is clear; there is no probability of change. All will go on as it always has. They have no fear. They close their eyes to the clear warnings given in God's Word. In their foolishness they go on, deceiving themselves and others. But God's barometer gives us a plain warning. Hear its solemn declaration: "**Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved**" (Acts 16:31).

Now is your only time to prepare. Tomorrow may be too late. "**Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation**" (2 Corinthians 6:2).

"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" (Hebrews 2:3).

Jesus died for your sins! Admit you're a sinner and in faith believe in Jesus and make Him your Lord and Saviour.

As a first step you can pray the following prayer.