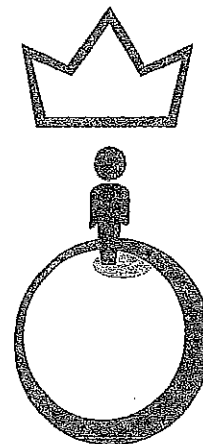


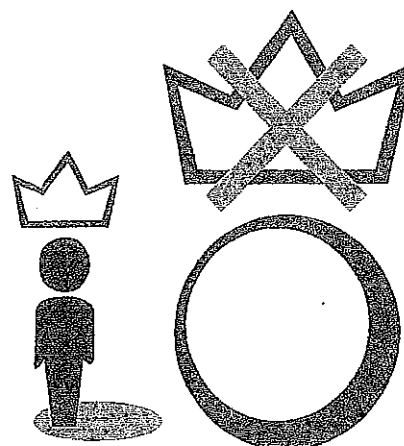
# Two Ways to Live

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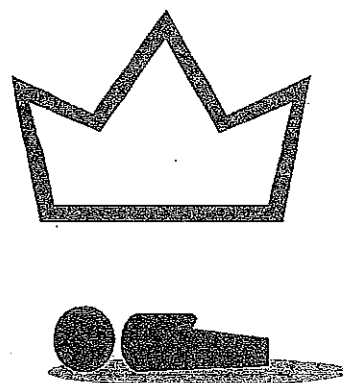
1. God's Word, the Bible, says that there is only 1 true God and he created the universe. This crown represents God.
2. He created mankind with a purpose.
3. Have you ever thought about what the purpose of your life is?
4. God's purpose for our life is to live in relationship with Him.
5. In this relationship we can **KNOW, LOVE, and HONOR** Him.



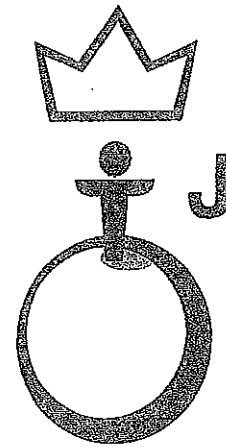
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1. Although God created us, from our earliest ancestors we have **rejected Him** and have gone **our own way**.
  2. Therefore, we do **NOT KNOW** the 1 true God. Instead we make idols to worship or trust ourselves more than God.
  3. We do **NOT LOVE** God. Instead, we love the things God has created more than we love God.
  4. We do **NOT HONOR** God with our lives. We honor ourselves and other people.
  5. All of this is called **sin**. (not believing and following the 1 true God.)



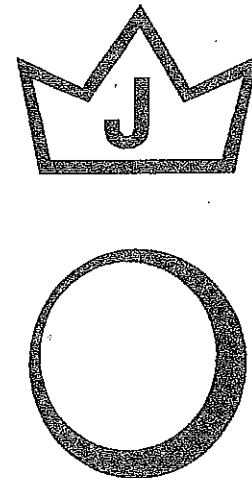
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1. The Bible says that the **punishment for our sin is spiritual death**.
  2. Spiritual death simply means that **THE RELATIONSHIP** God has created us to have with Him **IS BROKEN**.
  3. Because our relationship with God is broken, our relationships with other people are broken.
  4. The Bible says God is light, but because we are separated from Him we are in **SPIRITUAL DARKNESS** and do not know how to return to God.
  5. The Bible says God is love, but because we are in a broken relationship with Him there is **EMPTINESS IN OUR HEART**.



1. God's word says that even though we have all sinned and gone our own way, **God still loves us** and has provided a way for us to be saved from this punishment.
2. God **sent his only Son, Jesus**, into this world to save us.
3. Jesus perfectly knew, loved, and honored (obeyed) God.
4. Jesus never went his own way, therefore, **HE HAD NO SIN.**
5. Jesus **LOVED ALL PEOPLE**, (even outcast/his enemies) Jesus loves you.
6. Jesus showed his love by healing the sick, casting out evil spirits from people, and caring for those who no one else cared for.
7. He taught us what God's kingdom is like and how to honor God.
8. Because people had rejected God's way they also rejected Jesus.
9. Therefore, the religious leaders had Jesus crucified on a cross.
10. However, this was **God's plan** from the beginning.
11. God sent his son to come and **pay the punishment** for our sins.
12. Remember the punishment for our sin is death.
13. Jesus **DIED IN OUR PLACE, FOR OUR SINS ON THE CROSS.**



1. On the 3rd day after Jesus' death, he **rose from the dead** just as he had said he would.
2. Then he appeared to hundreds of his followers.
3. Jesus said all authority in heaven and on earth has been given to him by God.
4. Because Jesus is alive,
  - a. He can **FORGIVE OUR SINS.**
  - b. He can **RESTORE OUR BROKEN RELATIONSHIP.**
  - c. He can **GIVE US ETERNAL LIFE.**
5. Jesus is the only way that our relationship with our heavenly father can be restored.



### **God's Word says there are only two ways to live your life:**

We can keep living **OUR WAY**. We will continue to be separated from God both in this life and after we die. We will face judgment for our sin.

Or, we can **TURN FROM OUR WAY** to God's way. God's way is that we put all of **OUR FAITH/TRUST IN JESUS alone to save us.** God **invites you** to put your Faith in Him today.

Is it your desire today to turn from your way and put all of your faith in Jesus as your Lord and Savior?

