

MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

#2 'Jesus on marriage and divorce'

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IS DIVORCE OKAY?



Some Pharisees approached Him to test Him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife on any grounds?”

Matthew 19.3 HCSB



4 “Haven’t you read,” He replied, “that He who created them in the beginning made them male and female,” and He also said:

‘For this reason, a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’?

6 So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, man must not separate.”

Matt. 19.4-6 CSB

“Why then,” they asked Him, “did Moses command us to give divorce papers and to send her away?”

⁸ He told them, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because of the hardness of your hearts. But it was not like that from the beginning.

Matt. 19.7-8 CSB



31 “It was also said, Whoever divorces his wife must give her a written notice of divorce.32 But I tell you, everyone who divorces his wife, except in a case of sexual immorality, causes her to commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commmits adultery.

Matt. 5.31-32 CSB



**And I tell you, whoever divorces his wife,
except for sexual immorality, and marries
another, commits adultery.”**

Matthew 19.9 CSB



His disciples said to Him, “If the relationship of a man with his wife is like this, it’s better not to marry!” ¹¹ He responded, “Not everyone can accept this saying, but only those to whom it has been given. ¹² For there are eunuchs who were born that way from their mother’s womb, there are eunuchs who were made by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves that way because of the kingdom of heaven. The one who is able to accept it should accept it.”

Matthew 19.10-12 CSB

Now in response to the matters you wrote[a]
about: “It is good for a man not to have
sexual relations with a woman.” 2 But
because sexual immorality is so common,
each man should have sexual relations with
his own wife, and each woman should have
sexual relations with her own husband.

1 Corinthians 7.1-2 CSB



**I command the married—not I, but the
Lord—a wife is not to leave her
husband. 1 Corinthians 7.10 CSB**



¹¹ But if she does leave, she must remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband—and a husband is not to leave his wife.

1 Corinthians 7.11 CSB



12 But I (not the Lord) say to the rest: If any brother has an unbelieving wife and she is willing to live with him, he must not divorce her. 13 Also, if any woman has an unbelieving husband and he is willing to live with her, she must not divorce her husband. 14 For the unbelieving husband is made holy by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is made holy by the husband. Otherwise, your children would be unclean, but as it is they are holy. 15 But if the unbeliever leaves, let him leave. A brother or a sister is not bound in such cases. God has called you to live in peace.

1 Cor. 7.12-15 CSB

A wife is bound as long as her husband is living. But if her husband dies, she is free to be married to anyone she wants—only in the Lord.⁴⁰ But she is happier if she remains as she is, in my opinion. And I think that I also have the Spirit of God.

1 Corinthians 7.39-40 CSB



About virgins: I have no command from the Lord, but I do give an opinion as one who by the Lord's mercy is faithful. 26

Because of the present distress,

I think that it is

good for a man to remain as he is.

1 Corinthians 7.25-26 CSB



32 I want you to be without concerns. The unmarried man is concerned about the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord. 33 But the married man is concerned about the things of the world—how he may please his wife— 34 and his interests are divided. The unmarried woman or virgin is concerned about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But the married woman is concerned about the things of the world—how she may please her husband. 35 I am saying this for your own benefit, not to put a restraint on you, but to promote what is proper and so that you may be devoted to the Lord without distraction.

**So, then, he who marries his fiancée
does well, but he who does not marry
will do better. 1 Corinthians 7.38 CSB**



However, if you do get married, you have not sinned, and if a virgin marries, she has not sinned. But such people will have trouble in this life, and I am trying to spare you.

1 Corinthians 7.28 CSB

But if they do not have self-control, they should marry, for it is better to marry than to burn with desire.

1 Cor. 7.9 CSB

**Don't we have the right to be
accompanied by a Christian wife like the
other apostles, the Lord's brothers, and
Cephas?**

1 Corinthians 9.5 CSB



**Deacons are to be husbands of one wife,
managing their children and their own
households competently.**

1 Timothy 3:12 CSB





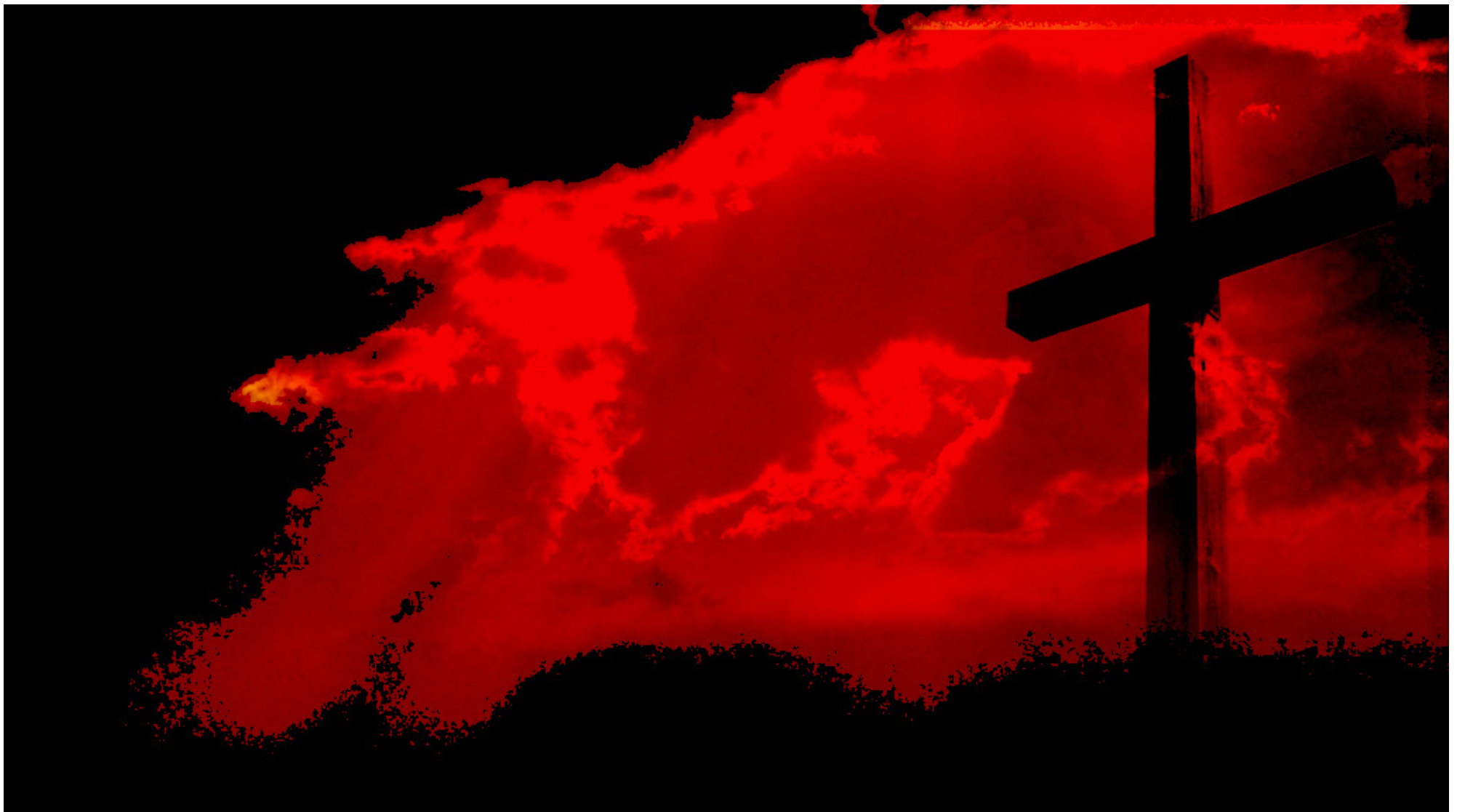
Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. John 14.6 CSB



**For all have sinned and fall short of the
glory of God. Romans 3.23 CSB**



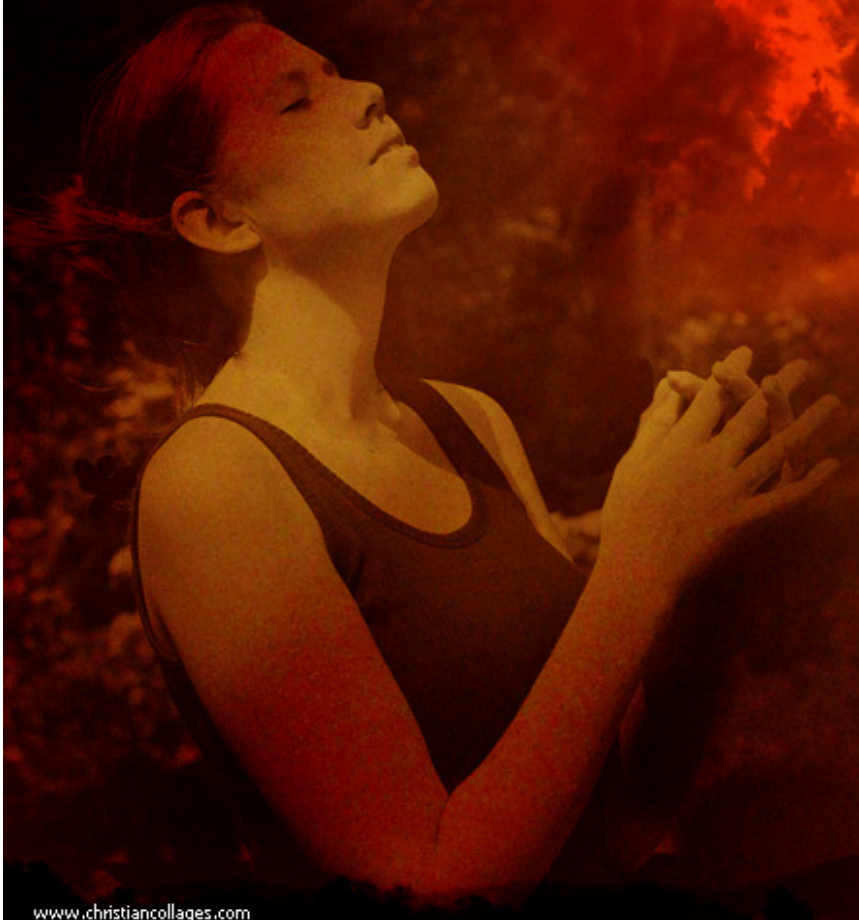
**For the wages [paycheck] of sin is death, but
the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus
our Lord. Romans 6.23 CSB**

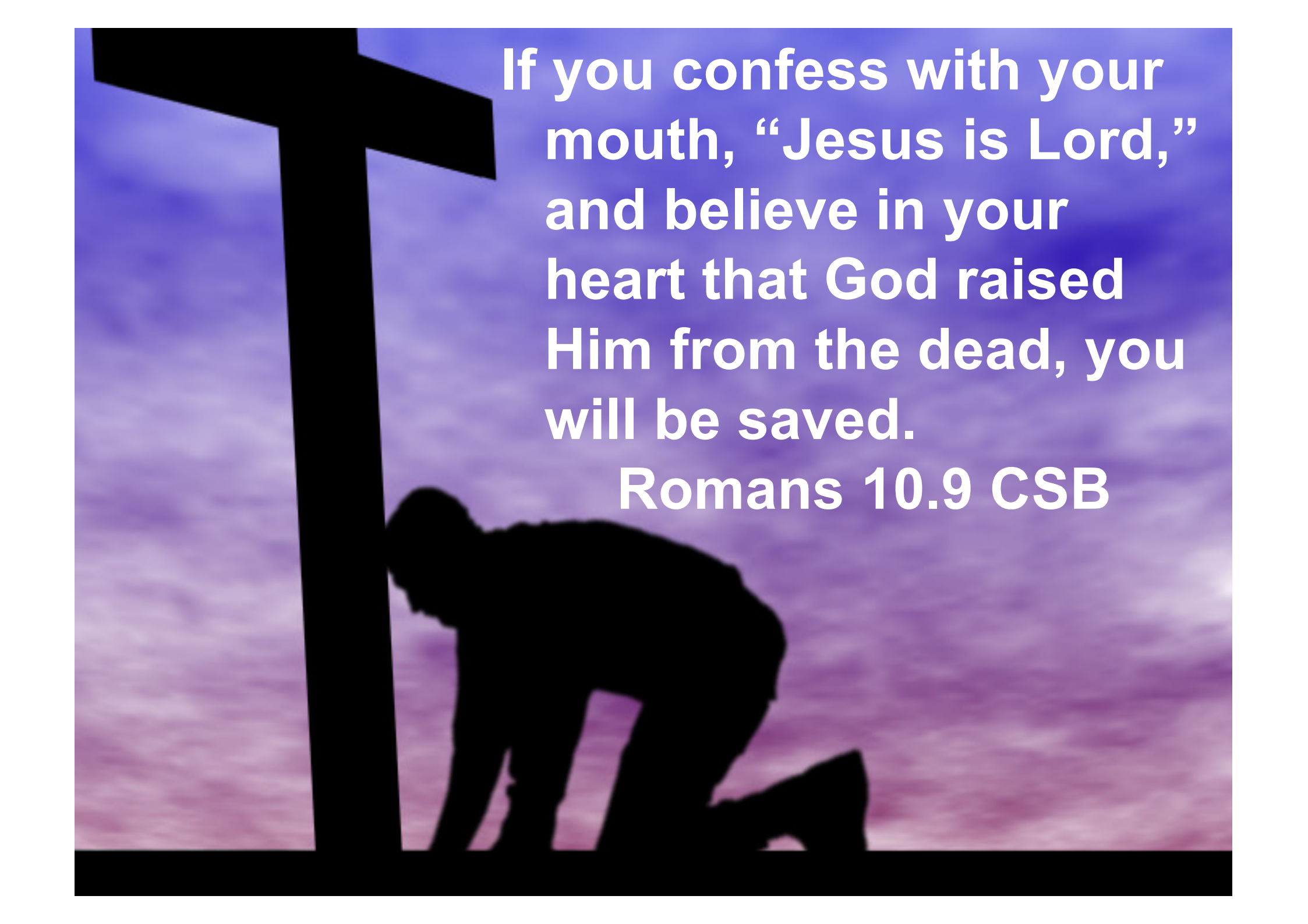


**But God proves His own love for us in that
while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us! Romans 5.8 CSB**

**For everyone who
calls on the name of
the Lord will be
saved**

Romans 10.13 CSB



A silhouette of a person kneeling in prayer next to a large cross against a purple and blue sky. The person is on the left side of the image, facing right, with their head bowed and hands clasped. The cross is a simple black silhouette on the left. The background is a gradient of purple and blue, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.

If you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10.9 CSB



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