

# MY STORY: SINCE THEN

## GOSPEL CENTRAL SALVATION GOAL: 15,000



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Lord, please prepare my three friends for the gospel.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ tag: drugs, prison, rape, cancer, suicide, \_\_\_\_\_?

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### I WAS...

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I grew up in \_\_\_\_\_.

Before giving my heart to God, my life/heart was \_\_\_\_\_.

I believed I would be happy if I \_\_\_\_\_.

For example, it wouldn't be uncommon for me to \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ to try to fill the emptiness in my heart.

After awhile, my behavior began to make me feel \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_, and that wasn't working for me.

### THEN JESUS...

At this point in my life, my belief about God was \_\_\_\_\_.

But it wasn't until I heard (or experienced) \_\_\_\_\_.

and that Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ that I began to

consider trusting God with my life. I finally decided that I wanted to receive Jesus as my Savior, so when I was \_\_\_\_\_, I proceeded to \_\_\_\_\_ . Afterwards, I didn't view \_\_\_\_\_ as my ultimate source of happiness anymore. I now know that the only way to finally receive joy and contentment is \_\_\_\_\_.

### SINCE THEN...

In my old life, before trusting God, I found comfort, identity, and fulfillment in \_\_\_\_\_ (the things I did to please myself). I used to take every opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ (get high, satisfy the appetite of pride and ego). After I received Jesus, the things I did with my time completely changed. Now I \_\_\_\_\_.

My life has changed dramatically. Though I may still struggle with things, they're getting better, and I'm different in so many ways, such as \_\_\_\_\_.

### ENCOURAGEMENT FOR OTHERS

Let me encourage you to trust God with your life. He has been so faithful to me and has never let me down, but has always been faithful to meet all of my needs, is always right on time, and I know He will do the same for you.

I **accepted Jesus' invitation** into a relationship through a prayer, which outlined the terms and conditions of our relationship. It's as simple as ABC:

#### Gospel A-B-C's

Father, I **Admit** that I am a sinner and that my sin has brought death and destruction into my life, my relationships with people, and my relationship with God.

**Romans 3:23, 6:23**

I **Believe** that Jesus died for my sins and that His death paid the penalty for my sins.

**Romans 5:8**

I **Confess** or agree that Jesus is Lord, that He died and rose from the dead, and is able to forgive me of my sins. **Romans 10:9-10**

Jesus, I trust that You love me and can hear my prayer. By faith, I ask You to please forgive me and fill me with the Holy Spirit. I surrender my life to You. I pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

Do you understand that prayer and would you be interested in accepting Jesus' invitation into a relationship? **Text "SAVED" to 59769.**

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