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FOLLOW
JESUS!**

**BE BORN
AGAIN!**

**BORN INTO
GOD'S
FAMILY!**

A top-down view of a swirling vortex of water, creating a circular hole in the center. The water is a light, yellowish-brown color, and the vortex is surrounded by concentric ripples. The word "SIN" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font in the center of the vortex. The background is a dark, textured surface, possibly a rock or concrete, with some water splashing around the edges of the vortex.

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A central yellow heart with a slightly irregular, hand-drawn edge is positioned in the middle of the frame. Inside the heart, the words "GOD'S" and "FAMILY" are written in a white, bold, sans-serif font, stacked vertically. The background is a rich, textured brown with a circular, wood-grain-like pattern that radiates from the center, creating a sense of depth and warmth.

**GOD'S
FAMILY**



**GOING TO
HEAVEN**

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**BELIEVE
AND SAY**

ROMANS 10:9

"I WANT TO FOLLOW JESUS"

You're here right now because you said, "I want to follow Jesus." That's so cool! Choosing to follow Jesus is the most important decision you'll ever make. I'm going to show you how you can start following Jesus today!

"YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN"

One day a man came to Jesus wondering if he should follow Him. Jesus quickly told Him that the only way to be with God is to be "born again." Jesus tells us the same thing too, "you must be born again." That sounds strange, right? Am I supposed to become a baby again or something? But Jesus wasn't talking about being born again on the outside. He was talking about being born again on the inside.

"BORN INTO GOD'S FAMILY"

Here's why: when you were first born you were born into a family. Maybe you had a mom, dad, siblings, relatives, or someone that takes care of you - a family. Well, when you're born again, you get to be born again into another family also, the family of God. You become a child of God!

"SIN"

Here's why that is such a big deal: you and I were first born as sinful people. Have you ever done something wrong? Something you knew you shouldn't have done? That's sin. But sin is way more than just breaking some rules. Sin is choosing to go our way instead of God's way. It's turning our back and making ourselves more important than God. We have all done this, and we are all sinners.

SIN SEPARATES

Sin hurts us. Sin hurts others. But worst of all, sin separates us from God. God can't be around sin, not because He's mean or mad at us that we sinned, but because God is SO good and SO perfect. We as sinful people could never be near our perfect God. This broke God's heart because He loves us so much that He wants us to be part of His family. There was nothing we could do to make sin go away, but all along God had a plan. He had a plan for us to be born again into his family.

JESUS BORN

God Himself would come into the world, and He did! He came into the world not as a warrior or ruler, but as a baby, Jesus, the Son of God. Jesus was born into the world. And like all babies, He grew up. But unlike everyone else, Jesus never sinned. He never did anything wrong. He always chose God's way!

JESUS BAPTIZED

When Jesus was grown up, He was baptized.

JESUS TEACHING

Then went all over teaching people about who God really is.

JESUS IN HOUSE

He spent time showing people that God cares so much more about them than they ever thought!

JESUS FEEDING 5,000

He did amazing miracles and helped people everywhere He went.

JESUS HEALING

He healed blind eyes the couldn't see, legs that wouldn't walk, and ears that couldn't hear!

JESUS LOVES ALL

He loved people that no one else loved, and showed people that God cares about everyone!

JESUS' PLAN

But all along, Jesus knew His real purpose: He was here to get rid of our sin. And that's exactly what He did.

ARREST

One night, Jesus let mean and jealous men arrest Him and take Him away.

TRIAL

Even though Jesus did nothing wrong, they hit Him, made fun Him, told lies about Him, and eventually was ordered to die.

CROWN OF THORNS

They took Jesus away and beat Him. They tortured Him. Put a crown of thorns onto His head.

CROSS

Then, they led Jesus up to a hill and nailed Him to a cross. Why?

SIN ON CROSS

On that cross, Jesus took the punishment of our sin - all the times we ever chose to go our way over God's way. This was the punishment of sin that we deserved, and Jesus took it onto Himself. He was separated from God, and then He died. It was all part of Jesus' plan to show us how much He loves us.

BURIED

His body was taken off the cross, wrapped in cloth and placed in a tomb. And this is where the story gets good. Jesus had always said that after three days He would come back to life, and that's just what happened!

EMPTY TOMB

Early on the third day, history changed forever! People came to the tomb looking for Jesus, but His body wasn't in there. God had brought Jesus back to life!

JESUS IS ALIVE

Jesus came out of that tomb, beating sin, beating death, and beating the devil! And Jesus is alive right now!

OFFERING SALVATION

Today Jesus is holding out His hands to us. He says, "I died to take away your sin, and I came back to life to give you new life, to make way for you to be part of My family. Stop going your way, and go My way. Stop putting yourself first, and put Me first! Be born again!"

SIN TO BORN AGAIN PROGRESSION

And when we're born again, Jesus takes the old us full of "sin" and makes us "new."

That means that we become a part of "God Family!"

We get to become a "Child of God!"

We get to be with Jesus in "Heaven" forever!

We are "Born Again!"

"BELIEVE AND SAY"

The awesome news is that Jesus did all the work Himself to make this possible! All we need is to believe that God raised Jesus from the dead. Do you believe that? We need to say that Jesus is our Lord, our boss. That means that we're choosing to go God's way, not our own. Are you ready to say that? We're going to say a prayer together for you to say that you follow Jesus! Let's pray.