



hen everyone around us speaks about the danger of the coronavirus, it is natural to feel afraid. Everything is getting more difficult—we cannot go out of our homes or meet with our friends.

We also have a lot of questions, and not knowing the answers can cause fear. Has God stopped loving us? Is God angry with us? Is it the end of the world? It is not wrong to ask questions, but we should go to the Bible to get our answers.

We need to hear what God has to say.

John 3:16 says "For God so loved the world"—all the people in the world no matter what language they speak, where they live or the color of their skin. God loves every one of us because He created us.

Even though the coronavirus separates us from the people we love, sin is much worse because it separates us from God—forever!

When you disobey your parents, hit your brother, lie, steal or even think about doing something wrong to someone, it is sin. We were born with sin, so we cannot enjoy being with God because He is holy—He does not think, say or do any wrong. You and I have sinned. The Bible says, "No one is righteous." Sin separates you from being with God in Heaven someday and being His friend right now. Sin is a problem worse than any sickness.



octors are trying to create vaccines and medicine to help fight the virus. It isn't your fault if you get the virus, but you were born with the sin problem. God has already given us the only cure for our sin and that is Jesus Christ.

When Jesus lived on earth He had a human body like us, but He was still God the Son. While on earth He cured many diseases and did many other miracles. He also taught people about God. But the reason He came to Earth was to make a way for us to be forgiven of our sin. Jesus allowed Himself to be nailed to a cross, where He bled and died for our sin. He died, was buried and came alive again on the third day. Now He is in Heaven preparing a place for those who believe in Him.

ou can clean your hands with soap and water or use sanitizers to try to help stop the virus. But you can know for sure



that Jesus cleans you from sin when you believe (trust) in Him as the one and only Savior.

Acts 16:31 is a promise from God which says, "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved." If you trust completely that Jesus has taken your punishment, your sins are forgiven.

Do you believe in Jesus? You can tell God about it in prayer right now. You can say something like this:

"Dear God, I know I have sinned and I am sorry. I believe Jesus died on the cross and rose again so my sins can be forgiven. Thank you for making me clean from my sin."

When you believe in Jesus, you can know that God will never leave you. He will always be with you and help you (Hebrews 13:5-6). He can help you be strong and not be afraid of what is happening.

octors give lots of advice so people can stay healthy. God also gives advice in His Word, the Bible. When you believe in Jesus, you will want to get to know Him better. You can do that by reading and obeying the Bible.

You can talk to God in prayer—any time, any place, about anything! Because God made you and loves you, He hears you and wants to answer your prayers. God knows how you feel and He says, "Do not be afraid." Remember He is with you even though you cannot see Him.

**Do you have a friend who is afraid?** Maybe you could send this message to help them too.

