

Who needs a Doctor?



Have you ever been to the doctors?

When you were asked what was wrong, you said you had a tummy ache, or a headache, or something like that. You told the doctor what was wrong, and he or she told you what must be done to put it right again.



Sometimes we realise there is something wrong in our lives that the doctor cannot help with.

Can you imagine going to the doctor and saying, "Doctor, something is wrong, I am not well." "Tell me about it," he would say.

"Well, I keep telling lies. I know it's wrong. Can you make me better?"

The doctor has a problem!

He cannot help you. He might even admit that he has the same problem. There are no tablets and ointments that can stop us telling lies, and make us always tell the truth. But it does not help us to know that everyone has the some problem.

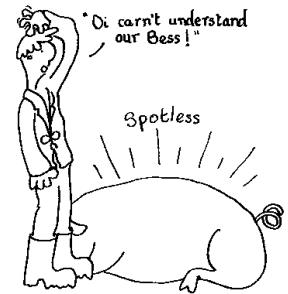
There is something wrong with us inside.

This is why we tell lies, or forget God, or use His name in bad language, or argue with our parents, or are unkind to others.

Just as my tummy ache tells me that something is wrong with my body, so my bad behaviour tells me that something is wrong with the real me inside.

We have a problem.

Just as a cat has a cat's nature - and not a pig's, all people have a human nature, and human nature is sinful.



Adam was the first man. God made him and gave him all he needed, yet he turned away from God. And now, just as we all look something like our parents, so we all behave like Adam, because we have all come from him. In our hearts we really like to disobey our loving God.

No doctor can help us with this problem.

Who can? When the Lord Jesus was on earth 2000 years ago a lady was ill. The doctors could not help. She got worse and worse. The Lord Jesus healed her deep inside. She went home happy and well.

The Lord Jesus Christ can help us.

He can do the same for us with our problem of doing wrong. He gives a new heart that wants to please God by obeying Him.

Pigs love being dirty, but cats love being clean. What would a pig do if it had a cat's nature? Can you imagine a pig that hated dirt, and loved being clean like this one in the picture?

When a person puts their trust in the Lord Jesus Christ He gives them a new nature, and their lives are changed.

Jesus Christ came to forgive our sins by suffering the punishment for them when He died upon the cross. But He also promised to give His Holy Spirit to make those who trust Him good.

"Can the Lord Jesus Christ help me?"

Is this a question you are asking?

A Christian song says,

He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might to at last to heaven,
Saved by His precious blood.

Jesus taught that we are full of sin. He said that just as doctors help the sick, He came to help sinners. He came to save sinners and call them back to God.

"How can I become a Christian?"

How can I be forgiven, and have my life changed?" It is not by any good thing you can do. Put your trust in Jesus Christ to be your Saviour and Lord. Ask Him to be your Saviour, and turn away from wrong things you do.



Is there anything I can do that will help me to know more about God?"

Yes, here are some things that are helpful.

- Read your Bible every day.
- Pray before you read. Ask God to help you understand.
- Look for things to learn:
 - about the Lord Jesus.
 - about doing what is right.
 - about stopping what is wrong.
- Ask an older Christian if you need help.
- Meet with other Christians every Sunday, at Church and Sunday School.

If you need any more help.

If you would like help in finding a church or Sunday School in your area, or a booklet to help with reading the Bible please ask your parents if you can write to us. Don't forget to put your name, age and address.

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