



TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT SALVATION

KEYS TO TALKING TO A CHILD ABOUT SALVATION:

- **Ask Questions** - Get clarification before deciding how to answer a question. For example, you might say, "What made you ask that question?," or "Where did you hear about this?" Remember, many times the question a child asks may not be the actual question for which he is needing an answer. Avoid asking questions that can be answered with "yes" or "no."
- **Avoid giving more information than a child needs** - Adults can be tempted to tell all they know on a subject. When a child asks a question, only answer what the child is asking. If a child asks for more information, be more specific with your answers.
- **Don't jump to conclusions** - A child may ask, "Why did Andy get baptized?" This question may be only a request for information, not a request for the gospel presentation.
- **Speak in clear terms** - Avoid symbolic analogies that distract from discussion and understanding.
- **Use simple wording** - Rather than using the phrase "accepting Yeshua into your heart," say words like "becoming a Christian".

STEPS OF GOD'S PLAN FOR SALVATION:

1. **YHWH loves you and has a great plan for you (Psalm 139:13-16)** - Talk about these truths. Say, "Tell me one way you know YHWH loves you."
2. **We have all sinned (Romans 3:23)** - Everyone must understand that he is separated from YHWH. Sin is best understood as choosing to do things our way instead of God's way (have you child name some examples of sin such as disobedience, lying, fighting, or even stealing)
3. **We deserve to be punished for our sins (Romans 6:23)** - Explain that a "wage" is what we earn for doing something. Let them know that death refers to separation from YHWH. We will all die, but we can not be with YHWH if we have sin in our life.
4. **Even though we sin, YHWH loves us and will forgive us (Romans 5:8)** - Ask, "How do you think it makes God feel when you sin?" Focus on the fact that God loves the child even when they sin. Make sure that they understand that God knows about every sin that they commit. Say: "God promised that one day a Savior would come and not sin and would die for all people. Do you know who that Savior is? Did you know that He died for you?"
5. **Yeshua died for us (John 3:16)** - Tell about John 3:16 and explain that because sin separates people from YHWH, everyone needs a Savior. Ask, "Do you know why Yeshua died?" Reply, "Yeshua (Jesus) loved you so much. He willingly died for you, so you could be with Him forever," If the child is old enough to understand the resurrection, say, "Yeshua rose from the dead, so we could have eternal life."
6. **You can become a Christian by confessing that Yeshua (Jesus) is your Savior and Lord (Romans 10:9)** - Ask, "Would you like to be a Christian and start living for Yeshua (Jesus) today?" State that the word confess means to say that Yeshua (Jesus) is your Savior and that you must **A**dmit your Sins, **B**elieve Yeshua died and **C**ommit to serving Him and others.



THE ABC'S OF SALVATION



ADMIT:

Admit that you are a sinner and have made mistakes.



BELIEVE:

Believe that Yeshua is the only Son of YHWH and he chose to die for you.



COMMIT:

Commit to a life of following Yeshua and loving others.