



Foreword

I became a Christian at the age of fifteen while on holiday in Lebanon, staying with my relatives who ran a Christian hospital in Beirut. I had had a wonderful holiday, but towards the end of my month there my uncle, Hagop Sagharian, spoke with me about Jesus. I had just beaten him at tennis – but then he was three times my age – but he was about to impact me in a way that would change me for ever.

Using a pocket Bible, he showed me short passages outlining the gospel. He spoke to me about God, explained that the Bible said I was guilty of sin, but that Jesus had come into the world with the express purpose of dying to pay the penalty for my wrong.

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Who is Jesus?

He showed me how Jesus had risen from the dead, but it was his explanation of the death of Jesus which struck home to me. When I understood that Jesus had paid the penalty for my sin, and had done so because of His love for me, I felt I had to trust Him as my Lord, Saviour and Friend.

That decision was like a hinge which changed the whole direction of my life. My interests and involvements are many, but what defines me is simply Jesus. He means everything to me. Since becoming a Christian, nothing has ever happened that has dulled my love for Him. And this little book is commending Him to you. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to hear that you too have come to know Him who said that He had come to give life, and give it more abundantly.

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