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Our identity comes from our spirit where we are either a sinner or a saint depending on our standing with God. I use a diagram of three circles with the inner circle as the spirit, the next circle as the soul and the outer circle as the body. I explain that our spirit is dead to God in sin (Ephesians 2:1) which is our sin nature (the Old Man-Romans 6:6) which affects our entire life.

When a person understands that they are thus separated from God because of sin which has the penalty of death (Romans 3:23; 6:23) and that Christ paid the penalty by dying for us (Romans 5:8). That we must choose to accept what Christ did for us in dying, being buried, and arising from the grave (Romans 10:9-10) and ask Him to come into our life (Romans 10:13). He sends the Holy Spirit into our Spirit (John 3:6;) to do the work of Salvation and becomes the guarantee of our Salvation (Ephesians 1:13-14) making our spirit His dwelling place (I Corinthians 6:19-20).

I received a letter from a country in Africa informing me that the paper was read in a service and that 80 people had received the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior in that one service as a result. We sent New Testaments with follow up materials explaining about baptism and Christian growth for each individual.

We know that hundreds have received the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior through our "Bread of Life Broadcast" but we only hear from one out of 10 who have been saved. (or so we have been informed.)

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