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"There are many kinds of life: vegetable life, animal life, mental life, moral life, and spiritual life. A being might be alive in one sense but dead in another. To be spiritually dead does not mean that we are physically dead socially dead, or psychologically dead. Yet it is a real death, a "dead death nonetheless. The most vital part of man's personality – the spirit – is dead to the most important factor in life – God." - H.G. Wood
God has to us up to these things.
1 Corinthians 2:14 NIV: The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit.
When it comes to spiritual death, there is no dead.
Sin & Trespass:
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Trespasses are choices.
Trespasses speaks of man as a rebel, sins speaks of man as a failure. Before God we are both rebels and failures." - John Stott
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**But** because of his great love for us, **God**, who is rich in mercy, 5 made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

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Life out of spiritual death isn't something we can
And it isn't anything that we
It is not a result of our good works, or our moral efforts. It is simply by the grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ.
Application:
1. We are all
2. God offers us an invitation to new life.
3. We receive this free gift through alone.
Ephesians 2:10 NIV: For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.
We are God's!
The challenge for those of us that have had our "But God" moment is to
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