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Ex-Beatle, John Lennon, once wrote to a Christian, to thank him, after hearing from a cousin, that the Christian was praying for him. He confessed, that his whole life from birth had been unhappy. Money, fame, and all that glitters, had only left him empty.

He said, "As the song we wrote, Paul and me wrote, Money Can't Buy Me Love, it's true. The point is this, I want happiness...Explain to me what Christianity can do for me? Is it phoney? Can He love me? I want out of hell."

There's a cartoon showing an old couple in their home, surrounded by their wealth. The wife says to her husband, "We've got everything we ever wanted. A big house, two cars, a swimming pool; it's not our fault if we're not happy!" It didn't buy John Lennon the happiness he sought all his life either.

People idolize celebrities, because they've achieved what most people

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believe will make them happy, fame and wealth. But when celebrities make it to the top, they find nothing has changed. That wasn't the elusive 'something else,' that would bring them real happiness. It wasn't the end of the road after all, the road carries on, and they carry on, still unsatisfied.

Contentment is really what people are seeking; but no-one will find it, if they're always searching in empty rooms.

The elusive emptiness, and hunger, within people's hearts, is Spiritual. We all have a God-shaped void within us, that only God can fill; and no-one will get the right answers, if they're asking the wrong questions.

John Lennon asked the right question, "Can He love me?" Yes, He can. As John 3:16 famously puts it, *'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, would*

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*not perish, but would have everlasting life.* 'Whosoever,' included John Lennon.

There's another 'whosoever.' 'Whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.' (Acts 2:21).

These verses answer the question for John Lennon, and they also answer it for anyone else, who asks the right question.

If you want to fill the void in your life, invite Jesus Christ into it. This can be done by simply praying, "Lord Jesus, I confess to You that I have lived a life of sin. I repent of it, and ask Your forgiveness, and invite You into my life, to be my Lord and Saviour; and I will love and serve You, all the days of my life. Amen."

Now that your sins are forgiven, live a life that is worthy of Jesus Christ. As with any newborn creature, you need to feed, or you will starve. The Bible is Spiritual food, to satisfy our Spiritual hunger, so read it daily, beginning

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with the Gospel of John

The most important part of this new relationship, is the fact that Jesus didn't remain in the tomb, but he was resurrected to life again after three days, as He foretold. And before He ascended to heaven, He promised, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." (Matthew 28:20).

As with any other relationship, you need to communicate, so talk to Jesus Christ daily, in prayer. Find a Church where He is honoured as Lord and Saviour, to serve Him, and meet with others who also know Him personally, to learn and grow Spiritually.

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