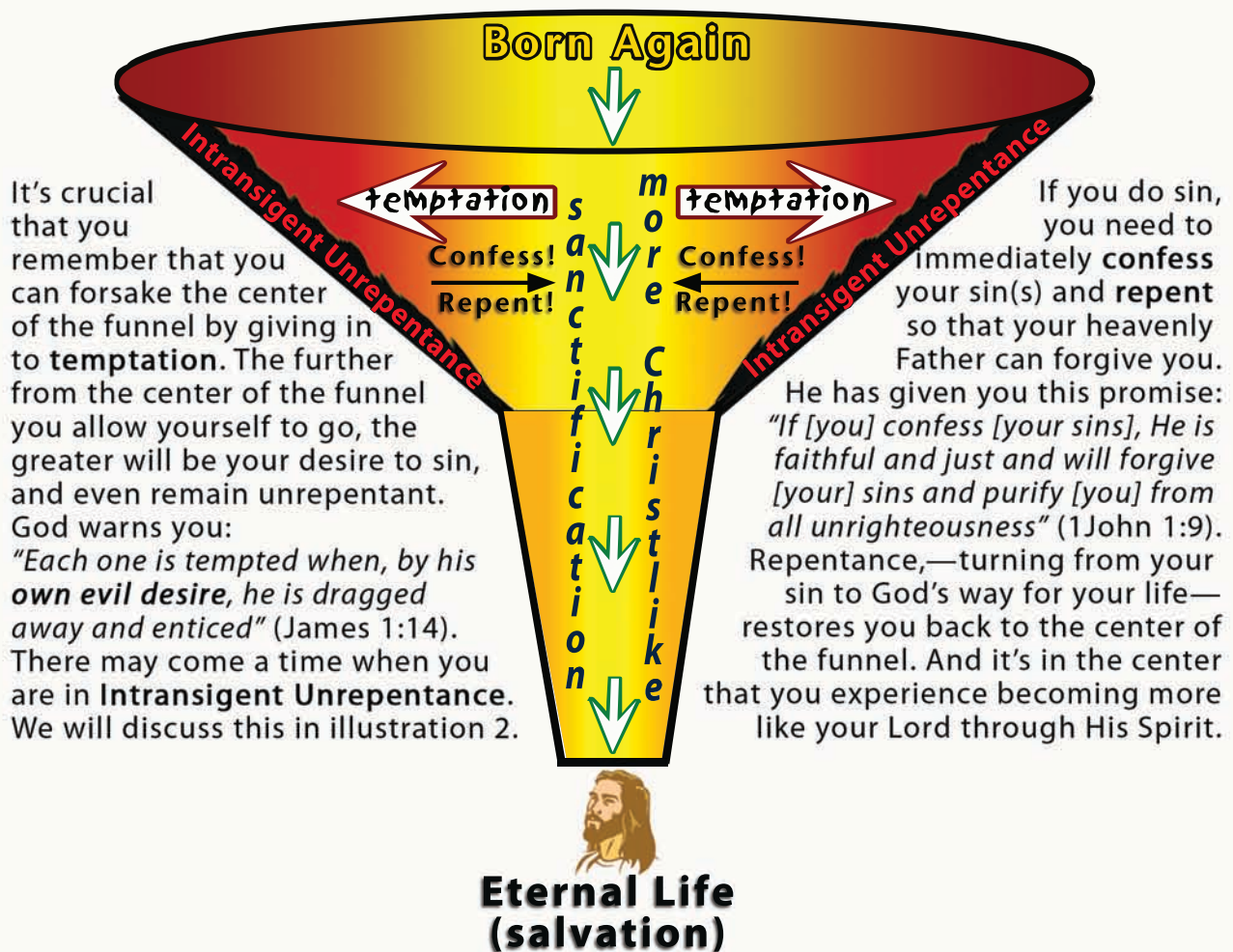


Visualizing the Pilgrimage of the Gospel of the Covenant

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The moment you're **born again** you've only begun your pilgrimage to your salvation—eternal life. Being born again can be compared to entering the top of a funnel, while your pilgrimage to your salvation is proceeding downward to eternal life. Your journey down through the funnel is called "sanctification"—you become more and more like your Lord Jesus in holiness and character. You must remain in the center of the funnel because it's the only place His Spirit can develop the love, compassion, and courage of your Lord. In order to become like Him, you must first look to Jesus as your Lord and the perfect Role Model for your life. As He lived to do His Father's will, you must as well. Directions for **how** you should live by His Spirit are found in the Bible.



Thoughts to Consider:

- Are you a person who readily confesses your sin(s) and repents—turning to our Lord and His Word for the action or thought He would have you replace your sin with?
- Where would you put yourself in the funnel illustration?