

1. IT ALL BEGAN ONE NIGHT WHEN OUR LITTLE TRAVELLING FAMILY WAS EATING DINNER in a small restaurant. Two-year-old Davidito had been misbehaving quite a bit and disturbing Mommy and Daddy at the dinner table. So Daddy said to me,

2. "HONEY, I THINK HE REALLY NEEDS TO GET SAVED! As stubborn and rebellious as he is at times shows me that he really needs to ask Jesus into his heart, and soon!" I think it's important!

3. "I'VE BEEN THINKING AND PRAYING ABOUT IT, and I wondered if he had asked Jesus into his heart yet. He is like a four or five year old, why can't he do it now? Honey, you are his teacher and I think you could do it.

4. "I THINK YOU CAN LEAD HIM TO THE LORD. He would take it better from you than he would from me. I think he is still a little awestruck by me. He's still a little afraid of me, in a way.

5. "YOU JUST BEGIN BY LETTING HIM KNOW WHEN HE MISBEHAVES THAT JESUS CAN HELP HIM TO BE GOOD. Jesus wants him to be good and can live in him. Davidito has such a big imagination and can act out things so well that it shows he already has a concept of the things which are not material--a concept of the abstract. So that means he can understand things that he can't necessarily see.

6. "YOU HAVE BEEN TEACHING HIM ABOUT JESUS. When going for a walk and in every little daily thing, you can point out how the Lord's hand is in everything. Look at the beautiful trees and flowers Jesus has made. Jesus has

made all things. Show him pictures of Jesus, like the 'Bible in Pictures' or a storybook."

7. MOMMY SUGGESTED THAT I GO OVER A FEM OF THE VERSES IN THE "FIRST SET" ABOUT SALVATION and explain to him when he is being bad and sinning that he is being Jesus. And then Daddy said,

8. "HOW CAN YOU SAY HE COULD RECEIVE IT IF HE UNDERSTANDS IT? How many of us knew what we were doing at the time that we received the Lord? I think he can understand that as well as we can!

9. "WE DIDN'T EXACTLY 'UNDERSTAND' HOW TO RECEIVE JESUS or what was going to happen when we received Jesus. All we knew was that we were sinning, we were bad and we needed Him, and that all you have to do is ask, believing, and you receive!

10. "IT'S NOT A MATTER OF 'UNDERSTANDING' AT ALL. YOU JUST RECEIVE IT BY FAITH. (Maria: That's right--it is a spiritual thing, and he's pretty intelligent. If we don't get him hooked into the right channel as soon as possible, I'm sure the Devil will try to get in, that's for sure.) Amen. Sara, you pray with him and lead him to the Lord.

11. "I'M SURE HE'S READY, BECAUSE HE'S A SINNER--he's bad and he knows it, and he wants to be good, and he knows Jesus loves him. I was praying and thinking about this the night before last."

12. DAVIDITO WAS TWO YEARS AND THREE MONTHS OLD AND WE WERE STILL TRAVELLING and living in small hotels after we left the Island of Tenerife. He had gotten into a mischievous stage of

crying easily and wanting his own way and being very stubborn and rebellious at times, mostly for attention.

13. SO AFTER THIS COUNSEL FROM MOMMY AND DADDY, WE KNEW THAT HE WAS READY to receive Jesus and all we had to do was pray for him to receive Him. Two days later, when we were sitting down to have morning school in the hotel sitting room, I began with prayer and asked Davidito,

14. "DO YOU LOVE JESUS, DAVIDITO?" He nodded and grunted a little "Uh-huh" so to say "yes". I said, "He loves you too, very much, and you need Jesus to help you be good, don't you?" He nodded "yes" again. He was listening very intently.

15. "DO YOU WANT TO TALK TO JESUS AND ASK HIM TO HELP YOU TO ALWAYS BE GOOD and to live with you always in your heart?" He nodded "yes", then looked over the side of the table and said, "Jesus? Where are You, Jesus?" smiling and clowning, like he wanted to find Jesus right then to talk to Him. I said, "You can't see Jesus but He's here and listens to every word you say. So let's talk to Jesus."

16. HE FOLDED HIS HANDS AND WITH EYES WIDE OPEN AS USUAL SAID, "JESUS, BLESS..." waiting for me to tell him what to say next. I continued, "Bless this prayer and please come..." Davidito finished the phrase and said, "Into my heart!", pointing to his own heart under his little heart necklace!

17. I SAID, "HELP ME..." AND HE CONTINUED, "BE GOOD". I prayed, "And forgive me..." and Davidito added, "Be bad". He followed what I was saying and finished some

phrases. I continued to pray, 18. "LORD, HELP HIM TO GROW STRONG IN THY SPIRIT, and to help others too", and he repeated, "Help others too, amen."

Then we praised the Lord with hands raised and Jesus entered into his heart! Hallelujah!

19. WHEN I TOLD DADDY AND MOMMY ABOUT IT AT LUNCH, DADDY SAID, "WELL, GOOD! HE SURE NEEDS HIM!" You know, people who are sensitive spiritually are not only sensitive to the good but also to the bad! He can really be stubborn sometimes! When I mentioned to Davidito later on in the day that he had received Jesus, he said, "Already in", knowing that Jesus was in his heart and there to stay. Praise the Lord!

20. I HAD NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT WHEN WOULD BE THE "PERFECT TIME" for Davidito to actually ask Jesus into his heart. I had only considered that it would take a simple prayer and that we should familiarise him with salvation stories from the time he was quite young.

21. THE FOLKS HAD RECEIVED SEVERAL TESTIMONIES OF OTHER PEOPLE'S CHILDREN in the Family who received the Lord at four and five years old. They were always surprised that the children had to wait so long, when the salvation experience would take only a simple prayer at an earlier age.

22. FROM THE TIME THAT DAVIDITO RECEIVED THE LORD, HE WAS MUCH EASIER TO TALK TO WHEN HE WAS MISBEHAVING or at times when a spiritual lesson could be shared with him. He also became more willing to pray and talk