

**PARDON ME?**

## Why do we need to be pardoned?

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God  
Romans 3:23

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal  
life through Jesus Christ our Lord  
Romans 6:23

Pardon

-to forgive or excuse

Forgive

- to pardon an offender / stop feeling angry or resentful towards (someone) for an offence, flaw, or mistake.

Sin

- disobedience to the law of God

Reconciliation

- to change from enmity to friendship, to mend a broken relationship

Justice

- rendering to everyone that which is his due / the quality of being just, impartial, or fair

Grace

- the free and undeserved favour of God ( salvation of sinners and the giving of blessings)



Mercy

- compassion, kindness, pity or forgiveness (shown towards someone whom it is within one's power to punish or harm)

Redeem

- gain or regain possession of (something) in exchange for payment / compensate for the faults of

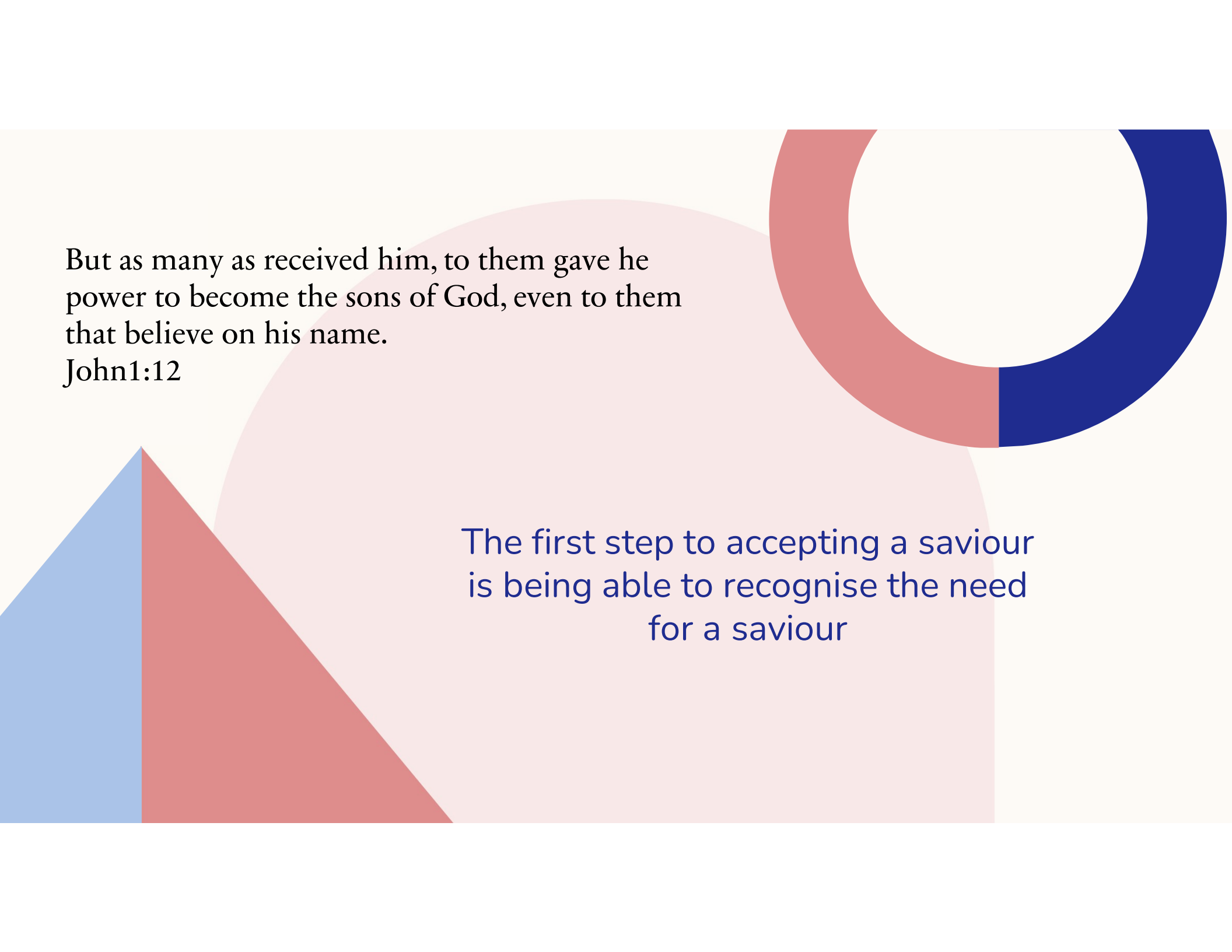
Salvation

- preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss / deliverance from sin and its consequences, brought about by faith in Christ.

We can be pardoned *{forgiven}* and reconciled with God *{our relationship mended}* because He has shown us mercy *{compassion and kindness}* and grace *{undeserved favour}*, (and has also fulfilled justice *{rendering that which is due}*), by sending His Son to redeem us *{pay the price}*, by Jesus taking upon himself the punishment that we deserved.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16



But as many as received him, to them gave he  
power to become the sons of God, even to them  
that believe on his name.

John1:12

The first step to accepting a saviour  
is being able to recognise the need  
for a saviour