God's Word Lesson One For Teens God's Word is called the Bible. It has been B. Isa

given to man so that he may know who God is, how to get to Him, and how to live for Him. It clearly shows the consequences for disbelief and rebellion against God.

In our first lesson, we will learn some important facts about God's Word that should help you to trust it as God's Word.

- **I.** God's Word is inspired.
 - A. God's Word did not just happen. II Timothy 3:16 says, "All ______is _____by ______of ____..."
 - B. Who directed the men who wrote the Scripture? II Peter 1:21, . . . the
 - C. Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and John were directed as they wrote their prophecies. Who directed them? Jeremiah 36:1,2 "... this word came unto Jeremiah from ______..." Ezekiel 1:3 "The _____

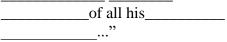
_____ came expressly unto Ezekiel . . ." Revelation 14:13a "And I heard a ______ from

______...,13b, "Yea, saith the _____"



- **II.** God's Word is eternal.
 - A. God's Word is not just here on earth. Psalm 119:89 tells where else it is and how long it will last. What words are used? _____, in _____.

- B. Isaiah 40:8 . . . "the word of our _____ shall stand ______."
- C. Who was the voice that came from Heaven in Revelation 14:13?
- **III.** God's Word is powerful.
 - A. Romans 10:17 tells us that hearing the Word produces what? ______ *Do you desire this?*
 - B. How powerful is God's Word? Romans 1:16 . . . "the power of God unto ______ to _____ ____that _____..."
 - C. In Ephesians 6:17, the Word of God is called the _____ of the _____. A sword is made to
 - A sword is made to pierce through. Therefore, the Word of God can pierce through to our heart. Read also Hebrews 4:12 where God says it is even sharper than any
- **IV.** God's Word is true.
 - A. Read Titus 1:1,2 and find something God cannot do. _____.
 - B. Fill in the blanks from I Kings 8:56,
 "... according to all that he promised: there ______



(He kept His word to Israel.)

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- C. God declares in Ezekiel 12:25, "For I am the Lord: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak________to_______to______..."
- **V.** God's Word must not be altered.
- A. The apostles first carried forth the 'Word of God. Paul knew that Satan would misuse the Word of God; he would convince some to change it. God made this judgment on any who change the gospel from that originally presented by the apostles "...let him be ______. Galatians 1:8 (Take a stand against those who come to you with other teachings.

come to you with other teachings Jude 3.)

B. In the book of Revelation, God warns, "...If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the ________that are

Revelation 22:18. See also Deuteronomy 4:2 and Proverbs 30:6.



- **VI.** God wants us to know His Word.
 - A. Read Deuteronomy 6:6-9. He wants us to know it so well that we are speaking of it (circle one)
 1. Some, 2. On Sunday, 3. All the time. Who are we to teach? ______
 - B. If God's Word is to be understood

and taught properly, it must be what? ______. II Timothy 2:15

C. God's Word is a ______ to your feet, and a ______ to your path. Psalm 119:105. Memorize this verse.



Note: The Bible was written by about 40 men as fishermen (Peter, James and John); scholars (Luke and Paul); poets and kings (David and Solomon): and prophets

(Jeremiah, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, etc.) These writings span a period of approximately 1500 years. As one studies the Bible, he can see the agreement of scripture between the Old and New Testaments. The whole Bible is beautifully joined together. It is God's work.

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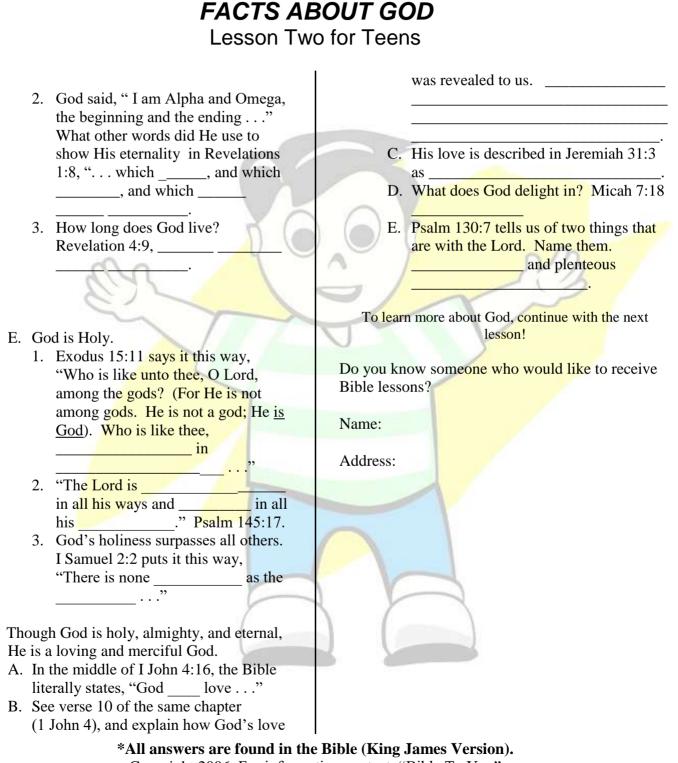
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God is the Creator of all things. B. God is present in all places at the same time (omnipresent). A. Have you considered the glory of our 1. The Lord is God in land and seas, the wonders of the sky? and _____. Deuteronomy 4:39 2. The eyes of the Lord are where? Their origin is not unknown. Genesis 1:1 says, "In the beginning, beholding what? ." Proverbs 15:3 3. Acts 17:27 assures us that God is B. Job was a man who knew of God's power in creation. In Job 26:7, what not far from did God hang the earth on? C. God's knowledge is complete C. Read Psalm 19:1-3. Name three things that show their Creators ability. (omniscient). 1. Our God is great and of great 1. _____ 2. _____ power. His understanding is? 3. _____ Psalm D. Who created man? Fill in the blanks. 147:5. A dictionary meaning of this Genesis 1:27, "So _____ created word is "lacking limits; endless, in the image of _____ created immeasurable" (Webster's New World Dictionary). 2. God sees and knows all that we do. He him" Proverbs 5:21 says that man's ways The Personality and abilities of God are before the eyes of the Lord. It (attributes) surpass all others. also states, "and he A. God is all powerful (omnipotent). (thinks on) 1. What word is used to describe Him in his goings." Read also Genesis 17:1? Jeremiah 16:17. See also II Corinthians 6:18. D. God is eternal. 2. God has power to know our 1. Read Psalm 90:2, then finish writing _____according to Job 42:2. the last line. "...even 3. In the same verse, Job said, "I know you (God) can do _____ . thou art God. *All answers are found in the Bible (King James Version).

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III.

GOD, THE FATHER

Lesson Three

There is one God and only one God, but God is "triune," or three in one. In the next three lessons we will study God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

I. The Scriptures speak of the Godhead.

A. Finish this verse: Acts 17:29 "For as much then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the

device."

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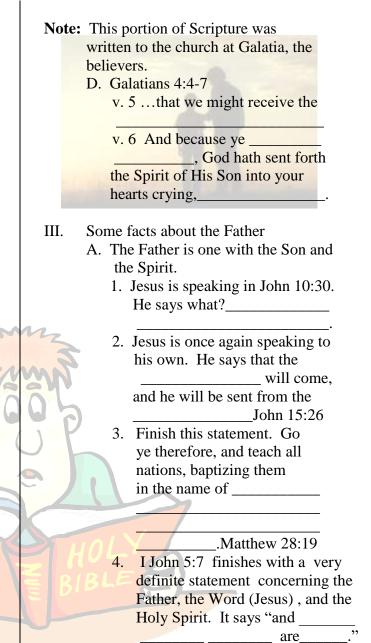
- B. Read Matthew 3:16, 17 and answer the questions below.
 - 1. Who was baptized?
 - 2. Who did he see when the heavens were opened?
 - 3. Who spoke from heaven?

Note: The Godhead is the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Please also read Romans 1:20 and I John 5:7.

- II. The Scripture tells to whom God is a Father.Finish these Statements.A. Jeremiah 31:9 For I am a
 - B. Colossians 1:3 We give thanks to God and the _____

praying always for you, ... C. Galatians 3:26 For ye are all

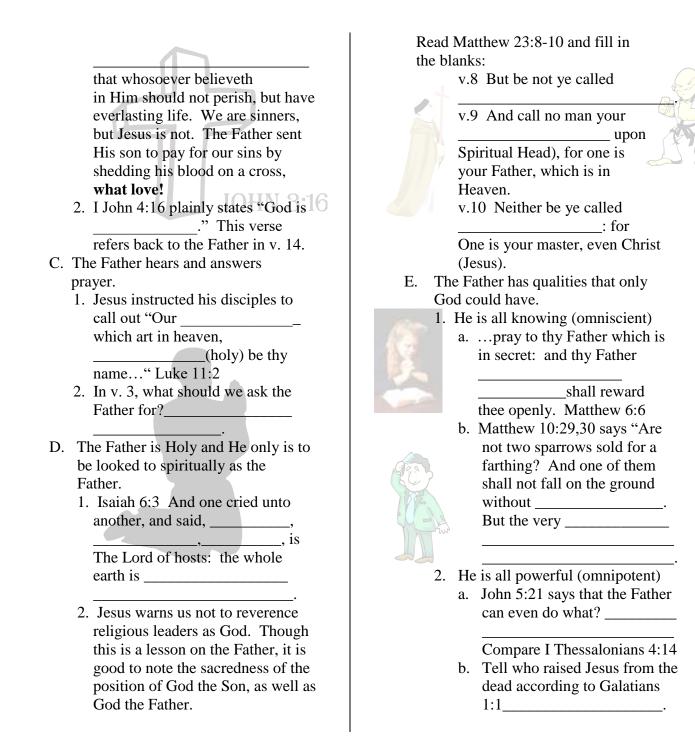
___by faith in Christ Jesus.



B. His love is without measure.1. John 3:16 says "For God so loved the world, that ______

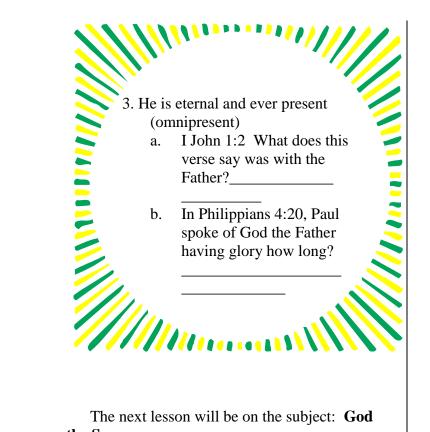
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Lesson Four

- **I.** Jesus Christ, He is and was and ever shall be. He is eternal.
 - A. Micah the prophet spoke this of the one who would come out of Bethlehem.
 Micah 5:2b ...Yet out of thee shall He come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been
 - B. Jesus who is sometimes called "The Word" is recorded in John 1:1 as having been
 - 1. In the _____
 - 2. With _____
 - 3. Was _____
 - C. Jesus said to the Jewish authorities who questioned Him.... "Verily, verily (truly, truly) I say unto you

John 8:58.

- **II.** Jesus' names and titles reveal who He is, what He is like, and what His positions are. A. What is Jesus called in Matthew 12:18?
 - a. Ruler b. Friend c. Servant
 - B. Read of Thomas's experience with Jesus after the resurrection John 20:26-28. What did Thomas call Jesus? My
 - C. The virgin born son was given what name in Isaiah 7: 14?

____ (This

means "God with us.")

D. He was called Jesus meaning "Jehovah is Salvation." what phrase verifies the reason for this name? See Matthew 1:21... "For He shall

- E. The wise men saw His star in the East and came to worship Him. They knew he was the ______ of the Jews. Matthew 2:2.
- F. What three words describe Jesus in John 1:29?the

, the

H. According to Isaiah 9:6 Jesus will one day rule the government and He shall be called

____, the

, the

_____. (note His equality with the father)

I. Complete this statement from John 10: 11 "I am the good ______, the good ______

J. Andrew found Simon (Peter) and said ...We have found the _____, which is, being interpreted, the . John 1:41

Christ is the Greek word for "the Anointed One". Messiah is the Hebrew word meaning the same. He was indwelt by the Holy Spirit for the fulfillment of the offices of Prophet, Priest, and King.

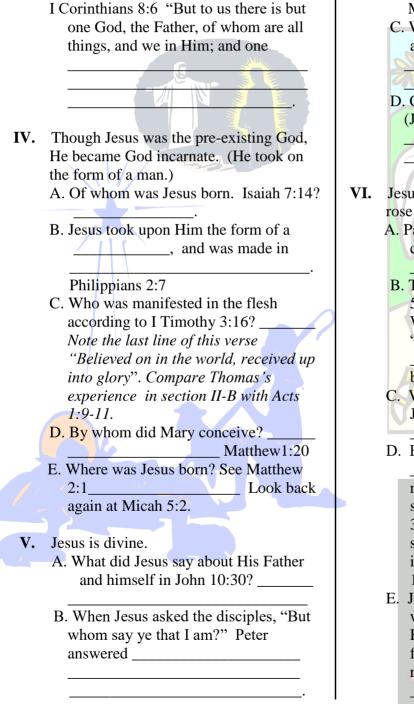
III. Jesus Christ is the Creator.
A. How much of creation was made by Him? John 1:3 _____.
B. Complete the following verse,

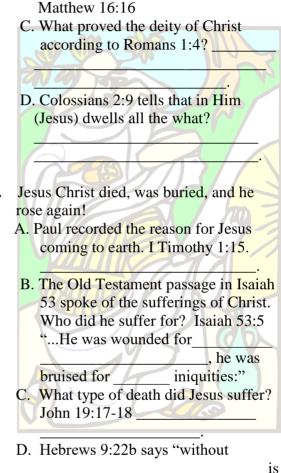
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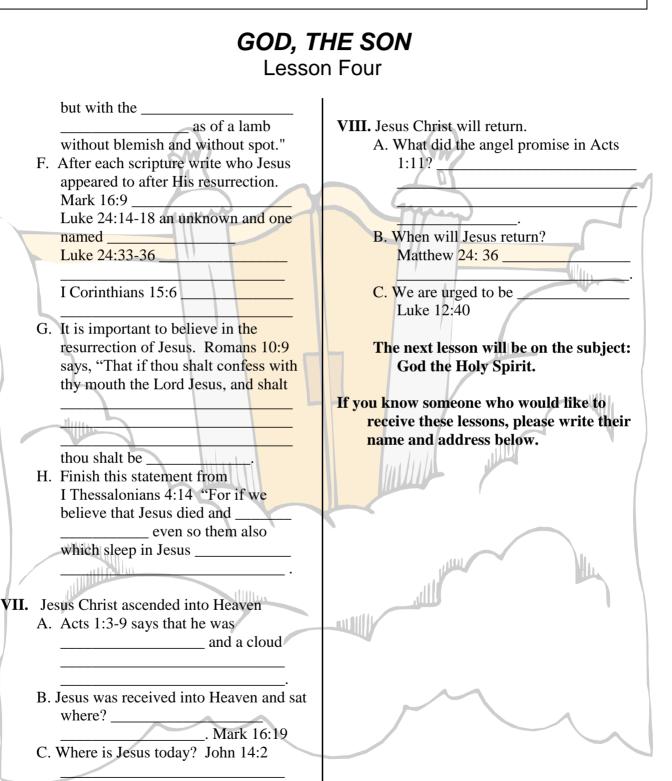




no remission" (letting go of or sending away sins). Read John 19:32-37 to see that Jesus blood indeed was shed. Another prophecy that is seen in Psalm 34:20 was fulfilled. In John 19:33 his bones were not broken.

E. Jesus is the redeemer (the one who will buy us back with His blood) From I Peter 1:18-19 finish the two following statements "...ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as

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and Hebrews 4:14 _____

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GOD, THE HOLY SPIRIT Lesson Five

The Holy Spirit is a distinct person, not just a power or a force. He has titles, does certain works, and has the same strengths as the Father and the Son. He also has his own special nature.

- I. God the Spirit is spoken of separate from the Father and the Son.
 - A. Read John 14:16-17. Jesus calls him another ______, and the Spirit of ______. If you are a true child of God the Holy Spirit dwells ______ and shall be _____ you. See also I Corinthians 3:16.
 - B. Read John 14:26 and fill in the blanks:"But the comforter, which is the

_____, whom the

will send in ______, shall teach you..."

- **II.** In scripture The Holy Spirit is also called what?
 - A. John 14:17
 - B. John 14:26
 - C. I Corinthians 3:16
 - D. Galatians 4:6

E. I Peter 1:11

God."

- **III**. The Holy Spirit has a special nature that allows Him to do His Work for the Christian.
 - A. According to Romans 8:14 the Spirit is a leader for the Christian.

Fill in the blanks: "For as many as are _____ by the _____

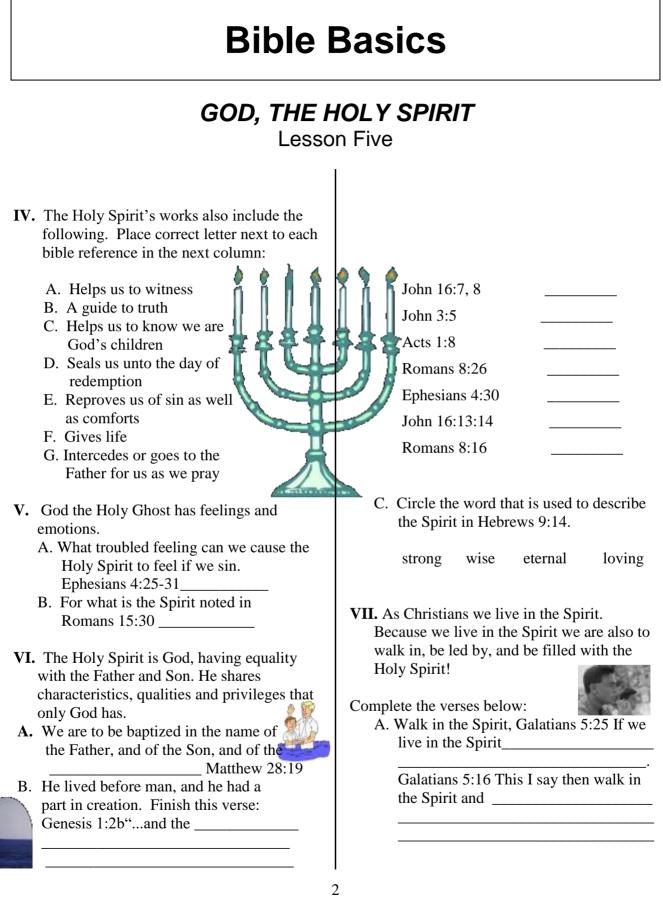
_____, they are the sons of

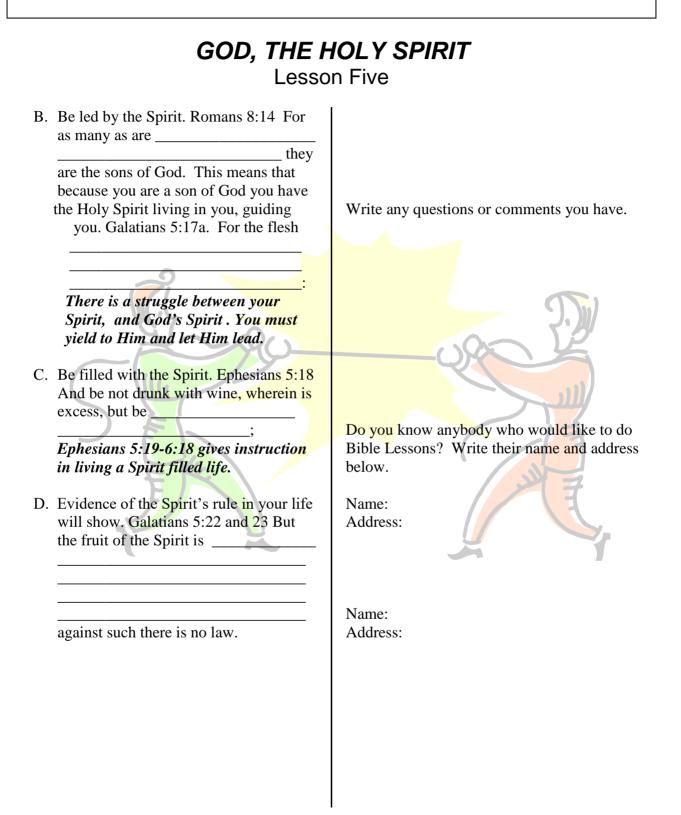
- B. The Father sent the Holy Ghost to comfort us. He also sent Him to us. John14:26
- C. His nature is also sinless. In II Corinthians 13:14 He is called the Ghost.

This sinless comforter is sent to be in communion with Christians. Because He is sinless, and is one with the Father and Son, He can remind us to look up to the Father in the Son's name. His pure and holy nature is one with theirs. He also helps us to understand the written Word, the Bible.

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SATAN, THE ENEMY

Lesson six

The Devil is also a real and living being. He is the enemy of God and man. This lesson is given to warn of this enemy.

I. Satan's beginning was good.

- A. Ezekiel 28:13 (last word) Shows that he was _____.
- B. Satan was a heavenly being called the anointed ______... Ezekiel 28:14. God is speaking hear and he says, "I have set thee so:"
- C. Verse 15 says "Thou wast _______ in all thy ways.
- D. He was beautiful. In fact his covering was said to be every

_____ See verse 13. Read on through the verse to see the jewels that he was covered with.

- **II.** Though Satan's beginning was one of beauty and honor, he failed to give God the glory. Lifted up in pride, he desired to overthrow God and take control. Because of this he was cast out of Heaven.
 - A. Ezekiel 28:17 tells us that his heart was what?
 - B. Read Isaiah 14: 13 & 14 and list the five things that Satan said he would do.
 - 1._____ 2.____
 - -.___
 - 3._____
 - 4._____
 - 5._____

C. Revelation 12:9 says that he was cast out to where?

_____ ... Who was

cast out with him?

- **III.** God has given names and titles to Satan that show his character; He has written of his evil works.
 - A. Read the verses listed and write the names, titles, or descriptions found there.
 - 1. Matthew 4:1 _____ (the accuser. He is a slanderer)
 - 2. Luke 10:18 _____ (meaning adversary)
 - 3. II Corinthians 4:4 _____
 - 4. II Corinthians 6:15 _____ (means worthless and wicked according to *Unger's Bible Dictionary*.
 - 5. Ephesians 2:2 _____

- 6. Revelation 20:2 the _____that old _____(ferocious and deadly)
- B. Satan is wise and clever. He uses these strengths to lead people to question God's Word and to doubt God. He lies and tempts both God and man. Answer the questions below.
 - 1. Satan is a ______ according to Matthew 4:1-3
 - 2. Satan is a liar. Concerning the tree of knowledge of good & evil, God said "thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest of it thou

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shalt surely die. What was Satan's answer to Eve about eating of that tree? Genesis 3:4 Ye _____

3. He tempted Eve in the Garden (See Gen.3:1-6) and Jesus in the wilderness (See Mark 1:12-13). Paul knew that the people he had taught may have been troubled by the Devil. The Devil will move in everywhere and attack the work of God. How did Paul state this thought? I Thessalonians 3:5 ".... I sent to know your faith, _____

_____, and

our labor be in vain.

4. In Job 1:9-11 Satan stood before God and said that Job feared God only because of what God had done for him. He said that Job would curse God to is face if all that he had was taken away. How did Satan state his accusations? Job 1:9 Then Satan answered the Lord, and said,

? (In other words "Does Job serve you for no good reason? He serves you because you have given him so much.") v11. But put forth thine hand now and touch all that he hath, ______

(Satan is a slanderer)

IV. The Devil's final destiny is set by God.

- A. Read Isaiah 14: 12 15. Where will Satan be brought down to?
- B. Finish this statement from Revelation 20:10 And the

where the beast and false prophet are,

- Note: Please also read verse 15. What will be your final destiny? Is your name written in the Lamb's book of life? Would you like for it to be written there as a testimony to all of Heaven and earth that you belong to God? You can ask God in Jesus name to forgive you of your sins through Jesus' blood. He will save you from that final penalty and secure your name in the Book of Life.
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CREATION Lesson Seven For Teens

"Creation" A better word cannot be found to name the earth with all living things, the heavens, and the sun, moon and stars. All were created, brought forth from nothing, by Almighty God.

- I. The Creator is revealed throughout the Bible.
 - A. Genesis 1:1 plainly states "In the

the heaven and the earth."

_____. He gathereth the ______ of the _____

_____as an ____: he layeth up the _____ in

(Waterways inside the earth.)

C. Read Isaiah 45:18. Isaiah calls God what? The Lord that _____; God himself that ______ _ ____; God himself

D. Jesus Christ, *the Word*, in John 1:1-3, was in the beginning with the Father. He was one with the Father as Creator. How much was made by Him? ______ Read

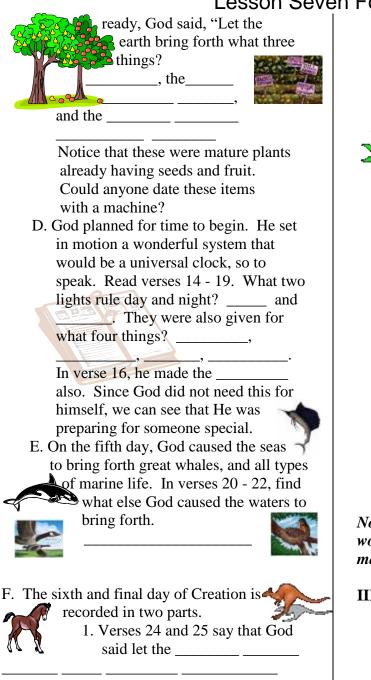
I Corinthians 8:6 and Ephesians 3:9.

E. Finish this verse from Genesis 1:2. "And the earth was without form, and

void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the _____ .,, **II.** The Work and Order of Creation is Recorded in the Bible. A. Read Genesis 1:1-5 and list the creation work of the first day. v. 1._____ v. 2. ____(substance on the earth) v. 3. v. 4. He divided the light from the B. What did God use to divide the waters? v. 6. (This was used to keep waters above it and waters beneath it, v. 7.) In verse 8, God called it _____. This was the creation work of the _____ day. C. On the third day of God's creation work, He continued in an orderly way. 1. He said, in Genesis 1:9-10 "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the and it was so. The Almighty God had only to speak! He then gave names to the dry land and the waters. They were called _____ and _____. (God given names) 2. Verse 11; Once the dry land was

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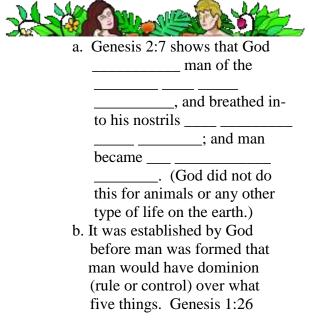
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after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind:

and it was so. (All creation prior to man was now ready for man.)

2. God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Man is created special, not as an animal which the earth brought forth.



_____, <u>____</u>, all the _____ and every _____

Note: While the animal kingdom is a wondrous work of God, it is not equal with man.

III. The Quality and Condition of God's Creation.This also is spoken of in the Bible. Look up the following verses and finish the statements from these verses.A. Genesis 1:4 "And God saw the Light ."

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- B. Genesis 1:10. "And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and
- C. Genesis 1:12. "And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and ______."
- D. Genesis 1:18 (concerning the sun and moon). "... to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and _____
- E. Genesis 1:21. "And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the water's brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and
- F. At the end of verse 25, God repeats the same phrase as above concerning the animal kingdom. He then makes man. After recording what His instructions were to Adam, the word says in verse 31, "And God saw everything that He made, and, behold _____
- IV. The Bible tells that God rested from His work on the seventh day. Finish the verse from Genesis 2:2b. "…and He ______ ____ ____ which

He made." And verse 3 says that God

blessed the Seventh day. He spoke well of it and of those who observe it. We ought also to cease from labor and worship the Lord. Exodus 16:23 speaks of the Sabbath which was to be kept holy as part of the law that man was required to keep prior to the death of Christ. The New Testament speaks of the church meeting together for worship and preaching on the first day of the week. This is the correct way for Christians to spend a day of rest from labor.



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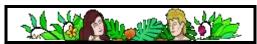


SIN Lesson Eight For Teens

In the "Creation" lesson, we learned that God created the Heaven and Earth, as well as all that is on or in them. We also learned that it was very good! God's last creative act was to make man in His image.

Since there was no sin in the world at that time. Where did it come from? How did it effect mankind and the world?

- I. Where did sin come from?
 - A. God planted a garden and placed Adam there. Out of the ground, He made trees to grow. In fact, He made every tree that is pleasant to see and good for food as well as the tree of life and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. God saw that Adam needed only one more thing, and that was a mate suitable for Him. Read Genesis 2:20-25. Here God gives the wondrous account of how He provided Adam's mate. What was the feeling of their heart and mind in the sinless world? Genesis 2:25b "... and



B. Some time passed with Adam and Eve living happily, peacefully, and well in the garden. They had fellowship with God. Can you imagine praising God

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for His wonderful works and sharing your accomplishments with Him? Can you imagine receiving only praise and a smile in return or perhaps some good word of guidance? That does not sound like today's world, does it? Genesis 3 tells of an event that changed all of that.

- Genesis 3:1, who was very subtle? ______ (Subtle here means cunning or crafty in a bad sense.)
- 2. Who had made him? _____
- From Ezekiel 28:13a and 14a, we can know that _____ was there in the form of the serpent. (See lesson six, section I.)
- 4. In Genesis 3:1-3, he challenged God's Word with

"Yea, hath God said, ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?"

God's words were: Genesis 2:16 and 17, "...Of every _____

thou

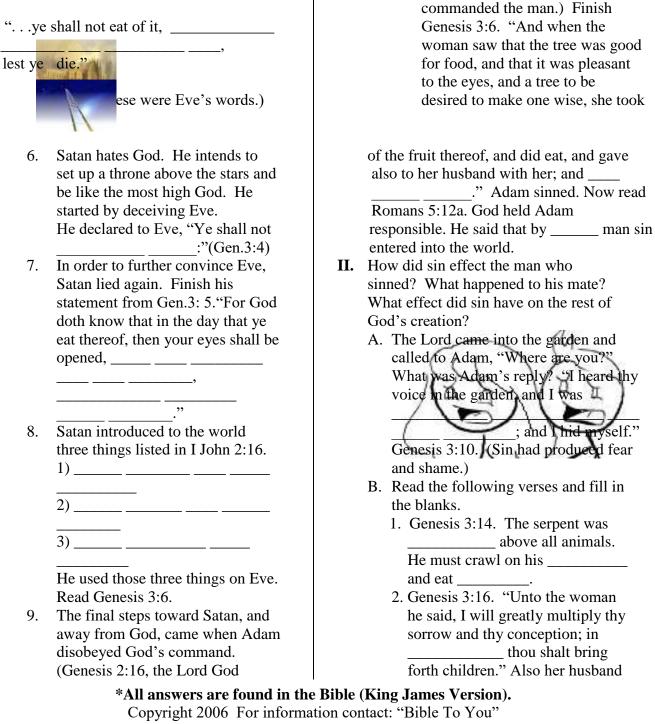
mayest freely eat: But the tree of the _____

_____, thou shalt _____: for

in the day that thou eatest thereof

5. Eve answered with more than God said. Finish the second half of Genesis 3:3,

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would now	destroy the Devil. See Hebrews 2:14.
would now	B. According to Revelation 20:10, where
3. Genesis 3:17. "And unto Adam he said, because thou hast	will Satan eventually be cast?
hearkened to the voice of thy wife,	How long shall
and hast eaten of the tree of which I	he be tormented?
commanded thee saying, thou shalt	
not eat of it	·
; in shalt	IV. What is sin?
thou eat of it all the days of thy	Sin is any act that goes against God. God
life." Sin produced sorrow.	has always made sure that man knows the
4. Genesis 3:18. What did the	right thing to do just as He instructed
ground begin to bring forth?	Adam in the garden. We will now list
	scriptures where some sin is listed or
Adam no longer	warned against. Write down the sins.
could eat easily from the trees in	1. Deuteronomy 5:17
the garden, but now had to work the ground and live from it by the	2. Deuteronomy 5:18
of his face.	 Deuteronomy 5:19 John 8:44 and
5 Romans 5:12. What passed on to	4. John 0.44 and
all men as a result of the sin	5. James 3:6. Bad use of the
brought into the world by Adam?	5. Junes 5.0. Due use of the
Genesis 3:19 puts it	6. Ephesians $4:26$. Acting out of
this way: " for dust thou art,	or <u>-</u> F
and	7. Leviticus 20:13.
And March A And A And A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	8. Leviticus 20:27.
III . What judgment came on Satan?	
A. Genesis 3:15 speaks truth about both	9. I Samuel 15:23. (five are
the serpent and Satan who indwelt him.	mentioned)
"It shall thy,	
and thou shalt bruise his"	
A snake is kept from striking and is	
killed by cutting off or crushing its head.	10. James 5:9. holding a
The seed of the woman refers to the birth	James 4:17 says that if you know to do
of the Christ, born of a virgin and sent to	good and do not do it you sin. There are
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other sins, of course, such as unforgiveness (Matthew 6:15), vengefulness (Romans 12:19) deceit, pride, debating, backbiting, disobedience, being unmerciful, and the list goes on (Romans 1:29-31). The Bible says that the whole world lies in wickedness (I John 5:19).

- V. All have sinned; no one is guiltless before God.
 - A. In Romans 3:23 God says, "__

_____ and come short of the glory of God." See also Romans 5:12.

- B. In I John 1:10 we read that if we say that we have not sinned we make Him a ______ and his word _____
- C. David of the Old Testament and Paul of the New Testament confessed to being sinners. Finish the verses below.
 - 1. Psalm 51:3, "For I acknowledge my_____: and my_____: ____." (David's words.)
 - 2. In Romans 7:24, Paul cried out, "O_____ man that I am!"

Since sin separates man from God, man needs a way back to God. That way will be the subject of the next lesson. It will strengthen the Christian's witness and challenge the undecided to accept God's plan of salvation. Christian, remember to be in the Word daily. Be a faithful witness; keep your life pure. Seek God's will for your life concerning service, and pray without ceasing.

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THE WAY BACK TO GOD

Lesson Nine

Since man is separated from God by sin, what is the way back to God?

- I. "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Proverbs 16:25. Man's ways of dealing with sin have never been God's way and are insufficient.
 - A. Adam and Eve.
 - 1. They were ashamed because they knew that they were naked so they sewed for themselves

_____ of _____. Genesis 3:7

2. God, however, shed the blood of animals in order that He might cover Adam and Eve. Genesis3:21 says, "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord make

B. Cain and Abel.

When the time for Cain and Abel came to offer a sacrifice to God, bel brought of the _____

Genesis 4:4. Cain brought of the fruit of the

_____ Genesis 4:3.

2. The Lord had _____ unto Abel and to his _____: but unto Cain and to his offering he _____.

Genesis 4:4b and 5a. God told Cain what his problem

3. God told Cain what his problem was. Genesis 4:7, "If thou doest

well, shalt thou not be accepted? (If you come to me the right way, won't I accept you?) and if thou doest not well, _____ Cain did not return to God with the acceptable sacrifice. Genesis4:8 shows that Cain was not repentant toward God. He rose up against Abel his brother and C. Noah versus the rest of the world. 1. Genesis 6:5, "And God saw that the _____ was great on the earth." And in verse 7, God says, "I will _____ from the face of the earth." See also verse 11-13. 2. Genesis 6:8, "But Noah ." And verse 9b says "and Noah _____"

Noah believed and obeyed God. Read Genesis 6:14-22.

 Man's way of that day ended in death. God's way saved Noah and his family. Finish Genesis 7:23.
 "And every living substance

_____ which was upon the face of the ground,

_____, and

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1.4	
, and the	v. 3. Thou shalt have
,	
	v. 4. Thou shalt not make unto thee
and they were destroyed from the	v. 5. Thou shalt
earth: and	not
, and	to, nor them
they that were with him	See also Micah 5:13
"	III. The wrong way and it's destiny.
II. According to God's Word, people are still	A. "There is a way that seemeth right unto
trying to please him their own way.	man, but the end thereof
A. Keeping of the Law sounds good.	
Some keep the laws and rules of a church, but	Proverbs 16:25
Galatians 2:16b says," for by the works of	B. "And as it is appointed unto man once
the law	to die, but after this the
"	Hebrews 9:27.
B. Some give money to the church, to the	Physical death is not your final destiny.
poor, or to pay for prayers for the	C. "The wicked shall be turned into
deceased. I Peter 1:18 warns, " ye	and all the nations that
are not redeemed with corruptible	forget God." Psalm 9:17.
things, as	D. Luke 16:24 speaks of a man who had riches when he was on earth but had
from your vain conversation (way of life) received by	
	never dealt properly with his sin. "And he cried and said, Father
from your fathers." See also Psalm 49:7.	Abraham, have mercy on me, and send
See also I sailli 49.7.	Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his
	finger in water, and cool my tongue:
C. Some believe they can get into Heaven	
by their good works. Ephesians 2:9	for
ends with this phrase, " not of	E. Give a brief description of Hell as
	found in the following verses:
	1. Matthew 25:46a, a place of
D. Some worship other gods as well as	
man-designed idols and images.	
Exodus 20:3-5 give these warnings:	2. Mark 9:48. Where their
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_____, and the fire

- 3. Revelation 20:1 The
- Revelation 20:15._____ 4.
- F. Who will be in Hell? Matthew 25:41 (last phrase). 1.
 - 2. Revelation 21:8. The fearful (faithless), and

, and the and _____, and

whoremongers, and and

and all

_____ shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

G. Perhaps you are not guilty of what man would consider serious sin. But what does God's Word say about guilt in James 2:10? "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend

_____, he is

." We must

realize that all have sinned, all have come short of God's righteousness, all are destined to Hell if they continue on the wrong way.

IV. The right way and it's destiny.

unto the Father, _____ B. What about the blood sacrifice? 1. Hebrews 9:22b "... and without _____ _____(*no* payment)." Read John 19:16-18 and 34 and 2. fill in the blanks. Verse 16 "Then delivered he him therefore unto

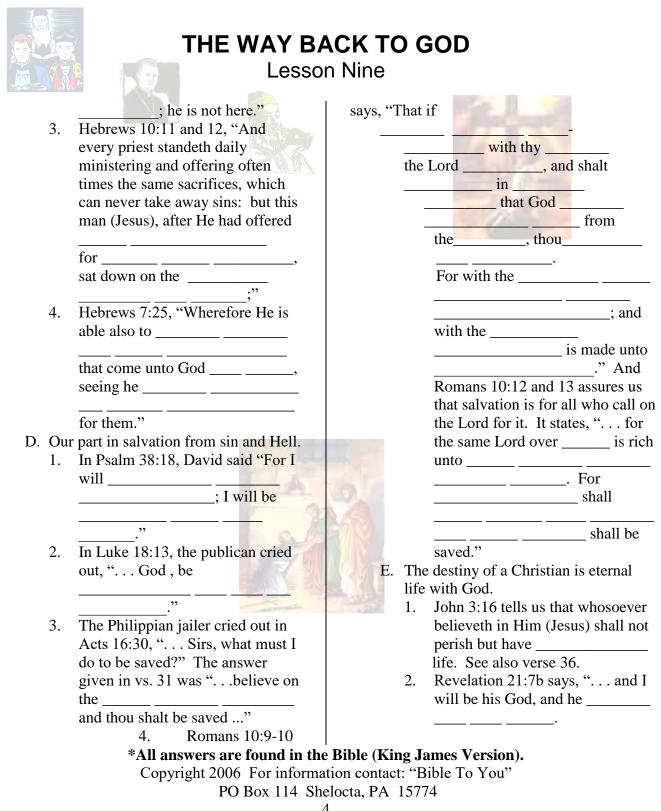
A. Jesus plainly states in John 14:6, "...I

and the _____; the _____, and the _____; no man cometh

them to be _____.". vs. 17, "... and He bearing his

_____...;"; vs. 18, "... where they ______...;" vs. 34, "But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out ______ and _____."

- C. Jesus was buried and rose again to ever be the offered Saviour, the High Priest between man and the Father. He was the final sacrifice. Complete the verses below.
 - 1. John 19:40, "Then took they the _____, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is ."
 - 2. Mark 16:6. An angel spoke to three women who came to the tomb and found no body. He said, "... ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is



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- 3. I Peter 1:4 tells the type of inheritance a person is saved to It is called incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved _____
- 4. The Christian's destiny is not delayed at death. II Corinthians 5:1 and 6-8 show this. Vs. 1, "For we know that if our earthly houses of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands,

 $\frac{1}{1}$." Vs. 6, "... whilst we are at home in the body, we are $\frac{1}{1}$." Vs. 8, "...

willing rather to be absent from the body and to be

- F. Salvation from sin and it's destiny is available now and is a gift to you. Do not wait.
 - 1. II Corinthians 6:2b says, "... behold _____ ___

3. The last phrase of Ephesians 2:8 says, ". . . it is the ______

If you have never been saved from sin's penalty, why not accept God's gift of salvation now? Will you admit your guilt before God and in the name of Jesus ask Him to forgive your sins and save you from Hell?

If you are a Christian take stock of your life before God and man. Are you living for God daily? Are you in His Word daily and praying, as He says, "without ceasing"? Are you taking a stand against sin, witnessing to the lost, and looking for the Lord's return?

CONGRATULATIONS ! You have just completed "Bible Basics".

GOD'S WORD

Lesson One

God's Word is called the Bible. It has been given to man so that he may know Who God is, how to get to Him, and how to live for Him. It clearly shows the consequences for disbelief and rebellion against God.

In our first lesson, we will learn some important facts about God's Word that should help you to trust it as God's Word.

- I. God's Word is inspired.
 - A. God's Word did not just happen. II Timothy 3:16 says, "All
 <u>SCRIPTURE</u> is <u>GIVEN</u> by <u>INSPIRATION</u> of <u>GOD</u>..."
 - B. Who directed the men who wrote the Scripture? II Peter 1:21, . . . the HOLY GHOST.
 - C. Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and John were directed as they wrote their prophecies. Who directed them? Jeremiah 36:1,2
 "... this word came unto Jeremiah from <u>THE LORD</u>..."
 Ezekiel 1:3 "The <u>WORD OF</u> <u>THE LORD</u> came expressly unto Ezekiel ..." Revelation 14:13a
 "And I heard a <u>VOICE</u> from <u>HEAVEN</u>..., 13b, "Yea, saith the <u>SPIRIT</u>..."
- **II.** God's Word is eternal.
 - A. God's Word is not just here on earth. Psalm 119:89 tells where else it is and how long it will last. What words are used? <u>FOR</u> <u>EVER</u>, in <u>HEAVEN</u>.

- B. Isaiah 40:8... "the word of our <u>GOD</u> shall stand <u>FOR</u> <u>EVER</u>."
- C. Who was the voice that came from Heaven in Revelation 14:13? <u>THE</u> <u>SPIRIT</u>.
- **III.** God's Word is powerful.
 - A. Romans 10:17 tells us that hearing the Word produces what? **FAITH** *Do you desire this?*
 - B. How powerful is God's Word?
 Romans 1:16 . . . "the power of God unto <u>SALVATION</u> to <u>EVERY</u> <u>ONE</u> that <u>BELIEVETH</u>. . . "
 - C. In Ephesians 6:17, the Word of God is called the <u>SWORD</u> of the <u>SPIRIT</u>. A sword is made to pierce through. Therefore, the Word of God can pierce through to our heart. Read also Hebrews 4:12 where God says it is even sharper than any **TWO-EDGED SWORD**.
- IV. God's Word is true.
 - A. Read Titus 1:1,2 and find something God cannot do. <u>LIE</u>.
 - B. Fill in the blanks from I Kings 8:56, there <u>HATH</u> <u>NOT</u>
 <u>FAILED</u> <u>ONE</u>
 <u>WORD</u> of all his <u>GOOD</u>
 <u>PROMISE</u>..."
 (He kept His word to Israel.)

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- C. God declares in Ezekiel 12:25, "For I am the Lord: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak <u>SHALL</u>
 <u>COME</u> to <u>PASS</u>..."
- **V.** God's Word Must not be Altered.
 - A. The apostles first carried forth the Word of God. Paul knew that Satan would misuse the Word of God; he would convince some to change it. God made this judgment on any who change the gospel from that originally presented by the apostles "...let him be <u>ACCURSED</u>. Galatians 1:8 (Take a stand against those who come to you with other teachings. Jude 3.)
 - B. In the book of Revelation, God warns,
 "...If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the <u>PLAGUES</u> that are <u>WRITTEN IN</u> <u>THIS BOOK</u>. Revelation 22:18. See also

Deuteronomy 4:2 and Proverbs 30:6.

VI. God wants us to know His Word.

A. Read Deuteronomy 6:6-9. He wants us to know it so well that we are speaking of it (circle one)
1. some, 2. on Sunday, 3. all the time. Who are we to teach? <u>OUR</u>
<u>CHILDREN</u>
P. If Cad'a Word is to be understood

B. If God's Word is to be understood

and taught properly, it must be what? **<u>STUDIED</u>**. II Timothy 2:15

C. God's Word is a <u>LAMP</u> to your feet, and a <u>LIGHT</u> to your path. Psalm 119:105. Memorize this verse.

Note: The Bible was written by about 40 men as fishermen (Peter, James and John); scholars (Luke and Paul); poets and kings (David and Solomon): and prophets (Jeremiah, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, etc.) These writings span a period of approximately 1500 years. As one studies the Bible, he can see the agreement of scripture between the Old and New Testaments. The whole Bible is beautifully joined together. It is God's work.

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Lesson Two

- **I.** God is the Creator of all things.
 - A. Have you considered the glory of our land and seas, the wonders of the sky? Their origin is not unknown. Genesis 1:1 says, "In the beginning,

GOD CREATED THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH."

B. Job was a man who knew of God's power in creation. In Job 26:7, what did God hang the earth on?

NOTHING

- C. Read Psalm 19:1-3. Name three things that show their Creators ability.
 - 1. HEAVENS
 - 2. FIRMAMENT
 - 3. DAY & NIGHT

(SPEECH/LANGUAGE)

- D. Who created man? Fill in the blanks. Genesis 1:27, "So <u>GOD</u> created <u>MAN</u> in <u>HIS</u> own image, in the image of <u>GOD</u> created He him..."
- **II.** The Personality and abilities of God (attributes) surpass all others.
 - A. God is all powerful (omnipotent).
 - 1. What word is used to describe Him in Genesis 17:1? <u>ALMIGHTY</u> See also II Corinthians 6:18.
 - 2. God has power to know our <u>THOUGHTS</u> according to Job42:2.
 - In the same verse, Job said, "I know you (God) can do <u>EVERY</u> <u>THING</u>.

- B. God is present in all places at the same time (omnipresent).
 - 1. The Lord is God in <u>HEAVEN</u> and <u>EARTH</u>. Deuteronomy 4:39
 - 2. The eyes of the Lord are where? <u>IN EVERY</u> <u>PLACE</u>; beholding what? <u>THE EVIL AND</u> THE GOOD. Proverbs 15:3
 - Acts 17:27 assures us that God is not far from <u>EVERY</u> <u>ONE OF US</u>.
- C. God's knowledge is complete (omniscient).
 - Our God is great and of great power. His understanding is? <u>INFINITE</u> Psalm 147:5. A dictionary meaning of this word is "lacking limits; endless, immeasurable" (Webster's New World Dictionary).
 - 2. God sees and knows all that we do. Proverbs 5:21 says that man's ways are before the eyes of the Lord. It also states, "and he

PONDERETH (thinks on)

ALL his goings." Read also Jeremiah 16:17.

- D. God is eternal.
 - Read Psalm 90:2, then finish writing the last line. "...even <u>FROM</u> <u>EVERLASTING</u> <u>TO</u> <u>EVERLASTING</u>, thou art God.

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- God said, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending . . ." What other words did He use to show His eternality in Revelations 1:8, ". . . which <u>IS</u>, and which <u>WAS</u>, and which <u>IS</u> <u>TO</u> <u>COME</u>.
- 3. How long does God live? Revelation 4:9, <u>FOR</u> <u>EVER</u> <u>AND</u> <u>EVER</u>.
- E. God is Holy.
 - Exodus 15:11 says it this way, "Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? (For He is not among gods. He is not a god; He is <u>God</u>). Who is like thee, **GLORIOUS** in **HOLINESS**..."
 - "The Lord is <u>RIGHTEOUS</u> in all his ways and <u>HOLY</u> in all his WORKS." Psalm 145:17.
 - God's holiness surpasses all others.
 I Samuel 2:2 puts it this way,
 "There is none <u>HOLY</u> as the <u>LORD</u>..."
- **III.** Though God is holy, almighty, and eternal, He is a loving and merciful God.
 - A. In the middle of I John 4:16, the Bible literally states, "God **IS** love . . ."
 - B. See verse 10 of the same chapter (1 John 4), and explain how God's love was revealed to us. <u>HE LOVED US</u>
 <u>AND SENT HIS SON TO BE THE</u>
 <u>PROPITIATION OF OUR SINS.</u>

- C. His love is described in Jeremiah 31:3 as **EVERLASTING**.
- D. What does God delight in? Micah 7:18 MERCY
- E. Psalm 130:7 tells us of two things that are with the Lord. Name them.
 <u>MERCY</u> and plenteous <u>REDEMPTION</u>.

To learn more about God, continue with the next lesson!

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GOD, THE FATHER Lesson Three

There is one God and only one God, but God is "triune," or three in one. In the next three lessons we will study God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

- I. The Scriptures speak of the Godhead
 - A. Finish this verse: Acts 17:29 "For as much then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the <u>GODHEAD IS LIKE UNTO</u> <u>GOLD, OR SILVER, OR STONE</u>, graven by art and man's device."
 - B. Read Matthew 3:16,17 and answer the questions below.
 - 1. Who was baptized? JESUS
 - 2. Who did he see when the heavens were opened? THE SPIRT OF GOD
 - 3. Who spoke from heaven? GOD THE FATHER

Note: The Godhead is the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Please also read Romans 1:20 and I John 5:7.

II. The Scripture tells to whom God is a Father.

Finish these statements:

- A. Jeremiah 31:9 For I am a FATHER TO ISRAEL.
- B. Colossians 1:3 We give thanks to God and the FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST praying always for you, ...
- C. Galatians 3:26 For ye are all <u>CHILDERN OF</u> <u>GOD</u> by faith in Christ Jesus.

Note: This portion of Scripture was written to the church at Galatia, believers

- D. Galatians 4:4-7
 v.5 ...that we might receive the <u>ADOPTION OF SONS</u>.
 v.6 And because ye <u>ARE</u> <u>SONS</u>, God hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts crying, <u>ABBA, FATHER</u>.
- **III.** Some facts about the Father
 - A. The Father is one with the Son and the Spirit.
 - 1. Jesus is speaking in John 10:30. He says what? <u>I AND</u> <u>MY FATHER ARE ONE</u>
 - 2. Jesus is once again speaking to his own. He says that the <u>COMFORTER</u> will come, and he will be sent from the FATHER John 15: 26
 - 3. Finish this statement. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of <u>THE FATHER</u> <u>AND OF THE SON</u> <u>AND OF THE HOLY</u> <u>GHOST</u>.Matthew 28:19
 - 4. I John 5:7 finishes with a very definite statement concerning the Father, the Word (Jesus), and the Holy Spirit. It says " and
 - **<u>THESE</u>** THREE are <u>ONE</u>." B. His love is without measure.
 - John 3:16 says "For God so loved the world, that <u>HE GAVE</u>

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SON that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." We are sinners, but Jesus is not. The Father sent His son to pay for our sins by shedding his blood on a cross, what love!

- 2. I John 4:16 plainly states "God is LOVE." This verse refers back to the Father in v.14.
- C. The Father hears and answers prayer.
 - 1. Jesus instructed his disciples to call out "Our FATHER which art in heaven, HALLOWED (holy) be thy name---" Luke 11:2
 - 2. In v. 3, what should we ask the Father for? **OUR DAILY** NEEDS (BREAD).
- D. The Father is Holy and He only is to be looked to spiritually as the Father.
 - 1. Isaiah 6:3 And one cried unto another, and said, HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is FULL OF HIS GLORY.
 - 2. Jesus warns us not to reverence religious leaders as God. Though this is a lesson on the Father, it is good to note the sacredness of the position of God the Son, as well as God the Father.

Read Matthew 23:8-10 and fill in the blanks:

v.8 But be not ye called RABBI. v.9 And call no man your FATHER upon earth (in reverence as Spiritual Head), for one is your Father, which is in Heaven. v.10 Neither be ye called MASTERS: for one is your master, even Christ (Jesus). E. The Father has qualities that only God could have. 1. He is all knowing (omniscient) a. ...pray to thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father WHICH SEETH IN **SECRET** shall reward thee openly. Matthew 6:6 b .Matthew 10:29,30 says "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without YOUR FATHER. But the very HAIRS OF YOUR HEAD ARE ALL NUMBERED. 2. He is all powerful (omnipotent)

- a. John 5:21 says that the Father can even do what? **<u>RAISETH</u> UP THE DEAD** Compare I Thessalonians 4:14.
- b. Tell who raised Jesus from the dead according to Galatians 1:1 GOD THE FATHER.

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 3. He is eternal and ever present (omnipresent) a. I John 1:2 What does this verse say was with the Father? ETERNAL LIFE (JESUS) b. In Phillipians 4:20, Paul spoke of God the Father having glory how long? FOR EVER AND EVER 	If you know someone who would like to receive these lessons, please write their name and address below. Name: Address:
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GOD, THE SON, JESUS CHRIST Lesson Four

- **I.** Jesus Christ, He is and was and ever shall be. He is eternal.
 - A. Micah the prophet spoke this of the one who would come out of Bethlehem. Micah 5:2b ...Yet out of thee shall He come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been <u>FROM OLD</u> <u>FROM EVERLASTING</u>.
 - B. Jesus who is sometimes called "The Word" is recorded in John 1:1 as having been
 - 1. In the **BEGINNING**
 - 2. With **GOD**
 - 3. Was GOD
 - C. Jesus said to the Jewish authorities who questioned Him.... "Verily, verily (truly, truly) I say unto you
 <u>BEFORE ABRAHAM WAS I</u> AM John 8:58.
- **II.** Jesus' names and titles reveal who He is, what He is like, and what His positions are.
 - A. What is Jesus called in Matthew 12:18?
 - a. Ruler b. Friend c. SERVANT
 - B. Read of Thomas's experience with Jesus after the resurrection John 20:26-28. What did Thomas call Jesus? My <u>LORD AND</u> MY GOD.
 - C. The virgin born son was given what name in Isaiah 7: 14? IMMANUEL (This means "God

with us.")

D. He was called Jesus meaning "Jehovah is Salvation." what phrase verifies the reason for this name? See Matthew 1:21..."For He shall

SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS."

- E. The wise men saw His star in the East and came to worship Him. They knew he was the **KING** of the Jews. Matthew 2:2.
- F. What three words describe Jesus in John 1:29?the <u>LAMB</u> OF GOD.
- G. Jesus called Himself the <u>LIGHT</u> of the <u>WORLD</u>. John 8:12
- H. According to Isaiah 9:6 Jesus will one day rule the government and He shall be called <u>WONDERFUL</u>,
 <u>COUNSELLOR</u> the <u>MIGHTY</u>
 <u>GOD</u>, the <u>EVERLASTING</u>
 <u>FATHER</u>, the <u>PRINCE OF</u>
 <u>PEACE</u>. (note His equality with the father)
- I. Complete this statement from John 10: 11 "I am the good <u>SHEPHERD</u>, the good <u>SHEPHERD GIVETH</u> <u>HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP.</u>
- J. Andrew found Simon (Peter) and said ...We have found the <u>MESSIAS</u>, which is, being interpreted, the <u>CHRIST</u>. John 1:41

Christ is the Greek word for "the Anointed One"; Messiah is the Hebrew word meaning the same. He was indwelt by the Holy Spirit for the fulfillment of the offices of Prophet, Priest, and King.

- III. Jesus Christ is the Creator.A. How much of creation was made by Him? John 1:3 <u>ALL</u>.
 - B. Complete the following verse,

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I Corinthians 8:6 "But to us *there is but* one God, the Father, of whom *are* all things, and we in Him; and one <u>LORD JESUS CHRIST, BY</u> <u>WHOM ARE ALL THINGS, AND</u> <u>WE BY HIM.</u>

- **IV.** Though Jesus was the pre-existing God, He became God incarnate. (He took on the form of a man.)
 - A. Of whom was Jesus born. Isaiah 7:14? VIRGIN
 - B. Jesus took upon Him the form of a <u>SERVANT</u>, and was made in <u>THE LIKENESS OF MEN. `.</u> Phillipians 2:7
 - C. Who was manifested in the flesh according to I Timothy 3:16? <u>GOD</u> Note the last line of this verse "Believed on in the world, received up into glory". Compare Thomas's experience in section II-B with Acts 1:9-11.
 - D. By whom did Mary conceive? <u>THE</u> <u>HOLY GHOST</u> Matthew1:20
 - E. Where was Jesus born? See Matthew 2:1 **<u>BETHLEHEM</u>** Look back again at Micah 5:2.

V. Jesus is divine.

- A. What did Jesus say about His Father and himself in John 10:30? <u>I AND</u> <u>MY FATHER ARE ONE</u>.
- B. When Jesus asked the disciples, "But whom say ye that I am?" Peter answered <u>THOU ART THE</u> <u>CHRIST THE SON OF THE -</u>

LIVING GOD.

- Matthew 16:16 C. What proved the deity of Christ according to Romans 1:4? <u>THE</u> <u>RESURRECTION OF</u> <u>THE DEAD</u>.
- D. Colossians 2:9 tells that in Him (Jesus) dwells all the what? <u>FULLNESS OF THE</u> <u>GODHEAD BODILY</u>.
- VI. Jesus Christ died, was buried, and he rose again!
 - A. Paul recorded the reason for Jesus coming to earth. I Timothy 1:15. <u>TO</u> <u>SAVE SINNERS</u>.
 - B. The Old Testament passage in Isaiah 53 spoke of the sufferings of Christ.
 Who did he suffer for? Isaiah 53:5
 "...He was wounded for <u>OUR</u> <u>TRANSGRESSIONS</u>, he was bruised for **OUR** iniquities :"
 - C. What type of death did Jesus suffer. John 19:17-18 <u>CRUCIFIED ON</u> <u>THE CROSS</u>.
 - D. Hebrews 9:22b says "without
 SHEDDING OF BLOOD is no remission" (letting go of or sending away sins). Read John 19:32-37 to see that Jesus blood indeed was shed. Another prophecy that is seen in Psalm 34:20 was fulfilled. In John 19:33 his bones were not broken.
 - E. Jesus is the redeemer (the one who will buy us back with His blood) From I Peter 1:18-19 finish the two following statements "...ye were not

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redeemed with corruptible things, as <u>SILVER AND GOLD</u>,... But with the <u>PRECIOUS BLOOD OF</u> <u>CHRIST</u> as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

- F. After each scripture write who Jesus appeared to after His resurrection. Mark 16:9 <u>MARY MAGDALENE</u> Luke 24:14-18 an unknown and one named <u>CLEOPAS</u> Luke 24:33-36 <u>SIMON- THE</u> <u>ELEVEN AND OTHERS</u> I Corinthians 15:6 <u>ABOVE</u> <u>500</u> BRETHREN
- G. It is important to believe in the resurrection of Jesus. Romans 10:9 says, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt
 <u>BELIEVE IN THINE HEART</u>
 <u>THAT GOD HAS RAISED HIM</u>
 <u>FROM THE DEAD</u> thou shalt be <u>SAVED</u>.
- H. Finish this statement from I Thessalonians 4:14 "For if we believe that Jesus died and <u>ROSE</u> <u>AGAIN</u> even so them also which sleep in Jesus <u>WILL GOD BRING</u> <u>WITH HIM</u>.

VII. Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven A. Acts 1:3-9 says that he was <u>TAKEN UP</u> and a cloud <u>RECEIVED HIM OUT OF</u> THEIR SIGHT.

> B. Jesus was received into Heaven and sat where? <u>ON THE RIGHT HAND</u> <u>OF GOD.</u> Mark 16:19

C. Where is Jesus today? John 14:2 <u>IN HIS FATHERS HOUSE</u> and Hebrews 4:14 <u>HEAVEN</u>

VIII. Jesus Christ will return.

- A. What did the angel promise in Acts 1:11 <u>THAT JESUS WOULD</u> <u>COME AGAIN IN THE SAME</u> <u>WAY HE WENT</u>.
- B. When will Jesus return? Matthew 24: 36 <u>NO ONE KNOWS</u> <u>THE DAY OR HOUR</u>.
- C. We are urged to be **<u>READY</u>** Luke 12:40

The next lesson will be on the subject: God the Holy Spirit.

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GOD, THE HOLY SPIRIT Lesson Five

The Holy Spirit is a distinct person, not just a power or a force. He has titles, does certain works, and has the same strengths as the Father and the Son. He also has his own special nature.

- **I**. God the Spirit is spoken of separate from the Father and the Son.
 - A. Read John 14:16-17. Jesus calls him another <u>COMFORTER</u>, and the Spirit of <u>TRUTH</u>. If you are a true child of God the Holy Spirit dwells <u>WITH</u> <u>YOU</u> and shall be <u>IN</u> you. See also I Corinthians 3:16.
 - B. Read John 14:26 and fill in the blanks:
 "But the comforter, which is the HOLY GHOST, whom the FATHER will send in MY NAME, shall teach you..."
- **II.** In scripture The Holy Spirit is also called what?
 - A. John 14:17 SPIRIT OF TRUTH
 - B. John 14:26 COMFORTER (HOLY GHOST)
 - C. I Corinthians 3:16 SPIRIT OF GOD
 - D. Galatians 4:6 SPIRIT OF HIS SON

E. I Peter 1:11 SPIRIT OF CHRIST

- **III**. The Holy Spirit has a special nature that allows Him to do His Work for the Christian.
 - A. According to Romans 8:14 the Spirit is a leader for the Christian. Fill in the blanks: "For as many as are <u>LED</u> by the <u>SPIRIT OF</u> <u>GOD</u>, they are the sons of God."
 - B. The Father sent the Holy Ghost to comfort us. He also sent Him to <u>**TEACH**</u> us. John14:26
 - C. His nature is also sinless. In II Corinthians 13:14 He is called the **HOLY** Ghost.

This sinless comforter is sent to be in communion with Christians. Because He is sinless, and is one with the Father and Son, He can remind us to look up to the Father in the Son's name. His pure and holy nature is one with theirs. He also helps us to understand the written Word, the Bible.

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- **IV.** The Holy Spirit's works also include the following. Place correct letter next to each bible reference in the next column:
 - A. Helps us to witness
 - B. A guide to truth
 - C. Helps us to know we are God's children
 - D. Seals us unto the day of redemption
 - E. Reproves us of sin as well as comforts
 - F. Gives life
 - G. Intercedes or goes to the Father for us as we pray
- V. God the Holy Ghost has feelings and emotions.
 - A. What troubled feeling can we cause the Holy Spirit to feel if we sin.Ephesians 4:25-31 GRIEF
 - B. For what is the Spirit noted in Romans 15:30 **LOVE**
- **VI.** The Holy Spirit is God, having equality with the Father and Son. He shares characteristics, qualities and privileges that only God has.
 - A. He lived before man, and he had a part in creation. Finish this verse: Genesis 1:2b"...and the SPIRIT OF GOD MOVED UPON THE FACE OF THE WATERS
 - B. We are to be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the HOLY GHOST Matthew 28:19

- <u>E</u> John 16:7,8
- <u>**F**</u> John 3:5
- <u>A</u> Acts 1:8
- <u>**G</u>** Romans 8:26</u>
- **D** Ephesians 4:30
- **<u>B</u>** John 16:13,14
- <u>C</u> Romans 8:16
- C. Circle the word that is used to describe the Spirit in Hebrews 9:14. strong wise **<u>ETERNAL</u>** loving

VII. As Christians we live in the Spirit. Because we live in the Spirit we are also to walk in, be led by, and be filled with the Holy Spirit! Complete the verses below:

- A. Walk in the Spirit, Galatians 5:25 If we live in the Spirit <u>LET US ALSO</u> <u>WALK IN THE SPIRIT</u> Galatians 5:16 This I say then walk in the Spirit and <u>YE SHALL NOT</u> <u>FULFILL THE LUSTS OF</u> <u>THE FLESH</u>
- B. Be led by the Spirit. Romans 8:14 For as many as are <u>LED BY THE</u> <u>SPIRIT OF GOD</u> they are the sons of God. This means that because you are a son of God you have the Holy Spirit living in you, guiding

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you. Galatians 5:17a. For the flesh <u>LUSTETH AGAINST THE</u> <u>SPIRIT, AND THE SPIRIT</u> <u>AGAINST THE FLESH:</u> There is a struggle between your flesh and God's Spirit. You must yield to Him and let Him lead.

- C. Be filled with the Spirit. Ephesians 5:18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess, but be **FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT :** *Ephesians 5:19-6:18 gives instruction in living a Spirit filled life.*
- D. Evidence of the Spirit's rule in your life will show. Galatians 5:22 and 23 But the fruit of the Spirit is LOVE, JOY, PEACE, LONGSUFFERING, GENTLENESS, GOODNESS, FAITH, MEEKNESS, TEMPERANCE against such there is no law.

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SATAN, THE ENEMY Lesson Six

The Devil is also a real and living being. He is the enemy of God and man. This lesson is given to warn of this enemy.

I. Satan's beginning was good.

- A. Ezekiel 28:13 (last word) Shows that he was <u>CREATED</u>
- B. Satan was a heavenly being called the anointed <u>CHERUB</u>... Ezekiel 28:14. God is speaking here and he says, "I have set thee so:".
- C. Verse 15 says "Thou wast <u>**PERFECT**</u> in all thy ways.
- D. He was beautiful. In fact his covering was said to be every <u>PRECIOUS</u>
 <u>STONE</u> See verse 13. Read on through the verse to see the jewels that he was covered with.
- **II.** Though Satan's beginning was one of beauty and honor, he failed to give God the glory. Lifted up in pride, he desired to overthrow God and take control. Because of this he was cast out of Heaven.
 - A. Ezekiel 28:17 tells us that his heart was what? <u>LIFTED UP BECAUSE</u> OF HIS BEAUTY.
 - B. Read Isaiah 14: 13 & 14 and list the five things that Satan said he would do.

1.ASCEND INTO HEAVEN 2.EXALT MY THRONE ABOVE THE STARS OF GOD 3.I WILL SIT ALSO UPON THE MOUNT OF THE CONGREGATION 4.I WILL ASCEND ABOVE THE HEIGHTS OF THE CLOUDS

5.<u>I WILL BE LIKE THE</u> MOST HIGH

C. Revelation 12:9 says that he was cast out to where? <u>INTO THE</u> <u>EARTH</u> ... Who was cast out with him? <u>HIS ANGELS</u>

- **III.** God has given names and titles to Satan that show his character; He has written of his evil works.
 - A. Read the verses listed and write the names, titles, or descriptions found there.
 - 1. Matthew 4:1 **<u>DEVIL</u>** (the accuser. He is a slanderer)
 - 2. Luke 10:18 <u>SATAN</u> (meaning adversary)
 - 3. II Corinthians 4:4 <u>THE</u> <u>GOD OF THIS WORLD</u>
 - 4. II Corinthians 6:15 **BELIAL** (means worthless and wicked according to *Unger's Bible Dictionary*.
 - 5. Ephesians 2:2 <u>PRINCE OF</u> <u>THE POWER OF THE AIR</u>.
 - 6. Revelation 20:2 the **DRAGON** that old **SERPENT** (ferocious and deadly)
 - B. Satan is wise and clever. He uses these strengths to lead people to question God's Word and to doubt God. He lies and tempts both God and man. Answer the questions below.
 - 1. Satan is a <u>**TEMPTER**</u> according to Matthew 4:1-3
 - 2. Satan is a liar. Concerning the tree of knowledge of good & evil, God

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said "thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest of it thou shalt surely die. What was Satan's answer to Eve about eating of that tree? Genesis 3:4 Ye <u>SHALL</u> **NOT SURELY DIE**

- He tempted Eve in the Garden (See Gen.3:1-6) and Jesus in the wilderness (See Mark 1:12-13). Paul knew that the people he had taught may have been troubled by the Devil. The Devil will move in everywhere and attack the work of God. How did Paul state this thought? I Thessalonians 3:5 ".... I sent to know your faith, <u>LEST BY</u> <u>SOME MEANS THE TEMPTER HATH TEMPTED YOU</u>, and our labor be in vain.
- 4. In Job 1:9-11 Satan stood before God and said that Job feared God only because of what God had done for him. He said that Job would curse God to is face if all that he had was taken away. How did Satan state his accusations? Job 1:9 Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, <u>DOTH JOB FEAR GOD</u> <u>FOR NAUGHT</u>? (In other words "Does Job serve you for no good reason? He serves you because you have given him so much.") v11. But

put forth thine hand now and touch all that he hath, <u>AND HE WILL</u>

CURSE THEE TO THY FACE

(Satan is a slanderer)

- **IV.** The Devil's final destiny is set by God.
 - A. Read Isaiah 14: 12 15. Where will Satan be brought down to? <u>TO HELL</u>, TO THE SIDES OF THE PIT
 - B. Finish this statement from Revelations 20:10 And the <u>DEVIL THAT</u> <u>DECEIVED THEM WAS CAST</u> <u>INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE</u> <u>AND BRIMSTONE</u> where the beast and false prophet are, <u>AND SHALL BE TORMENTED</u> <u>DAY AND NIGHT FOREVER</u> <u>AND EVER</u>

Note: Please also read verse 15. What will be your final destiny? Is your name written in the Lamb's book of life? Would you like for it to be written there as a testimony to all of Heaven and earth that you belong to God? You can ask God in Jesus name to forgive you of your sins through Jesus' blood. He will save you from that final penalty and secure your name in the Book of Life.

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CREATION Lesson Seven

"Creation." A better word cannot be found to name the earth with all living things, the heavens, and the sun, moon and stars. All were created, brought forth from nothing, by Almighty God.

- **I.** The Creator is revealed throughout the Bible.
 - A. Genesis 1:1 plainly states "In the **BEGINNING GOD** <u>**CREATED**</u> the heaven and the earth."
 - B. Psalm 33:6,7 says "By the <u>WORD</u> of the <u>LORD</u> were the <u>HEAVENS</u> <u>MADE</u>; and all the host of them by the <u>BREATH</u> of his <u>MOUTH</u>. He gathereth the <u>WATERS</u> of the <u>SEAS</u> <u>TOGETHER</u> as an <u>HEAP</u>: he layeth up the <u>DEPTH</u> in <u>STOREHOUSES</u>. (Waterways inside the earth.)
 - C. Read Isaiah 45:18. Isaiah calls God what? The Lord that <u>CREATED</u> <u>THE HEAVENS</u>; God himself that <u>FORMED THE EARTH</u> <u>AND MADE</u> <u>IT</u>;
 - D. Jesus Christ, *the Word*, in John 1:1-3, was in the beginning with the Father. He was one with the Father as Creator. How much was made by Him? <u>EVERYTHING</u> Read I Corinthians 8:6 and Ephesians 3:9.
 - E. Finish this verse from Genesis 1:2. "And the earth was without form, and

void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the <u>SPIRIT</u> <u>OF GO MOVED UPON</u> <u>THE FACE OF THE</u> WATERS."

- **II.** The Work and Order of Creation is recorded in the Bible.
 - A. Read Genesis 1:1-5 and list the creation work of the first day.
 - v. 1. <u>THE HEAVEN</u> AND <u>THE</u> EARTH
 - v. 2. \overline{WATER} (substance on the earth)
 - v. 3. <u>LIGHT</u>
 - v. 4. he divided the light from the **DARKNESS**
 - B. What did God use to divide the waters?
 FIRMAMENT v. 6. (this was used to keep waters above it and waters beneath it, v. 7) In verse 8, God called it HEAVEN. This was the creation work of the SECOND day.
 - C. On the third day of God's creation work, He continued in an orderly way.
 1. He said, in Genesis 1:9-10 "Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the <u>DRY LAND APPEAR</u>: and it was so. The Almighty God had only to speak! He then gave names to the dry land and the waters. They were

called <u>EARTH</u> and <u>SEAS</u>. (God given names)

2. Verse 11; Once the dry land was

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ready, God said, "Let the earth bring forth what three things? GRASS, the HERB YIELDING SEED, and the FRUIT TREES YIELDING FRUIT Notice that these were mature plants already having seeds and fruit. Could anyone date these items with a machine? D. God planned for time to begin. He set in motion a wonderful system that would be a universal clock, so to speak. Read verses 14 - 19. What two lights rule day and night? SUN and MOON. They were also given for what four things? SIGNS, SEASONS DAYS, YEARS. In verse 16, he made the STARS also. Since God did not need this for himself, we can see that He was preparing for someone special. E. On the fifth day, God caused the seas to bring forth great whales, and all types of marine life. In verses 20 - 22, find what else God caused the waters to bring forth. BIRDS AND FISH F. The sixth and final day of Creation is recorded in two parts. 1.Verses 24 and 25 say that God said let the **EARTH BRING** FORTH THE LIVING **CREATURES** after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. (All creation prior to man was now ready for man.)

- 2. God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Man is created special, not as an animal which the earth brought forth.
 - a. Genesis 2:7 shows that God <u>FORMED</u> man of the <u>DUST</u> <u>OF</u> <u>THE</u> <u>GROUND</u>, and breathed into his nostrils <u>THE</u> <u>BREATH</u> <u>OF</u> <u>LIFE</u>; and man became <u>A</u> <u>LIVING</u> <u>SOUL</u> (God did not do this for animals or any other type of life on the earth.)
 b. It was established by God
 - b. It was established by God before man was formed that man would have dominion (rule or control) over what five things. Genesis 1:26 <u>FISH</u>, <u>FOWL</u> (birds), <u>CATTLE</u>, all the <u>EARTH</u> and

over every <u>CREEPING</u> <u>THING</u>

Note: While the animal kingdom is a wondrous work of God, it is not equal with man.

III. The Quality and Condition of God's Creation.

This also is spoken of in the Bible. Look up the following verses and finish the statements from these verses.

- A. Genesis 1:4 "And God saw the Light <u>AND IT WAS GOOD</u>:"
- B. Genesis 1:10. "And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together

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of the waters called he Seas: and <u>GOD SAW THAT IT WAS</u> <u>GOOD</u>."

- C. Genesis 1:12. "And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and <u>GOD SAW THAT IT</u> <u>WAS GOOD</u>."
- D. Genesis 1:18 (concerning the sun and moon). "... to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and <u>GOD</u> <u>SAW</u> <u>THAT IT WAS GOOD</u>."
- E. Genesis 1:21. "And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the water's brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and <u>GOD SAW THAT IT WAS</u> <u>GOOD</u>."
- F. At the end of verse 25, God repeats the same phrase as above concerning the animal kingdom. He then makes man. After recording what His instructions were to Adam, the word says in verse 31, "And God saw everything that He made, and, behold <u>IT WAS VERY GOOD</u>."

IV. The Bible tells that God rested from His work on the seventh day.
Finish the verse from Genesis 2:2b. "...and He <u>RESTED ON THE SEVENTH</u> <u>DAY FROM ALL HIS WORK</u> which He made." And verse 3 says that God

blessed the Seventh day. He spoke well of it and of those who observe it. We ought also to cease from labor and worship the Lord. Exodus 16:23 speaks of the Sabbath which was to be kept holy as part of the law that man was required to keep prior to the death of Christ. The New Testament speaks of the church meeting together for worship and preaching on the first day of the week. This is the correct way for Christians to spend a day of rest from labor.

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Bible Basics.

SIN Lesson Eight

In the "Creation" lesson, we learned that God created the Heaven and Earth, as well as all that is on or in them. We also learned that it was very good! God's last creative act was to make man in His image.

Since there was no sin in the world at that time. where did it come from? How did it effect mankind and the world?

I. Where did sin come from?

A. God planted a garden and placed Adam there. Out of the ground, He made trees to grow. In fact, He made every tree that is pleasant to see and good for food as well as the tree of life and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. God saw that Adam needed only one more thing, and that was a mate suitable for Him. Read Genesis 2:20-25. Here God gives the wondrous account of how He provided Adam's mate. What was the feeling of their heart and mind in the sinless world? Genesis 2:25b "... and WERE NOT ASHAMED."

- B. Some time passed with Adam and Eve living happily, peacefully, and well in the garden. They had fellowship with God. Can you imagine praising God for His wonderful works and sharing your accomplishments with Him? Can you imagine receiving only praise and a smile in return or perhaps some good word of guidance? That does not sound like today's world, does it? Genesis 3 tells of an event that changed all of that.
 - 1. Genesis 3:1, who was very

subtle? <u>THE</u> <u>SERPENT</u>.

(Subtle here means cunning or crafty in a bad sense.)

- 2. Who had made him? GOD
- 3. From Ezekiel 28:13a and 14a, we can know that <u>SATAN</u> was there in the form of the serpent. (See lesson six, section I.)
- In Genesis 3:1-3, he challenged God's Word with "Yea, hath God said, ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" God's words were: Genesis 2:16 and 17,

"...Of every <u>TREE</u> <u>OF</u> <u>THE</u> <u>GARDEN</u> thou mayest freely eat: But the tree of the <u>KNOWLEDGE</u> <u>OF</u> <u>GOOD</u> <u>AND</u> <u>EVIL</u>, thou shalt <u>NOT EAT OF IT</u>: for in the day that thou eatest thereof <u>THOU</u> <u>SHALT</u> <u>SURELY</u> <u>DIE</u>."

Eve answered with more than God said. Finish the second half of Genesis 3:3, "...ye shall not eat of it, <u>NEITHER</u> <u>SHALL YE</u> <u>TOUCH</u> <u>IT</u>, lest ye die."

(These were Eve's words)
6. Satan hates God. He intends to set up a throne above the stars and be like the most high God. He started by deceiving Eve. He declared to Eve, "Ye shall not

<u>SURELY</u> <u>DIE</u>:"(Gen.3:4)
7. In order to further convince Eve, Satan lied again. Finish his

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statement from Gen.3: 5."For God doth know that in the day that ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, AND YE SHALL BE AS <u>GODS</u>, KNOWING GOOD AND EVIL.' Satan introduced to the world 8. three things listed in I John 2:16. 1) THE LUST OF THE FLESH 2) T<u>HE LUST OF THE</u> EYES 3) THE PRIDE OF LIFE He used those three things on Eve. Read Genesis 3:6. 9. The final steps toward Satan, and away from God, came when Adam disobeyed God's command. (Genesis 2:16, the Lord God commanded the man.) Finish Genesis 3:6. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also to her husband with her; and HE DID EAT." Adam sinned. Now read Romans 5:12a. God held Adam responsible. He said that by **ONE** man sin entered into the world.

- II. How did sin effect the man who sinned? What happened to his mate? What effect did sin have on the rest of God's creation?
 - A. The Lord came into the garden and called to Adam, "Where are you?" What was Adam's reply? "I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was <u>AFRAID BECAUSE I</u> <u>WAS NAKED</u>; and I hid myself."

Genesis 3:10. (Sin had produced fear and shame.)

- B. Read the following verses and fill in the blanks.
 - 1. Genesis 3:14. The serpent was <u>CURSED</u> above all animals. He must crawl on his <u>BELLY</u> and eat <u>DUST</u>.
 - Genesis 3:16. "Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in <u>SORROW</u> thou shalt bring forth children." Also her husband would now <u>RULE</u> OVER HER.
 - 3. Genesis 3:17. "And unto Adam he said, because thou hast hearkened to the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree of which I commanded thee saying, thou shalt not eat of it <u>CURSED IS</u> <u>THE GROUND FOR THY</u> <u>SAKE</u>; in <u>SORROW</u> shalt thou eat of it all the days of the life." Sin produced sorrow.

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- 4. Genesis 3:18. What did the ground begin to bring forth? <u>THORNS AND</u> <u>THISTLES</u> Adam no longer could eat easily from the trees in the garden, but now had to work the ground and live from it by the <u>SWEAT</u> of his face.
- 5. Romans 5:12. What passed on to all men as a result of the sin brought into the world by Adam?
 <u>DEATH</u>. Genesis 3:19 puts it this way: "... for dust thou art, and <u>UNTO DUST SHALT</u>
 <u>THOU RETURN</u>."

III. What judgment came on Satan?
A. Genesis 3:15 speaks truth about both the serpent and Satan who indwelt him.
"...It shall <u>BRIUSE</u> thy <u>HEAD</u>, and thou shalt bruise his <u>HEEL</u>."
A snake is kept from striking and is killed by cutting off or crushing its head. The seed of the woman refers to the eventual birth of the Christ, born of a virgin and sent to destroy the Devil. See Hebrews 2:14.

B. According to Revelation 20:10, where will Satan eventually be cast? <u>THE</u>
<u>LAKE OF FIRE AND</u>
<u>BRIMSTONE.</u> How long shall he be tormented? <u>DAY AND</u>
<u>NIGHT FOR EVER AND</u>
<u>EVER.</u>

IV. What is sin?

Sin is any act that goes against God. God has always made sure that man knows the right thing to do just as He instructed Adam in the garden. We will now list scriptures where some sin is listed or warned against. Write down the sins.

- 1. Deuteronomy 5:17. <u>KILL (murder)</u>
- 2. Deuteronomy 5:18. ADULTERY
- 3. Deuteronomy 5:19. STEALING
- 4. John 8:44. <u>MURDER</u> and <u>LYING</u>
- 5. James 3:6. Bad use of the **TONGUE**
- 6. Ephesians 4:26. Acting out of **WRATH**
- 7. Leviticus 20:13<u>MEN LYING</u> <u>WITH MEN</u> (homosexuality)
- 8. Leviticus 20:27. WIZARDY-FAMILIAR SPIRITS
- 9. I Samuel 15:23. (five are mentioned) <u>REBELLION</u> <u>WITCHCRAFT</u> <u>STUBBORNESS</u> <u>INIQUITY</u> <u>IDOLATRY</u>

10. James 5:9. holding a <u>**GRUDGE</u>** James 4:17 says that if you know to do good and do not do it you sin. There are other sins, of course, such as unforgiveness (Matthew 6:15), vengefulness (Romans 12:19) deceit, pride, debating, backbiting, disobedience, being unmerciful, and the list goes on (Romans 1:29-31). The Bible says that the whole world lies in wickedness (I John 5:19).</u>

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- V. All have sinned; no one is guiltless before God.
 - A. In Romans 3:23 God says, "<u>FOR</u> <u>ALL HAVE SINNED</u> and come short of the glory of God." See also Romans 5:12.
 - B. In I John 1:10 we read that if we say that we have not sinned we make Him a <u>LIAR</u> and his word <u>IS NOT</u> <u>IN US</u>.
 - C. David of the Old Testament and Paul of the New Testament confessed to being sinners. Finish the verses below.
 - Psalm 51:3, "For I acknowledge my <u>TRANSGRESSIONS</u>: and my <u>SIN IS EVER</u> <u>BEFORE ME</u> (David's words.)
 - 2. In Romans 7:24, Paul cried out, "O <u>WRETCHED</u> man that I am!"

Since sin separates man from God, man needs a way back to God. That way will be the subject of the next lesson. It will strengthen the Christian's witness and challenge the undecided to accept God's plan of salvation. Christian, remember to be in the Word daily. Be a faithful witness; keep your life pure. Seek God's will for your life concerning service, and pray without ceasing.

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THE WAY BACK TO GOD Lesson Nine

Since man is separated from God by sin, what is the way back to God?

- I. "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Proverbs 16:25. Man's ways of dealing with sin have never been God's way and are insufficient.
 - A. Adam and Eve.
 - They were ashamed because they knew that they were naked so they sewed for themselves
 <u>APRONS</u> of <u>FIG</u> <u>LEAVES</u>. Genesis 3:7
 - God, however, shed the blood of animals in order that He might cover Adam and Eve. Genesis 3:21 says, "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord make COATS OF SKINS.
 - B. Cain and Abel.
 - When the time for Cain and Abel came to offer a sacrifice to God, Abel brought of the <u>FIRSTLINGS OF HIS</u> <u>FLOCK.</u> Genesis 4:4. Cain brought of the fruit of the <u>GROUND</u> Genesis 4:3.
 - The Lord had <u>RESPECT</u> unto Abel and to his <u>OFFERINGS</u>: but unto Cain and to his offering he <u>HAD NOT</u> <u>RESPECT</u>. Genesis 4:4b and 5a.
 - 3. God told Cain what his problem was. Genesis 4:7, "If thou doest

well, shalt thou not be accepted? (If you come to me the right way, won't I accept you?) and if thou doest not well, <u>SIN LIETH</u> <u>AT THE DOOR</u>..." Cain did not return to God with the acceptable sacrifice. Genesis4:8 shows that Cain was not repentant toward God. He rose up against Abel his brother and <u>SLEW HIM.</u>

- C. Noah versus the rest of the world.
 - 1. Genesis 6:5, "And God saw that the <u>WICKEDNESS OF</u> <u>MAN</u> was great on the earth." And in verse 7, God says, "I will <u>DESTROY MAN WHOM</u> <u>I HAVE CREATED</u>

from the face of the earth." See also verse 11-13.

2. Genesis 6:8, "But Noah <u>FOUND GRACE IN</u> <u>THE EYES OF THE</u> <u>LORD</u>." And verse 9b says "and Noah <u>WALKED</u> <u>WITH GOD."</u>

Noah believed and obeyed God. Read Genesis 6:14-22.

 Man's way of that day ended in death. God's way saved Noah and his family. Finish Genesis 7:23.
 "And every living substance <u>WAS DESTROYED</u> which was upon the face of the ground, <u>BOTH MAN</u>, and

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<u>CATTLE</u>, and the <u>CREEPING THINGS</u>, <u>AND THE FOWL</u> <u>OF THE HEAVEN</u>; and they were destroyed from the earth: and <u>NOAH ONLY</u> <u>REMAINED ALIVE</u>, and they that were with him <u>IN</u> <u>THE ARK</u>."

- **II.** According to God's Word, people are still trying to please him their own way.
 - A. Keeping of the Law sounds good.
 Some keep the laws and rules of a church, but Galatians 2:16b says,"... for by the works of the law <u>SHALL</u>
 <u>NO FLESH BE JUSTIFIED</u>."
 - B. Some give money to the church, to the poor, or to pay for prayers for the deceased. I Peter 1:18 warns, "... ye are not redeemed with corruptible things, as <u>SILVER AND</u> <u>GOLD</u> from your vain conversation (way of life) received by <u>TRADITION</u> from your fathers." See also Psalm 49:7.
 - C. Some believe they can get into Heaven by their good works. Ephesians 2:9 ends with this phrase, "... not of <u>WORKS LEST ANY MAN</u> <u>SHOULD BOAST</u>."
 - D. Some worship other gods as well as man-designed idols and images. Exodus 20:3-5 give these warnings:

v. 3. Thou shalt have <u>NO</u> <u>OTHER GOD</u> <u>BEFORE ME</u>.
v. 4. Thou shalt not make unto thee <u>ANY GRAVEN</u> <u>IMAGE</u>....
v. 5. Thou shalt not <u>BOW</u> <u>DOWN THY SELF</u> to <u>THEM</u>, nor <u>SERVE</u> them *See also Micah 5:13*

- **III.** The wrong way and it's destiny.
 - A. "There is a way that seemeth right unto man, but the end thereof <u>ARE</u> <u>THE WAYS OF DEATH</u>." Proverbs 16:25
 - B. "And as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the <u>JUDGEMENT</u>." Hebrews 9:27. Physical death is not your final destiny.
 - C. "The wicked shall be turned into <u>**HELL**</u> and all the nations that forget God." Psalm 9:17.
 - D. Luke 16:24 speaks of a man who had riches when he was on earth but had never dealt properly with his sin.
 "And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue: for <u>I</u> <u>AM TORMENTED IN</u> THIS FLAME."
 - E. Give a brief description of Hell as found in the following verses:

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- 1. Matthew 25:46a, a place of <u>EVERLASTING</u> <u>PUNISHMENT</u>.
- 2. Mark 9:48. Where their <u>WORM</u> <u>DIETH NOT</u>, and the fire <u>IS NOT QUENCHED</u>.
- 3. Revelation 20:1 The **BOTTOMLESS PIT.**
- 4. Revelation 20:15. <u>THE LAKE</u> OF FIRE.
- F. Who will be in Hell?
 - 1. Matthew 25:41 (last phrase). <u>THE DEVIL AND HIS</u> ANGELS.
 - Revelation 21:8. The fearful (faithless), and <u>UNBELIEVING</u>, and the <u>ABOMINABLE</u> and <u>MURDERERS</u>, and whoremongers, and <u>SORCERERS</u> and <u>IDOLATERS</u> and all <u>LIARS</u> shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.
- G. Perhaps you are not guilty of what man would consider serious sin. But what does God's Word say about guilt in James 2:10? "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend <u>IN ONE POINT</u>, he is <u>GUILTY OF ALL</u>." We must realize that all have sinned, all have

come short of God's righteousness, all

are destined to Hell if they continue on the wrong way.

- **IV.** The right way and it's destiny.
 - A. Jesus plainly states in John 14:6, "...I
 <u>AM THE WAY</u>, the <u>TRUTH</u>, and the <u>LIFE</u>: no man cometh unto the Father, <u>BUT BY ME</u>."
 - B. What about the blood sacrifice?
 - 1. Hebrews 9:22b "... and without SHEDDING OF BLOOD IS NO REMISSION (no payment)."
 - 2. Read John 19:16-18 and 34 and fill in the blanks. Verse 16 "Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be <u>CRUCIFIED</u>." vs. 17, "... and He bearing his <u>CROSS</u>..."; vs. 18, "... where they <u>CRUCIFED</u> <u>HIM</u>..;" vs. 34, "But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out
 - **<u>BLOOD</u>** and <u>WATER</u>."
 - C. Jesus was buried and rose again to ever be the offered Saviour, the High Priest between man and the Father. He was the final sacrifice. Complete the verses below.
 - John 19:40, "Then took they the <u>BODY OF JESUS</u> and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is <u>TO BURY</u>."
 - 2. Mark 16:6. An angel spoke to

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three women who came to the tomb and found no body. He said, "... ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is **<u>RISEN</u>**; he is not here."

- Hebrews 10:11 and 12, "And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering often times the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: but this man (Jesus), after He had offered <u>ONE SACRIFICE</u> for <u>SINS FOR EVER</u>, sat down on the <u>RIGHT</u> <u>HAND OF GOD</u>;"
- Hebrews 7:25, "Wherefore He is able also to <u>SAVE THEM</u> <u>TO THE UTTERMOST</u> that come unto God <u>BY HIM</u> seeing he <u>EVER LIVETH</u> <u>TO MAKE</u> INTERCESSION for them."
- D. Our part in salvation from sin and Hell.
 - In Psalm 38:18, David said "For I will <u>DECLARE MINE</u> <u>INIQUITY</u>; I will be <u>SORRY FOR MY</u> <u>SIN</u>."
 - In Luke 18:13, the publican cried out, ". . . God , be <u>MERCIFUL TO ME A</u> <u>SINNER</u>."
 - 3. The Philippian jailer cried out in Acts 16:30, "... Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" The answer

given in vs. 31 was ". . .believe on the <u>LORD JESUS</u> <u>CHRIST</u> and thou shalt be saved ..."

- 4. Romans 10:9-10 says, "That if THOU SHALT CON-FESS with thy MOUTH the Lord **JESUS**, and shalt BELIEVE in THINE HEART that God HATH **RAISED HIM** from the **DEAD**, thou **SHALT BE SAVED.** For with the **HEART MAN BELIEVETH UNTO RIGHTEOUSNESS**; and with the **MOUTH CONFESSION** is made unto SALVATION." And Romans 10:12 and 13 assures us that salvation is for all who call on the Lord for it. It states, "... for the same Lord over ALL is rich unto ALL THAT CALL UNTO HIM . For WHOSOEVER shall CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD shall be saved."
- E. The destiny of a Christian is eternal life with God.
 - John 3:16 tells us that whosoever believeth in Him (Jesus) shall not perish but have <u>EVERLASTING</u> life. See also vs. 36.

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- Revelation 21:7b says, "... and I will be his God, and he <u>SHALL</u> <u>BE MY SON</u>."
- I Peter 1:4 tells the type of inheritance a person is saved to. It is called incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved <u>IN</u> HEAVEN FOR YOU.
- 4. The Christian's destiny is not delayed at death. II Corinthians 5:1 and 6-8 show this. Vs. 1, "For we know that if our earthly houses of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands,

ETERNAL IN THE

<u>HEAVENS</u>." Vs. 6, "... whilst we are at home in the body, we are **ABSENT FROM**

THE LORD :"Vs. 8, "...willing rather to be absent fromthe body and to bePRESENTWITHTHELORD."

- F. Salvation from sin and it's destiny is available now and is a gift to you. Do not wait.
 - II Corinthians 6:2b says, "... behold <u>NOW IS THE</u> <u>ACCEPTED TIME</u>; behold, <u>NOW IS THE</u> <u>DAY OF SALVATION</u>."
 - Hebrews 2:3 warns, "How shall we escape, <u>IF</u> <u>WE</u> <u>NEGLECT</u> so great

SALVATION ... "

3. The last phrase of Ephesians 2:8 says, "... it is the <u>GIFT OF</u> <u>GOD</u>."

If you have never been saved from sin's penalty, why not accept God's gift of salvation now? Will you admit your guilt before God and in the name of Jesus ask Him to forgive your sins and save you from Hell?

If you are a Christian take stock of your life before God and man. Are you living for God daily? Are you in His Word daily and praying, as He says, "without ceasing"? Are you taking a stand against sin, witnessing to the lost, and looking for the Lord's return?

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