

The New Life Series

Lesson 1

SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER

Memory verse: I Peter 1:23 “Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.”



Being secure in your salvation is very important. Many times we have heard babies cry for their mothers. They would not stop crying until they were in her arms again. They felt insecure. A Christian can feel the same way about his salvation. He needs to learn that his salvation is secure in God's safe keeping.

Our salvation is a sure thing; it is secure!

Open your Bible to I Peter 1:1-5 and see if you can find the words that answer these questions:

I Peter 1:3

1. What kind of mercy does God have? _____ (That means a lot.)
2. The Father has _____ us. (We were born to Him!)
3. What kind of hope did he give us? A _____ hope! (It is a living hope with no weakness or death.)
4. That hope is because of Jesus Christ's r _____ from the d _____.

I Peter 1:4

1. An inheritance is something we are given by our parents or someone who loved us when they die. Jesus, your best friend, died for you and left an inheritance that is:

I n _____ up _____ ible (This word means that it can never decay or wear away; it lasts on and on).

2. This inheritance is _____ (not poisoned by sin).
3. This inheritance _____ not away.
4. This inheritance is reserved in _____ for _____.

Salvation is pure; it is forever. Oh yes! It is heavenly, not earthly.

We are saved by faith and kept by God's Almighty power!

Finish the verses in this section:

1. I Peter 1:5 “We are kept by the _____ of _____ through _____ unto salvation...”

2. Ephesians 2: 8&9 “For by grace are ye saved _____ ; and that not of _____ : it is the gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast.

3. Romans 10:17 “So then _____ and hearing _____.”

See also John 10: 28 & 29.

Salvation cannot be destroyed, but your faith can be tested and tried.

Read I Peter 1:7&8 then answer these questions.

1. What are the trials of ? _____.
2. What are your trials better than? _____
3. What might your trials be found unto ? Unto _____ and _____ and _____ : *(When your faith is tried or tested it can stand fast and look right back to God who will then receive praise and honor and glory.)*
4. In I Peter 1:8, it tells us how we rejoice because we believe in Him, and love Him. “...with _____ and full of _____ .”



Christ left us an example of how to behave when trials come. Read I Peter 2:21-23.



Remember that Satan is a liar and he will try to discourage, confuse, and trick you. Remember God’s Word when you are worried, fearful or confused.



Salvation is not temporary; it is not lost if we sin.

Please Read I John 1: 9&10 and 2:1&2 and answer the questions.

1. God calls the saved people his little children. He teaches us that we should not sin. Sin hurts our fellowship with the Heavenly Father. Each time we sin He says we must _____ our sins---verse 9.

2. In the same verse, he also promises to do what? _____ us our _____ and to _____ us from all unrighteousness.

When a Christian confesses his sin and asks God’s forgiveness that restores the broken fellowship. The Heavenly Father never holds a grudge against any of His children. If you feel lost, perhaps it is broken fellowship because of sin. You need to confess that sin and turn from it.

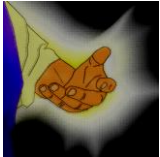
Maybe you have completed this study and you know in your heart that you are not really saved. Please read the verses and answer the questions. Think about this carefully!

1. Who have sinned? Romans 3:23 _____ Write your name below

2. What is the payment of sin? Romans 6:23a _____
3. What is the cure for sin? Romans 6:23b _____ our Lord.
4. How does a person get the gift of salvation? Look up the scriptures below and answer the questions.

A. In John 3:16 we see that God gave his only begotten son that whosoever _____ (Jesus) should not perish (*die the second death in hell*) but have _____. (*Believe that Jesus, the Son of God shed His sinless blood for you to wash away your sins.*)

B. In Luke 13:5 God says, "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye _____, ye shall all likewise perish." (*Turn from you sin and ask for forgiveness. Accept Jesus into your heart.*)



C. Romans 10: 9&10 says "9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the _____, and shalt believe in _____, that God hath _____ the _____, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and _____ confession is made unto salvation."

If you are not saved, or still not sure, Jesus says "Come unto me...". Simply bow your head and pray something like this "God, I know I am a sinner. I ask you to forgive me. I want Jesus to be my Savior. I am inviting him into my heart."



**Rest in Him,
You are Secure!**

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LESSON 2

HOLY GOD / HOLY PEOPLE

“But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.” I Peter 1: 15 & 16

Many people believe they may do anything they wish. They say, “No one has the right to judge.” They do not understand that we were made by a holy God who cannot have anything to do with un-holiness or unrighteousness. He calls us to holy living in our new life in Christ.

To be holy means being separated from all that is sinful, impure, or morally imperfect. In this lesson, we’ll see what the Bible has to say about holiness.

Fill in the blanks or finish the sentences. Think carefully about what each sentence is saying about God’s holiness.

GOD IS HOLY.

A. Exodus 15:11 verse asks a question. “Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like thee _____ in _____, fearful in praises, doing wonders?”

There is no other god who is holy. In fact there is no one else who is perfectly holy.

B. In Psalm 99:9 we are told, “Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the _____.”

Because of Jesus’ sacrifice, we no longer have to worship God in a certain place such as the Temple, but we still worship and praise Him as holy!

GOD’S NAME IS HOLY.

A. The last six words of Psalms 111:9 says “ ... _____ and _____ is His _____.”

B. Isaiah 57:15 Says “For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, _____ is _____; I dwell in the _____ ...”

C. Read Matthew 6:9 and Luke 11:2 and give the words used to describe his name _____ be _____.



**GOD IS CALLED HOLY AND HE IS
PRAISED FOR BEING HOLY.**

A. Read Isaiah 6:1-3 and tell what the seraphim cried out “... _____,
_____, _____ is the _____ of _____ the whole
earth is full of his glory.”

B. What did God call himself in Isaiah 43:14? “Thus said the Lord, your
redeemer, the _____...”

C. In Revelation 4:8 the four beasts said “ _____
_____, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.”

D. In Revelation 6:10 the souls of them that were killed for the Word of God and
their testimony cried with a loud voice saying, How long, O Lord, _____
_____, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the
earth?

**GOD DWELLS IN HOLINESS AND ALL
THAT HE DOES IS HOLY.**

A. Read Exodus 3:1-6. Even the _____ was holy because God was
there.

B. Psalm 47:8 shows that God reigns in
holiness. He sits upon the _____ of his
_____.

C. Psalm 145:17 says, “The Lord is
_____ in _____ his _____,
and _____ in _____ his _____.”



*Holy living for the Christian is not a
means to keep our salvation. It is the way
to please God and have his fellowship. Holy living brings Him honor!*

**GOD WANTS HIS PEOPLE TO BE HOLY.
SEE JUST HOW IMPORTANT OUR
HOLINESS IS TO GOD.**

A. Leviticus 20:7 is a command! “Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye
_____ : for I am the _____ your _____.”

*The word sanctify means set apart to holiness. That is God’s teaching in the
Old Testament. The New Testament teaching has not changed.*

B. I Thessalonians 4:7 says, “For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but _____.”

C. I Peter 1: 15&16 tells us to be like Him in everything we do and say. “But as He which hath called you is Holy, _____ in all manner of conversation (in all you do, your behavior); Because it is written be ye _____.”



**HOLY LIVING FITS YOUR NEW LIFE IN CHRIST.
GOD CHOSE THE SAVED TO
BE HOLY BEFORE HIM.**

A. Last half of Ephesians 1:4 says that we were chosen that we should be _____ and _____ before Him in love.

In the last day we will stand before Him and He will see us as holy through Jesus Christ and His shed blood.

B. Read Ephesians 2:21 & 22. Verse 21 compares Christians to a _____ in the _____. *That is cause to rejoice!*

**HOLY LIVING WILL NOT COME
AUTOMATICALLY HERE ON EARTH.
BECAUSE OF OUR EARTHLY BODIES, WE
MUST WORK AT IT.**

A. Read Romans 12:1 and tell what we are urged to present our bodies as. “...present your bodies a _____, _____, acceptable unto _____. (not acceptable to man)...”

God tells us that this is reasonable service. It is only fair. He gave His Son for us. We need to leave the old unholy life and live a holy life now.

B. This verse shows that not one single Christian has the right to live in any way that is in disagreement with God. And God knows! II Timothy 2:19 “Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of God _____ from _____.”

Holy living includes yielding to God and giving up old habits. It will mean taking off old ways and putting on new ways.

Those involved in false religion or idol worship must also separate themselves from it.

**A CHRISTIAN WHO LIVES AN UNHOLY LIFE
CANNOT BLAME GOD. IF HE CONTINUES
TO WALK IN SIN, HE MAY HAVE HIS LIFE
ENDED BEFORE HIS TIME!**

A. Read James 1:13&14 and find something God cannot do.

God _____, neither
_____ he any _____. *We cannot blame God for our wrong doing.*

B. Read Hebrews 12:5 to see who chastens his sons (children). The _____
We sometimes need to be rebuked and chastened (scolded and corrected).

C. In I Corinthians 3:17 one word tells what God will do if we defile the temple
of God (live immorally). It starts with a "D". _____

And James 1:15 says that sin brings forth _____

Also Romans 6:16 says we are _____ to whom we obey;
whether of _____ unto _____, or _____ unto

_____.

Our God is holy and we must be too!

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Lesson 3

Be a Godly Example

Memory verse: Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believer, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. I Timothy 4:12

Have you heard people say, “First impressions count most,” “His actions speak louder than his words,” “You can judge him by his friends”? What could people say about you? Our memory verse tells us to be an example of the believer. Others should be able to see that we are Christians.



God hears our ungodly speech as well as our godly speech and holds us accountable

We need to be godly examples before the world and to one another. Our Bible leads the way. So let's find what the Bible says about being a godly example!

Be a godly example of the believer in *word* (speech).

Here are 3 verses from the Bible. Look each one up and read what it says. Place the correct Bible location next to the words that came from it.

I Thessalonians 2:4

James 1: 19

Matthew 26:74

_____ “... my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:” (*Are you like this or do you angry and impatient?*)

_____ “...even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.” (*Please God with your words. People are often not right.*)

_____ “Then began he to curse and to swear, saying, I know not the man...” (*Peter feared being arrested or killed so he cursed, and denied Jesus. Peter sinned with his mouth. Do you? We must not sin against God with our lips!*)

Your speech shows how much or how little you love God and follow his Word.

Be an example of the believer in *conversation*. (*Conversation is an Old English word that means “actions” or “way of life.”*)

Here are 3 more verses. As before, look each one up and read what it says, then place the correct Bible location next to the words that came from it. Read it all!

Genesis 39:3 I Samuel 18:5 Acts 4:13



_____ And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants. (*Christian. behave yourself wisely as a godly example to others and in honor to your heavenly Father!*)

_____ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. (*People can tell if you are spending time in the Written Word for it represents Jesus, the Living Word!*)

_____ And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand. (*God blesses those who live godly lives!*)



Be an example in charity (Godly love). This love is an unselfish love. It causes us to think and speak well of others. Godly love judges others kindly and desires to make them happy. The Godly love, charity, is spoken of throughout the Bible.

Read I Corinthians 13:4-8. Within these verses there are many descriptions of God's meaning of charity. Please fill in the missing words below that describe true charity.



* Charity _____ and is _____.

*Charity _____ not... (is not jealous of what others get)

*Charity vaunteth not itself (Does not brag on self.) is not _____ (not prideful).

Charity does not behave itself _____ (in any unfit or indecent way), _____ not _____ (ones own comfort or will first like saying "Me first!"), is not easily _____ (made angry), thinketh no _____;

*Charity rejoices not in _____, but _____ in _____;

*Charity _____ things (bears hardships and disappointments with patience and grace toward others)

ICorinthians 13:13 says that charity is even greater in God's sight than faith and hope!

Be an example of Christ-likeness in peacefulness, purity and love of other Christians.

Romans 12: 9 and 10 says that we must love without _____
(*in truth, not putting on an act.*) It says to abhor (*hate*) that which is _____ and
to cleave to (*hold on to*) that _____. We are to be _____
_____ one to another with _____; in honor
_____;

We live righteously by His power. We can and we must love one another (other Christians) in true charity if we are to please God, and have His full blessing on our life.

Be a godly example in spirit (*your mental disposition or your attitude*).

Complete these sentences about Joseph and Daniel.

Genesis 50: 19-21 And he _____, and spake (spoke)
_____ unto them.

Joseph kept his attitude right throughout life. At age 17 he was reliable and obedient to his father. Very bad events took place in Joseph's life. He could have become bitter and hateful but he did not. Joseph's life is a great example of living with a right spirit in spite of circumstances (*things happening*). The true events are written in Genesis chapter 37 and chapters 39 through 47. It also shows God's blessing on that type of living.



Daniel 6:3 "Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes because an
_____; and the king thought to
set him over the whole realm."

Daniel was a victim of circumstances. His people had sinned greatly against God and were taken over by an enemy country. Daniel, a godly young man, was taken by force to serve the king in a foreign land. He went on living a God honoring life there! Wherever you are, be a godly example!



Be an example of the believer in faith.

God gave a whole chapter about faith in the book of Hebrews, chapter 11. We will be using that chapter for this section.

What is faith?



Verse 1 "Now faith is the _____ of things _____
for, the _____ of things _____."

Verse 3 (*Finish this statement*) "Through faith we understand that the
_____ were _____ by the _____ of _____,
so that things which are seen were not _____"

which do _____."

The following are recordings of faith in the lives of many who have gone before us.

Verse 4 "By _____ Abel offered unto God _____ by which he _____ that he was _____ ,..."



Verse 7 By _____ Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, _____ an _____ to the _____ of his _____; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the _____ which is by _____

Read verses 8-12 and name the two people (husband and wife) whose faith was recorded here. a. _____ b. _____

Believe God's Word and act upon it no matter the cost. Trust what God promises.

Be an example of Christ in purity.

Find how many times the words pure, purify and purity are used in I John 3:2&3 and Titus 2:14. _____

Finish these Bible verses.

Titus 2:12-14 "...we should live _____ , _____ and _____ in this present world..."

Read II Corinthians chapter 6:14 – 7:1 and fill in the blanks.

1. "Be ye not _____ yoked together with _____..."
2. "for ye are the _____ of the _____ God."
3. "Wherefore come out from _____, and be ye _____, saith the _____"
4. "...let us _____ ourselves from all _____ of the _____ and _____, perfecting _____ in the fear of God."

Throughout the Bible God has required purity of his people in body, mind, spirit, and in worship.

Purity cannot be maintained if we join close together with unbelievers in their churches, marriage or business co-ownership. Don't run with the crowd! Learn to be an example of the believer in all things!

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Lesson 4

THE "HEAVENS"

Memory verse: For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. II Corinthians 5:1

There are three places called heaven in the Bible. The first is the space of air and clouds just above the earth; the second is what we know as outer space; and the third is God's home. Deuteronomy 10:14 says "Behold the heaven and the heaven of heavens *is* the LORD'S thy God, the earth *also* with all that therein *is*."



In this section we'll find things written in God's Word about the first and second heavens.

**These heavens were created by God; they belong to God. Look up the verses below and fill in the missing words.*



1. Genesis 1:1 states "In the beginning God created the _____ and the earth."

2. Genesis 2:1 uses the word "**heavens**" (plural). This is the time when God made the first and second heavens. **The first heaven** contains what four things found in the following verses?

Psalm 147:8 _____ and _____

Isaiah 55:10 _____ and _____

Jeremiah 49:36 _____



**List the things God placed in the second heaven.*

Judges 5:20 The _____, in their _____

Genesis 1:16 Two _____.

**One Hebrew word used to describe these heavens is "shamayim", lofty, meaning the firmament which appears like an arch spread out above the earth. These heavens are vast in their size and function; they are the mighty works of God. One day, however these heavens shall no longer exist.*

II Peter 3:10 tells us they shall "_____ with a _____, and the _____ shall _____ with _____, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

(This speaks of a time that is 1,000 years after the Tribulation Period.

We who are God's children will be safe with Him.)



Now we will search some scriptures about the third Heaven, God's homeland and the eternal home of the saved. We hope this study and the one that follows on future events will bring you joy.

****Heaven is God's homeland. Read the following scriptures and fill in the words that speak of Heaven.***

1. Matthew 12:50 "For whosoever shall do the will of _____ which is in _____, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother."

2. Luke 11:2 "And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, _____ which art in _____, hallowed be thy name."

3. I Kings 8:30 "And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou in _____: and when thou hearest, forgive."

4. I John 5:7 "For there are three that bear record in _____, the _____, the _____, and the _____: and these three are one."

**** Heaven is where God's throne is. Finish the statements or answer the questions from the following:***

1. I Kings 8:32 "Then hear thou in _____ and do and _____ thy _____ ..."

2. Acts 7:49 "_____ is my _____ and earth is my footstool; what house will ye build for me saith the Lord:..."

3. Psalm 11:4 "The Lord is in His _____ The Lord's _____: His eyes behold, His eyelids try the children of men."

4. Read Matthew 19:28& 29; Matthew 25:31&32; II Corinthians 5:10; Revelation 3:21 and John 5:22&23.

Who has been given the right to judge all men from God's throne? _____

****Heaven is God's dwelling place of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Read these scriptures to see what he is doing in heaven now as well as what he will do in the future.***

1. Ephesians 1:19-23 He is the head of the _____.

2. 1 Peter 3:22 "Who is gone into heaven, and is on the _____; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him."

Jesus is not a mere man, he is not a created being as an angel. He is God.

3. Hebrews 7:24-26 Jesus stands eternally in an unchangeable _____ . He is saving the souls of those who come to God by Him.

He lives forever and makes _____ for them. (No longer are there any sacrifices needed or atonements made on earth.) Romans 8:34 Says that Jesus also makes intercession for _____

Read through to the end of Chapter 8 and see how secure we are in the love of Jesus though we have tribulations here. He knows all things, he feels our hurts: He loves us.

***Heaven is the enduring home of all who die in Christ.**

1. II Corinthians 5:6-9 According to these we are either at home in the body and _____ from the _____ or we are absent from the body and _____ with the Lord. *As Christians you need not feel uncertain or fearful about death for you will be with the Lord immediately.*

2. If this body were destroyed what does II Corinthians 5:1 say we have?

3. In Psalm 116:15 we are assured of what? _____

4. Read the account of Nicodemus who came fearfully to see Jesus, in John 3:1-16. Jesus foretold his resurrection back to heaven from whence He came. What two words were used by Jesus to describe the duration of life for those who believe in Him?
_____ life and _____ life.

5. What does Hebrews 12:28 describe heaven as? _____

6. Jesus promised to prepare a place for us. John 14:2 reveals that there are many _____ in heaven, and He is making a place ready for us! The first two heavens and earth will pass away; nations have passed away but God's home, our eternal home, will never pass away.



***Eye witness accounts of heaven and glimpses of glory.**

1. In I Peter 5:10 What are God's children called to?

2. Read II Kings 2:1& 11. Who was taken up to heaven?
_____ Who witnessed this amazing event?

3. One of the first deacons was Stephen (Acts 6:1-7). In chapters 6 and 7, Stephen was brought before the council where he testified of many events down through the ages when Jews refused to obey and follow God. He showed them that they now reject the Christ. Read Acts 7:54-60 and write out the three things that Stephen saw

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

As the heavens were opened Stephen was sustained by seeing Jesus.

4. In Mark 1:9-11 What did John the Baptist see? _____

The Spirit of God came out of heaven to rest on Jesus. He heard the Father speak from heaven.

5. From Revelation 1:1&2 and Chapter 4 answer the questions.

a. Who saw a door opened in heaven? _____ In the vision he was seeing future events. (Revelation4:1)

b. Rev.4:2&3 say that a _____ was set in _____ and one sat on the _____ . And looking at him was like looking at beautiful gems.

c. What did he see around the throne? v.3 _____

d. What did he see before the throne? (Rev.4:6)?
_____.

In Verses 8-11 of chapter 4, John saw and heard amazing things. He observed humble but intense worships, praise and adoration of Jesus. We will also be in His presence one day and be able to give Him praise. We who are His fellow heirs will have nothing to hinder our peace and joy. We will forever be with the one who died that all who believe might have eternal life.

e. In Ezekiel 1:1 the writer saw the heavens opened. Read Ezekiel 3:23. It speaks of the “what” of the Lord?

f. II Corinthians 12:4 What is heaven called? _____ Read the account of a repentant sinner on his way to glory in Luke 23: 39-43.

g. In Isaiah 11:10 We find God promising a glorious _____. No more struggles, no more grief, sorrow or pain.

There are events recorded in the Bible which have not taken place yet. One of those is the coming of new heavens and of a new earth.

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Lesson 5A

Coming Events

The Bible tells us of some things that have not happened yet. Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt long ago; Jesus came to earth as a baby more than 2,000 years ago; the Jewish nation was restored in 1948. All of those were prophesied and have come to pass. There are still future events that will take place here on earth and in the heavens above us. The next coming event is:

The Rapture

Memorize this verse

And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

1John 2:28

Rapture means "caught out". God's chosen people, the Jews, understood that God would send a Saviour but they refused to accept Jesus as their Messiah.

*God turned to the rest of the world who are called the **Gentiles**. His Gospel has been going into the world since that time and many have been saved. This period of time is called **God's Day of Grace**. Soon that period of time will end with **The Rapture**.*

At the Rapture, Jesus will come in the clouds for his saved ones. Those who died in Christ will be raised from the grave first. Those who are alive on the earth will be caught up with them. All the saved will be given bodies that can never die and will with the Lord.

Read each scripture and find the missing words that describe Jesus' coming for His people?

John 14:2 "In my Father's house//////////: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go //////////." 

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you,//////////, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there//////////.

Acts 1:11 "Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, ////////// in like manner as ye have seen him//////////.

Hebrews 9: 28 “So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him //////////////////////////////////////without sin unto salvation.”

Read I Thessalonians 4:13-18. Mark true (T) or false (F) after each sentence below.

Verse 14 shows that Jesus will be bringing the souls of those who died in Christ (Jesus, himself) with him. T F



Verse 17 Those of us who are alive will not meet the Lord in the air. F T

Verse 15 The writer of I Thessalonians just thought these things

up. F T

Verses 13 and 18 We don't have much hope when a Christian dies so we can't be of much comfort to them. F T



Read I Corinthians 15:51 & 52, and Philippians 3:20 & 21. If the statement below is correct put a “C” before it. If it is incorrect put an “I” after it



_ We will go into glory just as we are. _

_ We will be given wings and be made into angels. _

_ We will be given incorruptible bodies, bodies that will not die. _

_ Our bodies will be glorious. _



Read these verses and answer the question. Write which verse you found it in.

Matthew 24:36- 44

Will we know ahead of time and can then better prepare to meet the Lord?



Does the Bible teach us to be ready for Jesus to come? _____

Read these verses in the Bible and cross out the words that are not God's words. Write the correct words at the end of the verse.

Revelation 22:7 Behold, I may come in the summer: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. _____



I Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at last a trumpet shall-sound: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised forth.

II Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that his chosen might get saved. _____

After reading the verses in the box below, fill in the blanks and write where you found it in the Bible.

Revelation 22:12 1 John 2:28
Titus 2:11-13 1 John 3:2



“...and now little children, abide in him; that when _____
_____, we may have confidence, and _____
_____.”
I found it in _____

“... but we know that, when he _____ we shall be like him...”
I found it in _____

“ and behold I _____; and my reward is with me...” *I found it*
in _____

“...Looking for that _____, and the glorious _____
_____ who gave himself for us.” *I found it in* _____

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Lesson 5B

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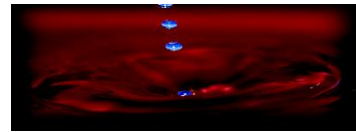
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OUR 7 YEARS OF GLORY

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Read the verses on this page and on the top of page 2. Then try to find the words to fill in the green block below. These words are things we will see and hear in Heaven during the 7 years of tribulation on earth. Each set of verses has one word or phrase repeated that fits.

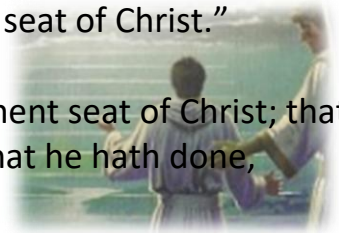
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Romans 14:10b “...for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.”

(The place where our works are rewarded by Jesus)

II Corinthians 5:10a “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.” *(Paul wrote this to Christians)*



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I Corinthians 9:25 “And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.”

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Did you know that Jesus is called The Bridegroom and the Saved ones are called the Bride of Christ? He is called the Bridegroom because He is taking the believers as His Bride. We will have a wonderful, sinless, fantastic eternity.

Read Revelation 19:7-13 and finish the statements below about the Bride, the groom, and the wedding.

Why are we to be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him? For the _____ of the _____ and his _____ hath made herself ready. *See verse 7.*

What is the bride arrayed in (What is she wearing)? Fine, clean, white _____: What is the fine linen? The R_____ of the _____. They which are called to the _____ are blessed.

These sayings are true because they were from _____! *See verse 9.*

See if you can guess the missing words below that would best finish the statements according to God.

Men and ladies who want to be married should follow Christ's example. He loved us so much that He was willing to lay down his life for us. He will have a good place for His bride to _____. He will not live with her until they are _____.



Please look up these verses and answer the questions below.

Psalm 17:4b *The word of thy lips* means God’s words, the Bible. What did the King say those words kept him from? _____

Jeremiah 5:14 says that God can make His Words _____ *The fire that tries our works is the Word of God.*

No one who appears at this judgment will lose salvation.

But for poor service he will lose rewards and suffer shame.



Look up these verses and fill in the words that prove that your sin is not going to be judged; your works will be judged. Living an ungodly life or one that puts God last will make you ashamed.

I Corinthians 3:15 If any man's _____, he shall _____ : but he himself _____; yet so _____.

I John 2:28 “And now, little children, abide in him; that _____, we may have confidence, and not be _____.

During the seven years we will be given the rewards for our faithfulness to God, our works, from the time we were saved until then. Live by God’s Word and all that He has taught us. If He asks you to serve Him in a special way or calls you to a ministry, do it. Then your reward will be great as His Word tries those works.

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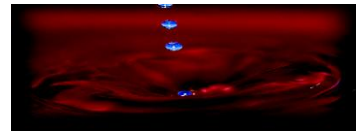
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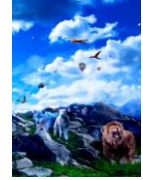
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Christ Reigns 1,000 Years

Lesson 5E

Look up the Bible verses and fill in the missing words but be sure you read and think carefully about what you will do and see for the thousand years!

Revelation 20:6 says "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection (the Christians): on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall _____ with him a _____. *You and I will be back on Earth with a job to do for the Lord.*

In Micah 4:3 God says that the nations shall beat their _____ and their spears _____ : nation shall not _____, neither shall they learn _____. *There will be no war for 1,000 years.*

Isaiah 11:6-8 tells of the effect that Christ's rule will have on the animals. "The wolf also shall dwell with the _____ and the leopard shall lie down with the _____ ; and the calf and the _____ and the fatling together; and a little child shall _____. And the cow and the _____; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat _____ like the _____. And a suckling child shall _____ on the _____ of the _____, and the weaned child shall _____ on the _____ den (snake or cobra)." *The animals will be gentle and safe. Can you imagine hugging lions, bears and wolves? The animals will not even kill other animals! The earth will know a thousand years of peace.*

God is in control of the nations though they sin against Him. He is in control of Satan though he thinks he can win over God! It is exciting to see what happens at the end of *The Thousand Year Reign!*

Answer the questions in the box using the scriptures from Revelation 20: 7-11.

1. Who is loosed out of his prison? _____ 2. Satan is called a deceiver. He will gather people from the four quarters of the earth as many as the sand of the sea to go to _____ 3. They compassed the beloved city (Jerusalem) the camp of the saints. What happens to these people who choose to follow Satan? _____
4. Really fast, God casts Satan into the l _____ of f _____ and b _____ 5. How long will Satan be in there? For _____ and _____

THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

Once God deals with Satan He will judge the wicked people who rejected His way of salvation and His Godhead throughout the ages. Read the verses written below from Revelation 20:12-15 and answer the thought questions.

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.



Does God have proof of what these people did? _____

What is it recorded in? B _____

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. (These are the unsaved)



Is there any chance that people just die and are buried with nothing to face after dying? _____

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.



The Book of Life is where all the names of those who have accepted Christ are written. Is your name written there? YES or NO



Just as God brought an end to the devil and his followers so He will bring an end to this present *sin ruined world*. There will be a *new heaven and new earth* where only righteousness will dwell!

Read the verses and fill in the blanks to see God's plan and God's power:

This world ends after the Thousand Year Reign.

The old heavens and earth:

II Peter 3:10 "...the heavens _____
_____ and the elements shall _____,
the earth also and the works that are therein shall be _____.

II Peter 3:12 "...the heavens being on fire shall be _____, and the
elements shall _____?

New heaven and earth:

II Peter 3:13? We can look for _____,
wherein dwelleth _____.

The New Jerusalem:

John gave an eyewitness account of the new heaven and the new earth. Placed in the new world will also be a magnificent city where God will be with man. *What five things will not be there?*



Revelation 21: 1-4 _____

Who built New Jerusalem?

Hebrews 11:10&16. Who is the builder of this city? _____

Now find its size and building material.

Revelation 21:16. The city measures equally in what ways?



_____, _____, _____.

Revelation 21:18. The city wall is of _____. The city is pure _____ like unto pure glass.

Revelation 21:19&20. The foundations of the wall are decorated with all kinds of _____.

Revelation 21:21. There are twelve gates to the city which are PEARLS. This street is _____, as transparent glass.

Why won't there be a church building or temple there?

Revelation 21:22. Why is there no temple there? _____

Revelation 21:23. Why will there not be a new sun and a new moon?

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God created man for fellowship. He is once again preparing for fellowship with man face to face and side by side? That will be a glorious, wonderful day in the new heavens and new earth.

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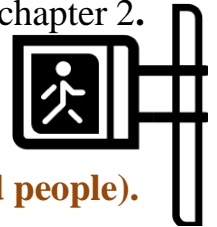


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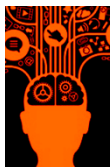
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God’s Word makes it clear that some of our actions after salvation can cause Him grief. He warns us not to walk as other Gentiles (Unsaved people).

Here are some Bible verses that show God’s displeasure in the walk of the ungodly. Fill in the missing words and think about them. Are they a part of your life?

(When you see three dots like this ... in a sentence or verse, it means there are more words before or after the dots. Like John 3:16 ...that whosoever believeth...)



Ephesians 4:18 “Having the understanding darkened, being _____ from the _____ of _____ through the _____ that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:”

Ephesians 4:19 “Who being _____ have _____ over unto lasciviousness, to work all _____ with _____ .”

Ephesians 2:2 “Wherein in time past ye walked according to the _____ of _____, according to the _____ of the _____ of the air (Satan) the _____ that now worketh in the children of _____”

Ephesians 2:3 “...fulfilling the _____ of the _____ and of the _____: ...”



The old nature is not in agreement with the new nature. Continuing in sin will cause God's Spirit, though still indwelling you, to be vexed (*hurt, pained, displeased, grieved*). Isaiah 63:10.



I Thessalonians 5:19 warns plainly _____ not the _____.

God claimed you as his own when you accepted His payment, Jesus Christ, for your sin. He then sealed that transaction by placing His Spirit within you.

Ephesians 4:30 "And _____ not the _____ of _____ whereby ye (you) are _____ the day of _____."

The Lord speaks to you from within to lead you His way. Allow Him to live fully in control of your life. II Corinthians 11:2 says "For I am jealous over you with Godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."

Things that grieve the Spirit are: sins of the mind, wrong desires of the heart and unholy actions of the body.

Fill in the blanks or finish the statements to help you to recognize the unholy ways and to choose the holy ways. Be sure to think carefully as you do this. As a Christian you will be tempted many times to give in to evil of all sorts.

PRIDE



Romans 12:3 "For I say, . . . not to _____ of _____ _____ than he _____ to _____: but to think _____, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."

Galatians 6:3 "For if a man _____ to be _____, when he is _____, he _____ himself."

I Corinthians 10:12 "Wherefore let him that _____ he _____ take _____ lest he _____."



DOUBT AND FAITHLESSNESS

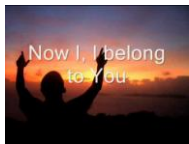
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with the wind and tossed. 7. For let not that man _____ that he shall _____ of the _____. For he that _____ is like a _____. 8. A _____ is _____ in all _____.

Luke 12: 28 & 29 “If then God so clothed the grass, which is today in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more _____, O ye of little faith? And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, _____.”

Philippians 4:6 “Be _____ for _____;” but in every thing by _____ and supplication with _____ let your requests be made known unto God;”

SINNING WITH YOUR BODY



I John 2:15 & 16: “Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is _____. For all that is in the world, the _____ and the _____, and the _____ is not _____, but is of the _____.”

II Peter 2: 7-8 “And delivered just Lot, _____: (for that righteous man dwelling among them, in _____, _____ his righteous soul _____ with their _____;)”

Warning: Never give in!

Galatians 5:19-21 “Now the works of the flesh are manifest (*opened, clearly shown*), which are these: a _____, f_____, u_____, **lasciviousness**, 20. I_____, w_____, h_____, **variance**, **emulations**, w_____, s_____, seditions, heresies, 21. E_____, m_____, d_____, r_____, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.” *(This speaks of people who never repented and got saved but still continue to do these things without correction from God, the Heavenly Father. Living in the flesh after salvation will bring chastening to God’s child. He makes it very clear what things are of the flesh.)*

Three words in brown above are not familiar so we have given you their meaning: 1. **Lasciviousness** means to be loose, wanton, lude or lustful as dressing and acting in a way that does not show purity. It would be like the Master's wife in Genesis 39 when she tried to cheat on her husband. Joseph ran away as fast as he could because she was acting in a lascivious way.

2. **Variance** means to vary laws to allow for wrong doing, especially God's laws.

3. **Emulations** here means to try to seem better than others, humiliating someone so you look better, or trying to get the attention from others for yourself!

GUARD YOURSELF

Here are ways that keep from grieving the Holy Spirit:

Look up the verses and fill in the missing words and as you do pray for God to help you to guard your relationship with the precious Holy Spirit.



GUARD YOUR EYES

Psalm 101:3 "I will _____ no _____ thing before mine _____; ..." *What goes in through your eyes is in your mind and stays there*

GUARD YOUR EARS



Proverbs 12:1 "Whoso loveth _____, _____ : but he that hateth reproof is brutish."

Proverbs 28:9 "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law _____."

Ephesians 5:6&7 "Let no man _____ : for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. 7. Be not ye therefore _____."

From Mark 4:24 Jesus said "Take heed what ye _____:"

As the eyes let information into the brain so do the ears. We listen to what is being said by friends, the internet, television, our phones, etc. A good test of whether it is acceptable to God is: If Jesus were with you, would you continue to listen?

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Fill in the blanks or answer the questions from these scriptures.



GUARD YOUR MOUTH

Proverbs 21:23 “Whoso _____ his _____ and his _____ keepeth _____.”

Proverbs 29:11 What kind of person blurts out whatever he thinks? _____

Read Colossians 4:6 and then underline the brown words that describe how your speech should be. There are 2 correct sentences. *It may take some thinking and good reasoning!*

***Godly but blunt**

***Whatever you feel like saying**

***Gracious and godly**

***Without caring who likes it**

***If it was food, it would taste right and it would not make anyone**

Ephesians 4:29 “ Let no _____ proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of _____ (building up), that it may _____.”

GUARD YOUR HANDS



James 4:8 “ ...Cleanse _____ ye _____.”

Ephesians 4:28 & 29 “Let him that _____: but rather let him labour, _____ the thing which is _____, that he may have to _____.” *This verse*

is excellent for all of us. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Working well and faithfully lets you have extra to help others in their time of need! What a joy!

GUARD YOUR FELLOWSHIP

Read I Corinthians 15:33 and underline the true meaning of this verse.



***If you don't listen to world news you will be fine.**

***Never use a cell phone!**

*** Bad companions do and say things that pull you away from God.**

Please write out Psalm 1:1 _____

_____.

Here's a good description of this verse for you. Never go where ungodly people tell you to go!...Never stand around and talk with the people who are likely to get you in trouble because they get in trouble!...Never become a person who spurns their parents and badmouths authority

GUARD YOUR MIND

Isaiah 26:3 "Thou wilt _____ in perfect peace, _____: because he _____." (*Trust Him with all of your heart even when you cannot see how He can help.*)

Philippians 2:5 Whose mind are we to have? _____

Philippians 4: 8&9 List the eight things found in this scripture that are safe to think on. Begin with "whatsoever things are". T_____, H_____, J_____, P_____, L_____, of G_____ - R_____, and after the words "if there be any" V_____, P_____.

GUARD YOUR SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER BELIEVERS

I Corinthians 15:58 "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye _____, always abounding in the _____ of the _____, for as much as ye know that your _____ is not in _____ in the Lord." **Service in God's will is never a waste of time. It will be blessed whether sooner or later!**

Romans 12:16 “Be of the same mind _____ .
Mind not _____ , but condescend to men of low estate. Be not
_____ .”



Where can bitter envying and strife dwell? See James 3:14
_____ God warns you not to glory in secretly harbored
thoughts that allow hatred for others to thrive. God’s Spirit is grieved by them and you
will not feel His comfort and peace either!

**You are the only one who can take responsibility in all of these
areas of your life. God expects you to!**

What does Galatians 5:16-17 tell the Christian to walk in? _____

What will walking in the spirit keep you from doing? Underline the correct one:

Having a good time

Fulfilling the lust of the flesh

If you think you are enjoying yourself but you are sinning in the mind or the flesh
the Spirit of God (choose one) Doesn’t care Is grieved Thinks it’s funny

*Look up Hebrews 12:6 & 7 and cross out the wrong words written here. Then
write the correct words in the spaces below.*



“For whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son
whom He ~~likes~~. If ye endure chastening, God ~~laughs~~ with you as with
sons; for what son is he whom the father ~~loves~~ not?”

What does God do to his children when they sin? *Underline
the correct one.*

RECIEVES THEM REWARDS THEM PUNISHES THEM (Chastens)

II Corinthians 7:1 says “Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us
cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness
in the fear of God.” And I Thessalonians 5:22 tells us to stay away from all
appearance of evil. *Underline how much filthiness God permits us to have in*



our spirit and in our flesh? SOME NONE IT DOES NOT MATTER TO HIM

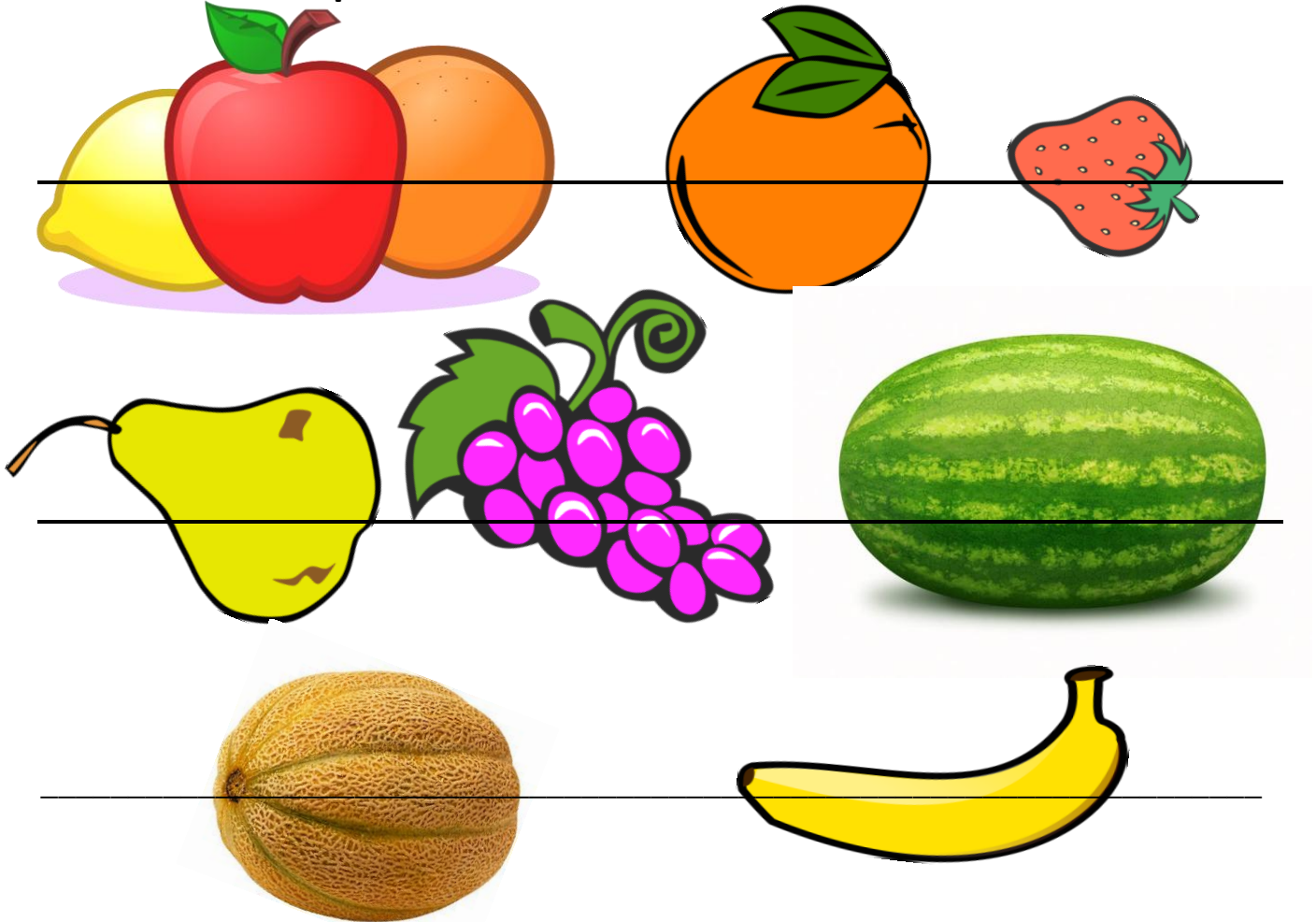


**One last help. God himself teaches us in I Thessalonians 5:19 “Quench
not the Spirit.” Living in the Spirit of God will make us a person who is a
blessing and is blessed by God eternally!**

In Galatians 5:22 & 23 the fruit of the spirit sounds like there is one type of fruit. There are actually 9 types of fruit we will produce if we live in the Holy Spirit: Write one of those “Fruit” descriptions below on each fruit. Use larger fruit for longer words, smaller for shorter words and medium for medium size words: The fruit of the Spirit is:

Attn. Teacher, look for :

love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance



Can you imagine a plant that could produce 9 different things?! But you can produce all these by living in the Spirit! Jesus is a Tree Of Life and He helps us to live lives that produce good!

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The Walk of the Believer



Lesson 7a

Memory verse: Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. II Timothy 2:3



The “walk of the believer” includes everything he does after salvation. His daily life should be godly. The Bible says it is like running a race to win. I Corinthians 9: 24-25 teaches us that we run to win a crown that will never be destroyed!

Please read I Corinthians 9:24-25 and initial when done. Initial _____

The walk of the believer is one of spiritual growth. Growth requires food; spiritual growth comes from spiritual food - the Word of God.

Find the words and finish the sentences from the Bible that zero in on your need!



I Peter 2:2 “As newborn babes desire the sincere _____ of the _____:”
II Peter 3:18 instructs us “but _____ in _____ and in the _____ of our _____ and _____ Jesus Christ...”



Knowledge of him comes through the written word.

Some Christians still live like baby Christians and are called “carnal”. Their desires tend to be only for themselves. They have not learned how to live like Christ.

Read I Corinthians 3:1-3 & Hebrews 5:12-14. These folks are called b_____ and are accused of still needing m_____ (Simple Bible truth and nothing more/ like little kids’ Sunday school). A growing Christian should be able to t_____ others. (v.12).



The walk of the believer is a type of warfare. Jesus should be your leader, Your Commander!

As always, your Bible will be your guide. Finish these scriptures for God’s special facts about your spiritual leader and his armor for you. You will also find special guidelines and warnings about the opposing army.

Colossians 2:9-10 What is Jesus the head of ? All _____ and _____.

While the President of the United States is commander and chief of all American military, Jesus is commander and chief of all that are in heaven and earth.

I Timothy 1:17 assures us that our leader is "...the K_____, eternal, immortal, invisible, o_____ w_____ G_____".

Revelation 19:16 He had written on his vesture (robe) and thigh, _____ of _____ and _____ of _____. (You may look back at lesson 5D)



Our armor is pictured by using the pieces of armor used by soldiers in the time of Paul's writings. We must have every part of God's given armor in place in order to stand through all attacks by the enemy.

Ephesians 6:14 tells you to have your _____.
If you do not take the time to study and know God's Word you will be weak and unable to stand.

Ephesians 6:14 tells you to have on the _____.
This speaks of the righteousness of Christ. If you are living in unconfused sin, the devil has an opportunity to defeat us in service and victorious living. When Satan reminds you past sins or present failures, you need only remember I John 1:9, Romans 5:18-19 and II Corinthians 5:2. (Please read these.) Initial here when you done. _____

I Thessalonians 5:8 calls it the breastplate of _____.
You need not be broken hearted or heavy hearted over yourself. You must not be hard hearted toward others either. The breastplate covers the heart and the lungs.

Ephesians 6:15 speaks of having your feet shod with the _____.
The feet and lower legs were protected by greaves (guards for the shin and top of the foot). With this you can walk in obedience to the gospel and a readiness to carry it forth to others.

Ephesians 6:16 tells us above all to take the _____.
God is showing us that with faith in Him, His promises, and His power to carry them out, you will be able to quench (extinguish) all the _____ of the _____.
Your faith can make quick work of the actions and accusations of Satan.

Hebrews 11:1 explains faith as the _____,
the _____.
2 For by it the elders obtained a good report. This simply means that you already believe that God will supply what you cannot see in all areas of life. Your faith in God, is proof to God that you trust Him. It is also noticed by others. It drives Satan back and encourages others to trust.

THE EXAMPLES OF FAITH IN OTHER CHRISTIANS ARE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO US. YOU HAD FAITH UNTO SALVATION AS DID THOSE IN ACTS 16:25-33. CAN THE GOD WHO SAVED YOU, GUIDE YOU AND CARE FOR YOU FROM SALVATION TO GLORY? YES OR NO (underline one)



Ephesians 6:17a tells us to take the **h** _____ of **s** _____, or as shown in I Thessalonians 5:8 we put on this for a helmet,

_____. *We have the hope of defeating every adversary through the blood of the Lamb. This trust in God’s salvation protects our minds from Satan’s doubt, just as a helmet protects the head from a blow.*

Ephesians 6:17b Exhorts us to use the _____ of the _____, which is the word of God (the Bible).



You may wish to read the following scriptures and note them in the front or back of your Bible as a reminder of the faith of others.

Faith through physical suffering and personal loss of things and loved ones:

Job 13:15-18

Faith through persecution:

Acts 16:25

Faith to endure hardships for the furtherance of the gospel:

II Corinthians 11:24-28

A prophet and an ordinary person cared for when their faith was placed in God:

I Kings 17:2-16

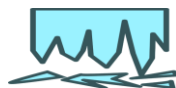
A helpless person sustained:

II Kings 4:1-7

Faith that God will meet the needs: **Mark 12:42-44**

Nothing we can do; just have FAITH: **I John 5:4**

II Peter 1:21 says “ For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the _____.



When the word of God is claimed in times of temptation, it has the power to cut the snares of the Devil to shreds.

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The Walk of the Believer

Lesson 7b



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Memory verse: Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. II Timothy 2:3



To properly use the shield of faith you must be in prayer for yourself and For others. Some pray much for full time workers and others. We call them prayer warriors!

How does Ephesians 6:18 say that you should pray? “Praying _____ with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all _____ (not giving up) and _____ (humble, intense pleading) for all saints;”

Matthew 26:41 teaches us to watch and pray. Why? That ye enter not into _____ the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the _____.

James 5:16b lets you know how useful your praying is when you are right with God. It a _____ m_____.

Note: Armor is chiefly for the front. A good soldier never turns his back, never runs from the enemy, or he will be struck in the back

Prayer was so important to Jesus that he prayed:

- 1. When began his earthly ministry (Luke 3:21)**
- 2. He Continued in prayer (Luke 10:21)**
- 3. He ended in prayer (Luke 23:34)**
- 4. His Heavenly ministry was begun in prayer (John 14:16)**
- 5. He is continuing in prayer (Hebrews 7:25 and I Timothy 2:5)**



Christians have an opposing army with an evil and deadly leader:

I Peter 5:8 discloses the purpose of the devil. “Be sober, be vigilant (alert); because your adversary the _____, as _____, walketh about, seeking whom he may _____.”

II Corinthians 4:4 calls him the _____.

His army is made up of fallen angels, demons, and wicked spirits.

The Bible describes his army of evil powers!

Ephesians 6:12. "For we wrestle not against _____ and _____, but against _____, against _____, against the _____ of the _____ of this _____, against _____ in _____.

II Corinthians 11:14&15. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an _____ of _____. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his _____ also be _____ as the _____ of _____; whose end shall be according to their works.

Satan's enemy has special artillery:

Identify those found in the following scriptures (Use a descriptive word.)

Job 12:16b speaks of d _____.

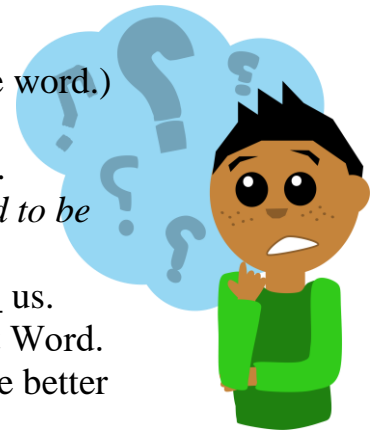
Isaiah 8:12&13 c _____ of man instead of God.

Please read Acts 5:27-29 and Philippians 1:28. Do you need to be afraid of Satan's army? Yes No (underline one)

I Thessalonians 3:5 speaks of Satan tries to _____ us.

Genesis 3:1 Satan causes us to _____ God's exact Word. He still uses this tactic today by saying of God's word, "it would be better translated this way".

Luke 13:16 Afflictions of the _____.



THE WALK OF THE BELIEVER IS COMPARED TO A RACE AND TO COMPETING IN OTHER SPORTING EVENTS.

In I Corinthians 9:24-27 the teaching is that we should run the race to receive the _____. In the competitions of Paul's time only one could win the prize. It was a prize that could be destroyed but as a Christian we will receive an _____ crown. Verse 25. (A crown that lasts forever)

The way to run a good race as a Christian is seen in verse 27. As Paul says, you must keep under your _____. *That means to keep your fleshly appetites in control, and to keep yourself exercised in things that build you up. In the spiritual realm, that would be, as we have shared before, Bible study, prayer, right fellowship and so on.*

In Philippians 3:14 we read "I press toward the _____ for the _____ of the _____."

In the stadium of Paul's time there were white lines that marked the ground in the stadium, from the starting place to the goal, on which the runners had to keep their eyes fixed. Those who broke the rule, or went beyond this line, did not run

lawfully and were not crowned, even though they got to the goal first. *Stay within the clear, pure lines of God's Word!*

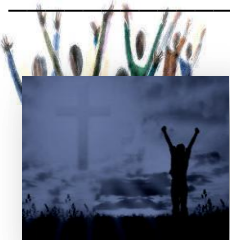


At a race or any athletic event there are others watching you. There are many who watch you in your Christian life too. It could be your relatives, younger church members or unsaved people. But Heb 12:1 speaks of those in heaven who, it seems, are cheering us on to victory “Go straight...Keep going...Don't quit...You can make it!”

Hebrews 12:1 “Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a _____ of _____, let us lay aside every _____, and the _____ which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with p_____ the race that is set before us,”

Hebrews 12:2 “Looking unto the _____ and _____ of our _____; who for the _____ that was set before him _____ the _____, _____ the _____, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” *Jesus lived down here too. He endured suffering and shame but never sinned. He kept his eyes on the pure ways and the joy that was to come from his victory!*

Hebrews 12:3 “For consider him that _____ such contradiction of sinners _____, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.”



Are you sometimes impatient, short fused, and want to give up trying? At the Olympics there are scores of spectators. Let yourself imagine a huge gathering of people and perhaps angels up there cheering for you!

Imagine Jesus at the right hand of the Father interceding for you. Should you go back to sin and failure? No, run and win!



The Christian life as compared to wrestling:

Ephesians 6:12 tells us that we get into a _____ match. Our foes are not flesh and blood but are described as:



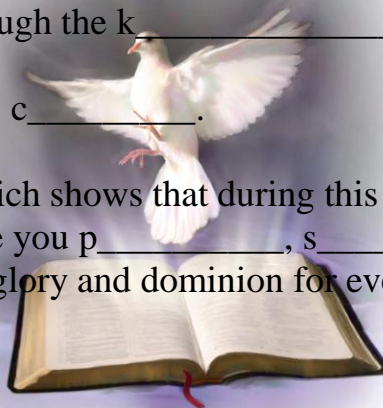
p_____, p_____, rulers of the _____
_____, spiritual _____ in
_____.

Since this is a spiritual struggle, you must learn to be spiritually strong and spiritually wise. Where does godly strength come from?

Colossians 1:10&11 Through the k_____ of G_____.

Philippians 4:13 Through c_____.

Read also I Peter 5:10 which shows that during this wrestling match you may suffer, but after suffering, He will make you p_____, s_____, s_____, s_____ you. To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. AMEN!



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The Work of the Believer

Lesson 8a



Memory Verse: “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45



The Work of the believer includes service, sacrifice, and submission. Jesus was humble, kind, sacrificial, and hard working. Jesus’ works are our pattern to follow.

Scripture Read: Romans 12 Initial when complete:

The works of Jesus Christ are our examples.



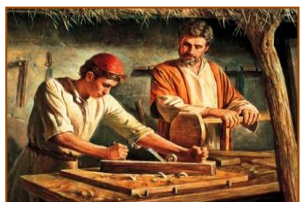
Jesus came in service to his Father and to a lost and dying people. Please read these Bible verses about Jesus and find the answers needed.

John 4:34 Jesus came to do just what his Father wanted him to do. What does this verse say he came to do? Underline one:

His Fathers wishes His Father’s works His Father’s will

Our memory verse says that he came not to be _____ but to _____ (serve).

Jesus sacrificed His glorious life. John 17:5 says that he was with the _____ before the _____. He left _____ to be born in a stable.



Mary’s husband, Joseph, was not a rich man. He was a working man. Matthew 13:55 says he was a _____.

What does Mark 6:3 say Jesus was known as? The _____ *Jesus learned from Joseph and worked with his hands to earn a living until he began to preach at about age 30. God became a man who learned and worked just like us.*



Read Psalm 24:7-10 and give the description used five times for Jesus. The _____ of _____. *You may remember Revelations 19:16 from Lesson 5d of this set where Jesus was called The King of Kings and Lord of Lords!*

Jesus also sacrificed earthly comforts and pleasures.



Luke 2:41-49 Tells how, at an early age, Jesus went to the Temple. When his parents got partway home they realized Jesus was missing. When they found him they had been worried.

He thought they would have known he would be at the Temple so he asked them, “...wist ye not that I must be about my _____ _____.” How old was he then? _____ *He could have been celebrating together with others.*

Who were the others he could have been with? *Underline one:*

His school mates The magicians Kinsfolk and acquaintances His parents

In Matthew 8: 19 & 20 Jesus told the scribe that the foxes have _____, and the birds of the air have _____, but the Son of man hath not where to _____ his _____. *In other words, He had no house of his own.*

Mark 9:14-29 Read this story. Jesus put his heavenly work ahead of regular Meals and because of it he had power over evil spirits. He told his disciples that only by _____ and _____ could these come forth.

Jesus labored to reach the multitudes. He sacrificed privacy and rest as He ministered to the sick, guided the apostles, prayed earnestly, and preached often.

Luke 4:15 “And He _____ in the _____, and He being glorified of all.

Luke 4:31band _____ on the _____. *(Maybe God wants you to teach someday.)*



Luke 4:38 & 39 And He arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon’s house...What did he do there?

_____ *(God needs doctor missionaries.)*

Luke 4:40 Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them to him; and he _____ his _____ on _____ one of them and _____ them. *Please read Luke 6:17-18. His outreach was tremendous!*

Luke 4:44 “And he _____ *in the* _____.”

Luke 6:12 & 13 “And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a



_____ and continued _____
_____. And when it was day, he _____ his _____ :
and of them he _____ of whom also he named apostles;” *(Jesus prayed much for his work and his workers.)*

Luke 6:17 & 18 “And he came down with them ... and a great _____ of people out of all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the sea Coast of Tyre, and Sidon, which came to hear him and to be _____ of their _____ ; and they that were vexed with _____ : and they were _____.”



His greatest sacrifice is found in Philippians 2:7 & 8: “But made himself of no _____, and took upon himself the form of a _____ and was made into the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man , He _____, and became _____ unto death, even the _____ of the _____.”

Jesus was obedient to his Heavenly Father and to his earthly parents. He was submissive to those in authority.

As a child he was _____. (Speaking of His parents) Luke 2:51

He was submissive to His heavenly father. In Matthew 26:39, Jesus prays, “...not as I will, but _____. And in verse 42, “...thy _____. See also Hebrews 10:7 and Matthew 27:53-54.

Read Matthew 17:24-27 & Mark 12:13-17. Jesus paid _____ money. He submitted to _____ rule. The written Word later commands us to be subject to the higher powers in Romans 13:1-7 (Please Read). In I Peter 2 13-17 the written Word speaks of the same submission to e _____ o _____ of man, and ends in h _____ the k _____ .

Our work as followers of Jesus Christ and as future citizens of heaven should be a servant’s work.

God claims us as His servants for now and forever. We are not to become enslaved by man or by money.

I Corinthians 7:23 shows that we are His when He says “Ye are _____ with a _____ ; be not ye the _____.

(Do not become enslaved to others so as not to be able to serve, honor and obey the One who redeemed you.)

Colossians 3:23 states inclusively “And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the _____, and _____ ;”

In Revelation 22:1-5 God showed John the throne of God and the Lamb (Jesus), and His servants serving Him. What does verse 5 say we will be doing? “...and they _____ for ever and ever.



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The Work of the Believer



Lesson 8b

Memory Verse: “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45



In lesson 8a we learned that Jesus was the perfect example of one whose works were holy. Those works were a pattern for us. In this lesson we that God is our rightful master or sovereign. All that He would have you do will be good for you throughout eternity.

You have the choice to serve him and receive rewards, or to live to the flesh, and lose God’s blessings.

God warns us against wasting our lives getting rich and famous.

In Matthew 6:24 What does God say about being enslaved to money? You cannot serve _____ and you cannot serve God and _____. (The quest for riches)

While being rich is not a sin, highly exalting men of wealth (James 2:9) and spending your whole life to build yourself riches on earth is a sin.

What 2 things is a wealthy person told to do in I Timothy 6:17-19? Be not

_____, nor trust in _____ ...that they _____, that they be _____.



Read Luke 12:13-21 What did Jesus say to take heed of (be careful of)? _____ (Greed, Materialism, hoarding)

He teaches us that our life *does not consist of the* _____ of the _____ of the _____.

Verse 21 teaches us to be rich _____.



Read the following verses and initial when done:

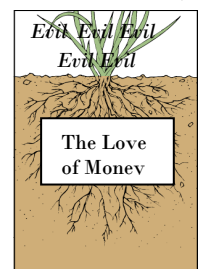
Proverbs 23:5; Proverbs 30:7-9; Jeremiah 9:23-24 and I Timothy 6:7-11. _____

In Luke 12:34 Jesus said “For where _____, there will _____.”

I Timothy 6:10 Warns that the _____ is _____ (What you grow is what you get!)

Instead of exalting yourself you need to learn to glorify God.


ICorinthians 6:20 says you should glorify God in _____, and in _____, which are _____.



Jesus was God in the flesh, but he never fought for first place or bragged on his ability. He never insisted on being held in esteem or admired for his strength or ability.

Philippians 2:7 tells how much reputation Jesus take on. How much was that?
_____ (*He never insisted that he was to be seen as famous, and neither should we!*)

I Corinthians 3:18 & 19 warn against being wise in _____.
(*Any knowledge or learning held that goes against the Bible is foolishness, and will be dealt with by God one day.*)

Romans 12:16 warns against minding _____. It makes a  clear statement in the last sentence “Be not wise in _____.”

As children of the king we are already rich eternally. Jesus became poor so that we might become rich. See II Corinthians 8:9. We are already famous as children of the King!

Read the Bible verses and answer the questions. Think about God; He has your best in mind.

Romans 12:1 What kind of sacrifice did Paul beg Christians to be; Living and holy or self fulfilled and self satisfied? (*underline the correct one.*) *God showed you great grace by sending Jesus to die for your sins. He deserves to have you live for Him! Satan would have you think that to live for Christ would be incomplete.*

Joshua 24:15 Joshua told the Israelites they had choose to serve the god’s of their fathers or the gods of the Amorites. Who did Joshua choose to serve and to see that his family served? _____

Luke 12:34 speaks of our rewards as what? _____

Genesis 15:1 What does God call Himself to Abraham?

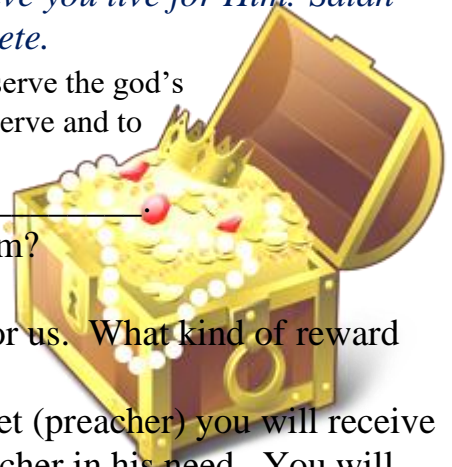
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Luke 6:27-38 Jesus sets down a pattern of behavior for us. What kind of reward will this life bring? _____

Matthew 10:41-42. Though you may not be a prophet (preacher) you will receive a _____ simply by supporting a preacher in his need. You will share in the reward given to a _____ man as you receive (uphold or help) him. *Even giving a cup of water to a little one in the name of a disciple (as representing Jesus) will be rewarded! I Corinthians 3:8 says “Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.”*

Revelation 22:12 Jesus said “And behold, I come quickly; and my _____ is _____, to give _____ man according as his _____.”

Proverbs 11:18 promises that we will have a sure reward for _____.



Psalm 19:7-11 lists five things of God that we are to keep. In keeping them there is

great reward!

    
Crowns are a part of the rewards God has for the believers. Name the crowns He speaks of in the following verses:

I Timothy 4:8 The crown of _____ *This crown is for those who look forward anxiously to Christ's return.*

James 1:12 and Revelation 2:10 The crown of _____ which is given to those who suffer for the name of Christ.

I Peter 5:4 The crown of _____ which is for those who faithfully teach and preach God's Word.

I Corinthians 9:25 A crown that is an _____ crown. This crown is for those who "run a good race" in the Christian life.

I Thessalonians 2:19 In this verse, Paul even considered the souls of those he led to Christ as his crown of rejoicing. *Are you endeavoring to lead others to a saving knowledge of Christ?*



Living for Jesus sure does yield a lot of worthwhile and precious rewards!

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The Work of the Believer

Lesson 8c



Memory Verse: Mark 10:45 “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.”



Since living for the Lord is how you are happiest and most blessed forever, you need to have some guidelines for the work of the believer.

Read I Corinthians 3:10-17

What does v.10 warn of _____.

What will try or test our works? _____

Verse 15 shows that a Christian who lived for himself shall _____.

He will go to glory ashamed and without rewards.

A Christian who shamefully uses his or her body, and will not stop, will be taken in an early death. Verse 17 warns “... him shall _____;”

I Corinthians 15:58a Be s _____, u _____, always a _____ in the w _____ of the L _____ ...



58b Your labour is not in _____.

Solomon’s father, King David spoke in I Chronicles 28:9 “And thou, Solomon my son, _____ thou the God of thy father, and _____ him with a _____ and with a

_____ : for the _____ all _____ , and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts:”

In Romans 7:6 we find that we are not bound to serve to the letter of the law.

How do we now serve? _____ (If you’re saved and you know it, your attitude should show it)

Even in our earthly service we are given direction how to serve. What does God tell us about that in Colossians 3:22? Not with _____ as _____; but in _____.

Here is some good advice. Keep your motives pure; keep on even when you are misunderstood; keep things in focus “You belong to the King”? Service that is truly “to the Lord” is truly for the Lord!



It is considered an honor to be the servant of God. Our service is not that of a lowly slave. As we serve God faithfully, He blesses and honors us. Because he saved us, we live for him.

In Joshua 1:1-2 God called Moses: The _____ of the _____ and my _____. *God was greatly pleased with works of Moses as he served him. You might ask yourself, "Am I serving God with pure works that honor Him?"*

In Genesis 26:24 we find God blessing Isaac. Who does God say that He is doing this for? _____

Read John 12:23-26 Jesus said "...if any man serve me, him will _____." (Last line)

Read Romans 14:17-18 and finish this statement: "For he that in these things serveth _____ is _____, and _____ of men."

I Corinthians 3:9 says "For we are _____ with God: *While we are not working for our salvation, we are working for the Lord, and with the Lord!*

Revelation 7:15 speaks of people in heaven serving him before the throne. It says that he shall _____. (Last line)

Look at Revelation 22:3 His servants shall _____. *This service is given of their own will because they owe their eternal life to Jesus! He first loved them and they now love Him!*

Our service to the Lord is the outworking of our adoration for Him, our Creator, Redeemer, and God! II Corinthians 5:15 says it this way, "And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.

As believers, our work toward one another should also be that of servants. Servants must be humble, submissive, law abiding, loving, and obedient!



Answer the questions or fill in the needed words below to see God's Word on these works of a godly servant:

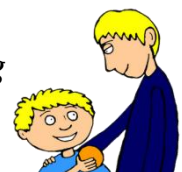
Galatians 5:13 tells us to serve _____ by _____.

Read Philippians 2:1-7 and finish the last phrase of verse 3 "...let each _____.

Whose mind should be in you? _____


We are to be submissive also to one another. As seen in the following verses. Read them and write in to whom we are to submit:

Ephesians 5:21 _____





Ephesians 5:22 (For when a girl gets married) Your own _____ .

I Peter 2:13 tells us to submit to _____ for the _____ . 

Hebrews 13:17 You should obey them that _____ .

I Peter 5:5 The younger are to submit unto the _____ .



Ephesians 6:1 Children are to obey their _____ .




The work of the believer includes worship and praise.




John 4:23 True worshipers worship the Father in _____ (truly from the heart) ...for the Father seeketh such to _____ .

Philippians 3:3 tells that we who are saved are those who worship God in the _____ , and rejoice in Christ Jesus, having no confidence in the _____ . (See Ephesians 2:8-9.)

Acts 16:25 Paul and Silas were in prison for preaching the gospel, but out of their hearts came songs of _____ . 




In **I Peter 4:11** Peter tells us who is to be praised; _____ .

Hebrews 13:15 puts it this way: “By Him therefore let us offer the _____ of _____ to God _____ , that is, the _____ of our _____ giving thanks _____ .” 

As a Christian your work includes being a representative of heaven and of the true and living God.

In **II Corinthians 5:20** God tells us that we are His _____. Read **Proverbs 13:17** and consider what kind of representative you are being. *Your life should bring good will from our heavenly home to this world!*

The believers work should be open before the world. It should have an effect on the unsaved world.

 Read **Matthew 5:14-16** What does God say that we are in verse 14? _____ . Do not hide your Christianity but

rather let it shine forth so that men may see your good works and

What did the king say to Daniel as he was cast into the lion's den in Daniel 6:16b

Acts 4:13 When they realized that these men were not highly educated, but spoke boldly they took knowledge of them , that _____ .

The work of the believer is to be guided and sustained by prayer. Read the following scriptures and initial when done. Romans 8:26; Philippians 4:6; Luke 18:1-8; Matthew 5:44; I Thessalonians 5:17; I Timothy 2:8 and James 5:15-16 Initial _____

The work of the believer includes spreading the Gospel.



Read Matthew 28:16-20. What two words summed up Jesus last command to his apostles? _____ And then in Acts 5:28 what did the council accuse them of?

Even persecution should not stop us from witnessing. As seen in Acts 8:4, what did the early church do when they were persecuted? They went

The work of the believer is also known as the work of faith. It is sometimes triumphant but at other times it may cause us to suffer. We may even be called upon to give our life for Christ. But remember how He suffered for us. Be strong in the Lord and work the works of faith.



Read Philippians 1:28-30. What two things are given to us in the behalf of Christ?

1. _____ 2. _____

In Hebrews 11:24-26 we see that Moses chose to _____ with the _____ of _____. He loved the Lord so much that he counted even the reproach of Christ to be greater riches than the _____.

As children of the King we are already rich eternally. Jesus became poor so that we might become rich. See II Corinthians 8:9 We are already children of the King!

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Lesson 1

SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER

Memory verse: I Peter 1:23 “Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.”



Being secure in your salvation is very important. Many times we have heard babies cry for their mothers. They would not stop crying until they were in her arms again. They felt insecure. A Christian can feel the same way about his salvation. He needs to learn that his salvation is secure in God's safe keeping.

Our salvation is a sure thing; it is secure!

Open your Bible to I Peter 1:1-5 and see if you can find the words that answer these questions:

I Peter 1:3

1. What kind of mercy does God have? **ABUNDANT** (That means a lot of mercy.)
2. The Father has **BEGOTTEN** us. (We were born to Him!)
3. What kind of hope did he give us? A **LIVELY** hope! (It is a living hope with no weakness or death.)
4. That hope is because of Jesus Christ and His **RESURRECTION** from the **DEAD**.

I Peter 1:4

1. An inheritance is something we are given by our parents or someone who loved us when they die. Jesus, your best friend, died for you and left an inheritance that is: **INCORRUPTIBLE** (This word means that it can never decay or wear away; it lasts on and on).
2. This inheritance is **UNDEFILED** (not poisoned by sin).
3. This inheritance **FADETH** not away.
4. This inheritance is reserved in **HEAVEN** for **YOU**.

Salvation is pure; it is forever. Oh yes! It is heavenly, not earthly.

We are saved by faith and kept by God's Almighty power!

Finish the verses in this section:

1. I Peter 1:5 “We are kept by the **POWER** of **GOD** through **FAITH** unto salvation...”

2. Ephesians 2: 8&9 “For by grace are ye saved **THROUGH FAITH** ; and that not of **YOURSELVES** : it is the gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast.

3. Romans 10:17 “So then **FAITH COMETH BY HEARING** and hearing **BY THE WORD OF GOD.**”

See also John 10: 28 & 29.

Salvation cannot be destroyed, but your faith can be tested and tried.

Read I Peter 1:7&8 then answer these questions.

1. What are the trials of ? **YOUR FAITH.**

2. What are your trials better than? **GOLD**

3. What might your trials be found unto ? Unto **PRAISE** and **HONOR** and **GLORY** : *(When your faith is tried or tested it can stand fast and look right back to God who will then receive praise and honor and glory.)*

4. In I Peter 1:8, it tells us how we rejoice because we believe in Him, and love Him. “...with **JOY UNSPEAKABLE** and full of **GLORY** .”

Christ left us an example of how to behave when trials come. Read I Peter 2:21-23.



Remember that Satan is a liar and he will try to discourage, confuse, and trick you. Remember God’s Word when you are worried, fearful or confused.



Salvation is not temporary; it is not lost if we sin.

Please Read I John 1: 9&10 and 2:1&2 and answer the questions.

1. God calls the saved people his little children. He teaches us that we should not sin. Sin hurts our fellowship with the Heavenly Father. Each time we sin He says we must **CONFESS** our sins---verse 9.

2. In the same verse, he also promises to do what? **FORGIVE** us our **SINS** and to **CLEANSE** us from all unrighteousness.

When a Christian confesses his sin and asks God’s forgiveness that restores the broken fellowship. The Heavenly Father never holds a grudge against any of His children. If you feel lost, perhaps it is broken fellowship because of sin. You need to confess that sin and turn from it.

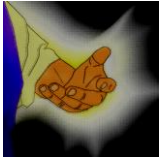
Maybe you have completed this study and you know in your heart that you are not really saved. Please read the verses and answer the questions. Think about this carefully!

1. Who have sinned? Romans 3:23 **ALL** Write your name below

2. What is the payment of sin? Romans 6:23a **DEATH**
3. What is the cure for sin? Romans 6:23b **JESUS CHRIST** our Lord.
4. How does a person get the gift of salvation? Look up the scriptures below and answer the questions.

A. In John 3:16 we see that God gave his only begotten son that whosoever **BELIEVETH IN HIM** (*Jesus*) should not perish (*die the second death in hell*) but have **EVERLASTING LIFE** . (*Believe that Jesus, the Son of God shed His sinless blood for you to wash away your sins.*)

B. In Luke 13:5 God says, “I tell you, Nay: but, except ye **REPENT** , ye shall all likewise perish.” (*Turn from you sin and ask for forgiveness. Accept Jesus into your heart.*)



C. Romans 10: 9&10 says “9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the **LORD JESUS** , and shalt believe in **THINE HEART** that God hath **RAISED HIM FROM** the **DEAD** , thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and **WITH THE MOUTH** confession is made unto salvation.”

If you are not saved, or still not sure, Jesus says “Come unto me...”. Simply bow your head and pray something like this “God, I know I am a sinner. I ask you to forgive me. I want Jesus to be my Savior. I am inviting him into my heart.”



**Rest in Him,
You are Secure!**

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LESSON 2

HOLY GOD-HOLY PEOPLE

“But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.” I Peter 1: 15 & 16

Many people believe they may do anything they wish. They say, “No one has the right to judge.” They do not understand that we were made by a holy God who cannot have anything to do with un-holiness or unrighteousness. He calls us to holy living in our new life in Christ.

To be holy means being separated from all that is sinful, impure, or morally imperfect. In this lesson, we’ll see what the Bible has to say about holiness.

Fill in the blanks or finish the sentences. Think carefully about what each sentence is saying about God’s holiness.

GOD IS HOLY.

A. Exodus 15:11 verse asks a question. “Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like thee **GLORIOUS** in **HOLINESS**, fearful in praises, doing wonders?”

There is no other god who is holy. In fact there is no one else who is perfectly holy.

B. In Psalm 99:9 we are told, “Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the **LORD OUR GOD IS HOLY.**”

Because of Jesus’ sacrifice, we no longer have to worship God in a certain place such as the Temple, but we still worship and praise Him as holy!

GOD’S NAME IS HOLY.

A. The last six words of Psalms 111:9 says “... **HOLY** and **REVEREND** is His **NAME.**”

B. Isaiah 57:15 Says “For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, **WHOSE NAME** is **HOLY**; I dwell in the **HIGH AND HOLY PLACE...**”

C. Read Matthew 6:9 and Luke 11:2 and give the words used to describe his name **HALLOWED** be **THY NAME.**



A. Read Isaiah 6:1-3 and tell what the seraphim cried out “... **HOLY** , **HOLY**, **HOLY** is the **LORD** of **HOSTS** the whole earth is full of his glory.”

B. What did God call himself in Isaiah 43:14? “Thus said the Lord, your redeemer, the **HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL** ...”

C. In Revelation 4:8 the four beasts said “ **HOLY HOLY HOLY**, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.”

D. In Revelation 6:10 the souls of them that were killed for the Word of God and their testimony cried with a loud voice saying, How long, O Lord, **HOLY AND TRUE** , dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

GOD DWELLS IN HOLINESS AND ALL THAT HE DOES IS HOLY.

A. Read Exodus 3:1-6. Even the **GROUND** was holy because God was there.

B. Psalm 47:8 shows that God reigns in holiness. He sits upon the **THRONE OF HIS HOLINESS**.

C. Psalm 145:17 says, “The Lord is **RIGHTEOUS** in **ALL** his **WAYS** , and **HOLY** in **ALL** his **WORKS**.”

Holy living for the Christian is not a means to keep our salvation. It is the way to please God and have his fellowship. Holy living brings Him honor!



GOD WANTS HIS PEOPLE TO BE HOLY. SEE JUST HOW IMPORTANT OUR HOLINESS IS TO GOD.

A. Leviticus 20:7 is a command! “Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye **HOLY**: for I am the **LORD** your **GOD**.”

The word sanctify means set apart to holiness. That is God’s teaching in the Old Testament. The New Testament teaching has not changed.

B. I Thessalonians 4:7 says, “For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but **UNTO HOLINESS .**”

C. I Peter 1: 15&16 tells us to be like Him in everything we do and say. “But as He which hath called you is Holy, **SO BE YE HOLY** in all manner of conversation (in all you do, your behavior); Because it is written be ye **HOLY FOR I AM HOLY.**



**HOLY LIVING FITS YOUR NEW LIFE IN CHRIST.
GOD CHOSE THE SAVED TO
BE HOLY BEFORE HIM.**

A. Last half of Ephesians 1:4 says that we were chosen that we should be **HOLY** and **WITHOUT BLAME** before Him in love.

In the last day we will stand before Him and He will see us as holy through Jesus Christ and His shed blood.

B. Read Ephesians 2:21 & 22. Verse 21 compares Christians to a **HOLY TEMPLE** in the **LORD.** *That is cause to rejoice!*

**HOLY LIVING WILL NOT COME
AUTOMATICALLY HERE ON EARTH.
BECAUSE OF OUR EARTHLY BODIES, WE
MUST WORK AT IT.**

A. Read Romans 12:1 and tell what we are urged to present our bodies as. “...present your bodies a **LIVING SACRIFICE** , **HOLY** , acceptable unto **GOD.** (not acceptable to man)...”

God tells us that this is reasonable service. It is only fair. He gave His Son for us. We need to leave the old unholy life and live a holy life now.

B. This verse shows that not one single Christian has the right to live in any way that is in disagreement with God. And God knows! II Timothy 2:19 “Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.”

Holy living includes yielding to God and giving up old habits. It will mean taking off old ways and putting on new ways.

Those involved in false religion or idol worship must also separate themselves from it.

**A CHRISTIAN WHO LIVES AN UNHOLY LIFE
CANNOT BLAME GOD. HE CAN HE CONTINUES
TO WALK IN SIN HE MAY HAVE HIS LIFE
ENDED BEFORE HIS TIME!**

A. Read James 1:13&14 and find something God cannot do.
GOD CANNOT BE TEMPTED WITH EVIL, neither
TEMPTETH HE ANY MAN. *We cannot blame God for our wrong doing.*

B. Read Hebrews 12:5 to see who chastens his sons (children). The **LORD**.
We sometimes need to be rebuked and chastened (scolded and corrected).

C. In I Corinthians 3:17 one word tells what God will do if we defile the temple of God (live immorally). It starts with a "D". **DESTROY**
And James 1:15 says that sin brings forth **DEATH** ;
Also Romans 6:16 says we are **SERVANTS** to whom we obey;
whether of **SIN** unto **DEATH** , or **OBEDIENCE** unto
RIGHTEOUSNESS .



Our God is holy and we must be too!

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Lesson 3

Be a Godly Example

Memory verse: Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believer, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. I Timothy 4:12

Have you heard people say, “First impressions count most,” “His actions speak louder than his words,” “You can judge him by his friends”? What could people say about you? Our memory verse tells us to be an example of the believer. Others should be able to see that we are Christians.



God hears our ungodly speech as well as our godly speech and holds us accountable

We need to be godly examples before the world and to one another. Our Bible leads the way. So let's find what the Bible says about being a godly example!

Be a godly example of the believer in *word* (speech).

Here are 3 verses from the Bible. Look each one up and read what it says. Place the correct Bible location next to the words that came from it.

I Thessalonians 2:4

James 1: 19

Matthew 26:74

J A M E S 1:19 _____ “... my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:” (*Are you like this or do you angry and impatient?*)

I THESSALONIANS 2:4 _____ “...even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.” (*Please God with your words. People are often not right.*)

MATTHEW 26:74 _____ “Then began he to curse and to swear, saying, I know not the man...” (*Peter feared being arrested or killed so he cursed, and denied Jesus. Peter sinned with his mouth. Do you? We must not sin against God with our lips!*)

Your speech shows how much or how little you love God and follow his Word.

Be an example of the believer in *conversation*. (*Conversation is an Old English word that means “actions” or “way of life.”*)

Here are 3 more verses. As before, look each one up and read what it says, then place the correct Bible location next to the words that came from it.

Genesis 39:3 I Samuel 18:5 Acts 4:13



I SAMUEL 18:5 And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants. (*Christian. behave yourself wisely as a godly example to others and in honor to your heavenly Father!*)

ACTS 4:13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus. (*People can tell if you are spending time in the Written Word for it represents Jesus, the Living Word!*)

GENESIS 39:3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand. (*God blesses those who live godly lives!*)



Be an example in charity (Godly love). This love is an unselfish love. It causes us to think and speak well of others. Godly love judges others kindly and desires to make them happy. The Godly love, charity, is spoken of throughout the Bible.

Read I Corinthians 13:4-8. Within these verses there are many descriptions of God's meaning of charity. Please fill in the missing words below that describe true charity.



* Charity SUFFERETH LONG and is KIND.

* Charity ENVIETH not... (is not jealous of what others may get)

* Charity vaunteth not itself (Does not brag on self.) is not PUFFED UP (*not prideful*).

Charity does not behave itself UNSEEMLY (*in any unfit or indecent way*), SEEKETH not HER OWN (*ones own comfort or will first like saying “Me first!”*), is not easily PROVOKED (*made angry*), thinketh no EVIL ;

* Charity rejoices not in INIQUITY , but REJOICETH in TRUTH ;

* Charity BEARETH ALL things (*bears hardships and disappointments with patience and grace toward others*)

ICorinthians 13:13 says that charity is even greater in God's sight than faith and hope!

Be an example of Christ-likeness in peacefulness, purity and love of other Christians.

Romans 12: 9 and 10 says that we must love without DISSIMULATION (*in truth, not putting on an act.*) It says to abhor (*hate*) that which is EVIL and to cleave to (*hold on to*) that WHICH IS GOOD. We are to be KINDLY AFFECTIONED one to another with BROTHERLY LOVE; in honor PREFERRING ONE ANOTHER ;

We live righteously by His power. We can and we must love one another (other Christians) in true charity if we are to please God, and have His full blessing on our life.

Be a godly example in spirit (*your mental disposition or your attitude*).

Complete these sentences about Joseph and Daniel.

Genesis 50: 19-21 And he COMFORTED THEM , and spake (spoke) KINDLY unto them.

Joseph kept his attitude right throughout life. At age 17 he was reliable and obedient to his father. Very bad events took place in Joseph's life. He could have become bitter and hateful but he did not. Joseph's life is a great example of living with a right spirit in spite of circumstances(*things happening*). The true events are written in Genesis chapter 37 and chapters 39 through 47. It also shows God's blessing on that type of living.



Daniel 6:3 “Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes because an EXCELLENT SPIRIT WAS FOUND IN HIM ; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.”

Daniel was a victim of circumstances. His people had sinned greatly against God and were taken over by an enemy country. Daniel, a godly young man, was taken by force to serve the king in a foreign land. He went on living a God honoring life there! Wherever you are, be a godly example!



Be an example of the believer in faith.

God gave a whole chapter about faith in the book of Hebrews, chapter 11. We will be using that chapter for this section.

What is faith?

Verse 1 “ Now faith is the SUBSTANCE of things HOPED for, the EVIDENCE of things NOT SEEN.”

Verse 3 (*Finish this statement*) “Through faith we understand that the WORLDS were FRAMED by the WORD of GOD, which do APPEAR .”

The following are recordings of faith in the lives of many who have gone before us.

Verse 4 “By FAITH Abel offered unto God A MORE EXCELLENT SACRIFICE THAN CAIN, by which he OBTAINED WITNESS that he was RIGHTEOUS ,...”



Verse 7 By FAITH Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, PREPARED an ARK to the SAVING of his HOUSE ; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the RIGHTEOUSNESS which is by FAITH.

Read verses 8-12 and name the two people (husband and wife) whose faith was recorded here. a. ABRAHAM b. SARAH

Believe God's Word and act upon it no matter the cost. Trust what God promises.

Be an example of Christ in purity.

Find how many times the words pure, purify and purity are used in I John 3:2&3 and Titus 2:14. 3 times

Finish these Bible verses.

Titus 2:12-14 “...we should live SOBERLY , RIGHTEOUSLY and GODLY in this present world...”

Read II Corinthians chapter 6:14 – 7:1 and fill in the blanks.

1. “Be ye not UNEQUALLY yoked together with UNBELIEVERS ...”
2. “for ye are the TEMPLE of the LIVING God.”
3. “Wherefore come out from AMONG THEM , and be ye SEPARATE , saith the LORD ...”
4. “...let us CLEANSE ourselves from all FILTHINESS of the FLESH and SPIRIT , perfecting HOLINESS in the fear of God.”

Throughout the Bible God has required purity of his people in body, mind, spirit, and in worship.

Purity cannot be maintained if we join close together with unbelievers in their churches, marriage or business co-ownership. Don't run with the crowd! Learn to be an example of the believer in all things!

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Lesson 4

THE "HEAVENS"

Memory verse: For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. II Corinthians 5:1

There are three places called heaven in the Bible. The first is the space of air and clouds just above the earth; the second is what we know as outer space; and the third is God's home. Deuteronomy 10:14 says "Behold the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the LORD'S thy God, the earth *also* with all that therein is."

In this section we'll find things written in God's Word about the first and second heavens.



**These heavens were created by God; they belong to God. Look up the verses below and fill in the missing words.*

1. Genesis 1:1 states "In the beginning God created the **HEAVENS** and the earth."



2. Genesis 2:1 uses the word "**heavens**" (plural). This is the time when God made the first and second heavens. **The first heaven** contains what four things found in the following verses?

Psalm 147:8 **CLOUDS** and **RAIN**

Isaiah 55:10 **RAIN** and **SNOW**

Jeremiah 49:36. **WINDS**



**List the things God placed in the second heaven.*

Judges 5:20 The **STARS**, in their **COURSES**

Genesis 1:16 Two **GREAT LIGHTS**.

**One Hebrew word used to describe these heavens is "shamayim", lofty, meaning the firmament which appears like an arch spread out above the earth. These heavens are vast in their size and function; they are the mighty works of God. One day, however these heavens shall no longer exist.*

II Peter 3:10 tells us they shall "**PASS AWAY** with a **GREAT NOISE**, and the **ELEMENTS** shall **MELT** with **FERVENT HEAT**, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

(This speaks of a time that is 1,000 years after the Tribulation Period.

We who are God's children will be safe with Him.)



Now we will search some scriptures about the third Heaven, God's homeland and the eternal home of the saved. We hope this study and the one that follows on future events will bring you joy.

**Heaven is God's homeland. Read the following scriptures and fill in the words that speak of Heaven.*

1. Matthew 12:50 "For whosoever shall do the will of **MY FATHER** which is in **HEAVEN**, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother."
2. Luke 11:2 "And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, **OUR FATHER** which art in **HEAVEN**, hallowed be thy name."
3. I Kings 8:30 "And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou in **HEAVEN THY DWELLING PLACE**: and when thou hearest, forgive."
4. I John 5:7 "For there are three that bear record in **HEAVEN**, the **FATHER**, the **WORD**, and the **HOLY GHOST**: and these three are one."

** Heaven is where God's throne is. Finish the statements or answer the questions from the following:*

1. I Kings 8:32 "Then hear thou in **HEAVEN** and do and **JUDGE** thy **SERVANTS**..."
2. Acts 7:49 " **HEAVEN** is my **THRONE** and earth is my footstool; what house will ye build for me saith the Lord:..."
3. Psalm 11:4 "The Lord is in His **HOLY TEMPLE** The Lord's **THRONE IS IN HEAVEN**: His eyes behold, His eyelids try the children of men."
4. Read Matthew 19:28& 29; Matthew 25:31&32; II Corinthians 5:10; Revelation 3:21 and John 5:22&23.

Who has been given the right to judge all men from God's throne? **JESUS/CHRIST/SON**

***Heaven is God's dwelling place of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Read these scriptures to see what he is doing in heaven now as well as what he will do in the future.**

1. Ephesians 1:19-23 He is the head of the **CHURCH**.
2. 1 Peter 3:22 "Who is gone into heaven, and is on the **RIGHT HAND OF GOD**; angels and authorities and powers being made **SUBJECT UNTO HIM**."

Jesus is not a mere man, he is not a created being as an angel. He is God.

3. Hebrews 7:24-26 Jesus stands eternally in an unchangeable **PRIESTHOOD**. He is saving the souls of those who come to God by Him. He lives forever and makes **INTERCESSION** for them. (No longer are there any sacrifices needed or atonements made on earth.) Romans 8:34 Says that Jesus also makes intercession for who **US (THE SAVED)**

Read through to the end of Chapter 8 and see how secure we are in the love of Jesus though we have tribulations here. He knows all things, he feels our hurts: He loves us.

***Heaven is the enduring home of all who die in Christ.**

1. II Corinthians 5:6-9 According to these we are either at home in the body and **ABSENT** from the **LORD** or we are absent from the body and **PRESENT** with the Lord. *As Christians you need not feel uncertain or fearful about death for you will be with the Lord immediately.*

2. If this body were destroyed what does II Corinthians 5:1 say we have?

A BUILDING OF GOD, A HOUSE NOT MADE WITH HANDS.

3. In Psalm 116:15 we are assured of what? **THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS IS PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT.**

4. Read the account of Nicodemus who came fearfully to see Jesus, in John 3:1-16. Jesus foretold his resurrection back to heaven from whence He came. What two words were used by Jesus to describe the duration of life for those who believe in Him?

ETERNAL life and **EVERLASTING** life.

5. What does Hebrews 12:28 describe heaven as? **A KINGDOM WHICH CANNOT BE MOVED.**

6. Jesus promised to prepare a place for us. John 14:2 reveals that there are many **MANSIONS** in heaven, and He is making a place ready for us! The first two heavens and earth will pass away; nations have passed away but God's home, our eternal home, will never pass away.



***Eye witness accounts of heaven and glimpses of glory.**

1. In I Peter 5:10 What are God's children called to? **HIS ETERNAL GLORY**

2. Read II Kings 2:1& 11. Who was taken up to heaven? **ELIJAH** Who witnessed this amazing event? **ELISHA**

3. One of the first deacons was Stephen (Acts 6:1-7). In chapters 6 and 7, Stephen was brought before the council where he testified of many events down through the ages when Jews refused to obey and follow God. He showed them that they now reject the Christ. Read Acts 7:54-60 and write out the three things that Stephen saw

a. **THE GLORY OF GOD**

b. **JESUS AT HIS RIGHT HAND**

c. **THE HEAVENS OPENED**

As the heavens were opened Stephen was sustained by seeing Jesus.

4. In Mark 1:9-11 What did John the Baptist see? **THE HEAVENS OPENED AND THE SPIRIT OF GOD DESCENDING ON HIM LIKE A DOVE**

The Spirit of God came out of heaven to rest on Jesus. He heard the Father speak from heaven.

5. From Revelation 1:1&2 and Chapter 4 answer the questions.

a. Who saw a door opened in heaven? **JOHN** In the vision he was seeing future events. (Revelation4:1)

b. Rev.4: 2&3 say that a **THRONE** was set in **HEAVEN** and one sat on the **THRONE**. And looking at him was like looking at beautiful gems.

c. What did he see around the throne? v.3 **A RAINBOW**

d. What did he see before the throne(Rev.4:6)? **A SEA OF GLASS.**

In Verses 8-11 of chapter 4, John saw and heard amazing things. He observed humble but intense worships, praise and adoration of Jesus. We will also be in His presence one day and be able to give Him praise. We who are His fellow heirs will have nothing to hinder our peace and joy. We will forever be with the one who died that all who believe might have eternal life.

e. In Ezekiel 1:1 the writer saw the heavens opened. Read Ezekiel 3:23. It speaks of the what of the Lord? **GLORY**

f. II Corinthians 12:4 What is heaven called? **PARADISE** Read the account of a repentant sinner on his way to glory in Luke 23: 39-43.

g. In Isaiah 11:10 We find God promising a glorious **REST**. No more struggles, no more grief, sorrow or pain.

There are events recorded in the Bible which have not taken place yet. One of those is the coming of new heavens and of a new earth.

The New Life Series

Lesson 5A

Coming Events

The Bible tells us of some things that have not happened yet. Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt long ago; Jesus came to earth as a baby more than 2,000 years ago; the Jewish nation was restored in 1948. All of those were prophesied and have come to pass. There are still future events that will take place here on earth and in the heavens above us. The next coming event is:

The Rapture

Memorize this verse

And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

1John 2:28

Rapture means "caught out". God's chosen people, the Jews, understood that God would send a Saviour but they refused to accept Jesus as their Messiah.

God turned to the rest of the world who are called the *Gentiles*. His Gospel has been going into the world since that time and many have been saved. This period of time is called *God's Day of Grace*. Soon that period of time will end with *The Rapture*.

At the Rapture, Jesus will come in the clouds for his saved ones. Those who died in Christ will be raised from the grave first. Those who are alive on the earth will be caught up with them. All the saved will be given bodies that can never die and will with the Lord.

Read each scripture and find the missing words that describe Jesus' coming for His people?

John 14:2 "In my Father's house//////////: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go //////////."

ARE MANY MANSIONS TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU

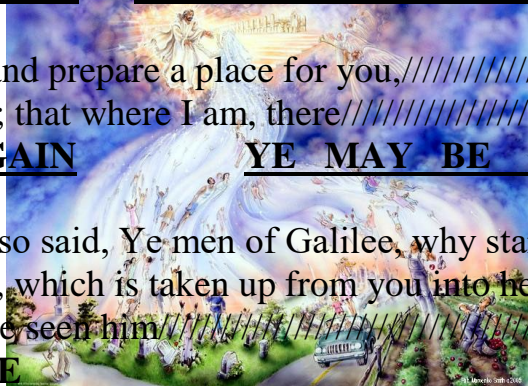


John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you,//////////, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there//////////.

I WILL COME AGAIN YE MAY BE ALSO

Acts 1:11 "Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, ////////// in like manner as ye have seen him//////////.

SHALL SO COME GO INTO HEAVEN



Hebrews 9: 28 “So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him //////////////////////////////////////without sin unto salvation.”

SHALL HE APPEAR THE SECOND TIME

Read I Thessalonians 4:13-18. Mark true (T) or false (F) after each sentence below.



Verse 14 shows that Jesus will be bringing the souls of those who died in Christ (Jesus, himself) with him. **T** F

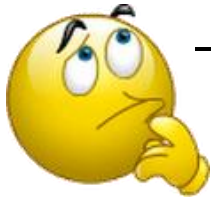
Verse 17 Those of us who are alive will not meet the Lord in the air. **F** T

Verse 15 The writer of I Thessalonians just thought these things up. **F** T

Verses 13 and 18 We don't have much hope when a Christian dies so we can't be of much comfort to them. **F** T



Read I Corinthians 15:51 & 52, and Philipians 3:20 & 21. If the statement below is correct put a “C” before it. If it is incorrect put an “I” after it



 We will go into glory just as we are. **I**

 We will be given wings and be made into angels. **I**

C We will be given incorruptible bodies, bodies that will not die.

C Our bodies will be glorious.



Read these verses and answer the question. Write which verse you found it in.



Matthew 24:36- 44

Will we know ahead of time and can then better prepare to meet the Lord?

No **Matthew 24:36.**

Does the Bible teach us to be ready for Jesus to come? **YES**

Matthew 24:44

Read these verses in the Bible and cross out the words that are not God's words. Write the correct words at the end of the verse.



Revelation 22:7 Behold, ~~I may come in the summer~~: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. **I COME QUICKLY**

I Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at ~~last a trumpet shall sound~~: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised ~~forth~~.

AT THE LAST TRUMP **INCORRUPTIBLE**

II Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that ~~his chosen might get saved.~~ **ALL SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE**



After reading the verses in the box below, fill in the blanks and write where you found it in the Bible.

Revelation 22:12 1 John 2:28
Titus 2:11-13 1 John 3:2



“...and now little children, abide in him; that when **HE SHALL APPEAR,** we may have confidence, and **NOT BE ASHAMED BEFORE HIM AT HIS COMING.**
*I found it in **I JOHN 2:28***

“... but we know that, when he **SHALL APPEAR** we shall be like him...”
*I found it in **I JOHN 3:2***

“and behold I **COME QUICKLY;** and my reward is with me...” *I found it in **REVELATION 22:12***

“...Looking for that **BLESSED HOPE,** and the glorious **APPEARING OF THE GREAT GOD AND OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST** who gave himself for us.” *I found it in **TITUS 2:11-13***

Coming Events

Lesson 5B

Moses led the children of Israel out of Egypt long ago; Jesus came to earth as a baby more than 2,000 years ago; the Jewish nation was restored in 1948. All of those were prophesied in the Bible and came to pass.



The Bible tells us of some future events that will take place here on earth and in the heavens. The next coming event is the Rapture of the Church, those who are saved. As soon as God's children are raptured from the Earth there will be 7 years

of... **TRIBULATION**

Memorize this verse "...there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation..." Daniel 12:1

Through all the Tribulation there will be one man who rules the world, The Antichrist. A False prophet (as a Potentate like a Pope) takes over spiritual leadership in a one world religion. The Devil is the force behind them. God's judgment will fall upon those who have rejected Christ and who follow The Antichrist!

The unholy trinity is described in various places. Give the word used for each as found in these verses:

Revelation 19:19 speaks of the political leader as the BEAST

Revelation 11:7 again calls him the BEAST.

In I John 2:18 he is described as anti C H R I S T which means "opposing Christ".

This man thinks he has all the power to control the world but look at Revelation 17:17 to see how wrong he is! Write the verse out and pay close attention to what it is saying. FOR GOD HATH PUT IN THEIR HEARTS TO FULFIL HIS WILL , AND TO AGREE , AND GIVE THEIR KINGDOM UNTO THE BEAST , UNTIL THE WORDS OF GOD SHALL BE FULFILLED .

Revelation 16:13 calls the religious leader the false PROPHET .

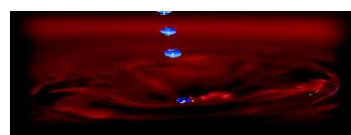
Revelation 13: 2&4 The spiritual power behind them is called the DRAGON



Revelation 20:2 it plainly says "...the dragon, that OLD SERPANT which is the DEVIL , and Satan..."

During the Tribulation, God will send terrible things over the world!


Fire, Earthquakes, Water Turned To Blood





The Tribulation is a time on earth such as man has never known. In the Scriptures He calls that time by several names that describe them.


Find the names in the verses listed and answer the thought questions after.

Isaiah 2:12 The DAY OF THE LORD. Who is in control?  THE LORD/GOD

Isaiah 34:8; 63:1-6 The Day of THE LORD'S VENGEANCE.  Why is God taking vengeance on the Earth? BECAUSE PEOPLE WOULD NOT BELIEVE IN JESUS.

Jeremiah 30:7 The Time of JACOB'S TROUBLE.  This is because the Jewish people have rejected their Saviour also. True or False

Revelation 6:17 The Great DAY OF HIS WRATH.  Does God have good reason to be angry with the world? YES NO (Underline one)

Daniel 12:1 The time of TROUBLE. such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time:  Will we who are Christians be on Earth or in Heaven through this awful 7 years? HEAVEN

Revelation 14:7 The hour OF HIS JUDGMENT.



Some of the troubles that will plague the earth during this seven year period are revealed in the following Scriptures. As you fill in the blanks think about telling others so they can choose to be saved and not go through this awful time!

Revelation 6:4 What will be taken from the earth? PEACE ...that they should KILL ONE ANOTHER : (3 words)



Revelation 6:8 speaks of death coming to
what portion of the people? A FOURTH PART



Revelation 8:7 - 9 A third part of TREES will be burnt up and
all GREEN GRASS. A third part of sea creatures die and a third
part of the SHIPS will be destroyed. A THIRD part of the sea will become
BLOOD ;

Re 16:4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the RIVERS and
FOUNTAINS OF WATER (like springs and other sources of drinking water) ; and
they became BLOOD .

Coming Events

OUR 7 YEARS OF GLORY

Lesson 5C

Those of us who accepted Jesus as our Saviour will not be on Earth for the seven years of tribulation. We will be in Glory with God. Heaven will be an exciting place!

Read the verses on this page and on the top of page 2. Then try to find the words to fill in the green block below. These words are things we will see and hear in Heaven during the 7 years of tribulation on earth. Each set of verses has one word or phrase repeated that fits.

“SAYING ALLELUIA” LIGHT REWARDS CROWNS

“The JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST”


Romans 14:10b “...for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.”

(The place where our works are rewarded by Jesus)

II Corinthians 5:10a “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.” *(Paul wrote this to Christians)*

Revelation 2:12 “And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.”

I Corinthians 3:8, 14 & 15 “Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. / If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. / If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.”

I Corinthians 9:25 “And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.” 

II Timothy 4:8 “Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.”

James 1:12 “Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.”

I Peter 5:4 “And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of fadeth not away.”

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Revelation 19:1&6 “And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:”

“And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunders, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.”

Revelation 21:23 “And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.”

I John 1:5 “This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.”



John saw wonderful beauty and amazing things there. In Revelation 15:2 he wrote, “And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.”



Did you know that Jesus is called The Bridegroom and the Saved ones are called the Bride of Christ? He is called the Bridegroom because He is taking the believers as His Bride. We will have a wonderful, sinless, fantastic eternity.

Read Revelation 19:7-13 and finish the statements below about the Bride, the groom, and the wedding.

Why are we to be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him? For the MARRIAGE of the LAMB HAS COME and his bride hath made herself ready. See verse 7.

What is the bride arrayed in (What is she wearing)? Fine, clean, white LINEN: What is the fine linen? THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF THE SAINTS They which are called to the MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB are blessed. These sayings are true because they were from GOD See verse 9

See if you can guess the missing words below that would best finish the statements according to God.

Men and ladies who want to be married should follow Christ's example. He loved us so much that He was willing to lay down his life for us. He will have a good place for His bride to LIVE. He will not live with her until they are MARRIED.



Please look up these verses and answer the questions below.

Psalm 17:4b *The word of thy lips* means God's words, the Bible. What did the King say those words kept him from? THE DESTROYER

Jeremiah 5:14 says that God can make His Words FIRE *The fire that tries our works is the Word of God.*

No one who appears at this judgment will lose salvation.

But for poor service he will lose rewards and suffer shame.

Look up these verses and fill in the words that prove that your sin is not going to be judged; your works will be judged. Living an ungodly life or one that puts God last will make you ashamed.

I Corinthians 3:15 If any man's WORK SHALL BE BURNED, he shall SUFFER LOSS; but he himself SHALL BE SAVED; yet so AS BY FIRE.

I John 2:28 "And now, little children, abide in him; that, WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR, we may have confidence, and not be ASHAMED BEFORE HIM AT HIS COMING.



Coming Events

Lesson 5D



WHEN THE SEVEN YEARS ARE COMPLETE JESUS WILL COME TO EARTH ONCE MORE. THE RETURN OF CHRIST TO THE EARTH IS CALLED *THE SECOND COMING*. JESUS CHRIST COMES AS *THE KING*. ISRAEL, THE JEWS, WILL ACCEPT JESUS AS THEIR SAVIOUR AT LAST, AND A GREAT VICTORY WILL TAKE PLACE FOR THEM AT *THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON*.

Please find the words and finish each verse to see how great and mighty Jesus is.

From I Timothy 6:15 we find that only Jesus has those rights for ever and when the time is right Jesus will show (shew) that he is the one "...who is the blessed and ONLY POTENTATE, the KING OF KINGS, and LORD OF LORDS ;

Revelation 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb SHALL OVERCOME THEM ; for HE IS LORD OF LORDS, and KING OF KINGS ; and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

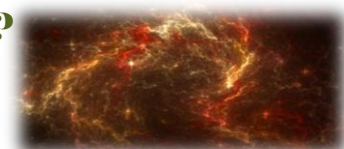
Revelation 19:16 And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

The Gentile nations are defeated. Christ takes His rightful place as King on Earth. Find how Jesus defeats His enemies?

Revelation 16:18 He causes a great EARTHQUAKE.

Ezekiel 38; 21 God will cause them to fight AGAINST ONE ANOTHER.

Ezekiel 38; 22 God will plead against him with pestilence and with



blood; ...and an overflowing RAIN , great HAILSTONES , fire and BRIMSTONE .

Luke 21:25 & 26. At this point in time what condition will people on the earth be in? DISTRESS OF NATIONS with perplexity. MEN'S HEARTS FAILING THEM for fear...etc.



The Old Testament Jews were often hated. Here are some drawings that depict the hatred of the Jews through the ages. The Star of David is a symbol for Israel. Many wish them all dead!



The world has always hated the Jewish people. They want their land, but God gave it to the Israelites and He will see to it that it stays with them! Near the end of the seven years of tribulation on the earth with its horrors, and the wonderful things in Heaven, the nations of the world will gather together to come against Jerusalem.

The verses below explain how the nations come against Jerusalem and how Jesus has the victory battle at Armageddon.

Read Revelation 16: 12-16 and answer these questions:

Why is the Euphrates River dried up? **TO MAKE A WAY FOR THE KINGS OF THE EAST.** *(The Kings of the East are going to fight against Jerusalem)*

They are so great! Of course we can follow them!

What will the dragon, the false prophet, and the beast be able to perform?

MIRACLES

The miracles convince the kings that they will be powerful enough to fight against the Jews. They do not know that Jesus will be meeting them there! How many kings will come? The kings of the EARTH and of the WHOLE WORLD .

Where will the battle take place? "...into a place called ARMAGEDDON in the Hebrew tongue." *(The word means Megiddo. They will gather at Megiddo.)*

We can know that God is always in control.

We know about Jesus' coming to fight for Jerusalem from His Word. Answers the questions or fill in the words to finish the sentences from the Bible verses given.

Please read Zechariah 14:1-8. Initial when done. _____

Verse 2: Who planned to get those nations to the battle? GOD

Verse 2: What will happen to the city of Jerusalem that day? "...the city shall be TAKEN, and HALF of the CITY shall go forth into CAPTIVITY ,..."

Verse 3: "Then shall the LORD go FORTH, and fight against THOSE NATIONS , as when He fought in the day of battle.



Verse 4: What will Jesus stand on? THE MOUNT OF OLIVES

Revelation 1:7: How many people will see Him? EVERYONE

II Thessalonians 1:7: What will the Lord Jesus bring with Him?
HIS ANGELS

Our picture on page one only represents a part of the glory of Jesus as he ascends to the Battle of Armageddon!

The answers to the questions below are found in Revelation 19:11-15.

Verse 11 The one that sat on this white horse is Jesus. What is he called in this verse? FAITHFUL AND TRUE

Verse 12 What were his eyes like? A FLAME OF FIRE



Verse 13 What else is Jesus called? THE WORD OF GOD

Verse 15 This came out of his mouth. A SHARP SWORD What is he called in this verse? ALMIGHTY GOD

Read Revelation 19:16-21 to see more of what the Christ rejecting world of that time will end like. Initial when done. _____

Notice that Revelation 19:14 shows the Bride of Christ with Jesus too! It says, "And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean."

Through all of this the people of the earth will finally know that they are wrong. They will know that Jesus is Lord! Ezekiel 38:23 says "Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the LORD."

What will Jesus do to the Beast and the false prophet?

Revelation 19: 17-21 The beast and the false prophet are cast alive into the LAKE OF FIRE.



What will Jesus do with the Devil?

Revelation 20:1-2 Jesus will have an angel down with the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. Who is going to get chained up?

THE DEVIL

Revelation 20:2-3 How many years is Satan going to be bound? 1,000 YEARS

Revelation 20:2-3 What will Satan be cast into? THE BOTTOMLESS PIT

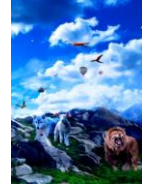


Coming Events

Lesson 5E

Christ Reigns 1,000 Years

The earth will know a thousand years of peace.



Look up the Bible verses and fill in the missing words but be sure you read and think carefully about what you will do and see for the thousand years!

Revelation 20:6 says "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection (the Christians): on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall REIGN with him a THOUSAND YEARS. *You and I will be back on Earth with a job to do for the Lord.*

In Micah 4:3 God says that the nations shall beat their SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES and their spears INTO PRUNING HOOKS : nation shall not LIFT UP A SWORD AGAINST NATION, neither shall they learn WAR ANY MORE . *There will be no war for 1,000 years.*

Isaiah 11:6-8 tells of the effect that Christ's rule will have on the animals. "The wolf also shall dwell with the LAMB and the leopard shall lie down with the KID ; and the calf and the YOUNG LION and the fatling together; and a little child shall LEAD THEM . And the cow and the BEAR SHALL FEED; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat STRAW like the OX. And a suckling child shall PLAY on the HOLE of the ASP , and the weaned child shall PUT HIS HAND on the COCKATRICE den (snake or cobra)." *The animals will be gentle and safe. Can you imagine hugging lions, bears and wolves? The animals will not even kill other animals!*

God is in control of the nations though they sin against Him. He is in control of Satan though he thinks he can win over God! It is exciting to see what happens at the end of *The Thousand Year Reign!*

Answer the questions in the box using the scriptures from Revelation 20: 7-11.

1. Who is loosed out of his prison? SATAN 2. Satan is called a deceiver. He will gather people from the four quarters of the earth as many as the sand of the sea to go to BATTLE 3. They compassed the beloved city (Jerusalem) the camp of the saints. What happens to these people who choose to follow Satan? FIRE CAME DOWN OUT OF HEAVEN AND DEVoured THEM 4. Really fast, God casts Satan into the LAKE of fIRE and bRIMSTONE . 5. How long will Satan be in there? For EVER and EVER

THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

Once God deals with Satan He will judge the wicked people who rejected His way of salvation and His Godhead throughout the ages. Read the verses written below from Revelation 20:12-15 and answer the thought questions.

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.



Does God have proof of what these people did? YES

What is it recorded in? BOOKS

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. (These are the unsaved)



Is there any chance that people just die and are buried with nothing to face after dying? NO

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.



The Book of Life is where all the names of those who have accepted Christ are written. Is your name written there? YES or NO



Just as God brought an end to the devil and his followers so He will bring an end to this present *sin ruined world*. There will be a *new heaven and new earth* where only righteousness will dwell!

Read the verses and fill in the blanks to see God's plan and God's power:

This world ends after the Thousand Year Reign.

The old heavens and earth:

II Peter 3:10 "...the heavens SHALL PASS AWAY WITH A GREAT NOISE and the elements shall MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be BURNED UP.

II Peter 3:12 "...the heavens being on fire shall be DISSOLVED, and the elements shall MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT?

New heaven and earth:

II Peter 3:13? We can look for NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH, wherein dwelleth RIGHTEOUSNESS.

The New Jerusalem:

John gave an eyewitness account of the new heaven and the new earth. Placed in the new world will also be a magnificent city where God will be with man.



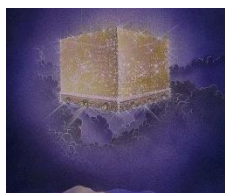
What five things will not be there?

Revelation 21: 1-4 DEATH SORROW CRYING PAIN TEARS

Who built New Jerusalem?

Hebrews 11:10&16. Who is the builder of this city? GOD

Now find its size and building material.



Revelation 21:16. The city measures equally in what ways? LENGTH, BREADTH, HEIGHT.

Revelation 21:18. The city wall is of JASPER. The city is pure GOLD like unto pure glass.

Revelation 21:19&20. The foundations of the wall are decorated with all kinds of PRECIOUS STONES.

Revelation 21:21. There are twelve gates to the city which are PEARLS. This street is PURE GOLD, as transparent glass.

Why won't there be a church building or temple there?

Revelation 21:22. Why is there no temple there? THE LORD GOD ALMIGHTY AND THE LAMB ARE THE TEMPLE.

Revelation 21:23. Why will there not be a new sun and a new moon? THE GLORY OF GOD did lighten it, and the LAMB IS THE LIGHT thereof.

God created man for fellowship. He is once again preparing for fellowship with man face to face and side by side? That will be a glorious, wonderful day in the new heavens and new earth.

Remember to stay in the Word, live it out, and share these wonders with others!

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God

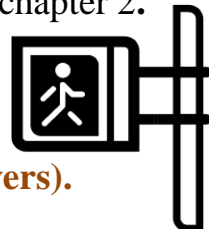
Lesson 6a

Memory verse: “And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are saved unto the day of redemption.” Ephesians 4:30

The children of God are reminded that they are capable of grieving God’s Holy Spirit. Sinful things hurt their fellowship with God and damage their ability to help others spiritually. Sin also causes loss of eternal rewards.

The opposite of grieving God is giving God full control in your life, which yields precious rewards both now and for eternity as seen in lesson 5.

Before doing the lesson, please read Ephesians chapter 4 and Proverbs chapter 2.
Initial when done _____



God’s Word makes it clear that some of our actions after salvation can cause Him grief. He warns us not to walk as other Gentiles (unbelievers).

Here are some Bible verses that show God’s displeasure in the walk of the ungodly. Fill in the missing words and think about them. Are they a part of your life? (When you see three dots like this ... in a sentence or verse, it means there are more words before or after the dots. Like John 3:16 ...that whosoever believeth...)



Ephesians 4:18 “Having the understanding darkened, being ALIENATED from the LIFE of GOD through the IGNORANCE that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:”

Ephesians 4:19 “Who being PAST FEELING have GIVEN THEMSELVES over unto lasciviousness, to work all UNCLEANNESS with GREEDINESS .”

Ephesians 2:2 “Wherein in time past ye walked according to the COURSE of THIS WORLD , according to the PRINCE of the POWER of the air (Satan) the SPIRIT that now worketh in the children of DISOBEDIENCE ”

Ephesians 2:3 “...fulfilling the DESIRES of the FLESH and of the MIND: ...”



The old nature is not in agreement with the new nature. Continuing in sin will cause God's Spirit, though still indwelling you, to be vexed (*hurt, pained, displeased, grieved*). Isaiah 63:10.

I Thessalonians 5:19 warns plainly QUENCH not the SPIRIT .

God claimed you as his own when you accepted His payment, Jesus Christ, for your sin. He then sealed that transaction by placing His Spirit within you.

Ephesians 4:30 "And GRIEVE not the HOLY SPIRIT of GOD whereby ye (you) are SEALED UNTO the day of REDEMPTION ."

The Lord speaks to you from within to lead you His way. Allow Him to live fully in control of your life. II Corinthians 11:2 says "For I am jealous over you with Godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."



Things that grieve the Spirit are: sins of the mind, wrong desires of the heart and unholy actions of the body.

Fill in the blanks or finish the statements to help you to recognize the unholy ways and to choose the holy ways. Be sure to think carefully as you do this. As a Christian you will be tempted many times to give in to evil of all sorts.

PRIDE



Romans 12:3 "For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to THINK of HIMSELF MORE HIGHLY than he OUGHT to THINK ; but to think SOBERLY , according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

Galatians 6:3 "For if a man THINK HIMSELF to be SOMETHING , when he is NOTHING , he DECIEVETH himself."

I Corinthians 10:12 "Wherefore let him that THINKETH he STANDETH take HEED lest he FALL ."

DOUBT AND FAITHLESSNESS



James 1:6-8 "But let him ask in FAITH , NOTHING

WAVERING . For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven

with the wind and tossed. 7. For let not that man THINK that he shall RECEIVE ANYTHING of the LORD. For he that WAVERETH is like a WAVE OF THE SEA DRIVEN WITH THE WIND AND TOSSED . 8. A DOUBLE MINDED MAN is UNSTABLE in all HIS WAYS .

Luke 12: 28 & 29 : “ If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and tomorrow is cast into the oven; how much more WILL HE CLOTHE YOU , O ye of little faith? 29. And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, NEITHER BE OF DOUBTFUL MIND .

Philippians 4:6 “Be CAREFUL for NOTHING (full of worry); but in every thing by PRAYER and supplication with THANKSGIVING let your requests be made known unto God;”

SINNING WITH YOUR BODY



I John 2:15 & 16: “Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is NOT IN HIM . For all that is in the world, the LUST OF THE FLESH, and the LUST OF THE EYES, and the PRIDE OF LIFE is not OF THE FATHER but is of the WORLD .”

II Peter 2: 7-8 “And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked: 8. (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in SEEING and HEARING , VEXED his RIGHTEOUS SOUL from day to day with their unlawful deeds;)”

Warning: Never give in!

Galatians 5:19-21 “Now the works of the flesh are manifest (*opened, clearly shown*), which are these; a DULTERY , f ORNICATION , u NCLEANNES , **lasciviousness**, 20. I DOLITRY , w ITCHCRAFT , h ATRED , **variance** , **emulations**, w RATH , s TRIFE , seditions, heresies, 21. E NVYINGS , m URDERS , d RUNKENESS , r EVELLINGS , and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. ” (*This speaks of people who never repented and got saved but still continue to do these things without correction from God, the Heavenly Father. Living in the flesh after salvation will bring chastening to God’s child. He makes it very clear what things are of the flesh.*)

Three words in brown above are not familiar so we have given you their meaning: **Lasciviousness** means to be loose, wanton, lude or lustful as dressing and acting in a way that does not show purity. It would be like the Master's wife in Genesis 39 when she tried to cheat on her husband. Joseph ran away as fast as he could because she was acting in a lascivious way.

Variance means to vary laws to allow for wrong doing, especially God's laws.

Emulations here means to try to seem better than others, humiliating someone so you look better, or trying to get the attention from others for yourself!

GUARD YOURSELF

Here are ways that keep from grieving the Holy Spirit:

Look up the verses and fill in the missing words and as you do pray for God to help you to guard your relationship with the precious Holy Spirit.



GUARD YOUR EYES

Psalm 101:3 "I will SET no WICKED thing before mine EYES ; ..." *What goes in through your eyes is in your mind and stays there!*



GUARD YOUR EARS

Proverbs 12:1 "Whoso loveth INSTRUCTION , LOVETH KNOWLEDGE _____ : but he that hateth reproof is brutish."

Proverbs 28:9 "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, EVEN HIS PRAYER SHALL BE ABOMINATION "

Ephesians 5:6&7 "Let no man DECEIVE YOU WITH VAIN WORDS : for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

7. Be not ye therefore PARTAKERS WITH THEM .

From Mark 4:24 Jesus said "Take heed what ye HEAR :"

As the eyes let information into the brain so do the ears. We listen to what is being said by friends, the internet, television, our phones, etc. A good test of whether it is acceptable to God is: If Jesus were with you, would you continue to listen?

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God

Lesson 6b

Memory verse: “And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.” Ephesians 4:30

The children of God are capable of grieving God’s Holy Spirit. Sinful things hurt their fellowship with God and damage their ability to help others spiritually. Sin causes loss of eternal rewards. The opposite of grieving God is giving God full control in your life, which yields precious rewards both now and for eternity as seen in lesson 5.

Our last lesson on not grieving the Holy Spirit of God closed with being careful about your ears. Jesus said in Mark 4:24 “Take heed what ye hear:”

Fill in the blanks or answer the questions from these scriptures.

GUARD YOUR MOUTH



Proverbs 21:23 “Whoso KEEPETH his MOUTH and his TONGUE keepeth HIS SOUL FROM TROUBLES .”

Proverbs 29:11 What kind of person blurts out whatever he thinks? A FOOL

Read Colossians 4:6 and then underline the brown words that describe how your speech should be. There are 2 correct sentences. *It may take some thinking and good reasoning!*

***Godly but blunt**

***Whatever you feel like saying**

***Gracious and godly**

***Without caring who likes it**

***If it was food, it would taste right and it would not make anyone sick**

Ephesians 4:29 “ Let no CORRUPT COMMUNICATION proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of EDIFYING (building up), that it may MINISTER GRACE UNTO THE HEARERS .”

GUARD YOUR HANDS



James 4:8 “ ...Cleanse YOUR HANDS ye SINNERS ...”

Ephesians 4:28 & 29 “Let him that STOLE STEAL NO MORE : but rather let him labour, WORKING WITH HIS HANDS the thing which is GOOD , that he may have to GIVE TO HIM THAT NEEDETH .” *This verse*

is excellent for all of us. It is more blessed to give than to receive. Working well and faithfully lets you have extra to help others in their time of need! What a joy!

GUARD YOUR FELLOWSHIP

Read I Corinthians 15:33 and underline the true meaning of this verse.



***If you don't listen to world news you will be fine.**

***Never use a cell phone!**

*** Bad companions do and say things that pull you away from God.**

Please write out Psalm 1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Here's a good description of this verse for you. Never go where ungodly people tell you to go!...Never stand around and talk with the people who are likely to get you in trouble because they get in trouble!...Never become a person who spurns their parents and badmouths authority

GUARD YOUR MIND

Isaiah 26:3 “Thou wilt KEEP HIM in perfect peace, WHOSE MIND IS STAYED ON THEE: because he TRUSTETH IN THEE .” (*Trust Him with all of your heart even when you cannot see how He can help.*)

Philippians 2:5 Who's mind are we to have? CHRIST JESUS(OR EITHER)

Philippians 4: 8&9 List the eight words used in this scripture that are safe to think on. Begin with “whatsoever things are”. T RUE , H O NEST , J UST , P URE , L OVELY , of G OOD- R EPORT , and after the words “ if there be any” V IRTUE , P RAISE.

GUARD YOUR SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER BELIEVERS

I Corinthians 15:58 “Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye STEADFAST , UNMOVEABLE , always abounding in the WORK of the LORD , for as much as ye know that your LABOUR is not in VAIN in the Lord. **Service in God's will is never a waste of time and will always be blessed whether sooner or later!**

Romans 12:16 “Be of the same mind ONE TOWARD ANOTHER . Mind not HIGH THINGS but condescend to men of low estate. Be not WISE IN YOUR OWN CONCEITS .”



Where can bitter envying and strife dwell? See James 3:14 IN OUR HEARTS God warns you not to glory in secretly harbored thoughts that allow hatred for others to thrive. God’s Spirit is grieved by them and you will not feel His comfort and peace either!

You are the only one who can take responsibility in all of these areas of your life. God expects you to!

What does Galatians 5:16-17 tell the Christian to walk in? THE SPIRIT

What will walking in the spirit keep you from doing? *Underline the correct one.*

Having a good time Fulfilling the lust of the flesh

If you think you are enjoying yourself but you are sinning in the mind or the flesh, the Spirit of God (*choose one*) Doesn’t care Is grieved Thinks it’s funny

Look up Hebrews 12:6 & 7 and cross out the wrong words written here. Then write the correct words in the spaces below.



“For whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom He ~~likes~~. If ye endure chastening, God ~~laughs~~ with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father ~~loves~~ not?”

RECEIVETH DEALETH CHASTENETH

What does God do to his children when they sin? *Underline the correct one.*

RECIEVES THEM REWARDS THEM PUNISHES THEM (Chastens)

II Corinthians 7:1 says “Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” And I Thessalonians 5:22 tells us to stay away from all appearance of evil. *Underline how much filthiness God permits us to have in our spirit and in our flesh?* SOME NONE IT DOES NOT MATTER TO HIM

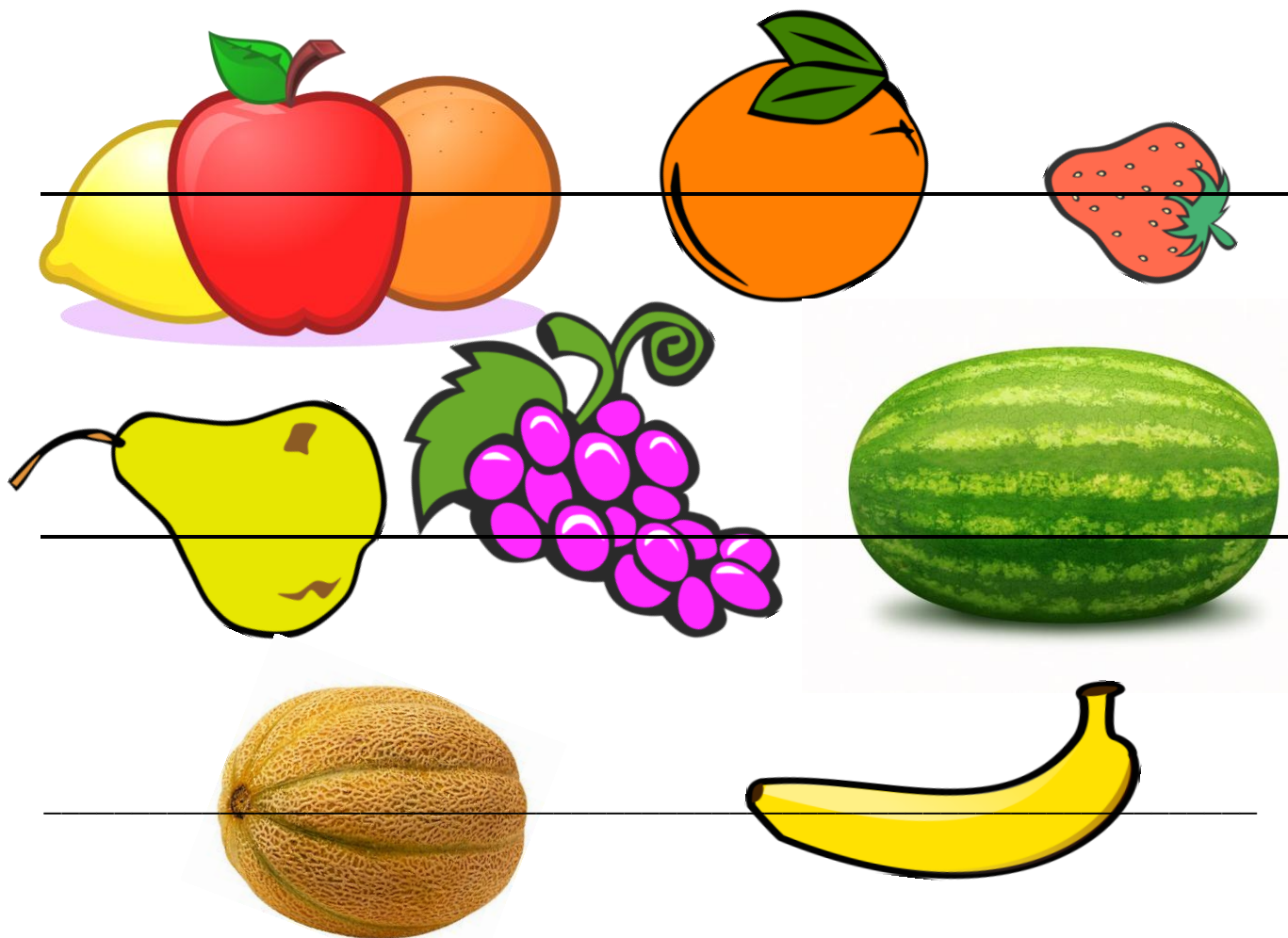


One last help. God himself teaches us in I Thessalonians 5:19 “Quench not the Spirit.” Living in the Spirit of God will make us a person who is a blessing and is blessed by God eternally!

In Galatians 5:22 & 23 the fruit of the spirit sounds like there is one type of fruit. There are actually 9 types of fruit we will produce if we live in the Holy Spirit: Write one of those “Fruit” descriptions below on each fruit. Use larger fruit for longer words, smaller for shorter words and medium for medium size words: The fruit of the Spirit is:

Attn. Teacher, look for :

love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance





The Walk of the Believer



Lesson 7a

Memory verse: Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. II Timothy 2:3



The “walk of the believer” includes everything he does after salvation. His daily life should be godly. The Bible says it is like running a race to win. I Cointhians 9: 24-25 teaches us that we run to win a crown that will never be destroyed!

Please read I Corinthians 9:24-25 and initial when done. Initial _____

The walk of the believer is one of spiritual growth. Growth requires food; spiritual growth comes from spiritual food - the Word of God.

Find the words and finish the sentences from the Bible that zero in on your need!



I Peter 2:2 “As newborn babes desire the sincere MILK of the WORD :”
II Peter 3:18 instructs us “But GROW in GRACE ,and in the KNOWLEDGE of our LORD and SAVIOUR Jesus Christ...”



Knowledge of him comes through the written word.

Some Christians still live like baby Christians and are called “carnal”. Their desires are mostly for themselves. They have not learned how to live like Christ.

Read I Corinthians 3:1-3 & Hebrews 5:12-14. These folks are called bABES’ and are accused of still needing mILK (Simple Bible truth and nothing more/ like little kids’ Sunday school). A growing Christian should be able to tEACH others. (v.12).



The walk of the believer is a type of warfare. Jesus should be your leader, your Commander!

As always, your Bible will be your guide. Finish these scriptures for God’s special facts about your spiritual leader and his armor for you. You will also find special guidelines and warnings about the opposing army

Colossians 2:9-10 What is Jesus the head of? All PRINCIPALITY and POWER .
While the President of the United States is commander and chief of all American military, Jesus is commander and chief of all that are in heaven and earth.

I Timothy 1:17 assures us that our leader is now the KING eternal, immortal, invisible, the only WISE GOD.

Revelation 19:16 He had written on his vesture (robe) and thigh, KING of KINGS and LORD of LORDS . (You may look back at lesson 5D)



Our armor is pictured by using the pieces of armor used by soldiers in the time of Paul's writings. We must have every part of God's given armor in place in order to stand through all attacks by the enemy.

Ephesians 6:14 tells you to have your loins GIRT ABOUT WITH TRUTH. *If you do not take the time to study and know God's Word you will be weak and unable to stand.*

Ephesians 6:14 tells you to have on the HELMET OF SALVATION . *This speaks of the righteousness of Christ. If you are living in unconfused sin, the devil has an opportunity to defeat us in service and victorious living. When Satan reminds you past sins or present failures, you need only remember I John 1:9, Romans 5:18-19 and II Corinthians 5:2. (Please read these.) Initial here when you done. _____*

I Thessalonians 5:8 calls it the breastplate of RIGHTEOUSNESS . *You need not be broken hearted or heavy hearted over yourself. You must not be hard hearted toward others either. The breastplate covers the heart and the lungs.*

Ephesians 6:15 speaks of having your feet shod with the PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE . *The feet and lower legs were protected by greaves (guards for the shin and top of the foot). With this you can walk in obedience to the gospel and a readiness to carry it forth to others.*



Ephesians 6:16 tells us above all to take the SHIELD OF FAITH . God is showing us that with faith in Him, His promises, and His power to carry them out, you will be able to quench (extinguish) all the FIERY DARTS of the WICKED . *Your faith can make quick work of the actions and accusations of Satan.*

Hebrews 11:1&2 says faith is the SUBSTANCE OF THINGS HOPED FOR, the EVIDENCE OF THINGS NOT SEEN. **2** For by it the elders obtained a good report. *This simply means that you already believe that God will supply what you cannot see in all areas of life. Your faith in God, is proof to God that you trust Him. It is also noticed by others. It drives Satan back and encourages others to trust.*

THE EXAMPLES OF FAITH IN OTHER CHRISTIANS ARE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO US. YOU HAD FAITH UNTO SALVATION AS DID THOSE IN ACTS 16:25-33. CAN THE GOD WHO SAVED YOU, GUIDE YOU AND CARE FOR YOU FROM SALVATION TO GLORY? YES OR NO (underline one)



Ephesians 6:17a tells us to take the **h** ELMET of **s** ALVATION , or as shown in I Thessalonians 5:8 we put on this for a helmet, THE HOPE OF SALVATION . *We have the hope of defeating every adversary through the blood of the Lamb. This trust in God’s salvation protects our minds from Satan’s doubt, just as a helmet protects the head from a blow.*

Ephesians 6:17b Exhorts us to use the SWORD of the SPIRIT , which is the word of God (the Bible).



You may wish to read the following scriptures and note them in the front or back of your Bible as a reminder of the faith of others.

Faith through physical suffering and personal loss of things and loved ones:

Job 13:15-18

Faith through persecution:

Acts 16:25

Faith to endure hardships for the furtherance of the gospel:

II Corinthians 11:24-28

A prophet and an ordinary person cared for when their faith was placed in God:

I Kings 17:2-16

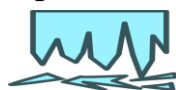
A helpless person sustained:

II Kings 4:1-7

Faith that God will meet the needs: **Mark 12:42-44**

Nothing we can do; just have FAITH: **I John 5:4**

II Peter 1:21 says “ For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the HOLY GHOST.



When the word of God is claimed in times of temptation, it has the power to cut the snares of the Devil to shreds.

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The Walk of the Believer

Lesson 7b



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Memory verse: Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. II Timothy 2:3



To properly use the shield of faith you must be in prayer for yourself and For others. Some pray much for full time workers and others. We call them prayer warriors!

How does Ephesians 6:18 say that you should pray? “Praying ALWAYS with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all PERSEVERANCE (not giving up) and SUPPLICATION (humble, intense pleading) for all saints;”

Matthew 26:41 teaches us to watch and pray. Why? That ye enter not into TEMPTATION the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the FLESH IS WEAK .

James 5:16b lets you know how useful your praying is when you are right with God. It a VAILETH mUCH .

Note: Armor is chiefly for the front. A good soldier never turns his back, never runs from the enemy, or he will be struck in the back

Prayer was so important to Jesus that he prayed:

- 1. When began his earthly ministry (Luke 3:21)**
- 2. He Continued in prayer (Luke 10:21)**
- 3. He ended in prayer (Luke 23:34)**
- 4. His Heavenly ministry was begun in prayer (John 14:16)**
- 5. He is continuing in prayer (Hebrews 7:25 and I Timothy 2:5)**



Christians have an opposing army with an evil and deadly leader:

I Peter 5:8 unveils the purpose of the devil. “Be sober, be vigilant (alert); because your adversary the DEVIL , as a ROARING LION , walketh about, seeking whom he may DEVOUR .”

II Corinthians 4:4 calls him the GOD OF THIS WORLD .

**His army is made up of fallen angels, demons, and wicked spirits.
The Bible describes his army of evil powers!**

Ephesians 6:12. “For we wrestle not against FLESH and BLOOD , but against PRINCIPALITIES , against POWERS, against the RULERS of the DARKNESS of THIS WORLD , against SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS in HIGH PLACES .

II Corinthian 11:14&15 “And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an ANGEL of LIGHT . 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his MINISTERS also be TRANSFORMED as the MINISTERS of RIGHTEOUSNESS ; whose end shall be according to their works.

Satan’s enemy has special artillery:

Identify those found in the following scriptures (Use a descriptive word.)

Job 12:16b speaks of the d ECEIVER

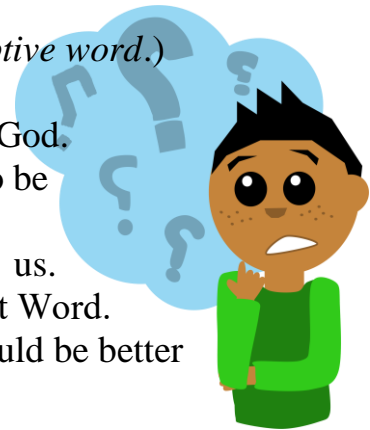
Isaiah 8:12&13 a c ONFEDERACY of man instead of God.

Please read Acts 5:27-29 and Philippians 1:28. Do you need to be afraid of Satan’s army? Yes No (underline one)

I Thessalonians 3:5 shows that Satan tries to TEMPT us.

Genesis 3:1 Satan causes us to DOUBT God’s exact Word. He still uses this tactic today by saying of God’s word, “it would be better translated this way”.

Luke 13:16 Afflictions of the BODY .



**THE WALK OF THE BELIEVER IS COMPARED TO A RACE AND TO
COMPETING IN OTHER SPORTING EVENTS.**

In I Corinthians 9:24-27 the teaching is that we should run the race to receive the PRIZE . In the competitions of Paul’s time only one could win the prize. It was a prize that could be destroyed but as a Christian we will receive a crown that is not able to decay. It is called an INCORRUPTIBLE crown. verse 25

The way to run a good race as a Christian is seen in verse 27. As Paul says, you must keep under your BODY . *That means to keep your fleshly appetites in control, and to keep yourself exercised in things that build you up. In the spiritual realm, that would be Bible study, prayer, right fellowship and so on.*

In Philippians 3:14 we read “I press toward the MARK for the PRIZE of the HIGH CALLING OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS”

In the stadium of Paul’s time there were white lines that marked the ground in the stadium, from the starting place to the goal, on which the runners had to keep their eyes fixed. Those who broke the rule, or went beyond this line, did not run

lawfully and were not crowned, even though they got to the goal first. *Stay within the clear, pure lines of God's Word!*



At a race or any athletic event there are others watching you. There are many who watch you in your Christian life too. It could be your relatives, younger church members or unsaved people. But Heb 12:1 speaks of those in heaven who, it seems, are cheering us on to victory “Go straight...Keep going...Don't quit...You can make it!”

Hebrews 12:1 “Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a CLOUD of WITNESSES let us lay aside every WEIGHT , and the SIN which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with PATIENCE the race that is set before us,”

Hebrews 12:2 “Looking unto JESUS the AUTHOR and FINISHER of our FAITH ; who for the JOY that was set before him ENDURED the CROSS , DISPISING the SHAME , and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” *Jesus lived down here too. He endured suffering and shame but never sinned. He kept his eyes on the pure ways and the joy that was to come from his victory!*

Hebrews 12:3 “For consider him that ENDURED such contradiction of sinners AGAINST HIMSELF , lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.”



Are you sometimes impatient, short fused, and want to give up trying? At the Olympics there are scores of spectators. Let yourself imagine a huge gathering of people and perhaps angels up there cheering for you!

Imagine Jesus at the right hand of the Father interceding for you. Should you go back to sin and failure? No, run and win!



The Christian life as compared to wrestling:

Ephesians 6:12 tells us that we get into a WRESTLING match. Our foes are not flesh and blood but are described as:



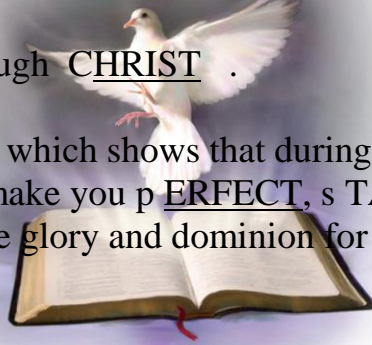
p RINCIPALITIES , pOWERS rulers of the DARKNESS
OF THIS WORLD , spiritual WICKEDNESS in
HIGH PLACES .

Since this is a spiritual struggle, you must learn to be spiritually strong and spiritually wise. Where does godly strength come from?

Colossians 1:10&11 Through the kNOWLEDGE of GOD .

Philippians 4:13 Through CHRIST .

Read also I Peter 5:10 which shows that during this wrestling match you may suffer, but after suffering, He will make you pERFECT, sTABLISH ,sTRENGTHEN , sETTLE you. To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. AMEN!



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The Work of the Believer

Lesson 8a



Memory Verse: “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45



The Work of the believer includes service, sacrifice, and submission. Jesus was humble, kind, sacrificial, and hard working. Jesus’ works are our pattern to follow.

Scripture Read: Romans 12 Initial when complete: N A



The works of Jesus Christ are our examples.

Jesus came in service to his Father and to a lost and dying people. Please read these Bible verses about Jesus and find the answers needed.

John 4:34 Jesus came to do just what his Father wanted him to do. What does this verse say he came to do? Underline one:

His Fathers wishes His Father’s works His Father’s will

Our memory verse says that he came not to be MINISTERED UNTO but to MINISTER (serve).

Jesus sacrificed His glorious life. John 17:5 says that he was with the FATHER before the WORLD WAS. He left GLORY to be born in a stable.



Mary’s husband, Joseph, was not a rich man. He was a working man. Matthew 13:55 says he was a CARPENTER.

What does Mark 6:3 say Jesus was known as? The CARPENTER. *Jesus learned from Joseph and worked with his hands to earn a living until he began to preach at about age 30. God became a man who learned and worked just like us.*



Read Psalm 24:7-10 and give the description used five times for Jesus. The KING of GLORY. *You may remember Revelations 19:16 from Lesson 5d of this set where Jesus was called The King of Kings and Lord of Lords!*

Jesus also sacrificed earthly comforts and pleasures.



Luke 2:41-49 Tells how, at an early age, Jesus went to the Temple. When his parents got partway home they realized Jesus was missing. When they found him they had been worried.

He thought they would have known he would be at the Temple so he asked them, “...wist ye not that I must be about my fATHER’S bUSINESS. How old was he then? 12

He could have been celebrating together with others.

Who were the others he could have been with? *Underline one:*

His school mates The magicians Kinsfolk and acquaintances His parents

In Matthew 8: 19 & 20 Jesus told the scribe that the foxes have HOLES , and the birds of the air have NESTS , but the Son of man hath not where to LAY his HEAD . *In other words, He had no house of his own.*

Mark 9:14-29 Read this story. Jesus put his heavenly work ahead of regular Meals and because of it he had power over evil spirits. He told his disciples that only by PRAYER and SUPPLICATION could these come forth.

Jesus labored to reach the multitudes. He sacrificed privacy and rest as He ministered to the sick, guided the apostles, prayed earnestly, and preached often.

Luke 4:15 “And He TAUGHT in the SYNAGOGUE, And He being glorified of all.

Luke 4:31b ...and TAUGHT THEM on the SABBATH DAYS . *(Maybe God wants you to teach someday.)*

Luke 4:38 & 39 And He arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon’s house...What did he do there?

HEALED SIMON’S WIFE’S MOTHER . *(God needs doctor missionaries.)*

Luke 4:40 Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them to him ; and he LAID his HANDS on EVERY one of them and HEALED them. *Please read Luke 6:17-18. His outreach was tremendous!*

Luke 4:44 “And he PREACHED in the SYNAGOGUES OF GALILEE .”

Luke 6:12 & 13 “And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a



MOUNTAIN TO PRAY and continued ALL NIGHT IN PRAYER TO GOD And when it was day, he CALLED UNTO HIM his DISCIPLES: and of them he CHOSE TWELVE of whom also he named apostles;” *(Jesus prayed much for his work and his workers.)*

Luke 6:17 & 18 “And he came down with them ... and a great MULTITUDE of people out of all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the sea Coast of Tyre, and Sidon, which came to hear him and to be HEALED of their DISEASES ; and they that were vexed with UNCLEAN SPIRITS : and they were HEALED .”



His greatest sacrifice is found in Philippians 2:7 & 8: “But made himself of no REPUTATION, and took upon himself the form of a SERVANT and was made into the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man , He HUMBLED HIMSELF , and became OBEDIENT unto death, even the DEATH of the CROSS .”

Jesus was obedient to his Heavenly Father and to his earthly parents. He was submissive to those in authority.

As a child he was SUBJECT UNTO THEM. (Speaking of His parents) Luke 2:51

He was submissive to His heavenly father. In Matthew 26:39, Jesus prays, “...not as I will, but AS THOU WILT. And in verse 42, “...thy WILL BE DONE. See also Hebrews 10:7 and Matthew 27:53-54.

Read Matthew 17:24 -27 and Mark 12:13-17. Jesus paid TRIBUTE money. He submitted to C A E S A R ’s rule. The written Word later commands us to be subject to the higher powers in Romans 13:1-7 (Please Read). In I Peter 2 13-17 the written Word speaks of the same submission to e V E R Y o R D I N A N C E of man, and ends in h O N O R the k I N G .

Our work as followers of Jesus Christ and as future citizens of heaven should be a servant’s work.

God claims us as His servants for now and forever. We are not to become enslaved by man or by money.

I Corinthians 7:23 shows that we are His when He says “Ye are BOUGHT WITH a PRICE ; be not ye the SERVANTS OF MEN .

(Do not become enslaved to others so as not to be able to serve, honor and obey the One who redeemed you.)

Colossians 3:23 states inclusively “And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the LORD, and NOT UNTO MEN ;”

In Revelation 22:1-5 God showed John the throne of God and the Lamb (Jesus), and His servants serving Him. What does verse 5 say we will be doing? “...and they SHALL REIGN for ever and ever.



We love serving the Lord

To Be Continued:

The Work of the Believer

Lesson 8b



Memory Verse: “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45



In lesson 8a we learned that Jesus was the perfect example of one whose works were holy. Those works were a pattern for us. In this lesson we that God is our rightful master or sovereign. All that He would have you do will be good for you throughout eternity.

You have the choice to serve him and receive rewards, or to live to the flesh, and lose God’s blessings.

God warns us against wasting our lives getting rich and famous.

In Matthew 6:24 What does God say about being enslaved to money? You cannot serve TWO MASTERS and you cannot serve God and MAMMON. (The quest for riches)

While being rich is not a sin, highly exalting men of wealth (James 2:9) and spending your whole life to build yourself riches on earth is a sin.

What 2 things is a wealthy person told to do in I Timothy 6:17-19? Be not

HIGH MINDED, nor trust in UNCERTAIN RICHES ...that they DO GOOD, that they be RICH IN GOOD WORKS.



Read Luke 12:13-21 What did Jesus say to take heed of (be careful of)? COVETOUSNESS (Greed, Materialism, hoarding)

He teaches us that our life *does not consist of the* ABUNDANCE of the THINGS THAT WE POSSESS.

Verse 21 teaches us to be rich TOWARD GOD.



Read the following verses and initial when done:

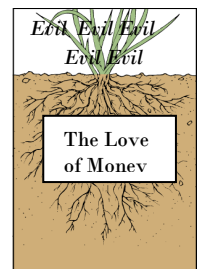
Proverbs 23:5; Proverbs 30:7-9; Jeremiah 9:23-24 and I Timothy 6: 7-11. N A

In Luke 12:34 Jesus said “For where YOUR TREASURE IS, there will YOUR HEART BE ALSO.”

I Timothy 6:10 Warns that the LOVE OF MONEY is THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL (*What you grow is what you get!*)

Instead of exalting yourself you need to learn to glorify God.

ICorinthians 6:20 says you should glorify God in YOUR BODY, and in YOUR SPIRIT, which are GOD’S.



Jesus was God in the flesh, but he never fought for first place or bragged on his ability. He never insisted on being held in esteem or admired for his strength or ability.

Philippians 2:7 tells how much reputation Jesus take on. How much was that? NONE (*He never insisted that he was to be seen as famous, and neither should we!*)

I Corinthians 3:18 & 19 warn against being wise in THIS WORLD.
(*Any knowledge or learning held that goes against the Bible is foolishness, and will be dealt with by God one day.*)

Romans 12:16 warns against minding HIGH THINGS . It makes a clear statement in the last sentence “Be not wise in YOUR OWN CONCEITS.”



As children of the king we are already rich eternally. Jesus became poor so that we might become rich. See II Corinthians 8:9. We are already famous as children of the King!

Read the Bible verses and answer the questions. Think about God; He has your best in mind.

Romans 12:1 What kind of sacrifice did Paul beg Christians to be; Living and holy or self fulfilled and self satisfied? (*underline the correct one.*) *God showed you great grace by sending Jesus to die for your sins. He deserves to have you live for Him! Satan would have you think that to live for Christ would be incomplete.*

Joshua 24:15 Joshua told the Israelites they had choose to serve the god’s of their fathers or the gods of the Amorites. Who did Joshua choose to serve and to see that his family served? THE LORD

Luke 12:34 speaks of our rewards as what? TREASURE.

Genesis 15:1 What does God call Himself to Abraham?
An EXCEEDING GREAT REWARD

Luke 6:27-38 Jesus sets down a pattern of behavior for us. What kind of reward will this life bring? GREAT

Matthew 10:41-42. Though you may not be a prophet (preacher) you will receive a PROPHET’s REWARD simply by supporting a preacher in his need. You will share in the reward given to a RIGHTEOUS man as you receive (uphold or help) him. *Even giving a cup of water to a little one in the name of a disciple (as representing Jesus) will be rewarded! I Corinthians 3:8 says “Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.”*



Revelation 22:12 Jesus said “And behold, I come quickly; and my REWARD is WITH ME, to give EVERY man according as HIS WORK SHALL BE.”

Proverbs 11:18 promises that we will have a sure reward for SOWING RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Psalm 19:7-11 lists five things of God that we are to keep. In keeping them there is

great reward!

THE LAW OF THE LORD

THE TESTIMONY OF THE LORD

THE STATUTES OF THE LORD

THE COMMANDMENT OF THE LORD

THE JUDGEMENTS OF THE LORD



Crowns are a part of the rewards God has for the believers. Name the crowns He speaks of in the following verses:

II Timothy 4:8 The crown of RIGHTEOUSNESS *This crown is for those who look forward anxiously to Christ's return.*

James 1:12 and Revelation 2:10 The crown of LIFE which is given to those who suffer for the name of Christ.

I Peter 5:4 The crown of GLORY which is for those who faithfully teach and preach God's Word.

I Corinthians 9:25 A crown that is an INCORRUPTIBLE crown. This crown is for those who "run a good race" in the Christian life.

I Thessalonians 2:19 In this verse, Paul even considered the souls of those he led to Christ as his crown of rejoicing. *Are you endeavoring to lead others to a saving knowledge of Christ?*



Living for Jesus sure does yield a lot of worthwhile and precious rewards!

To Be Continued:

The Work of the Believer

Lesson 8c



Memory Verse: Mark 10:45 “For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.”



Since living for the Lord is how you are happiest and most blessed forever, you need to have some guidelines for the work of the believer.

Read I Corinthians 3:10-17

What does v.10 warn of? HOW YOU BUILD ON YOUR LIFE.

What will try or test our works? FIRE

Verse 15 shows that a Christian who lived for himself shall SUFFER LOSS .

He will go to glory ashamed and without rewards.

A Christian who shamefully uses his or her body, and will not stop, will be taken in an early death. Verse 17 warns “... him shall GOD DESTROY ;”

I Corinthians 15:58a Be S TEADFAST , U NMOVABLE, always A BOUNDING in the W ORK of the L ORD ...

58b Your labour is not in VAIN IN THE LORD.



Solomon’s father, King David spoke in I Chronicles 28:9 “And thou, Solomon my son, KNOW thou the God of thy father, and SERVE him with a PERFECT HEART and with a WILLING MIND : for the LORD SEARCHETH all HEARTS , and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts:”

In Romans 7:6 we find that we are not bound to serve to the letter of the law. How do we now serve? IN NEWNESS OF SPIRIT (*If you’re saved and you know it, your attitude should show it*)

Even in our earthly service we are given direction how to serve. What does God tell us about that in Colossians 3:22? Not with EYE SERVICE, as MEN PLEASERS ; but in SINGLENESS OF HEART, FEARING GOD.

Here is some good advice. Keep your motives pure; keep on even when you are misunderstood; keep things in focus “You belong to the King”? Service that is truly “to the Lord” is truly for the Lord!





It is considered an honor to be the servant of God. Our service is not that of a lowly slave. As we serve God faithfully, He blesses and honors us. Because he saved us, we live for him.

In Joshua 1:1-2 God called Moses: The SERVANT of the LORD and my SERVANT . *God was greatly pleased with works of Moses as he served him. You might ask yourself, “Am I serving God with pure works that honor Him?”*

In Genesis 26:24 we find God blessing Isaac. Who does God say that He is doing this for? ABRAHAM’S SAKE

Read John 12:23-26 Jesus said “...if any man serve me, him will MY FATHER HONOR .” (Last line)

Read Romans 14:17-18 and finish this statement: “For he that in these things serveth CHRIST is ACCEPTABLE TO GOD , and APPROVED of men.”

I Corinthians 3:9 says “For we are LABOURERS TOGETHER with God: *While we are not working for our salvation, we are working for the Lord, and with the Lord!*

Revelation 7:15 speaks of people in heaven serving him before the throne. It says that he shall DWELL AMONG THEM . (Last line)

Look at Revelation 22:3 His servants shall SERVE HIM . *This service is given of their own will because they owe their eternal life to Jesus! He first loved them and they now love Him!*

Our service to the Lord is the outworking of our adoration for Him, our Creator, our Redeemer, our God! II Corinthians 5:15 says it this way, “And that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.

As believers, our work toward one another should also be that of servants. Servants must be humble, submissive, law abiding, loving, and obedient!



Answer the questions or fill in the needed words below to see God’s Word on these works of a godly servant:

Galatians 5:13 tells us to serve ONE ANOTHER by LOVE.

Read Philippians 2:1-7 and finish the last phrase of verse 3 “...let each ESTEEM OTHERS BETTER THAN THEMSELVES .

Whose mind should be in you? CHRIST JESUS’


We are to be submissive also to one another. As seen in the following verses. Read them and write in to whom we are to submit:

Ephesians 5:21 ONE TO ANOTHER





Ephesians 5:22 (For when a girl gets married) Your own HUSBAND .

I Peter 2:13 tells us to submit to EVERY ORDINANCE OF MAN for the LORD'S SAKE. 

Hebrews 13:17 You should obey them that HAVE RULE OVER YOU.

I Peter 5:5 The younger are to submit unto the ELDER .



Ephesians 6:1 Children are to obey their PARENTS .



The work of the believer includes worship and praise.




John 4:23 True worshipers worship the Father in SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH (truly from the heart) ...for the Father seeketh such to WORSHIP HIM.

Philippians 3:3 tells that we who are saved are those who worship God in the SPIRIT , and rejoice in Christ Jesus, having no confidence in the FLESH. (See Ephesians 2:8-9.)

Acts 16:25 Paul and Silas were in prison for preaching the gospel, but out of their hearts came songs of PRAISES TO GOD . 



In I Peter 4:11 Peter tells us who is to be praised; JESUS CHRIST.

Hebrews 13:15 puts it this way: “By Him therefore let us offer the SACRIFICE of PRAISE to God CONTINUALLY , that is, the FRUIT of our LIPS giving thanks TO HIS NAME . 

As a Christian your work includes being a representative of heaven and of the true and living God.

In II Corinthians 5:20 God tells us that we are His AMBASSADORS . Read Proverbs 13:17 and consider what kind of representative you are being. *Your life should bring good will from our heavenly home to this world!*

The believers work should be open before the world. It should have an effect on the unsaved world.



Read Matthew 5:14-16 What does God say that we are in verse 14? THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD . Do not hide your Christianity but rather let

it shine forth so that men may see your good works and
GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.

What did the king say to Daniel as he was cast into the lion's den in Daniel 6:16b
THY GOD WHOM THOU SERVEST CONTINUALLY HE WILL DELIVER THEE.

Acts 4:13 When they realized that these men were not highly educated, but spoke boldly they took knowledge of them, that THEY HAD BEEN WITH JESUS.

The work of the believer is to be guided and sustained by prayer. Read the following scriptures and initial when done. Romans 8:26; Philippians 4:6; Luke 18:1-8; Matthew 5:44; I Thessalonians 5:17; I Timothy 2:8 and James 5:15-16 N. A. Initial

The work of the believer includes spreading the Gospel.



Read Matthew 28:16-20. What two words summed up Jesus last command to his apostles? GO YE And then in Acts 5:28 what did the council accuse them of? FILLING JERUSALEM WITH THEIR DOCTRINE

Even persecution should not stop us from witnessing. As seen in Acts 8:4, what did the early church do when they were persecuted? They went EVERYWHERE PREACHING THE WORD.

The work of the believer is also known as the work of faith. It is sometimes triumphant but at other times it may cause us to suffer. We may even be called upon to give our life for Christ. But remember how He suffered for us. Be strong in the Lord and work the works of faith.



Read Philippians 1:28-30. What two things are given to us in the behalf of Christ?
1. TO BELIEVE ON HIM 2. TO SUFFER FOR HIS SAKE

In Hebrews 11:24-26 we see that Moses chose to SUFFER AFFLICTION with the PEOPLE of GOD. He loved the Lord so much that he counted even the reproach of Christ to be greater riches than the TREASURES OF EGYPT.

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