

New Life In Christ
Bible Doctrine Class

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This 13 week study plan is designed to get you into your Bible. Prepare each lesson before class and boldly ask questions on any ones you cannot get; Ed may not get to them on his own! For additional reading and reference the following books were used as source material for this lesson set.

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Understanding the Bible

"We must always guard against making the Bible say things which on closer examination, it really doesn't say." Is the Bible LITERAL or FIGURATIVE?

Genesis 1:1 is (FIGURATIVE LITERAL)

John 1:1 is (FIGURATIVE LITERAL)

Bible truths are revealed to us as we prayerfully study His Word These truths are revealed by three means, by:

_____ Jn 16:13, I Cor 2:9,10

_____ Luke 24:44-45

_____ Matthew 16:15-17

If you are a Christian you will study Christ. If you ask Him to be your Lord you should read what he wrote to you daily. Daily Bible Study brings:

_____ Romans 10:17

_____ in hearts of men. Romans 1:16

_____ Keeps us from _____ Psalms 119:11

_____ and _____ Psalms 119:105

_____ Keeps us from _____ and makes us _____

_____ (Memory Verse)

By The Way: There is no statement in the Bible that can be proven wrong by science or by archeology. There are no substantiated contradictions in the Bible, even though it was written over a period of 1700 years and has been painstakingly scrutinized for an error. There are dating misconceptions and scientific phenomenological language (i.e. the sun rises in the east, even in the Naval Almanac) that the world explodes as error to detract from God's Word. It does not claim to be a text book on science, but where it touches scientific matters, it does not give misinformation.

During this 13 week course I will make every attempt to read all 4 Gospels of my Lord and Savior.

Date _____ Signature _____

New Life In Christ Class Lesson 1

What I Believe About the Bible

Memory Verse: II Timothy 3:16,17 "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

"We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men supernaturally inspired! That it has truth without any admixture of error, for its matter! And therefore is, and shall remain until the end of the age the only complete and final revelation of the will of God to man; the true center of christian union and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried."

Monday : II Timothy 3:16,17, II Pet 1:21, Hebrews 1:1-3

Tuesday : Psalms 119: 1-100

Wednesday: Psalms 119: 100-176

Thursday : Matt 16: 15-17, Luke 24:45, Jn 16:13, I Cor 2:9,10

Friday : Romans 1:19-20, II Chronicles 33:13, II Timothy 3:16

Saturday : Jer 5:14, Ezek 37:7, Romans 1:16, Eph 6:17, Heb 4:12

Sunday : II Kings 22

The Bible We Have.

The word BIBLE means (use dictionary as required)

The word Testament is used by _____ in Matthew 26:28. It is called a _____ in Hebrews 8:6-23.

Define Covenant _____

Define Epistle _____

Use your Bible Table of Contents to answer the following :
The Bible is made up of ____ books divided into ____ books of the Old Testament, and ____ books of the New Testament The Old Testament is divided into groups of books as follows:

- 5 books of _____
- 12 books of _____
- 5 books of _____
- 17 books of _____ (5 Major, 12 Minor)

The New Testament is divided into categories of:

- 4 books of _____
- 1 book of _____
- 22 books are _____ (14 Paul's, 8 General)
- 1 book of _____

The redeeming power of Christ is the central theme of your Bible. Match each division of the Bible with its purpose.

Preparation	The Epistles
Manifestation	Apocalypse (Revelation)
Propagation	The Old Testament
Explanation	The Acts of the Apostles
Consummation	The Gospels

_____ is the theme of the whole Bible and the key that unlocks the Bible truths.

Bible Versions

There are now many versions, or translations of the Bible, we still believe that the King James Version is unsurpassed in beauty, accuracy, and in language, and that the Old English is still easily understood. Every word in the KJV has implications that were captured with Gods provisions. We are swamped with Bible versions (and perversions) today. None of these versions were translated from the God preserved Textus Receptus, but from the critical texts Sinaiticus and Vaticanus, both laid asside (as inaccurate?) in the second century. Wescott and Hort placed most of their stock in these two older translations which we do not hold as accurate nor God preserved. All modern versions you see today use these inaccurate Greek transcripts, and we will not hold them to be the inerrent, verbally inspired Word of God.

Dr. Virginia Mollenkott, a self proclaimed homosexual, used her

NIV translation committee membership to remove mention of Sodomites from this widely held version, making it a perversion.

The lie of Satan to the world, however is that 'we' have so many versions of the Bible that nobody knows which one is right. Even the poorest translations, that I have read, clearly proclaim the salvation message, but for consistency, accuracy, and standardization I only study the King James.

Why don't we include the 12 books of the Apocrypha that the Catholic Bible includes? Because the Jews would not include them in their definition of the _____, and _____ was satisfied with the established _____. (Luke 24:27)

Bible Inspiration

"God so superintended the writers of the Scripture that they wrote what He wanted them to write and were kept from error in so doing." In II Timothy 3:16 the word 'inspiration' means

_____ Because the writers were superintended and borne along in a unique way by the Holy Spirit the Bible is called The

_____ (Mark 7:13, Heb 4:12)

"Verbal inspiration holds that God, by his Spirit, has guaranteed the authenticity and reliability of the very words that were written, without depriving the writers of their individuality."

Name four methods used by God to get information to the writers of the Bible.

_____ Genesis 1:1 How did God give this to Moses?

_____ John 20:3-10 How did John know these events?

_____ Jeremiah 30:1,2 Isaiah 8:11

_____ Dan 7:2, 9:20-22, Rev 1:1

How many times does the Old Testament contain the phrase 'Thus saith the Lord' (take a guess) _____ times. Which word is correct? The Bible (CONTAINS IS) the Word of God.

Once we believe the Bible is verbally inspired, that it is in fact, THE Word of God, and is inerrant, most other issues (including denominational disagreements) will be settled.

Habakkuk 1:13. "Thou art of _____ eyes than to behold evil." He is the standard of ethical purity by which His creatures must measure themselves.

"Antinomies?"

Define
Antinomy: _____

What might antinomy have to do with our study of God?

By The Way: Come to class prepared to discuss whether God foreknows your decisions before you make them, and whether you think this foreknowledge would interfere in the slightest with your complete freedom to act.

Write a brief summary of things you learned or found interesting in this Lesson on God.

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Lesson 2 What I Believe About GOD

Memory Verse: Psalms 90:2 "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God."

We believe that there is one, and only one, living and true God, an infinite, intelligent Spirit, the maker and supreme ruler of heaven and earth; inexpressibly glorious in holiness and worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love; that in the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption."

Take the time to read each scripture each day.

- Monday : Psalms 90:2, Ps 139:7-10, Ps 147:5
- Tuesday : Ps 94:9-10, Mal 3:6, II Cor 13:14
- Wednesday: Gen 1:1, Isaiah 40:28, Deut 4:35
- Thursday : Gen 17:1, Matt 28:18-20, John 1:14, I Tim 3:16
- Friday : Gal 4:4, Ps 147:5, Ps 139:1-6, Prov 5:21
- Saturday : I John 4:8,16, John 4:24, Matt 6:33
- Sunday : John 1, Col 1:17, Heb 13:8, Is 15:57

Existence and Trinity

" The word God is one of the most widely used but vague and undefined terms in our language. Some people, such as Einstein, think of God as 'a pure mathematical mind.' Others see Him as a shadowy superhuman person or force. Still others see God as a ball of fire to which we, as sparks of life will ultimately be reunited or as a celestial policeman. A few think of him as a sentimental grandfather of the sky..... Because God has spoken and has revealed Himself, we no longer have the need or the option of conjuring up ideas and images of God by our own imaginations. Our personal concept of God when we pray for instance, is worthless unless it coincides with His revelation of Himself.

The Bible never attempts to prove the existence of God. Instead

the Bible calls an atheist a _____.Ps 14:1

Name three ways we can know there is a God

1. _____

Romans 1:19

2. _____

Rom 1:20, ex Gen 1:1, Jn 1:1

3.. _____

I Tim 3:16, Jn 1:14, Gal 4:4

Where is the word 'Trinity' found in the Bible? _____

How does Matt 3:16,17 show a triune Godhead? _____

Examine these scriptures; Gen 48:15,16, Ex 31:3, Num 11:25, Judges 3:10, Prov 8:22-31, Is 11:1-2, 42:1, 61:1.

"There have been two major heretical distortions of the Trinity, and they exist at present. One is an attempt to get away from any implication that there are three separate and distinct Persons in the Godhead. this error claims that Father, Son and Holy Spirit are merely different manifestations of the one God which He assumes temporarily... The other ... emphasized the unity of God, (but) so stressed the Persons of the trinity that (it) ended up by dividing the substance of the Godhead." This resulted in their definition of the Son and the Holy Spirit as being lesser, subordinate Beings whom the Father willed into existence they denied Christ's eternal Son-ship. "In more recent times, some movements, such as Unitarianism, Russellism (Jehovah's Witnesses), and Mormonism assign our Lord and the Holy Spirit a nature and position below that of true Deity." No christian should for one moment tolerate any description of Christ other than full Deity, co-equal and co-eternal with the Father.

God's Attributes

Use a Dictionary to define attribute:

God is _____. Jn 4:24

God is eternal. He has no _____, he has no _____. Rev 1:8

God is Un- _____. Mal 3:6, James 1:17

In Jonah 3:10 God is said to _____.

Prepare to discuss this in class. Does God change after all?

God is Omni _____: As a boy I could not understand how God could be watching me, my brother and my sister all at once. Now that I am old I can't understand how God can be equally in New York, Australia, China, and Calcutta, all at the same time; but he does, and he is.

God is Omni _____, He is all powerful. "I am the

_____ God." Gen 17:1, Matt 28:18-20 says that _____

power is given unto me (Christ) Jer 32:17 says _____ is too

_____ for God.

God is Omni _____. Psalms 139:2 says he even knows

our _____. There is nothing that God does not know, He is all wisdom, and all knowledge.

God is _____. (Ps 145:17, Rev 4:8, Lev 20:7) While the

above are natural attributes of God, His _____ is a MORAL attribute. It is the most comprehensive of all God's attributes. It is a term for the moral excellence of God and His freedom from all limitation in His moral perfection. Read

Write a short paragraph on what the Holy Spirit has done for your life. If you are saved, include a salvation testimony.

Lesson 3 What I Believe About The Holy Spirit

Memory Verse: John 16:8 "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness and of judgment."

We believe that the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity, and the divine Agent in nature, revelation and redemption; that He convicts the world concerning sin, righteousness and judgment; that He regenerates, indwells, baptizes, seals and anoints all who become children of God through Christ; that He further empowers, guides, teaches, sanctifies and fills believers who daily surrender to Him."

Monday : John 16:7-15, Jn 14:26

Tuesday : Galatians 1:3, I Cor 1:3, 3:16, II Cor 13:14

Wednesday: Mark 3:29, Acts 8:29 Gen 6:3, Romans 8:26

Thursday : I Cor 2:10-11, 12:11

Friday : Acts 15:28 Ps 143:10, 139:7, 23-24

Saturday : Ezek 36:26-27, Joel 2:28-29, Romans 8:9, Jn 14:17

Sunday : Jn 15:26, Gal 5:18-23

The Spirit and Christ's Ministry

The Holy Spirit had a particularly intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, who in His humanity was completely dependent on the Spirit. He was _____ by the Holy Spirit and born of Him (Isa 7:14, Luke 1:35). Jesus was _____ by the Spirit in Matt 4:1. The Spirit _____ Him in a special way at His baptism (Matt 3:16-17). He _____ Himself as a sacrifice through the Spirit (Heb 9:14), and He was _____ from the dead by the power of the Spirit (Romans 1:4). He gave _____ to the apostles, and the Church, by the Spirit (Acts 1:2).

The Spirit and Sealing

As soon as a person puts his trust in Christ He is _____ by the Holy Spirit (Eph 1:13).

The _____ Himself beareth witness with our _____ that we are the children of God (Romans 8:16)

For by _____ we are all baptized into one body (Christ)... and have all been made to drink of _____ (I Cor 12:13).

"This baptism, with its attendant sealing and indwelling by the Spirit, takes place at the time of conversion. This participation in the Spirit is shared by all believers, despite their varying degrees of maturity, strength and devotion. Some Christians, however, apply the term 'baptism' to one's first experience of being filled with the Spirit, which experience is part of God's purpose for us (Ephesians 5:18). No one is a Christian who does not have the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:7), for He indwells and seals every believer. Unfortunately, however, many Christians never know the joy and power of the Holy Spirit's fullness."

Filling of the Holy Spirit

Name two activities that generally followed the filling of the Holy Spirit in the Bible. _____, _____. (Acts 2:14, 4:8, 4:31, 11:24)

"The test as to whether or not you are filled with the Spirit is not, 'Have you received an external sign or been given a particular gift of the Spirit?' Rather, 'Have you given yourself wholly and without reservation to God?' (Rom 12:1) Are you genuinely willing that He should control, absolutely and entirely, your life?" The Holy Spirit helps us live _____ (Romans 8:4).

The Fruit of the Spirit

Name the 9 fruits of the Spirit in our lives: Gal 5:22-23

The Spirit's Intercession

According to Romans 8:26 the intercession of the Spirit helps us to _____

About Grieving and Quenching

Even though we are sealed by the Holy Spirit, we are warned not to _____ the Holy Spirit (Eph 4:30).

Name at least three things that could grieve the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:17-21)

_____, _____, _____.

Use a dictionary to see what quench means and what it could mean to quench the Holy Spirit (I Thes 5:19).

What does Matthew 12:31 call an unforgivable sin?

Figurative Forms of the Holy Spirit

Name 5 figurative forms the Bible refers to the Holy Spirit as:

_____ Gen 8:9-12, Jn 1:32
_____ Acts 2:3, Num 9:16
_____ Ex 40:9, Ps 23:5,
89:20, Mt 25:3-4,
_____ Mark 6:13, James
5:14
_____ Is 44:3, Jn 7:37-38
_____ Acts 2:2, Jn 3:8, Ezek
37:9

How can we live a victorious Christian life? Zak 4:6

By The Way: Through the Holy Spirit we come to know Christ, by the Holy Spirit's power we live and grow in Christ, in the service of the King and the fellowship of His Church, and lastly we are sealed for eternity.

In This Space below write out word perfect John 1:1-14

Lesson 4
What I Believe About Jesus Christ

Memory Verse: John 1:1,2,14 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God, The same was in the beginning with God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth."

"We believe the LORD JESUS CHRIST is a Person of the Triune God, the eternal Word and Only Begotten Son; that without any change in His divine Person, He became man by miracle of the Virgin Birth, thus to continue forever as both true God and true Man, one Person with two natures; that as Man He was tempted in all points as we are, yet without sin; that as the perfect Lamb of God He gave Himself in death upon the cross, becoming there the sin of the world, and suffering its full penalty of divine wrath in our stead; that He arose bodily from the grave and was glorified; that as our great High Priest He ascended into Heaven, there to appear before the face of God as our Advocate and Intercessor."

Bible Reading: John 1:1-14, Titus 2:13, I John 5:20

Jesus Christ is God

Christ clearly taught his disciples that 'He' and the Father were

_____ John 10:30. Though stated on several occasions it was taught less clearly to 'non followers'. His response in Matt

26:63,64 to this accusation was _____

_____ .
He clearly claimed the prerogative and authority of God. He had

authority to _____ Mark 2:10.

We would see Him sitting at the _____ of

_____ and _____ in the _____ of heaven.
Mark 14:62.

He had authority to _____ Jn 5:22. He had power and authority to _____ the _____ Jn 6:39,40,54, 10:17,18.

He was Omni _____ Mt 28:18.

He demonstrated power over _____ by stilling the stormy waves (Mark 4:39) indeed he _____ all

_____ John 1:1-3

Christ was fully God.

He Is Human : Why is Christ's humanity important? (See Heb 2:16-18)

_____ Jesus got _____ Mat 4:2 and _____

Jn 19:28. He needed _____ Matt 8:24 and got

_____ Jn 4:6. He even was _____ within. John 12:27.

His Birth : The Bible explicitly teaches that Jesus was born of a Virgin Matthew 1:22-35. Give two reasons why this was important.

1. (Matt 1:22) _____ .

2. (Matt 1:22) _____ .

To not believe in the virgin birth is to deny scripture. His virgin birth emphasized his deity and his humanity which is crucial so

"through _____ he might destroy him that had the _____ of death." Heb 2:14

His Life

Christ lived a sinless life. Christ's perfection is important: _____

1. To qualify himself for a sacrifice to put away _____ (Heb 9:26)

2. It meant that perfect _____ was rendered to God,

in contrast to Adam's _____. Romans 5:19, Phil 2:5-8, Heb 10:6-7

3. By it He became a qualified _____ and _____ for His people. Heb 8:6,5:1-10

Christ's death for our atonement is a central theme of the scriptures. It will be more closely examined in our study of salvation. From his birth in Bethlehem, when the newborn Jesus was wrapped in burial cloth (swaddling cloths), He was a man born

to _____. Heb 2:14

His _____ is the basis for his worthiness to receive _____

_____. Rev 5:12

He was wounded for _____. Is 53:5,6

His Resurrection

His resurrection is the very basis for our _____. I Cor

15:17 It is our guarantee of our _____. Jn 14:19 It

shows an actual, and real _____ in our future. Phil 3:21

It assures us of the _____ of Jesus Christ in our lives today. Phil 3:10

Many attempts have been made to explain away the resurrection. Historical evidence is irrefutable; the Bible is explicit; Christ Arose.

corrupted, and his will enslaved. He lost his true manhood. Men speak about man as "evolving" from a primitive condition, but the Bible (Romans 1:18-32) graphically portrays his descent rather than ascent. "Total Depravity" is intended to indicate that the evil principle ... has invaded each part of human nature, that there is no part of it which can now invariably perform righteous acts or invariably think righteous thought." In other words man's total depravity means that every area of his life is blighted-not that everything about him is totally bad. His depravity is also total in that apart from God's grace he is forever lost. The tragedy of the Fall went far beyond Adam and Eve. It was race-wide in its effect. I have heard every excuse, I've used many of them, I have seen many failures, but I believe and the Bible clearly teaches that every Christian Home should start its day in God's word and in prayer. Does your home have a daily devotion? It needs one.

I MET GOD IN THE MORNING

I met God in the morning
 When the day was at its best,
 And His presence came like glory
 Of the sunrise in my breast.
 All day long the Presence lingered,
 All day long He stayed with me,
 And we sailed in perfect calmness
 O'er a very troubled sea.
 Other ships were blown and battered,
 Other ships were sore distressed.
 But the winds that seemed to drive them,
 Brought to us a peace and rest.
 Then I thought of other mornings,
 With a keen remorse of mind,
 When I, to, had loosed the moorings
 With the presence left behind.
 And I think I know the secret,
 Learned from many a troubled way:
 You must seek God in the morning
 If you want Him through the day.

Ralph Cushman

Lesson 5
What I Believe About Man and Sin

Memory Verse: Romans 5:12 "Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

"We believe that man was created in innocence under the law of His Maker, but by voluntary transgression fell from his sinless and happy state, in consequence of which, all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint, but of choice: and therefore under just condemnation without defense or excuse."

- Monday : Gen 1:26-2:24
- Tuesday : Job 7:17, Ps 8:4,144:3, Heb 2:6
- Wednesday: Gen 3:1-24
- Thursday : Romans 3:10-18
- Friday : Gen 4:1-7
- Saturday : Genesis 22
- Sunday : Exodus 12

Mans Nature

God _____ man in his _____, in
 the image of God created he him, _____ and
 _____ created he them Gen 1:27

Any form of evolution is denied by the Bible. Did we get here by death or did man bring death into the world? Was original sin committed by an ape or a man? What is the error in believing that

God created man but used evolution to do it? _____

Man was not made from animal he was made from _____.
 Gen 2:7

Mans Fall

From Genesis 3, All through the Bible man is in bondage to

_____ . The carnal mind is _____

_____ to the law of God, neither indeed

_____ . Romans 8:7

Adam and Eve did not have a nature to sin, it took an outside

_____ to cause this sin. Gen 3:1-4

There are three avenues of temptation found in Gen 3:5-6. Find the three temptations of the world in I John 2:15-16 and match them with those from Genesis.

_____ Ye shall be as Gods

_____ It was pleasant to the eyes

_____ desired to make one wise

What is a difference in Adams sin and Eves sin? _____

_____ I Tim 2:13-15

What is the punishment for sin? _____ Romans 6:23 James 1:15

The Results Of Sin

Name the three curses brought by sin (Genesis 3:14-19)

The most tragic result of all was that men would be born

_____ . Romans 3:9,23

Did Adam die when he sinned? _____ Eph 2:1-3

What are wages? _____

What are the wages of sin? _____ Rom3:23

Remedy For Mans Sin

What did Adam and Eve use to cover their nakedness before God?

_____ Gen 3:7

What did God use? _____ Gen 3:21

What other action did they attempt to cover their sin? Gen 3:8

What did God do? _____ Gen 3:9

The principle of blood redemption runs throughout the entire Bible. We see a glimpse of it in almost every chapter, but always in every book.

In Ex 12:13 God had to see the _____ before the

judgment of death was avoided. Where must this _____

come from? _____ John 1:29

How can we apply this to our lives? _____ Jhn 3:16

Where does salvation faith come from? _____ Eph 2:8,9

Do we seek it ourselves? _____ Gen 3:7-8

By the way: As a result of the Fall, the image of God in man was badly marred in both its moral and its natural dimensions. Man lost his original inclination toward God and became a perverted creature, inclined away from his Creator. His personality was sadly marred. His intellect became bound, his emotions became

Get a Bible concordance, like Strongs Exhaustive Concordance, and look up penance. How many verses did you find? _____
Now look up and write out 5 New Testament Verses that use the word repent

Lesson 6 **What I Believe Salvation**

Memory Verse: John 3:16-18 "For God so loved the world, that He gave

His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

"We believe that salvation is wholly of grace, through the mediation of the Son of God, who took on our nature, yet was without sin, and by His death made a full and vicarious atonement for our sins. Christ, the Lord, bearing our sins in His own body on the tree. That salvation is a new birth whereby he one dead in trespasses and sins is made a partaker of the divine nature and receives eternal life, the free gift of God, an instantaneous new birth, not a process._____ We believe that salvation is secured by repentance and faith, inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the quickening Spirit of God: thereby, being deeply convicted of our guilt, danger and helplessness, and the way of salvation by Christ, we turn to God with unfeigned contrition, confession and supplication for mercy; at the same time heartily receiving the Lord Jesus Christ and openly confessing Him as our only and all sufficient savior.

We believe in Gods electing grace; and that salvation is free to all; that it is the immediate duty of all to accept salvation and that nothing prevents salvation of any sinner but their own inherent depravity and voluntary rejection of the gospel.

Monday : Ephesians 1:3-12 _____ Friday : Philippians 2:5-8
Tuesday : Ephesians 2:8-9 _____ Saturday : John 3 _____
Wednesday: Romans 3:20, 8:3 _____ Sunday : Psalms
51:1-19
Thursday : I Timothy 2:3-6

Definitions

Look up definitions for the following words:

GRACE _____

MERCY _____

JUSTIFICATION _____

ATONEMENT _____

VICARIOUS _____

MEDIATOR _____

_____ is our not getting what we deserve.

_____ is our getting what we do not deserve.

Justification is _____ as _____ I never sinned.

Atonement for Sin

Salvation is authored by God. Hebrews 2:3 calls it

We are saved by _____ through _____ which comes from God. (Eph 2:8,9)

The cross is necessary to _____ us to God. (Eph 2:16)
Thus Christ "ever liveth to make _____ for" the sins of people. (Heb 7:25)

There is no other _____ between God and men. (I Tim 2:3-6) "For there is one God and one _____ between God and men".

Mary is not a mediator, the priest or pope can not be your mediator. The preacher is not your mediator. Christ and Christ alone can reconcile man to God.

According to Philippians 2:5-8, why can only Christ atone for our sins? _____

Born Again

What is required before we can see the kingdom of God?
_____ John 3:3-5

Nicodemus could not understand at the time, but what was the event Jesus referred to in John 3:14. (also ref Num 21:5-9)

What did Jesus tell Nicodemus he must do to be born again? John 3:15-16

What did Paul say happened at the new birth? (II Cor 5:17)

What did Jesus liken the born again one to in John 3:8?

_____.

Why? _____

Free to All

Who can receive salvation? (Jn 3:16) _____

What happens if we do not make a decision to accept Christ?

John 3:18,36 _____

Repentance and Faith

Many times as we study the Bible, we know that repentance has taken place, when there is no specific mention of repentance, but there is mention of faith. REMEMBER ... these are inseparable graces. One cannot truly repent of sin, without putting their faith in Christ. Likewise repentance (change) without turning to Christ in faith will not bring about salvation. Faith and repentance remain inseparable requirements to salvation.

Lesson 7

What I Believe About Eternal Security

Memory Verse: John 10:27-29 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."

"We believe that such only are real believers as endure to the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto eternal salvation."

Monday : Is 32:17

Tuesday : Jn 10:10-14,28,29

Wednesday: Jn 11:25-26,17:11

Thursday : Rom 8:38-39

Friday : I Cor 12:12-13

Saturday : Eph 1:13-14,4:30,5:29-30

Sunday : Phil 1:6, II Tim 1:12,4:18

(ALSO Heb 6:11,8:25 I Jn 3:1,2 Jude 1)

Eternal security is perhaps one of the most misunderstood of all the doctrines that we teach. Not only so, but many Christians are reluctant to believe in it. The common idea is that to believe in eternal security is a license to sin ... nothing could be farther from the truth.

Contrariwise ... Eternal security is a deterrent to sin. The person who is saved, and who knows that he is saved eternally, is the very person that lives a consecrated and dedicated life. The person who says that if they believed 'that' they would get out and 'sin their fill', is in all probability not saved at all.

NOTE: To begin with, and before we state anything else, We believe that salvation is of the Lord. If the Lord saved us, and salvation is a free gift of God, there are no strings attached, it is a free gift. If salvation was not a gift we would have to do certain things to attain it, or to keep it. God does not take away an undeserved gift, even when we 'do not deserve it any longer'.

Why did John write the letter of I John? _____ (I John 5:13)

The Saved and the Unserved

"Saved people are those who believed in Christ. The unserved people are those who have not believed", and therefore is _____ by God, and under the judgment of God. (Jn 3:16-18)

"Some are saved and know it, and this is the crowd that has assurance. Some are saved and don't know it (or are not sure), they live in constant fear. They know they have believed, but are afraid they will do something to lose it. Some people are DECEIVED into thinking they are saved because they go through various rituals (or prayers), but they are LOST. Some are trusting in their own righteousness, but they are LOST. Some are LOST and know it. They intend some day to get right with God, but the Devil has them under delusion and they will probably never be saved." {1:118}

To Have Christ is to Have Salvation

He that hath the _____ hath _____ and he that hath not the _____ of God hath not _____. (I Jn 5:12)

All the salvation that God ever gives to the sinner He gives directly through His Son.

Assurance

We know that we are saved because of the positive promise of the Word of God.

John 3:16 ... "not perish but have _____ life."

John 3:36 ... "He that _____ on the Son hath everlasting life."

John 5:24 ... "he that hearth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me,

_____".
I John 3:2 ... "Beloved _____ are we the Sons of God."

I John 2:12 ... "I write unto you, little children, because your sins _____ for his names sake."

Romans 8:38 "For I am persuaded, that neither _____, nor _____, nor _____, nor _____, nor things present _____, nor things to _____, Nor _____, nor _____, nor any other _____, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Hebrews 10:22 says we should have full

_____.
Assurance may not be a present possession of every believer, but it can be.

Results of Assurance

Our testimony to the lost will be with boldness and with effectiveness. When Paul witnessed, he was unwavering. He could write in I Thessalonians 1:5, concerning his gospel to them was "not in word only but in _____ and in the Holy Ghost, and in much _____". Paul never lost his assurance of salvation. He was always ready to give an answer to every man.

When a man is saved:

He is introduced to a new life. John 3:5

He is a new creature, old things are passed away. II Cor 5:17

He possesses a new desire, new hopes, new aims and new

ambitions. Phil 3:14

He has a new reason for life itself. Gal 2:20

He now has a new walk. Col 1:10

He now has access to God's throne and can come boldly. Heb 4:16

He now has a transformed life. Romans 12:2

Assurance is vital to his life in Christ. Do you have assurance of your salvation?

Rev 3:5 Says "He that _____, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before _____ is angles.

Does this verse say that there will be some names blotted out of the Book of Life?

Memory Verse: II Corinthians 7:1 4"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."5

"We believe that sanctification, a state of entire consecration to God, is the calling of all born again Christians; that it is attained unconditionally by faith, or our willingness to take God at his word, to believe that he means just what he says. That sanctification is not a process, nor is it attained by methods or works, but that it is attainable by any Christian, in any stage of maturity, that puts all his faith in God.

That the difficulty in attaining this state is overcoming voluntary selfishness, or voluntary consecration to self interest and self gratification.

Monday : Col 1:10-18

Tuesday : I Cor 3:16,17, 6:19

Wednesday: Gal 2:20, James 4:5-8

Thursday : I Pet 5:7-11

Friday : I Thes 3:12, 4:10

Saturday : Gal 6:17

Sunday : I Thes 5:23, II Cor 7:1

Look up and define sanctify;

Most of what is said about Christian living, about obeying God's

Commands, about abstaining from sin and about Christian 'dos' and Christian 'don'ts' is resting in some way on our understanding of what sanctification is.

Our sanctification is seeded in the faith that brought us salvation. Can we accept Christ as our Savior, repent from our sin, and not accept Him as Lord of our new found life in Christ; do we not consider ourselves consecrated or separated to God?

I Cor. 3:16-17 Says we are the _____ of God. And that the _____ of God _____ in you; literally, sanctified.

Can a person be immature in Christ, or a babe in Christ and still be sanctified? _____

Paul says: "4The very God of peace _____ you _____, and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.5" I Thess. 5:23.

Name several exhortations that precede this 'whole' sanctification. I Thess. 5:14-23.

Paul also speaks of _____ holiness in II Cor 7:1 (Sanctification can be used almost synonymously with holiness).

What does God ask us to do in order to 'perfect' holiness? II Cor. 7:1.

Is there a difference in being sanctified and being mature (or perfected) Christians? Study Colossians 1:9-12 and give several reasons why we should grow or mature spiritually.

The most important reason is given in verse 18, it is that in _____ things which (Christ) might have the _____ . (Col. 1:18) Look up and define this last word.

The problem in being sanctified is our selfish nature, we are sanctified at salvation but we sometimes rebel and want our lives back to do with as we

please. What was Paul's solution to this selfish nature? Gal. 2:20

Again what did he use to live the new life? "4and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by _____ of the Son of God.5"

As much as Salvation is by faith, alone, sanctification, perfecting sanctification and even Christian maturity comes by faith. Please study carefully Charles G. Finney's thoughts on attaining a state of sanctification.

"Take the facts as they arise in every day's experience to show that what I have stated is true of almost all professors and non-professors. Whenever a sinner begins in good earnest to agitate the question, 'What shall I do to be saved?' he resolves, as a first duty, to break off from his sins, that is in unbelief. Of course his reformation is only outward. He determines to do better to reform in this, that, and the other thing, and thus prepare himself to be converted. He does not expect to be saved without grace and faith, but he attempts to get grace by works of law.

The same is true of multitudes of anxious Christians who are

inquiring
 what they shall do to overcome the world, the flesh and the devil.
 They overlook the fact that 'this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith,' that it is with 'the shield of faith' they are to 'quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.' They ask 'Why am I overcome by sin? Why can I not get above its power?' ... They cast about for the cause of all his spiritual wretchedness and death. At one time they think they have discovered it in the neglect of one duty; and at another time in the neglect of another. Sometimes they imagine they have found the cause to lie in yielding to one temptation, and sometimes in yielding to another. They put forth efforts in this direction, and in that direction, and patch up their righteousness on one side, while they make a rent on the other side. Thus they spend years running round in a circle, and making dams of sand across the currents of their own habits and tendencies. Instead of -at once- purifying their hearts by faith, they are engaged by trying to arrest the overflowing of the bitter waters of their own propensities.

The great and fundamental sin, which is at the foundation of all the other sin, is unbelief. The first thing is, to give up that to believe the word of God. There is no breaking off of one sin without this. 'Whatever is not of faith is sin.' 'Without faith it is impossible to please God.'⁵

Purify your hearts by faith. Believe in the Son of God. And say not in your heart,⁴ 'Who shall ascend into heaven, that is to bring Christ down from above; or who shall descend into the deep, that is, to bring up Christ

from the dead. But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy

mouth, and in thy heart, that is, the word of faith which we preach.'⁵"

Look at ways we try to be sanctified that are not of faith, ways that Finney lists as the '-not by methods':

1. not by an indifferent waiting of God's time.
2. not by any works of any kind.
3. not by direct efforts to feel right.
4. not by any efforts to obtain grace by works.
5. not by attempting to copy the experiences of others.
6. not by waiting until preparations are made i.e. after I stop smoking or after I know more.....
7. not by attending meetings, or asking prayers of others or depending in any way upon the -means- of getting sanctified.
8. not by waiting for any particular views of Christ, or for more learning.
9. not in any way you may work out for yourself or imagine as a roadmap to sanctification.
10. not in any guilt or by stress we put ourselves through.

Sanctification is by faith alone, if we have Christ in our hearts we are his temple and we are holy, we are sanctified.

All Christians should be striving to be mature, striving for a more completely consecrated life for their Saviour and Lord. But where ever you are in your cristian growth, you can be wholely sanctified if you are willing to put your whole faith in Christ alone. Some of the most sanctified christians I have ever known were ignorant of many scriptures but reveling in their new found salvation. Christ shouldbe that preeminent in our daily lives.

Are we wholely consecrated to God? If not, why not?

What I Believe About The Christian Home

Memory Verse: Psalms 101:2 4"I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart."5

"We believe that the home and marriage is holy and ordained by God; that in marriage the husband and wife become one flesh and establish a home; that the husband is to be the head of the home, the wife an obedient helpmate to the husband and the children are to obey and honour their parents.

Monday : Gen 2:18-25 _____ Friday : Eph 5:23-33
Tuesday : Heb 13:4, Ps 68:6 _____ Saturday : Josh 24:15
Wednesday: Matt 19:4-6 _____ Sunday : Eph 6: Heb 12:7
Thursday : Titus _____

Marriage is Holy Ordained of God

It was in the Garden of Eden that God himself planned the idea of marriage. Gen 2:18 says 4"And the Lord God said 'It is not good that man should be _____ ; I will make him an _____ for him'5

God made the kind of man who needed a wife. God knew his hearts needs and his physical needs, and so God declared it was not good for man to live without a wife. God made Eve because she would fulfill the natural longing and fit in with the natural and normal happy life of Adam. Marriage was

ordained by God {E:15}

God intended that a marriage union be undividable. The term 'divorce' as used in the Bible, refers to the dissolving of the marriage before the couple had come together in the physical marriage bond, before they left father and mother and became- _____ . (Matt 19:4-6)

In that light any divorce, as used today is against God's precepts. 4'What God hath joined together, let _____ put asunder.'5 Matt 19:4-6

The Husband The Head of The Home

-Wives be Subject to Husbands

'Every time God gives orders to husbands and wives about their treatment of each other in the Bible, He speaks to wives first then to husband. When He commands fathers and children about their duties to each other, He commands children first then Fathers. He commands servants first then masters, subjects first then rulers. ... God wants no excuses left to a wife who does not want to obey her husband or to children who will not obey their

father. {E:113}

Ephesians 5:22 is the heart of this teaching, though it is repeated several times throughout scriptures. 4'Wives _____ yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.'5

A woman begins down a road of rebellion in the home by first finding several excuses to disregarding this command. The home has a ruler and subjects. The Husband is appointed by God, as the ruler, the wife the subject. Prepare to discuss in class what you think is meant by submitting.

"People always have plausible excuses for not doing right. Women give many reasons for not being subject to their husbands as God commands.

It is often insisted upon that in these modern days of liberty and equality, no woman could keep her self-respect and live in a home and not be counted an equal with her husband in authority. But the same woman, who objects to being under the authority of her husband attends clubs of which she is not the president. She works in a church of which she is not the pastor. She is a citizen of a government where others rule over her.

...
Man too cannot avoid authority over them. ...

The rebellion of a wife against her husband" (or her taking command in his silence) "is exactly the same spiiit as the rebellion of a disobedient child against his father, of an incorrigible pupil against the teacher, as a criminal against the government; it is lawlessness pure and

simple. In any government, business corporation, or home there must be those in authority. God has appointed the husband and the father in the home, as the head, and the wife, the weaker vessel, as the helpmate.

-The Blessing of Children?

How does Psalms 127: 3-5 describe our children? _____

How are fathers commanded to bring up children in Ephesians 6:4?

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What I Believe About The Church

Memory Verse: Matthew 16:16,18 4"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said ... 'And I say unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail gainst it.'"5

"We believe that a church is a congregation of baptized believers associated by a covenant of faith and fellowship of the gospel: observing the ordinances of Christ; goverened by His laws; and exercising the gifts, rights, and privalgés invested in them by His Word. That its officers of ordination are pastors, or elders, and deacons, whose qualifications are clearly defined in the Scripture. We believe the true mission of the Church is found in the Great Commission; to make individual deciples, to baptise them, and to teach them.

Monday : Ephessians 5:22-33

Tuesday : I Timothy 3 _____

Wednesday: John 13:34-35

Thursday : Phil 1:1-27, IITim 2:15, IICor 7:1, IIPeter 3:11

Friday : Hb 10:25, Matt 28:19, I Cor 11:23-26, Jude 3

Saturday : I Cor 16:2, I Thes 5:7

Sunday : I Thes 5:7, Eph 5:15, Phil 2:14-15, IPet 2:11-12

The Ecclesia

The word Church is found in the New Testament some 115 times. Without exception it always has the same meaning ... 'an Assembly'. The word 'ecclesia' was translated from the greek as 'church'. We often loose

its meaning today.

The word 'ecclesia' was a word in very common usage in the days of our Lord. No one misunderstood Jesus when he said "I will build my ecclesia." Everyone understood that the assembly would be a local assembly. They understood it would be autonomous, self governing, and members would meet definite qualifications. Ecclesia was the word used for the city council and governing bodies. {A:100-101} Jesus said "I wil build my ecclesia"5 in Matthew 16:18.

The Baptist Church

A man by the name of John came preaching in the wilderness of Judea. He preached that men must repent of their sins and believe on Him who was to come after John. Those who repente and believed ... JOHN BAPTIZED ...

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because he had a special commission from God to baptize. These were BAPTISTS, or BAPTIZED ONES.

Johns name was not John the Baptist. His name was John, he was the Baptist because he baptized those who repented of heis sins. He baptized in obedience to the command of God. Jesus took these people,

"BAPTIZED

ONES", or "BAPTIST" and organized them into His ecclesia. If I have any rational thinking at all, I must admit that these people were BAPTIST, and when they organized into a Church, they started a BAPTIST Church. More than 50 million have died for the same faith, practices, and principles that we hold today as Baptist. {A:102}

When I talk to people about Christ, I am often asked what I am, sometimes aske "Are you a Jehova Wittness?", my reply is that I am a Christian, because I have asked Christ to be my Savior and Lord. (My reply to the latter question will include clarification that the JW's do not believe that Jesus was God on earth, they must then believe he was a liar and deceiver.) They often pursue with the question 'But are you a protestant or catholic'? I am neither. I am a Baptist.

The Baptist never broke from the catholic church, because they never allied with the catholic church; therefore we are not, in that sence protestants. Baptists are the ones who were being burned and martered by the catholic church for over 200 years.

I am a Baptist because Baptist believe that the Bible is the final word of authority in every particular life, either church or individual. Hebrews 4:12 tells us that "4the word of God is _____ and _____, and sharper than any two edged sword, ... and is the _____ of the _____ and intents of the heart."5

The Work of the Church

The work of the Church is called out in Matthew 28:18-21. Who was this charge given to? _____ These were His ecclesia. The commission given was to "4-_____ yea therefore, and _____ all natons, _____ them in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Ghost: _____ them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:"5
Look up and define a commission. _____

_____ The first charge given here is to teach, or more accurately disciple, all nations. This is taken to mean all people, all tounges, all social levels,"red and yellow black and white, they ae precious in his sight." This discipling involves teaching them of the salvation that Jesus Christ

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provides, actually making more disciples, getting people saved.

The second charge involves building up the Church, the BAPTIZED church. Baptism is one of the ordinaces of the church and a requirement for Church membership. Acts 2:41 gives the proper order for adding new Christians to the Church. "4 Then they that gladly received his word were

_____ and the same day there were _____ to them about three thousand souls."5
The third charge is to _____ them to observe all the commands.
This challenge is often messed up by the church. It is either left off altogether or is taken as the only job of the church. There are churches that only want to get people saved, they will often give a brand new convert a Sunday School Class to keep them coming to church, they overlook the importance of teaching Christians as we are charged. Other churches do no soul winning at all, they have not seen anyone baptised in the church in years, they spend all their time teaching, learning, teaching, studying, teaching. Even their 'preachers' are teachers. We must always guard against slipping into these extremes that do not fulfill the great commission, in the proper order that it was given, and complete to its end.

Jesus taught that the commission was to be applied to the Jews first then to the Greeks, then to the world. Applying that to where the disciples were at the time, our equivalent commission is to disciple, to baptise and to teach, our Country first, then the United States of America, and finally all the nations of the World. That is the order that we must take in reaching the world. It is what commands a missionary endeavor from the Church.

_____ Ordinances of the Church-

Look up and define 'ordinance'. _____

_____ We believe that the church has two orders that it is charged to control and execute. The charge to baptise, and the charge to serve the Lords Communion.

We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion in water of a believer in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost with the authority of the local church to show forth in solemn and beautiful emblem of our faith in the crucified, buried and risen Saviour, symbolic of our death to sin and resurrection to a new life, and that baptism is a prerequisite for church membership. We believe that the sacred use of bread and wine are to commemorate the dying love of Christ; and that this commemoration is to be entered only by those who have accepted Christ as

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Lord, and Saviour, and are walking in a right manner with Him, and only after a period of self examination.

Note that neither of these is a 'SACRAMENT' ... 'Sacrament' as it is used today denotes merited grace imparted to the one who participates in these acts. We do not believe that there is any merit or grace earned

by either of these acts. They are not a means of salvation. {A:109}
Baptism and the Lords Supper are two very physical, observable acts that are extremely rich in symbolism. They have no saving power despite the teaching of the catholics, te Church of Christ, and the many others who distort these symbolic glorifications of Christ. They, each are a public display, and testimony of a persons individual relationship to Christ, and no more. They should never be taken lightly, however, because they are commanded by God, and we are strickly warned about their missuse. (I Cor 11)

Today, in our watered down society, we need to study these ordinances to grasp their full meaning. In many societies, where one who accepts baptism is banished from the home, family, and society, they need not spend a lot of time examining the meaning of these ordinances, it is very clear to them. (The following is Ed Rice Editorial) In America today we securely hide our Baptisms behind our closed doors, in or artificial body of water, instead of putting it out in the face of the world, in the lakes, rivers and ponds that God gave us for this public display of Salvation and individual acceptance of Christ.

Duties of Church Members

1. To walk togeter in Christian love John 13:34-35
2. To advance the Church Phil 1:1-27,II Tim 2:15,II Cor 7:1,II Peter 3:11
3. Sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrin Hb 10:25, Matt

28:19, I Cor 11:23-26, Jude 3

5. To tithe and contribute cheerfully and regularly I Cor 16:2
7. To maintain family and private devotions I Thes 5:7
9. To walk circumspectly in the world, be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements Eph 5:15, Phil 2:14-15, IPet 2:11-12
11. To be zealous in our efforts for Christ. Titus :14
13. To pray for one another James 5:16
16. To be slow to take offence, ready to forgive Eph 4:30-32

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What I Believe About Giving

Memory Verse: Malachi 3:10 4"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of host, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that ther shall not be room enough to receive it."5

"We believe that scriptural giving is one of the fundamentals of the faith.

Monday : II Cor 8

Tuesday : I Cor 9:4-14, 16:2 _____

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:2-4, Numbers 8:6

Thursday : Matthew 23:23, Nehemiah10:31-39

Friday : Acts 4:34-37

Saturday : Leviticus 27:30, Deuteronomy 18:3 _____

Sunday : John 15:14

The Command to Tithe

I Corinthians 16:2 tells when and what to give,

When? _____

What? _____

When Paul says "4see that ye abound in this grace also"5, in II Cor 8:7, what is he speaking of?

Closelyexamine Matthew 23:23. Jesus rebukes the pharases here. Does he tell them they ought not to have tithed? _____

In Genesis chapter 14 Abram (Abraham) recaptures all that is stolen from king of Sodem. He does this for the sake of Lot hs nephew. When he returns with all the 'booty' examine closely what he does in verse 20. How much does he give to the Malchizedek king of Salemn (Peace), priest of the Most High God? _____

In Leviticus 27 God gives his commands aout things that belong to Him absolutely, what is carefully defined in verses 30-34?

What is a tithe? Very simply the tithe is a tenth of the increase. Not a tenth of our take home, a tnth of our increase. In Abrahams time the tithe was the measure of man's giving to God. In Moses' day this teaching was incorporated into the Law. In the days of Christ it was "4not to be left undone5" (Matt 23:23). And in the Church age it is tobe "4laid by him in store, as God hath prospered him,5" on the first day of the week.

"The apostle Paul makes a good illustration of a tither. He was a tither

before he became a Christian. He was raised a Jew in a Jewish home. He was a Pharisee of the straightest sect. He was a member of the Sanhedrin. All

of this shows that he was a tither before he was saved.

After he was saved, he did not confine his giving to the tither but reached the place where all he was and had was consecrated to Christ and

used for the cause of Christ. Paul never said a word against tithing, not

one time. He evidently looked upon it as a minimum of Christian giving,

taking for granted he would, and others would, give as much or more under

Grace, as they did under law.

Paul taught that as the priest under the Old Testament economy were

cared for out of the tithes brought to the house of God, so the Christian

ministers were to be cared for out of the tithes brought to the churches,

I Corinthians 9:4-14; Numbers 8:6; Nehemiah 10:31-39; and Deuteronomy 18:3."

{A:156-157}

The Promise of Blessing

I've heard it on the TV and radio that a good way to get rich quick is

to give to God and He will pour out His blessing upon you.

Although they

used scripture in this plea for your money; giving to God is no get rich

scheme, nor can we trick God, as this implies, by giving. But when our

heart is right, when our motive for giving is our love of Christ, He has

promised us rich blessings.

Luke 6:38 "4 _____, and it shall be _____

INTRODUCTION: "4Whereby we cry, Abba, Father.5"

Romans 8:1-5.

I. THE PROPER VIEW OF GOD

A. God is the God of Abraham, Issac and Jacob.

_____ 1. Many people view God as a God who is living in a far off place, the God of Bible characters but who is not too interested in their personal life and problems. This is completely wrong.

_____ 2. God is a person who is interested in the smallest details of his children's lives.

_____ a. If He knows the number of hairs on ones head, Matthew 1:30, He is concerned.

_____ b. If He sees the little sparrow when it falls, Matthew 10:29, He is concerned with His childrens needs.

_____ c. Paul said that He is touched with our infirmities, Hebrews 4:15, that means the little problems as well a one's life shattering problems.

B. Prayer comes from the Greek word "Aiteo" which means to ask, or asking.

_____ 1. The verse, Romans 8:15, gives the spirit of prayer "Whereby we cry, Abba", which is the dearest term for Father. It is not the forml term, Father, BUT THE ENDEARING TERM 'DADDY'. It is used like a little child

looking up into her fathers face and pleading, "Daddy, please."

_____ 2. Jesus instructes the disciples to pray in Matthew 6:1-8.

The term "father" is FOUND TEN TIMES in the 8 verses. This repetition of

the word

"father" shows that when one prays one should not think of some far off,

impersonal God who doesn't care. He is to talk to his "Daddy."

II. HOW SHOULD A PERSON PRAY?

A. The beginning of the prayer.

_____ Te Bible teaches us to begin by addressing God in a respectful,

reverant way, "Our Father", or "Our Heavenly Father", etc.

B. The prayer itself.

_____ After addressing God as your Father, the peson then asks God for the petition or the desires tat he wants.

_____ 1. Things to pray for:

_____ Pray for wisdom

_____ Pray for the lost,

_____ Pray for daily needs such as a job,

_____ Pray for daily bread or food,

_____ Pray for the sick,

_____ Pray for the pastor,

_____ Pray for people in authority,

_____ Pray for people who give you a hard time.

_____ Above all PRAY!

_____ 2. Is it right to beg God for things?

_____ The word supplications means begging. This teaches that God

encourages his children to be ersistent in asking Him for things.

C. The Close of the Prayer.

_____ 1. We are commanded to pray in Jesus name.

_____ a. 4In Jesus Name5 means by His authority. The Child

Of God has been authorized by Jesus to come boldly into God's presence and presents his needs. Hebrews 4:16

_____ 2. In Jesus name means for Jesus sake. (Do it father), not because we have the authority to pray, but because it will please Jesus to do it for us.

_____ 3. There is only one name by which believers are authorized to pray.

"4There is one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus.5" I Timothy 2:5

_____ a. The word "Mediator" means intercessor, go between, or authorized.

III. THE ABC'S OF PRAYER

Matthew 7:7 teaches there are parts to successful praying. These three parts are:

_____ 1. "4Ask, and it shall be given you.5"

_____ 2. "4Seek, and ye shall find.5"

_____ 3. "4Knock and it shall be open unto you.5"

A. "4Ask, and it shall be given you.5"

_____ 1. The asking part of prayer is that one generally thinks prayer is.

It is the first part of successful praying and asking God.

_____ 2. The Bible teaches that one ought to have a regular time for prayer.

_____ a. The apostles had a set time to pray. "4At the hour of prayer.5" Acts 3:1.

_____ b. Daniel prayed three times a

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_____ -1SOUL WINNING, Your Witness of Jesus Christ-0

_____ This entire lesson is taken from James Wilkins book {E}

_____ -1The Count Down Method-0

_____ "A Simple Soul Winning Plan"

FIVE! Five approach questions

FOUR! Four Spiritual laws contained in four scriptures

THREE! Three possibilities after the soul talk is given

TWO! Two people on a team. For best results -Go two by two.

_____ Two separate people, each with a job to do.

ONE! One supreme purpose of a soul-winning effort is learn

_____ to work with the Holy Spirit in presenting the plan to

_____ the lost in a way which will bring him to Christ.

INTRODUCTION: God wanted everyone to win souls so He made it so simple

that ANYONE could understand it. There are only three parts to a soul-winning effort.

1. The opening of the plan or the approach.
2. The body or the message during the soul talk.
3. The termination of the talk or the close.

After a short period (about 5 to 10 minutes) of informal conversation in which one breaks the ice with the prospect, the soul winner should begin his opening of the soul winning talk. THE

OPENING

is contained in five approach QUESTIONS. These approach questions

bring the conversation to the main body of the soul-talk, the message.

The message centers around four spiritual laws which are found in four scriptures.

1. The fact of sin, Romans 3:23
2. The consequence of sin, Romans 6:23a
3. The remedy for sin, Romans 10:13
4. The individual response, Romans 10:13

When these four principles are presented to the lot, there are three

possibilities or reactions to the witness.

1. He will want to be saved.
2. He will not want to be saved.
3. He will hesitate in making a decision.

A personal worker simply has to learn what to do in these situations.

The Bible pattern in soul winning is for the soul-winning team to consist of two people. One to do the witnessing while the other serves in assisting the soul-winner.

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The final principle is the ONE SUPREME purpose of the visit which is to work with the Holy Spirit in presenting the plan of salvation to the lost.

_____ IF A PERSON WILL TAKE THE TIME TO MASTER

1. The five approach questions,
2. How to apply these four simple scriptures, and;
3. Learn what to do when he receives one of three reactions, then he can and will become a great soul-winner.

I. -1 THE OPENING OF THE PLAN-0

A. Five to Ten Minutes of Conversation Which is Designed to Make the Prospect Like You.

_____ 1. Talk on his interest level. In order to be effective in witnessing one must learn to control the conversation. He does this by asking questions which will keep the prospect talking about things which he is interested.

_____ 2. In vivification one takes the fear and the distress out of

witnessing by sending an S.O.S. The letters S.O.S. each stand for an area of conversation which will lead the prospect to the object of the

visit which is presenting Christ, the message.

S. Self Interest- hobbies- vacations- family interest

O. Occupation- work- homemaker- student

S. Soul-Winning Message

____ 3. The opening is designed where the soul-winner makes a transition from a friendly visit and an enjoyable fellowship in which

the prospect talks on his level of interest to a soul-winning effort.

This is the point where many soul-winners or would-be

soul-winners

choke up and are unable to make a smooth transition to a visit

where

the message of salvation is given.,. One can learn to make a

smooth

transition by asking five simple questions. The soul-winner has

been

asking questions which has kept the prospect talking on his interest

level. The approach questions are so automatic and in harmony

with

your designed, controlled conversation that the prospect has

consented

to the soul-winning message without resentment and in , most cases

is

anxious to listen.

B. The Five Approach Questions

____ 1. You are interested in Spiritual things, aren't you? It is

better to say I can see by the plaque on the wall by your

conversation by the Bible there that you are interested in

spiritual things, aren't you?

____ 2. Have you ever considered your need of eternal life?

____ 3. If you should die today Do you know for sure that you

would

go to heaven?

____ 4. You would like to know, wouldn't you? "Well, yes, I would like to know.

____ 5. If I could take your Bible and show you how you could know for

sure would you consider doing something about it?

____ Upon his affirmative answer, one uses their Bible or reaches inside his pocket or hand bag and pulls his concealed weapon, the

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Testament and proceeds to show him the message.

C. Master the Approach Questions.

____ In mastering the approach questions one will eliminate many questions which the prospect will ask This is one of the vital parts of witnessing and must be MASTERED.

II. -1THE MESSAGE CONTAINED IN THE FOUR SPIRITUAL LAWS-0

A. THE FIRST SPIRITUAL IS THE FACT OF SIN:

____ "4For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."5 Romans 3:23

____ 1. The word "ALL", places us "all in the same boat" This means

that I have sinned. That means the finest person in the world has sinned. That means "You" have sinned also.

____ 2. YOU HAVE HEARD OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS HAVEN'T YOU? Most

people are trying to keep the Ten Commandments and by doing so, they

hope to go to heaven when they die. In reality every normal adult has

broken most, if not all, of these commandments. For example,

____ a. One of the commandments states "Thou shalt not take God's

name in vain, (or swear)."

_____ b. Another says, "Honor thy Father and Mother."

_____ c. Still a third says, "Thou shalt not bear false witness (or lie)."

_____ 3. IN ORDER TO HELP YOU TO SEE THAT ALL HAVE SINNED. May I ask

you a question, how many banks would a man have to rob before he became

a bank robber? By the same logic, one lie would make a person a liar,

while one sin would make a person a sinner.

B. THE SECOND SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE IS THE CONSEQUENCE OF SIN:

_____ "4For the wages of sin is death".5 Romans 6:23

_____ 1. THERE ARE TWO KEY WORDS IN THIS VERSE, WAGES AND DEATH.

Wages means a payoff, penalty or what one gets for being a sinner.

Death means separation. (Here separation from GOD)

_____ 2. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN TO A FUNERAL? The body is lying there in

a casket. The real person has been separated from the body. That is physical separation.

_____ 3. WHEN YOU DIE GOD WANTS TO REACH RIGHT DOWN AND TAKE YOU RIGHT

INTO HEAVEN. But, if you are still in your sins, have never been

reconciled, born again, or saved; God will say to you, "Your sins

Hell, a literal place of fire, pain, and separation. The wages, or pay-off for being a sinner is eternal separation from God in Hell.

C. THE THIRD SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE IS THE REMEDY FOR SIN: "4But God

commendeth His love toward us in that while we are yet sinners, Christ

died for us."5 Romans 5:8

_____ 1. GOD HAD THIS PROBLEM TO SOLVE. You acknowledge that you

were a sinner and the Bible states that if you pay for your sin, then you will be separated from God eternally in Hell. How can God

send

you to Hell and at the same time take you to heaven? (or How can God

take you to Heaven when we deserve Hell because of sin against God?)

_____ 2. TO ILLUSTRATE THIS PROBLEM. Let me ask you this question.

"HOW CAN I BE IN TWO PLACES AT THE SAME TIME?"

You say, "you can't

be." God had to work out how you could pay for your sin by dying (going to hell and yet be forgiven and go to heaven. IT SEEMED

IMPOSSIBLE! His solution! If someone would die in your place, and pay

for your sins, then God would forgive you and take you to heaven for

that person's sake.

_____ 3. THAT'S WHAT JESUS WAS DOING ON THE CROSS. He was dying as

your substitute, paying for your sins "...4Christ died for you"5 or in your place.

_____ 4. LET ME ASK YOU, "HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED A TRAFFIC TICKET?"

Imagine that I received a traffic ticket, appeared before the judge who pronounced judgment upon me by saying, "It will take \$25.00

or five

days in jail to satisfy the State of Texas." If I did not have any money and could not pay my fine, the state of Texas would still be

satisfied if someone else paid this ticket for me. THAT IS WHAT

separate you from me, your sins shut you out of heaven."

_____ 4. THERE ARE ONLY TWO ETERNAL PLACES.

Heaven, where God is, and

JESUS
DID ON THE CROSS FOR YOU. He was paying your SIN
TICKET, satisfying
THE LAW OF GOD which demanded payment.

D. THE FOURTH SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLE IS THE
INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE:

4"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be
sved."5

Romans 10:13

_____ 1. THERE ARE TWO KEY WORDS IN THIS VERSE.

They are WHOSOEVER

and SAVED (from hell.) WHOSOEVER means you! It means
anyone who

calls upon the name of the Lord. Jesus died and paid the sin debt
for

every man. The word SAVED eans delivered from hell.

_____ 2. "SHALL CALL UPON" MEANS, PRAY OR ASK. This

verse says, "If

you really understand that you are a sinner, that you are going to
hell, that Jesus literally died in your place (paid for your sin) and
that if you call upon the name of the Lord; ASK Him to save you
for

Jesus sake, HE WILL SAVE YOU FROM HELL.

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_____ 3. JESUS AND HIS FATHER REACHED THIS
AGREEMENT. If Jesus died

in your place and paid for your sin then God, the Father, would
accept

His death as full payment fr your sins and save you from Hell if
you

would ask Him to save you for Jesus' sake. In heaven, Jesus is

seated

beside His Father reminding Him of this agreement and pleading
the

sinners case right now. He is saying, "I died for him, I paid for
hissin, now FORGIVE HIM AND SAVE HIM FOR MY SAKE."
God will honor His

word and save every sinner who turns from his sin, and earnestly
desires and asks for the forgiveness of sin. If you haven't already
done so Bow your head and pray this simple prayerright now.

"Dear

Lord, I acknowledge my sin I accept you as my Lord and Saviour
from this day on I will live for you In Jesus name Amen.

III. -1THREE POSSIBLITIES AT THE CLOSE-0

The plan of salvation has been given, now the prospect will rect
in

one of three ways.

A. The Most Vital Time in the Soul Talk.

_____ 1. This is the most important phase of the presentation so
master the close.

_____ 2. After you have presented a positive, confident, image to
the

prospect in your approach question and in presenting the four
spiritual

laws, do not become negative or falter here.

_____ 3. Go right to your effort by asking the prospect if you may
have a word of prayer.

B. Enter Into Your Close By:

_____ 1. Asking the prospect these questions aain.

_____ a. You understand that you have sinned don't you?

_____ b. If you paid for your sins you must be
eternally seperated from God.

_____ c. That Jesus paid your sin ticket.

_____ d. That he is pleading your case right now o His Father.

_____ e. That God will save you if you will ask.

_____ 2. Now I honestly believe that God has spoken to your heart.
Before I leave I would like to have a word of prayer. You wouldn't
mind if I prayed would you?

_____ 3. Bow your head ad pray.

_____ a. Pray the 4 Spiritual Laws to him again using his

name.

_____ b. Then ask him to take you by the hand and repeat this simple prayer. "Father, I know that I have sinned. If I died, I would go to hell. Please forgive me and save m. Jesus, come into my heart. I accept you now and I trust you to take me to Heaven when I die. Amen.

_____ 4. Say, "You really meant that didn't you?"

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_____ a. If he said, "Yes I did."

_____ b. What did God say he would do if you ask him answr "save me."

_____ c. Can God lie? Answer "NO."

_____ d. Then according to the Bible, where would you go if you should die? Answer "Heaven."

_____ e. Great. Isn't that wonderful ... Then take a few minuets to rejoice with the person

_____ 5. FINAL INSTRUCTIONS TO PROSPECT

_____ a. Get him to tell someone of his decision of salvation.

_____ b. Show him I John 5:10-13.

_____ c. Lead him in a final prayer and have him promise God that he will be in Church Sunday.

_____ d. Make plans to pick him up and take him to church.

_____ e. Sit with him and encourage him to go down and make a Public Profession.

_____ -1THE COUNT DOWN-0

_____ -1MONDAY (Introduction)-0

1. The count-down method is a soul-winning
2. There are approach questions, spiritual laws, possibilities at the close, on a team, and supreme purpose in a soul-winning effort.
3. The informal visit which is called S.O.S., is recommended to be to minutes in length.
4. The is contained in five approach
5. The message centers around principles which are found in scriptures.

_____ -1TUESDAY (The Opening of the Plan)-0

1. When you haveDISTRESS think of

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2. The first "S" in the S.O.S. stands for
3. The "O" in the S.O.S. stands for
4. The final "S" in the S.O.S. stands for

5 The first approach question is, "are in ?

6. If you should die today, do you for sure that you would go to ?

-1WEDNESDAY (The Message)-0

- 1. The first spiritual law is the of
- 2. The of sin is the second spiritual law.
- 3. The for sin deals with God's love and provision for the sinner.
- 4. The final spiritual law is the
- 5. Jesus is now seated at th right of God as your or attorney or

-1THURSDAY (Three Possibilities)-0

- 1. There are three possibilities at the
- 2. The prospect will react in of ways.
- 3. Th close is the most time of the soul talk.
- 4. Do not overlook the where you will not the close.

5. After a positive soul-winning effort do become or falter at the close.

-1FRIDAY (Enter Into The Close)-0

- 1. Give the prospect the opportunity of making his own by offering to have with him.
- 2. Pray the spiritual laws to him calling him by name.
- 3. Say, You really didn' you? Never ask him "How do you feel?"
- 4. According to the where would you go if you should die is the proper question to ask after he has prayed.
- 5. What portion of scripture should you read to give him assurance?

6. Make an to pick him up for church. Sit with him in church. Go with him for the public

Having studied this lesson the "Simple Plan in Soul Winning", I will work at, memorize, and do my best t learn how to share my faith in my daily life. I will submit myself to the pastor to become a

silent partner-trainee in MY CHURCH VISITATION PROGRAM.

I will attend

at least one visitation service-training session per week when able

to

do so and as my church makes such sessions available to me.

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NAME _____ DATE

MEMORY VERSE: 4 "I can do all things through Christ which
strengtheneth

me" 5 Philipians 4:13

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