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Apostle Prince Handley

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*“You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”* -- Jesus, the Messiah

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## INTRODUCTORY LESSON

# *Joy is a Word!*

In reading a book, it is always a good thing to know who wrote it. In 2 Peter 1:21 (that means the second book of Peter, chapter one, verse 21) the Holy Bible says, "For the telling of God's will (prophecy) did not come in ages past by man's own will: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." You can see from this that it was the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of God) who caused men to write the Holy Bible.

The Holy Bible also says in 2 Timothy 3:16, "All scripture (the Word of God) is given by inspiration of God ..." In other words, God inspired (or, gave life to) everything that is written in the Holy Bible. God used men to write down the words, but it was God himself who caused men to write the words as his Holy Spirit moved them!

The Holy Bible is the Word of God! Have you ever thought about what a "word" is? What does "word" mean. A "word" is a message. Or simply, it is a way to carry information. So the Word of God is God's message to man; it is God's way of reaching us.

In the Gospel of John, turn to Chapter One. Read the first verse.

Who was in the beginning?

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[Write your answer in the line above]

Where was the Word?

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Who was the Word?

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Now read verse 14 of John Chapter One. What was made flesh?

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Jesus is the LIVING Word. He was God in human flesh. The Holy Bible is the WRITTEN Word. It tells us of God's love for us, and how he sent Jesus to die for our sins ... and how God raised him from the dead. Jesus is alive! Read verse 12 of Chapter One in the Gospel of John.

What happens to everyone who receives Jesus?

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Have you ever received Jesus? [Place an "X" in the right answer.]

Yes [ ]? ... or ... No [ ]?

Were you old enough to know what you were doing? Yes [ ]? ... or ... No [ ]?

If you were to die right now, do you KNOW FOR SURE that you would go to Heaven?

Yes [ ]? ... or ... No [ ]?

The Holy Bible says, "These things have I written to you ... that you may KNOW that you have eternal life." [1 John 5:13]

Right now, if you have never received Jesus Christ into your life, or if you are not SURE that you have eternal life, you may invite Christ into your life. Simply pray this little prayer and mean it in your heart:

***"Lord Jesus, I receive you into my life right now. I believe that you died on the cross for my sins, and I know that you are alive. Please forgive all of my sins; without you, I***

*am lost - please save me! In your name I pray."*

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[Sign your name above]

Did you mean business? (Were you sincere?) Christ meant business on the cross ... when he took your place. He paid with his own blood a debt he did NOT owe (your sin debt), because you had a debt you could not pay. He took your place on the cross. Your sins were laid upon him. He was punished so that you could live forever.

Now turn to John 3:36. According to the Word of God, what would happen if you were to die right now? Would you experience:

Everlasting life? [ ] or God's judgment? [ ]

If you have received Christ, you are saved and have everlasting life. Do NOT trust your feelings - your feelings change. Believe God's Word. " ... your Word is truth." [John 17:17] If you know that you have everlasting life, you will begin to experience JOY in your life. To keep this joy, and to have VICTORY daily, practice these things every day:

- Read the Word of God (this way, God talks to you - start and end your day with Bible reading).
- Pray (you talk to God).
- Witness (you tell others how you found Christ, and how they may know him).

Look at John 10:10. Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Now that you know Jesus (he is the source of life), you will want to know his Word (the Holy Bible) so you can have life MORE ABUNDANTLY! In John 8:31, Jesus said, "If you continue in my word, then you are my disciples indeed."



## QUESTIONS:

1. Who wrote the Bible?

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2. How did God live (dwell) among men? (John 1:14)

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3. What did Jesus say you must do to see the kingdom of God?

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4. What is the "bread of God"? (John 6:28-35)

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5. What is the "living water"? (John 7:38-39)

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Your next study (Lesson 1) will be: [How To Have Fun in the Bible](#). There are 12 lessons in this course. You will have studied the whole New Testament when you finish this course.

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## LESSON ONE

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### LESSON TWO

# ***How to talk to God!***



Think of the most important person you know! is it the leader of your nation ... or maybe someone who is a great preacher? Have you ever talked with them? Were you able to tell them everything you wanted to?

Really, who is the most important person in the world? Sure ... God! And if we have been born into God's family through faith in Jesus, we KNOW him ... he is our Father!

The wonderful thing about knowing God is that we can tell him everything we want to. Why? Because he is always with us. As a matter of fact, he wants us to talk to him. The Holy Bible says to "pray at all times." Pray means talk to God!

You see, prayer means more than just asking God for things. It is just like talking to anyone else. Use the simple little four letter guide spelled T-A-L-K to help you when you pray:

- T** - Thank God.
- A** - Adore (love) God.
- L** - Level with God.
- K** - Know that God hears when you ask!

**T - Thank God.** Thank him for everything he has given you - most of all, for Jesus! Thank him for even little things like your toothbrush. Thank God for even the hard times you have had, because he has taught you in them.

*"Be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants of you, in your life in Christ Jesus."* [1 Thessalonians 5:18.]

**A - Adore God.** Tell him how much you love him.

*"This is how God showed his love for us: he sent his only Son into the world that we might have life through him."* [1 Jo. 4:9.]

**L - Level with God.** Confess your sins. Get everything out in the open.

*"But if we confess our sins to God, we can trust him, for he does what is right - he will forgive us our sins and make us clean from all our wrongdoing."* [1 John 1:9.]

**K - Know that God hears when you ask!** Ask for yourself ... and for others; ask firmly, but do NOT doubt in your heart.

*"If you have faith, and doubt not ... you shall say ... and it shall be done."* [Matthew 21:21.]

Have you ever prayed for something and you did not receive it right away? Read Luke 11:5-13. In verse 8, why did Jesus say the man's friend would give him everything he needed?

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What will happen if you ask? [Verse 9.]

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What will happen if you knock? [Verse 9.]

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Did you ever go to a friend's house and knock on the front door, but no one came to the door, and so you went to the side or back door and knocked until someone answered? Remember, when you call on God, he is always there!

Jesus said, *"There are many rooms in my Father's house ..."* [John 14:2.] Just as there are many rooms in God's house, there are many doors to knock at when praying. If you don't get the answer at the front door, try the side door!

Below are listed six doors you may knock at when you ask God for things:

Door 1 - **Do God's will** [1 John 3:22; John 15:16]

Note: the **books of 1, 2, and 3 John** are **different** than the **Gospel of John**.

*"We receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commands and do what pleases him."*

Door 2 - **Pray in Jesus' name** [John 14:14]

*"If you ask me for anything in my name, I will do it."*

Door 3 - **Ask in faith** [Matthew 21:22.]

*"If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."*

Door 4 - **Agree with someone** [Matthew 18:19.]

*"... whenever two of you on earth agree about anything you pray for, it will be done for you by my Father in Heaven."*

Door 5 - **Believe you have it already** [Mark 11:24.]

*"When you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it, and everything will be given you."*

Door 6 - **Keep praying** [Luke 11:5-13]

*"... and give you everything you need because you are not ashamed to keep on asking ... knock, and the door will be opened to you."*

Sometimes our prayers are not answered because of bad reasons for asking, or because we are not living like God wants us to!

### QUESTIONS:

How did Jesus like to pray most of the time? [Luke 9:18.]

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How long did Jesus pray before choosing his 12 disciples? [Luke 6:12.]

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Which part of **T-A-L-K** did Jesus use in his prayer in Luke 10:21?

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Read Luke 22:39-46. What did Jesus warn his disciples to pray about?

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### EXTRA:

Read Luke 18:10-14. The Pharisee thanked God (T) but he did not level (L) with him. The tax collector, however, leveled with God – he confessed his sin!

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### LESSON THREE

## ***How to follow Christ!***

Have you ever tried to be like someone else? Maybe you've tried to talk like them, or to act like them, or maybe you have just dressed like them. Really, you could never be like them, could you? Why? Because you are yourself, that's right - you're YOU!

You know, when you decided to follow Christ, you died. Not only did you die, but you became a new person - IN CHRIST! The Holy Bible says, "When anyone is joined to Christ he is a new being; the old is gone, the new has come." [2 Corinthians 5:17.]

Since you are a new person and want to follow Jesus, you will want to find how God wants you to live. God used the preacher Paul to write some letters to a three men named Timothy, Titus, and Philemon to tell them how God wanted them to live.

These letters are included in the New Testament (a testament is a "will, a covenant, a contract, or a promise") of the Holy Bible. Also, a letter to the Hebrews (no one knows who the Holy Spirit used to write to the Hebrews). When you read these books (letters), you will learn more about how God wants you to live, so that you can follow Christ.

Paul wrote two letters to a young man he had led to Christ named Timothy. The first letter tells how to live in order to have a clear conscience before God and man. Paul told Timothy not to let anyone look down upon him because he was young. In what ways did Paul tell him to be an example? [See 1 Timothy 4:12.]

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Verse 14 of Chapter Four shows that Timothy had a spiritual gift. How was it imparted (or, given) to him?

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Read 1Timothy 6:6-10. The Holy Bible shows us the danger of wanting riches. Now read verse 11. What should you strive for?

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In the second book (or, letter) to Timothy, the Holy Spirit used Paul to show us the importance of training and teaching. That is, how we should train to serve God, and then teach others what

we have learned. We should "stir up," or keep alive the gifts we receive from God and the things we learn, and then we should teach others to do the same. [See 2 Timothy 1:6.]

In 2 Timothy 1:7, the Holy Bible tells us that the Holy Spirit which God gives us does not make us timid - we do NOT have a spirit of fear; but God's Spirit fills us with three (3) things. What are they?

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Therefore, we should not be ashamed to witness for our Lord! [See verse 8.]

The Holy Bible tells us to take part in suffering for the Good News as a loyal soldier of Christ Jesus. [2 Ti 2:3-7.] Not only does God tell us to be like a soldier, but also like an athlete and a farmer. In your own words, tell how we should be like:

A Soldier \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

A Farmer \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

An Athlete \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

God also tells us how to be used for SPECIAL purposes. Read carefully 2 Timothy 2:20-21. What can we do if we want to be used for special purposes? [See verse 21 and 22.]

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The Holy Spirit used Paul to write a young man named Titus to remind him that God wants us to live a "pure" life. He taught Titus how we should treat others, and how we should act toward those who are in charge of us.

Read Titus 1:15-16. Why is nothing pure to some people?

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Chapter Two of Titus tells us how older men and women, younger people, and workers should live and treat each other [verses 1-10]. Why should we use sound words that cannot be criticized when we talk to others? [See verse 8.]

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Read Titus 3:1-2. How should we act toward rulers and authorities?

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The book of Philemon is short but very important. Paul had led a young man to Christ named Onesimus, who was a run-away slave. Paul had urged him to return to his master, Philemon. This letter was written to Philemon, asking him to take Onesimus back and to forgive him.

Where was Paul when he became Onesimus' "spiritual father" (that is, when he led him to Christ)? See verse 10.

The book of Hebrews is a tremendous book! It explains to us how the animals the children of Israel used to kill for a blood sacrifice for sins were really pictures (types) of the Lord Jesus Christ. Every time the priest would kill a lamb and pour its blood upon the altar, it was just a picture of how Jesus would come to earth as the LAMB of God to shed his blood on the cross for our sins!

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After Jesus shed his blood on the cross for our sins, the priests of Israel did not need to pour out the blood of animals any longer. The blood which Jesus shed on the cross was the one FINAL complete payment for sin which pleased God!

Read Hebrews 9:14. What will the shed blood of Christ do for our consciences?

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How long is Jesus able to save those who come to God through him? [Hebrews 7:25.]

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Why?

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Is there another chance for salvation after this life on earth? [Hebrews 9:27.]

Yes [ ]? . . . or . . . No [ ]?

[Place "X" in the right answer]

Now that you are a NEW person, you will want to have God's POWER in your life. You will learn how in the next lesson. Your next study (Lesson 4) will be: [\*How to Receive the Power of God!\*](#)

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## LESSON FOUR

# *How to receive the power of God!*

Isn't it wonderful to be a new person? A few years ago you probably never dreamed how God would change your life. Isn't God good?!

The wonderful thing about knowing Jesus is that life gets fuller every day - if you let it! When Christ died on the cross for your sins, his blood not only paid for your sins, but it bought your freedom. Jesus wants you to share this GOOD NEWS with others - to tell them he's alive.

Shortly before Jesus went back to Heaven, he said, " ... that in his name the message about repentance and the forgiveness of sins must be preached to all nations ..." [Luke 24:47.]

Jesus did not ask you to do this job alone. He promised to send you a "gift" of POWER which would help you. Jesus said that he would send this promise upon you himself. "And I myself will send upon you what my Father has promised." [Luke 24:49.]

The book of Acts you will study in this lesson will tell you how to receive this "gift" (the promise of the Father). The Holy Spirit used a man named Luke, who was a follower of Jesus, to write both the book of Acts and the book of Luke. (Luke is the gospel which you studied with Lesson Two.)

In the book of Luke, Luke tells us how Jesus did his miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit - in the book of Acts, Luke tells us how the early followers of Jesus did their miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit. You, also - as a follower of Jesus - are to do the same kind of miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit!

As a matter of fact, Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me will do the works I do - yes, he will do even greater ones, for I am going to the Father." [John 14:12.] You see, the promise of the Father, the "gift" which Jesus said he, himself, would send upon his followers after he would go back to Heaven, was made to YOU, also!

"For God's promise was made to you and your children, and TO ALL who are far away - ALL whom the Lord our God calls to himself." [Acts 2:39.]

The last chapter in the Book of Luke and the first chapter in the book of Acts overlap. That is, they partly cover the same events. Read Acts Chapter One, verses 1-5. Jesus told his followers that God the Father had promised them a "gift." What was it? [See verse 5.]

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The Holy Spirit lives in all those who follow Jesus - but to be baptized with the Holy Spirit is an extra gift. In John 20:22 (after Christ died on the cross and arose from the grave - before he went back to Heaven), Jesus breathed on his followers and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." After this, the Holy Spirit was IN THEM, but as yet they had not been "baptized" with the Spirit.

To be "baptized" means to be overwhelmed or covered with. This is why Jesus told his followers (even though the Holy Spirit was already IN THEM), " ... wait in the city until the POWER from above comes down upon you." [Luke 24:49.]

Read Acts 1:8. What did Jesus say his followers would be filled with when the Holy Spirit came upon them?

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He said they would be \_\_\_\_\_ for him.  
[Write the answer in the line.]

Acts 2:1-4 tells what happened as the followers of Jesus waited in the city of Jerusalem. What was the result of their being "filled" with the Spirit? [See verse 4.]

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Who did Peter say "poured out" the Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus? [Acts 2:32-33.]

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Bonus Question: What are four (4) different references (Bible Verses) that prove Jesus is "The Baptizer" in the Holy Spirit? [The answer is in each of the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.]

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The Holy Spirit is the "gift" of POWER which God promised!

Study the following verses: Acts 10:44-48 and Acts 19:1-6. Remember in Acts 2:4 when the followers of Jesus were filled with the Holy Spirit - how they began to talk in other languages (strange sounds to the ones who were speaking)?

Read the following verses again and tell what they have in common with Acts 2:4.

Acts 10:46 \_\_\_\_\_

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Acts 19:1-6 \_\_\_\_\_

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Remember the preacher Paul who we have studied about in other lessons? Before he was saved, his name was Saul. Just after he was saved, God sent a man named Ananias to pray for him. Read Acts 9:17-18. When Ananias laid hands upon Saul, what did he pray for?

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In the book of 1 Corinthians, Paul said, "I thank God that I speak with strange sounds (other tongues) much more than any of you." [1 Corinthians 14:18.] This was after Paul was filled with the Holy Spirit.

What one thing seemed to happen each time you read about the Spirit coming down upon people?

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Study Acts 8:14-21 carefully. What do you suppose Simon saw that made him know that the Spirit had been given to them when the apostles laid their hands upon them? [See verse 18.]

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Have you ever been "baptized" with the Holy Spirit? **If not, ask the Lord Jesus to baptize you right now.** Pray and wait on God until you receive this POWER! Tell the Lord how much you love him. Praise him! While you are praising him, simply shut off your own language (English or whatever language you speak), and start praising him in a NEW language the Holy Spirit will give you!

You will not understand your new language (neither will anyone else, unless it happens to be a language they know), but don't let that bother you. The Holy Bible says, *"The person who speaks with strange sounds (other tongues) does not speak to men but to God, because no one understands him. He is speaking secret truths by the power of the Spirit."* [1 Co. 14:2.]

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Pray to God much in your new language. It will build you up, and then you will be able to build others up. 1 Corinthians 14:4 says, *"The man who speaks with strange sounds edifies (or, builds up) himself ..."*

Your next study (Lesson 5) will be: [How to Read God's Map!](#)

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## LESSON FIVE

# *How to read God's map!*

Mark's gospel is really a "map" in story form. It tells us about the "Lord's road" - the highway, or path, that Jesus traveled to the cross, where he died for our sins.

God sent a messenger named John ahead of the Lord Jesus to open the road, or way, for him. Read Mark 1:1-5. Why was he known as John the Baptist?

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John told the people about the man who would come after him, the one whose way he was preparing. What did John the Baptist (not John, who wrote the gospel of John) say the man who would come after him would do? [See verse 8.]

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Read Mark 1:9-11. What happened when John baptized Jesus in the Jordan River? [See verse 10.]

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After Jesus was baptized in water and the Holy Spirit came down upon him, he began his ministry. He preached and told the people: \_\_\_\_\_

Turn away from your \_\_\_\_\_ and believe the \_\_\_\_\_ ". [Verse 15]

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What did Jesus tell Simon and Andrew they would catch if they came after him? [Mark 1:16-18.] \_\_\_\_\_

Read verses 21-28. How did Jesus teach? [Verse 22.] \_\_\_\_\_

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When Jesus commanded the unclean spirit out of the man in the synagogue, what happened? [See verse 26.] \_\_\_\_\_

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The people said, "This man has AUTHORITY!"

Read Mark 1:32-34. What kind of diseases did Jesus heal? \_\_\_\_\_

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In verse 35, when did Jesus pray? \_\_\_\_\_

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In Mark 1:40-45, a leper came to Jesus for help. When Jesus touched the leper and said, "Be clean!," how long did it take the leprosy to leave the man?

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Jesus came back to his home town after a few days and crowds gathered. Why did some teachers of the Law get upset when Jesus told a man, "My son, your sins are forgiven?" [See Mark 2:7.]

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How did Jesus prove to them that he had authority on earth to forgive sins? [Read verses 8-12.]

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Jesus passed by a man who was collecting taxes. Jesus said, "Follow me." What did the man do? [See verses 13-14.]

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Jesus went home to eat with him [Mark 2:15-17.] Some teachers of the Law who were Pharisees (a very strict religious sect) were disturbed because Jesus ate with outcasts (sinners) and tax collectors. Read what Jesus told them in verse 17. Who did Jesus say that he came to call?

On another occasion, some of the religious people were mad because the disciples (followers and learners) of Jesus were picking grains of wheat to eat as they walked in the fields on the Sabbath (Holy Day of rest). They said, "Look, it is against our Law for your disciples to do this on the Sabbath!" How did Jesus answer? [See verse 27.]

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On the same day, Jesus went back to the synagogue, where there was a man who had a crippled hand. Why were some people watching Jesus very closely? [Mark 3:2.]

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Read Mark 3:3-6. Jesus asked the people: "What does our Law allow us to do on the Sabbath? To help, or to harm? To save a man's life, or to destroy it?" Why did Jesus feel sorry for them, even though he was angry at them? [Verse 5.]

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Jesus healed the man's hand, and after that the religious leaders left to meet with some members of Herod's party (the Roman government). Why? [Verse 6.]

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Later on, Jesus picked 12 men who he named as apostles (sent ones). Even though he would preach and teach to many large crowds, he chose these 12 men to stay with him so that he could teach them to do the same thing he was doing.

In Mark 3:13-15, Jesus was preparing them to send them out to:

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[There are 3 answers to the above question. Memorize them because you are to do the same thing.]

Some of the religious leaders accused Jesus of having the devil (Beelzebub) in him. They said that this was how he had the power to drive the demons out. Look how Jesus answered this in verses 23-30. What did Jesus say about the person who says evil things against the Holy Spirit?

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Read Mark 3:31-35. Who did Jesus say are his mother and brothers?



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Study very carefully Mark 4:2-9. Now study carefully Jesus' explanation of this parable (teaching) in Mark 4:13-20. In your own words, tell how Jesus explained what the four soils were like.

1. Path

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2. Rocky ground

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3. Thorns

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4. Good soil

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We are to be "good soil!" Jesus said, You did not choose me; I chose you, and appointed you to go and bear much fruit, the kind of fruit that endures ..." [John 15:16.]

The rest of Mark's map tells us how Jesus continued his ministry of forgiving sins, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Jesus told his 12 followers several times how that he must go to the city of Jerusalem, and suffer many things, and be delivered up to die. But he also told them how he would rise again from the dead on the third day!

After Jesus was raised from the dead, he again appeared to his disciples. (Read Mark 16:14-26.) He told them to preach the "Good News" to all people!

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## LESSON SIX

# *How to walk in the light!*

The Holy Bible is a book of light. Jesus is the light of the world. We are to be lights in the Lord, so that we will shine in the world. There are seven books in the Bible that are written to us as followers of Jesus to tell us how to shine for Jesus; they are:

James

1, 2, and 3 John

1 and 2 Peter

Jude

The book of James was written to show how our faith causes action (works) and how we can have victory in trials and temptations. James tells us how we should consider ourselves fortunate when all kinds of trials come our way. Why? [See James 1:2-4.]

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What can we do if we ever need wisdom in any situation? [See James 1:5.]

Read James 1:12-15. When is a person tempted? [Verse 14.]

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What is the final result? [Verse 15.]

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The Holy Bible, in James 1:26, says a man's religion is worthless if he does not:

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How can you make the devil flee from you? [See James 4:7.]

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**NOTE: THE WORD OF GOD IS YOUR WEAPON  
USE THIS VERSE IN JAMES 4:7 AGAINST SATAN AND WATCH HIM RUN!**

Study James5:14-15. What should you do when you are sick? [Verse 14.]

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What will be the result? [Verse 15.]

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The book of 1 Peter explains to us the purpose of trials and the reason for living holy. Read 1 Peter 1:6-7. What is the purpose of trials?

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Why must we live holy? [1 Peter 1:15-16.]

What was Noah's flood a figure (picture) of? [Look at 1 Peter 3:18-22.]

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Water baptism is only for those who are saved; those who have of their own will received the Lord Jesus and been born again. Have you been baptized in water since you believed? Yes [ ] No [ ] Check one of the boxes to answer.

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Why should we be happy if we are insulted for following Christ? [Read 1 Peter 4:12-16.]

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What should you do with your worries? [1 Peter 5:7.] Also, explain "Why?"

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The book of 2 Peter tells us how that false teachers will appear in the last days and how this world will end. In 2 Peter 1:3-9 we read of eight qualities we need in order to be active and effective for the Lord. Why does Peter tell us to try harder in verse 10?

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Chapter 2 warns us that false teachers shall appear among us - it tells us how they will act and what they will say. Who will they deny? [Verse 1.]

God tells us in Chapter 3:1-8 that in the last days there will be people whose lives are to be controlled by their own passions. What will they say and do to you? [Verse 3.]

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Why is God patient with the world? [See verse 9.]

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Verse 10 tells us that the Day of the Lord will come as a:

What will happen on that day?

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The books of 1, 2, and 3 John show us not only how to live in the light, but how to love. Study 1 John 1:5-10. God is light and there is no darkness at all in him. If we live in the light, what two things result? [See verse 7.]

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If we say that we have no sin, what do we do to ourselves? [1 John 1:8.]

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What will happen if we confess our sins? [See verse 9.]

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How can we check to see if the love of the Father is in us? [1 John 2:15-16.]

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Why doesn't the world know us now that we are in Christ? [1 John 3:1.]

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What happens if our heart condemns us? [1 John 3:19-20.]

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Study 1 John 4:4-6. In your own words describe how we can tell the difference between the Spirit of Truth and the spirit of error.

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What should you do if anyone comes to you who does not bring the teaching of the Holy Bible? [2 John, verses 10, 11.]

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The book of Jude tells us how to fight on for the complete faith which God gives us. How does Jude say to keep building yourself up, in your most sacred faith? [Verses 20, 21.]

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You have five more lessons, and you will have completed the whole New Testament. The rest of the lessons are especially important: you will begin to know what's happening today ... and the news in advance!

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## LESSON SEVEN

# *How to learn God's program*

Have you ever wondered if God has a **master plan**? You know, like a plan of the ages, or a program for the world? Well, he does! And it is all written in the Holy Bible for you to learn.

In the book of Romans you will learn about sin – where it came from and how God made a way to set us free. You will learn about God's Law – why it was given and how it had no strength to change our human nature. You will also learn about the nation Israel – what God has planned for her.

The Holy Spirit used the apostle Paul to write the followers of Jesus in Rome to tell them about salvation and their new life, as well as God's program for the world. When was the Good News first promised?  
[Romans 1:2]

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The gospel (Good News) is God's power, or God's dynamite! What will it do? [Romans 1:16]

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Why does God punish men who sin? [Romans 1:19]

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How will God reward every person? [Romans 2:6]

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God gave the Law of Moses to the Jews (the people of Israel) so that they would know when they sinned. (Read Romans 3:19-20.) The Law is like a mirror. When we look into it, we see our imperfections (sin).

Why are both Jews and non-Jews (Gentiles) judged under sin? [Romans 2:12-16]

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How does God put men right? [Romans 3:22]

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Who needs to be saved? [Romans 3:23]

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How did God show us how much he loves us? [Romans 5:8]

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Read Romans 5:12. When Adam (the first man who ever lived) sinned, what happened to the human race?

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Just as sin ruled by means of death, how does God's grace rule those who receive it? [Romans 5:21]

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How should we give ourselves to God? [Romans 6:13]

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How have we been set free from the law of sin and death? [[Romans 8:2]

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There is NO condemnation now for those who live in union with Christ Jesus!

Study Romans 8:8-14 carefully. What happens if we obey our human nature?

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What happens if we obey God's Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_

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How do we know that we are God's children? [See Romans 8:16]

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No matter what happens to you, if you love God and are called according to his purpose, God works [ ] things for good. [Romans 8:28]

*Write answer in the box [ ] above.*

**IF GOD BE FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US? [Romans 8:31]**

The apostle Paul was Jewish. Read what sorrow he had in his heart for his own people. [Romans 9:2] He wanted them to know their Messiah (the Christ ... the Anointed One) personally, as he did. For centuries the Jews had waited for the Messiah. All the Old Testament prophets had written of him, how that he would come and be their king, the Holy One of Israel.

Yet they did not realize that first he must come as the lamb of God to die for our sins, before he would come back as King: the Lion of the tribe of Judah. John said, "He came unto his own (Israel, the Jews) and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God ..." [John 1:11-12]

Did God reject his own people (the Jews)? [See Romans 11:1-6]

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When the nation of Israel did not receive Jesus (Yeshua) at his first coming, salvation came to the Gentiles. (That is, the apostles started preaching to the non-Jews, or Gentiles.) If the sin of the Jews (in rejecting Messiah Jesus) brought rich blessings to the rest of the world, think how much greater the blessings will be when the complete number of Jews is included! [Romans 11:11-12]

**NOTICE:**

**Most of the believers in the early church during the first century were Jewish; however, the nation of Israel - as a whole - did not receive Him as their Messiah.**

Study, and then read again Romans 11:16-24 very carefully. God describes Israel as a cultivated olive tree and the Gentiles (non-Jews) as a wild olive tree. Why should Gentiles NOT despise the Jews? [See verse 18]

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What secret truth does the book of Romans teach which will keep the Gentiles from thinking how wise they are? [Romans 11:25]

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After the complete number of Gentiles comes to God, then the complete number of Jews will be included. All Israel (those who believe) will be saved. When the Messiah Jesus comes back to Israel, what will he take away from the descendants of Jacob (the Jews)? [Romans 11:26-27]



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Because of God's many mercies to us (both Jews and Gentiles), what should we do? [Romans 12:1]

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## LESSON EIGHT - PART A

# *How to know the news in advance!*

Have you ever wondered what it would be like if you could know the news in advance? You know, not like for a week or two, but for the rest of man's time on earth.

Think how God could use if you had all this information! Well, God has already made it available in "The Revelation" to John (the last book in the New Testament of the Holy Bible). Actually, it is the revelation of Jesus Christ as he made these things known to his servant John. [Revelation 1:1.]

The Bible promises in Revelation 1:3 that you will be blessed if you READ this book (The Revelation), or if you LISTEN to, and OBEY the words of this message of prophecy. It is one of the easiest books in the Holy Bible to outline:

Chapter 1	The vision: what John saw – and what would happen in his time and in the future.
Chapters 2-3	Message to the seven churches: things which would happen in John's time.
Chapters 4-22	Future events: things that will happen in the future.

Read the messages to the seven churches in Chapters 2 and 3. Even though these messages were to churches in Asia Minor (in the area of Turkey) in John's day (about 96-98 A.D.), they have a message to groups of believers in our day - and also to our individual lives.

After you study and answer the questions in both parts of this study (Parts A and B cover Chapters 4 through 22 in the Revelation), you will know the important world news in advance.

Chapter 4 shows us a scene in Heaven with 24 elders and four living creatures. The living creatures sing songs of glory and honor and thanks to the one who sits on the throne. What do the elders do as often as the four living creatures give glory to God? [See verses 9-10.]

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Chapter 5 shows a scroll in the hand of the one who sits on the throne; but no man in Heaven or earth is found who is worthy to break the seven seals on the scroll and open it. Then there is one who is worthy to open the scroll and look inside - it is the Lion [from Judah's tribe](#) who is worthy: the great [descendant of David](#) (Jesus, the Messiah of Israel). Why is he found worthy? [Verse 9.]

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Chapter 6 describes what happens when the Lamb breaks open the first six of the seven seals. **On a separate page**,\* describe what happens when the first six seals are opened. Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files ... or both).

**\*CAUTION!**

**Do NOT omit this part of the lesson.**

**You will need this information in future days for friends and relatives!!**

**NOTE:**

Seal #1 shows a person who conquers the world without war (he is given a crown). This leader will probably have a lot of military armament (a bow), but does not need to use it (has no arrows).

Seal #2 shows a world war; and Seal #3 a famine.

Chapter 7 describes two different scenes: one on earth, and the other in Heaven. On earth, 144,000 Jewish servants of God are marked in their foreheads (to protect them from harm). In Heaven, there is a crowd so great no one can number the people; they are from every nation,

tribe, people, and language.

Who are the people dressed in white robes in Chapter 7? [See verses 13 and 14.]

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Chapter 8 starts where Chapter 6 ended. The 7th seal is opened. The 7th seal contains seven trumpets. [See verse 2.] The first four of the seven trumpets are sounded in Chapter 8. In your own words, briefly describe these four trumpet judgments **on a separate page**.\* Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

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**NOTE:**

The first four trumpets were judgments upon natural objects: the earth, the sea (and ships); the rivers and springs; and the sun, moon, and stars. You can see how they will hurt man's food supply (the earth); his distribution of products (ships and sea); his water supply (rivers and springs); and his work, or production (loss of light by which to travel or work).

There are three trumpets left to sound which are known as three horrors or "woes". Chapter 9 describes the first horror (Trumpet #5) and the second horror (Trumpet #6). Describe what these two judgments are like on **a separate page**.\* Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

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**NOTE "A":** Unlike the first four trumpets, where judgment is directed against natural objects, the 5th and 6th trumpet judgments are against men.

**NOTE "B":** Only one-half of the earth's population will be left at this time. One-fourth of the population is destroyed in Revelation 6:8, the 4th seal. This leaves three-fourths, or 75%, one-third of which is destroyed in Revelation 9:18.

**NOTE "C":** Men still do NOT repent of their [murders, magic, immorality, or stealing](#). (Revelation 9:21.) Magic in this verse includes drugs (or, narcotics), sometimes accompanied by witchcraft. We know this because of the original Greek word used for magic (or, sorcery): pharmakeia.

Chapter 10 tells of an angel, with one foot on the land and one on the sea, who announces there will be no more delay. When the 7th trumpet sounds, God will begin to accomplish his secret plan.

Chapter 11 tells of two witnesses who are [street preachers](#). They proclaim God's message for 3½ years. After they finish their message, the [beast](#) out of the bottomless pit (Satan) is allowed to kill them.

What will the people of earth do when the two street preachers are killed? [See Revelation 11:10.]

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After 3½ days, a life-giving breath from God enters the dead preachers and they stand up. What happens then? [Read about this in Revelation 11:11-12.]

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Then there is another earthquake (the third, so far), and a tenth of the city is destroyed (7,000 people are killed). How do we know that this city where the street preachers are preaching is Jerusalem? [See verse 8.]

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This is the end of the second horror, or woe. Then the 7th angel sounds his trumpet (start of the third horror) and announces that the power to rule over the world belongs to our Lord and to his Messiah: the Messiah of Israel, Jesus Christ. Then, another earthquake!

This lesson has been divided into two parts. Your next study [Lesson 8-B] will continue your knowledge of [\*How to Know the News In Advance!\*](#)

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## LESSON EIGHT - PART B

# *How to know the news in advance!*

In the first half of this study we covered eleven chapters. Remember, we finished Part A after the 7th angel sounded his trumpet [Revelation 11:15.] We will not study what happens as a result of Trumpet #7 being sounded until Chapter 15. The three chapters between [12, 13, and 14] will show us events that will happen meanwhile.

Chapter 12 describes a woman (the nation Israel) who gives birth to a son (Jesus). We know that this woman is Israel by the way she is described in this chapter and also by the description in verse 1. In the Old Testament, Genesis 37:9-11, Joseph had a dream in which his 11 brothers were described as stars. These 12 brothers were the heads of the 12 tribes of Israel. Joseph's parents were the sun and moon in this dream.

The dragon, who is the Devil (see verse 9), stood in front of the woman to devour (eat up) the child as soon as it was born (verse 4). This is how Satan used King Herod when Jesus was born. Herod had all the young male babies, two years and under killed; but Jesus' parents took him to Egypt until Herod died, and so Jesus was safe.

Verse 5 of Chapter 12 tells how Jesus was born and then taken to God and to his throne. These events (the woman who gave birth to a son, and the son going up to God) are NOT future events; they have already happened, as you know. However, they are important events and the Holy Spirit had them recorded in Scripture because they help us to see why Satan hates the Jewish people. Why does Satan hate the Jews? [See Revelation 12:13.]

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You see, it was the BLOOD of Jesus on the cross that defeated Satan. The devil hates the people of Israel, because it was through Jewish ancestry (or, family lines) that Jesus was born.

There will be a [time of](#) great persecution for the Jews in the future. How long will it last? [See verses 6 and 14.]

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Chapter 13 describes a beast coming up out of the sea. Who gives him his power? [Re. 13:2.]

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People will worship the dragon, who is Satan, and [the beast](#). [See verse 4.] This beast out of the sea is the coming world ruler described here in Chapter 13, verses 5-8, and in other places of the Holy Bible. Who will NOT worship the beast?

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This coming world ruler is also known as the "anti-Messiah", or the "anti-Christ". He [seemingly] dies and then [it appears as if] his deadly wound is healed.

Another beast is seen coming up out of the earth. [Look at verse 11.] He is the false prophet. He causes people to worship the first beast (the anti-Christ) and to make an image of him. Then, the false prophet (seemingly) gives life to the image of the first beast.

The false prophet, who will be the religious head of the world, forces ALL people to have a mark place on their right hands or in their foreheads. No one can buy or sell unless they have his mark: the mark is a name, or the number that represents the beast's name. What is the number of the beast, the mark which people will be forced to take? [Revelation 13:18.]

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**WARNING!**



**WHEN THIS HAPPENS, GOD'S WRATH WILL BE Poured OUT UPON ALL WHO TAKE THIS MARK . . . WARN YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES NOT TO DO IT!**

Chapter 14 tells that the great Babylon has fallen who influenced all nations with immoral lust. All who worship the beast and its image, and receive this mark will be tormented in fire with no relief forever.

Chapter 15 starts where Chapter 11 ends: at the 7th trumpet. Just for review, remember that there are seven seals. Seal #7 contains seven trumpets; and now we will see that Trumpet #7 contains seven bowls of God's wrath (or, the seven last plagues).

Chapter 16 describes the seven last plagues (the seven bowls of God's wrath). Describe in your own words what each plague is like **on a separate page**.<sup>\*</sup> Keep this extra page of descriptions you write (your answers) in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

Describe them briefly like the example below:

***Bowl #1***      *Painful sores on those who have the mark of the beast and worship his image. (Example)*

**\*CAUTION!**

**Do NOT omit this part of the lesson. You will need this information in future days for friends and relatives!!**

Chapter 17 describes the great city Babylon as a prostitute. This city causes the leaders and people of the nations to be influenced with immorality. (Re. 17:2.) This great city will be destroyed by the beast, who is the coming world ruler, and by ten kings, or leaders of nations (the 10 horns of Revelation 17:12). These 10 leaders of nations are finally given authority to rule at the same time (one hour, figuratively) with the beast.

What are two ways people will be able to know, or identify, this city in the future? [Verse 6 and verse 18.]

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Chapter 18 actually describes the fall announced in Chapter 17. Babylon, the great city, will be hit with plagues in one day and burnt with fire. The businessmen of the earth who trade with her, and who are made rich by that commerce, will be sad because in one hour the city loses everything. Why will the city be punished? [See Revelation 18:23, 24.]

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NOTE: In verse 23, we see that the city used magic, or sorcery, to deceive the people of the world. Magic in this verse includes drugs (or, [narcotics](#)), sometimes accompanied by witchcraft. We know this because of the original Greek word used for magic (or, sorcery): pharmakeia.

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Chapter 19 shows the King of Kings and Lord of Lords appearing from Heaven and the armies of Heaven are with him. [Re. 19:14-16.] The kings (or, the leaders) of the earth and their armies gather together to fight against the Lord and his army.

The beast and the false prophet are thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur; and the armies of the earth are killed with a sharp sword that comes out of the mouth of the Lord. [Revelation 19:19-20.]

In Chapter 20 we see that Satan is bound for 1,000 years - at the end of the 1,000 years he will be loosed for a little while. Those who were killed for the testimony (or, the truth) of Jesus, and for the Word of God, ... and had not worshipped the beast or his image ... and had NOT taken his mark ... live and rule as kings with Christ for 1,000 years.

After the 1,000 years, Satan is loosed a little while to deceive the nations of the world. The armies of the nations surround the city that God loves (Jerusalem), but fire comes down from Heaven and destroys them.

The devil (Satan) will be cast into the lake of fire and sulfur ... where the beast and false prophet already have been for the 1,000 years during which Satan was bound. How long will they all be tormented? [Read Revelation 20:10]

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Next, is the Great White Throne judgment. Whoever does not have their name in the Book of Life is thrown into the lake of fire. [Read verses 11 through 15 in Revelation Chapter 20.]

Chapter 21 describes a new Heaven and new earth. The holy city, new Jerusalem, comes down out of Heaven.

In Chapter 22, Jesus says, "Listen, I am coming to you soon!"

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## LESSON NINE

# *How to know what's happening today!*

In Lesson 7 you learned God's program, or his master plan of the ages. In Lesson 8 you studied some of the important world events that will happen in the future. In this lesson you will find out **what is happening today** - that is, what is really happening!

About two days before Jesus died for our sins on the cross, he told the people of Jerusalem that they would not see him again until they say, "God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord." [Matthew 23:39.]

Jesus left and was going away from the Temple where he had been speaking, when his disciples came to him to show him the Temple's buildings. "Yes," Jesus said, "you may well look at all these. I tell you this: not a single stone here will be left in its place: every one of them will be thrown down."

Later, the disciples came to Jesus in private. [See Matthew 24:1-3.] They asked him three questions:

1. "When will all this be happening?"
2. "What will happen to show that it is time for your coming?"
3. "What will happen to show that it is the time for the end of the age?"

The disciples were curious. They wanted to know when all this would happen: the Temple being destroyed and Jesus going away until the Jews will say, "God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord."

The Temple was destroyed in the year 70 A.D. by Titus and his Roman soldiers. This was about 40 years after Jesus had warned the people of Jerusalem; and the entire city, as well as the Temple, was destroyed.

But as for the time of the Lord's coming, and of the end of the age, Jesus gave us certain signs to watch for. He answered the disciples questions and told them things that would happen to show when it is time for his coming, and for the end of the age (or, world).

No one knows, however, when that day and hour will come: neither the angels in Heaven, nor the Son (Jesus) ... the Father alone knows. [See Matthew 24:36.]

Whoever, we can know when the time is near, or ready to begin. Read carefully Matthew 24:32-35. How can we know when it is near the time for the Lord to come again to Israel, and for the end of the age, or world? [See verses 33 and 34.]

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Notice what Jesus said in Matthew 24:34. "All these thing will happen before the people now living have all died." In other words, Jesus was saying that the people who are living in the age

when these signs start to happen will see all of them come to pass.

Now what are some of these signs that the Lord Jesus mentioned? What did Jesus say will happen to show that it is the time for his return, and for the end of the age? This is what we want to study in the rest of this lesson.

Immediately after the disciples asked Jesus the three questions, Jesus answered, "Watch out, and do not let anyone fool you." Why did he say this? [See Matthew 24:5.]

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Jesus said that there would be battles close by and far away (wars and rumors of wars). Why did Jesus say for us NOT to be troubled? [Verse 6.]

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In Matthew 24:7, what are four (4) signs which are mentioned?

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Jesus said that these signs mentioned in verse 7 are like the first pains of childbirth. In other words, the end is not yet: the real pains are yet to come.

Read carefully Matthew 24:9-14. Why will the love of many people grow cold? [Verse 12.]

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Where will the Good News about the Kingdom be preached?

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What will happen then? [Matthew 24:14.]

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Remember what we studied in Lesson 8-A, "***How to Know the News In Advance?***"

Remember the two street preachers who will [proclaim God's message for 3½ years](#)?

Also, remember that there will be a time of great persecution for God's people in the future which will last for [3½ years](#) [42 months, or 1260 days].!

This 3½ year period is the same period of time that Jesus was talking about in Matthew 24:15-35. The prophet Daniel tells us that a world leader will arrive on the scene who will make a [false treaty](#) with the nation of Israel for seven years. But in the middle of the seven years (with 3½ years left), this world leader (who is the anti-Christ) will go into the Temple and stand in the Holy Place pretending as though he is God.

This is what Jesus was talking about when he said, "*The Awful Horror* of which the prophet Daniel spoke, [will be] standing in the holy place." [Matthew 24:15.]

Now remember, the "signs" in verse 7 of Matthew 24 are described as the first pains of childbirth. They tell us that the end is not yet ... BUT NEAR! Jesus is coming SOON!

This is why God's Spirit is moving in Israel today; drawing his chosen people, the Jews, back into their land from the four corners of the earth.

This is why we have wars and hear of wars almost daily. Yes, there have always been wars, but there is an increase in world strife today. Since World War II we have had over 50 major conflicts in the world.

This is why we have famine. Famine (shortage of food, and starvation) is on the increase around the world. The increased population rate coupled with the pollution of our natural resources promises an alarming increase in famine.

This is why we have earthquakes throughout the world. Yes, there have always been earthquakes in history, but the frequency is rising rapidly ... and there is an earthquake coming that will be bigger and more destructive than the world has ever known!

All of these signs tell us what is happening today - Jesus is coming SOON! Your next study (Lesson 10) will be: [How to Let God Use You!](#)

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## LESSON TEN

# *How to let God use you!*

The preacher Paul wrote two letters to the church in the city of Corinth (in Greece). In both letters, Paul appealed to them to be completely united: to work together with only one thought and purpose.

Why did Paul tell the Good News without using the language of man's wisdom? [See 1 Corinthians 1:17.]

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1 Corinthians 1:18 tells us: "For the message of Christ's death on the cross is:

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[Write in your answer above]

to those who are being lost; but for us who are being saved, it is:

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Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-28. Notice that:

1. The "message" is foolish [verse 18].
2. The "method" is foolish [verse 21].



3. We (the "messengers") are foolish [verses 26-28].

**NOTICE:**

**IF YOU WANT TO BE USED BY GOD IN A MIGHTY WAY, YOU HAVE TO BE WILLING TO BE "FOOLISH" IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD!**

Who then can boast in God's presence? [See 1 Co. 1:29.]

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In 1 Corinthians 2:1-2, Paul said that he did not use long words and great learning when he came to preach God's secret truth. Why? [See verse 2.]

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Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-9. Notice that there are three kinds of wisdom:

1. Worldly wisdom [verse 6].
2. Satanic wisdom, the powers that rule this world [verses 6, 8].
3. God's secret wisdom [verse 7].

Why cannot the man who does not have God's Spirit (the natural man) receive the gifts that come from God's Spirit? [See 1 Corinthians 2:14.]

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What proves that some Christians are still children in the faith, or "men of this world?" [1 Corinthians 3:3.]

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What is God's temple? [1 Corinthians 3:16.]

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In 1 Corinthians 5:9-13, the Holy Bible says you should not associate with immoral people. This does not mean unbelievers - to avoid them you would have to get out of the world completely! What does it mean? [See verse 11.]

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Your body is a part of the body of Christ. Read 1 Corinthians 6:15-20. This is why the Holy Bible warns us to avoid immorality. Every other sin a man commits is without the body; but the man who commits fornication sins against (answer)?

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Why should we use our bodies for God's glory? [Vs. 19 & 20.]

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Read the command given to married people in 1 Corinthians 7:10-11. A married woman must not leave her husband. What must she do, if she does?

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What is one way in which we should be careful towards our brothers (and sisters) in the faith? [1 Corinthians 8:9.]

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How should those that preach the Good News get their living? [1 Corinthians 9:1-14.] [See also: Galatians 6:6; Matthew 10:10; 1 Timothy 5:17-18.]

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Every temptation that has come your way is the kind that normally comes to people. What will God give you at the time you are tempted? [1 Corinthians 10:13.]

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What is God's chain of command? That is, who is supreme (the head) and then next in command, and so on? [1 Co. 11:3.]

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Chapters 12, 13, and 14 of 1 Corinthians deal with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, their operation, and worship in the church. It would be well for you to read these chapters through several times until you are familiar with them. List the nine gifts of the Spirit which are mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 on a **separate page\***. Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

**\*CAUTION!**

**Do NOT omit this part of the lesson. You will need this information to help you be super-productive for God! And, to access THE BEST God has so you can help others!**

The Holy Bible says to set your heart on the more important gifts. Best of all, however, is the way of LOVE. Read Chapter 13. Strive for LOVE, and desire spiritual gifts.

Set your heart especially on the gift of [1 Corinthians 13:1] \_\_\_\_\_

Do NOT forbid the [1 Corinthians 14:39] \_\_\_\_\_

What is of the greatest importance? [1 Co. 15:3-4.]

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Why should you always keep busy in your work for the Lord? [1 Co. 15:58.]

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How should we do all our work? [1 Corinthians 16:14.]

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Do NOT try to work together as "equals" with those who are unbelievers, for it cannot be done. Why? [Read 2 Corinthians 6:14-18.]

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Congratulations! You have just studied through every book in the New Testament. This is just the beginning of many wonderful experiences you will have in the Word of God!

Remember to share God's Word with those who do not have it. Many people do not know that God loves them and that He sent his Son, Jesus, to die for their sins on the cross ... and that he is ALIVE ... waiting to save them!

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## INTRODUCTORY LESSON

[ANSWERS]

# *Joy is a Word!*

In reading a book, it is always a good thing to know who wrote it. In 2 Peter 1:21 (that means the second book of Peter, chapter one, verse 21) the Holy Bible says, "For the telling of God's will (prophecy) did not come in ages past by man's own will: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." You can see from this that it was the Holy Spirit (the Spirit of God) who caused men to write the Holy Bible.

The Holy Bible also says in 2 Timothy 3:16, "All scripture (the Word of God) is given by inspiration of God ..." In other words, God inspired (or, gave life to) everything that is written in the Holy Bible. God used men to write down the words, but it was God himself who caused men to write the words as his Holy Spirit moved them!

The Holy Bible is the Word of God! Have you ever thought about what a "word" is? What does "word" mean. A "word" is a message. Or simply, it is a way to carry information. So the Word of God is God's message to man; it is God's way of reaching us.

In the Gospel of John, turn to Chapter One. Read the first verse.

Who was in the beginning?

The Word

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[Write your answer in the line above]

Where was the Word?

With God

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Who was the Word?

God

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Now read verse 14 of John Chapter One.

What was made flesh?

The Word

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Jesus is the LIVING Word. He was God in human flesh. The Holy Bible is the WRITTEN Word. It tells us of God's love for us, and how he sent Jesus to die for our sins ... and how God raised him from the dead. Jesus is alive! Read verse 12 of Chapter One in the Gospel of John.

What happens to everyone who receives Jesus?

They are given the power (the right) to become the sons (the children) of God.

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Have you ever received Jesus? Yes [ X ] ? ... or ... No [ ] ?

[Place an "X" in the right answer.]

Were you old enough to know what you were doing? Yes [ X ] ? ... or ... No [ ] ?

If you were to die right now, do you KNOW FOR SURE that you would go to

Heaven? Yes [ X ] ? ... or ... No [ ] ?

The Holy Bible says, "These things have I written to you ... that you may KNOW that you have eternal life." [1 John 5:13]

Right now, if you have never received Jesus Christ into your life, or if you are not SURE that you have eternal life, you may invite Christ into your life.

Simply pray this little prayer and mean it in your heart:

***"Lord Jesus, I receive you into my life right now. I believe that you died on the cross for my sins, and I know that you are alive. Please forgive all of my sins; without you, I am lost - please save me! In your name I pray."***

*Bernard Believer*

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[Sign your name above]

Did you mean business? (Were you sincere?) Christ meant business on the cross ... when he took your place. He paid with his own blood a debt he did NOT owe (your sin debt), because you had a debt you could not pay. He took your place on the cross. Your sins were laid upon him. He was punished so that you could live forever.

Now turn to John 3:36. According to the Word of God, what would happen if you were to die right now? Would you experience:

Everlasting life?  ... or ... God's judgment?

If you have received Christ, you are saved and have everlasting life. Do NOT trust your feelings - your feelings change. Believe God's Word. " ... your Word is truth." [John 17:17] If you know that you have everlasting life, you will begin to experience JOY in your life. To keep this joy, and to have VICTORY daily, practice these things every day:

- Read the Word of God (this way, God talks to you - start and end your day with Bible reading).
- Pray (you talk to God).
- Witness (you tell others how you found Christ, and how they may know him).

Look at John 10:10. Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Now that you know Jesus (he is the source of life), you will want to know his Word (the Holy Bible) so you can have life MORE ABUNDANTLY! In John 8:31, Jesus said, "If you continue in my word, then you are my disciples indeed."

### QUESTIONS:

1. Who wrote the Bible?

Holy men of God as they were inspired (moved) by the Holy Spirit.

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2. How did God live (dwell) among men? (John 1:14)



In human flesh . . . the only begotten (the one and only) Son of God: Jesus.

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3. What did Jesus say you must do to see the kingdom of God?

Be born again (anew or from above).

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4. What is the "bread of God"? (John 6:28-35)

He (Jesus) who came down from Heaven.

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5. What is the "living water"? (John 7:38-39)

The Holy Spirit.

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## LESSON ONE

### [ANSWERS]

# *How to have fun in the Bible!*

Would you like to have fun that never gets old? Wouldn't it be fun to be free from things which tie you down? How would you enjoy doing just what God wants you to do?

The Holy Bible says, "If the Son (Jesus, the LIVING Word) makes you free, then you will be really free." (See the gospel of John you studied with your last lesson - John 8:36.)

How does Jesus set us free? Remember what we studied last time? When we read the WRITTEN Word, the Holy Bible, we find out how Jesus Christ died for our sins on the cross, was buried, and is alive again!

In this lesson we will study six books which are found in the New Testament (promise) of God's Word, the Holy Bible. The six books are as follows:

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| 1. Galatians   | 4. Colossians        |
| 2. Ephesians   | 5. 1st Thessalonians |
| 3. Philippians | 6. 2nd Thessalonians |

Now what are all these funny names? They are the names of cities and states or provinces: just like Los Angeles, Nairobi, Paris, Tehran, Singapore, or Mexico City. God, by his Holy Spirit, caused a preacher named Paul to write to churches in other places.

Paul wrote to a group of churches in a place called Galatia to remind them that they are free. In Galatians 1:4, God tells us that we are set free from this present evil age because Christ gave himself for our sins. Read Galatians 2:21 through 3:3. How is man put right with God? [Place an "X" in the right answer.

by God's Law [ ]? . . . or . . . by Christ's death [ X ] ?

Freedom is what we have! Christ has set us free! (See Galatians 5:1.) If we are FREE - that is, joined to Christ, and not to the world - what is the only thing we can boast about? [Read Galatians 6:14.]

The cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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(Fill in the answer above)

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The more we read God's Word, the more we see how much we have to be thankful for. In the book of Ephesians God shows us that in a special way the Jews are God's "chosen" people (Ephesians 2:12). But in another way, God has chosen all people who are joined to Christ to be his. When did God choose us? [See Ephesians 1:4.]

Before the world was made.

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People who are not Jewish are called "Gentiles". Read carefully verses 13 through 18 in Chapter Two of Ephesians. How is it that all of us, both Jews and non-Jews (Gentiles), are able to come in the Holy Spirit to God the Father?

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Through Jesus. By His (the Messiah's) blood on the cross He has made us one.

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In the book of Philippians, God shows us that he has a PLAN ... for our lives, and for the whole world. How long will God work in YOU, so that you may obey his plan? [See Philippians 1:6 and 2:13.]

Always ... until the day of Jesus Christ.

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What will all men do some day? [Ph. 2:10-11.]

Fall on their knees and openly proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord.

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The book of Colossians was written to remind people that they were dead in sin apart from Christ, but now they have TRUE LIFE if they are joined to Christ!

What four things should we do in being joined (that is, in union) with Christ? [See Colossians 2:6-7 . . . there are four (4) answers; use one line for each answer.]

1. Keep your roots deep in Him.

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2. Build your life on Him.

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3. Become ever stronger in your faith.

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4. Be filled with thanksgiving.

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Paul also tells us how we are to talk. How should you talk to God? [See Colossians 4:2 . . . there are three (3) answers; use one line for each answer.]

1. Be persistent.

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2. Keep alert.

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3. With thanks to God.

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Notice: Thanksgiving is NECESSARY for both: Being joined to Him and Talking to Him.

How should you talk to people? [Colossians 4:5-6 . . . there are four (4) answers; use one line for each answer.]

Speech should be pleasant and interesting.

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Know how to give the right answers.

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Be wise in the way you act.

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Make good use of every opportunity.

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In the books of 1st and 2nd Thessalonians, the preacher Paul reminds us of how we are to live in these last days, as well as telling us the world news ahead of time. When you watch TV or Internet News, or listen to the radio, you only know what has taken place in the PAST, or what is taking place NOW. However, the Holy Bible shows us the news ahead of time ... in the FUTURE!

Read carefully 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. When the Lord Jesus comes back, who will go to meet him in the air first? [Place "X" in the right answer]

dead Christians [ X ] ?

living Christians [   ] ?

Remember what Jesus said in John 11:25? *"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies ..."* We should thank God at all times for our Christian brothers; God called us, with them, through the Good News (the Gospel). This is how we have FUN in the Holy Bible. Every day we can learn more about God, and how he set us FREE, so that we can enjoy life here on earth, and go to Heaven, too!

**QUESTIONS:**

Are we saved by our good works? [Ep. 2:8-9.] [Place an "X" in the right answer.]

Yes [  ]? . . . or . . . No [  ]

When Jesus returns, what happens to all who do not believe the truth, but take pleasure in sin? (2 Th. 2:9-12.)

They will be condemned. (The same as judged or damned.)

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Read Colossians 3:1-4. Where is your life?

Hidden with Christ in God. (Your real life is in Christ.)

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## LESSON TWO

### [ANSWERS]

# *How to talk to God!*

Think of the most important person you know! is it the leader of your nation ... or maybe someone who is a great preacher? Have you ever talked with them? Were you able to tell them everything you wanted to?

Really, who is the most important person in the world? Sure ... God! And if we have been born into God's family through faith in Jesus, we KNOW him ... he is our Father!

The wonderful thing about knowing God is that we can tell him everything we want to. Why? Because he is always with us. As a matter of fact, he wants us to talk to him. The Holy Bible says to "pray at all times." Pray means talk to God!

You see, prayer means more than just asking God for things. It is just like talking to anyone else. Use the simple little four letter guide spelled T-A-L-K to help you when you pray:

**T** - Thank God.

**A** - Adore (love) God.

**L** - Level with God.

**K** - Know that God hears when you ask!

**T - Thank God.** Thank him for everything he has given you - most of all, for Jesus! Thank him for even little things like your toothbrush. Thank God for even the hard times you have had, because he has taught you in them.

"Be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants of you, in your life in Christ Jesus." [1 Thessalonians 5:18.]

**A - Adore God.** Tell him how much you love him.

"This is how God showed his love for us: he sent his only Son into the world that we might have life through him." [1 Jo. 4:9.]

L - **Level with God.** Confess your sins. Get everything out in the open.

"But if we confess our sins to God, we can trust him, for he does what is right - he will forgive us our sins and make us clean from all our wrongdoing." [1 John 1:9.]

K - **Know that God hears when you ask!** Ask for yourself ... and for others; ask firmly, but do NOT doubt in your heart.

"If you have faith, and doubt not ... you shall say ... and it shall be done." [Matthew 21:21.]

Have you ever prayed for something and you did not receive it right away? Read Luke 11:5-13. In verse 8, why did Jesus say the man's friend would give him everything he needed?

Because he was not ashamed to keep on asking.

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What will happen if you ask? [Verse 9.]

You will receive.

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What will happen if you knock? [Verse 9.]

The door will be opened to you.

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Did you ever go to a friend's house and knock on the front door, but no one came to the door, and so you went to the side or back door and knocked until someone answered? Remember, when you call on God, he is always there!

Jesus said, "There are many rooms in my Father's house ..." [John 14:2.] Just as there are many rooms in God's house, there are many doors to knock at when praying. If you don't get the answer at the front door, try the side door!



Below are listed six doors you may knock at when you ask God for things:

Door 1 - **Do God's will** [1 John 3:22; John 15:16][Note: the books of 1, 2, and 3 John are different than the Gospel of John.]

"We receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commands and do what pleases him."

Door 2 - **Pray in Jesus' name** [John 14:14]

"If you ask me for anything in my name, I will do it."

Door 3 - **Ask in faith** [Matthew 21:22.]

"If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."

Door 4 - **Agree with someone** [Matthew 18:19.]

"... whenever two of you on earth agree about anything you pray for, it will be done for you by my Father in Heaven."

Door 5 - **Believe you have it already** [Mark 11:24.]

"When you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it, and everything will be given you."

Door 6 - **Keep praying** [Luke 11:5-13]

"... and give you everything you need because you are not ashamed to keep on asking ... knock, and the door will be opened to you."

Sometimes our prayers are not answered because of bad reasons for asking, or because we are not living like God wants us to!

### QUESTIONS:

How did Jesus like to pray most of the time? [Luke 9:18.]

Alone - by himself.

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How long did Jesus pray before choosing his 12 disciples? [Luke 6:12.]

The whole night.

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Which part of T-A-L-K did Jesus use in his prayer in Luke 10:21?

(T) - Thank God.

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Read Luke 22:39-46. What did Jesus warn his disciples to pray about?

That they would not fall into temptation.

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**EXTRA:**

Read Luke 18:10-14. The Pharisee thanked God (T) but he did not level (L) with him. The tax collector, however, leveled with God – he confessed his sin!

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## LESSON THREE

### [ANSWERS]

# *How to follow Christ!*

Have you ever tried to be like someone else? Maybe you've tried to talk like them, or to act like them, or maybe you have just dressed like them. Really, you could never be like them, could you? Why? Because you are yourself, that's right - you're YOU!

You know, when you decided to follow Christ, you died. Not only did you die, but you became a new person - IN CHRIST! The Holy Bible says, "When anyone is joined to Christ he is a **new** being; the old is gone, the **new** has come." [2 Corinthians 5:17.]

Since you are a new person and want to follow Jesus, you will want to find how God wants you to live. God used the preacher Paul to write some letters to a three men named Timothy, Titus, and Philemon to tell them how God wanted them to live.

These letters are included in the New Testament (a testament is a "will, a covenant, a contract, or a promise") of the Holy Bible. Also, a letter to the Hebrews (no one knows who the Holy Spirit used to write to the Hebrews). When you read these books (letters), you will learn more about how God wants you to live, so that you can follow Christ.

Paul wrote two letters to a young man he had led to Christ named Timothy. The first letter tells how to live in order to have a clear conscience before God and man. Paul told Timothy not to let anyone look down upon him because he was young. In what ways did Paul tell him to be an example? [See 1 Timothy 4:12.]

In speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity.

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Verse 14 of Chapter Four shows that Timothy had a spiritual gift. How was it imparted (or, given) to him?

By prophecy, along with the laying on of the hands of the elders. [The prophets spoke

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their prophecies about his life and future ministry and the elders laid hands on him.]

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Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10. The Holy Bible shows us the danger of wanting riches. Now read verse 11. What should you strive for?

Righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.

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In the second book (or, letter) to Timothy, the Holy Spirit used Paul to show us the importance of training and teaching. That is, how we should train to serve God, and then teach others what we have learned. We should "stir up," or keep alive the gifts we receive from God and the things we learn, and then we should teach others to do the same. [See 2 Timothy 1:6.]

In 2 Timothy 1:7, the Holy Bible tells us that the Holy Spirit which God gives us does not make us timid - we do NOT have a spirit of fear; but God's Spirit fills us with three (3) things. What are they?

1.) power; 2.) love; and, 3.) a sound mind (or, self control).

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Therefore, we should not be ashamed to witness for our Lord! [See verse 8.]

The Holy Bible tells us to take part in suffering for the Good News as a loyal soldier of Christ Jesus. [2 Ti 2:3-7.] Not only does God tell us to be like a soldier, but also like an athlete and a farmer. In your own words, tell how we should be like:

**a soldier:**

Not tied up in civilian life. Not being entangled in the affairs of the world, but focusing on

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Not being entangled in the affairs of the world, but focusing on the things of our

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Commander Jesus.

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**an athlete:**

Obey the rules or you will forfeit the prize. God rewards you, like an athlete,

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for your faithfulness and obedience.

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**a farmer:**

The farmer must first plow the ground before he reaps a crop.

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In God's work, you will receive a harvest, also.

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God also tells us how to be used for SPECIAL purposes. Read carefully 2 Timothy 2:20-21. What can we do if we want to be used for special purposes? [See verse 21 and 22.]

Make ourselves clean from evil things.

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The Holy Spirit used Paul to write a young man named Titus to remind him that God wants us to live a "pure" life. He taught Titus how we should treat others, and how we should act toward those who are in charge of us.

Read Titus 1:15-16. Why is nothing pure to some people?

Their minds and consciences have been defiled.

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Chapter Two of Titus tells us how older men and women, younger people, and workers should live and treat each other [verses 1-10]. Why should we use sound words that cannot be criticized when we talk to others? [See verse 8.]

So our enemies may be put to shame - not having anything bad to say about us.

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Read Titus 3:1-2. How should we act toward rulers and authorities?

Submit and obey them. Be ready to do every good thing.

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The book of Philemon is short but very important. Paul had led a young man to Christ named Onesimus, who was a run-away slave. Paul had urged him to return to his master, Philemon. This letter was written to Philemon, asking him to take Onesimus back and to forgive him.

Where was Paul when he became Onesimus' "spiritual father" (that is, when he led him to Christ)? See verse 10.

In prison (for preaching the Gospel).

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The book of Hebrews is a tremendous book! It explains to us how the animals the children of Israel used to kill for a blood sacrifice for sins were really pictures (types) of the Lord Jesus Christ (Hebrew: Yeshua ha Meschiach. Christ from the Greek "Christos" means "Messiah" from the Hebrew "Meshiach"). Every time the priest would kill a lamb and pour its blood upon the altar, it was just a picture of how Jesus (Messiah Yeshua – "Yeshua" was his Hebrew name) would come to earth as the LAMB of God to shed his blood on the cross for our sins!

After Jesus shed his blood on the cross for our sins, the priests of Israel did not need to pour out the blood of animals any longer. The blood which Jesus shed on the cross was the one FINAL complete payment for sin which pleased God!

Read Hebrews 9:14. What will the shed blood of Christ do for our consciences?

Make us clean from useless works, so that we may serve the living God.

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How long is Jesus able to save those who come to God through him? [Hebrews 7:25.]

Now and always - forever . . . to the uttermost!

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Why? He lives forever to plead with God for us (like an attorney on our behalf).

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Is there another chance for salvation **after** this life on earth? [Hebrews 9:27.]

Yes [  ]? . . . or . . . No [  ]? [Place "X" in the right answer]

Now that you are a NEW person, you will want to have God's **POWER** in your life. You will learn how in the next lesson. Your next study (Lesson 4) will be: [How to Receive the Power of God!](#)

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## LESSON FOUR

### [ANSWERS]

# ***How to receive the power of God!***

Isn't it wonderful to be a new person? A few years ago you probably never dreamed how God would change your life. Isn't God good?!

The wonderful thing about knowing Jesus is that life gets fuller every day - if you let it! When Christ died on the cross for your sins, his blood not only paid for your sins, but it bought your freedom. Jesus wants you to share this GOOD NEWS with others - to tell them he's alive.

Shortly before Jesus went back to Heaven, he said, " ... that in his name the message about repentance and the forgiveness of sins must be preached to all nations ..." [Luke 24:47.]

Jesus did not ask you to do this job alone. He promised to send you a "gift" of POWER which would help you. Jesus said that he would send this promise upon you himself. "And I myself will send upon you what my Father has promised." [Luke 24:49.]

The book of Acts you will study in this lesson will tell you how to receive this "gift" (the promise of the Father). The Holy Spirit used a man named Luke, who was a follower of Jesus, to write both the book of Acts and the book of Luke. (Luke is the gospel which you studied with Lesson Two.)

In the book of Luke, Luke tells us how Jesus did his miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit - in the book of Acts, Luke tells us how the early followers of Jesus did their miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit. You, also - as a follower of Jesus - are to do the same kind of miracles by the POWER of the Holy Spirit!

As a matter of fact, Jesus said, "Whoever believes in me will do the works I do - yes, he will do even greater ones, for I am going to the Father." [John 14:12.] You see, the promise of the Father, the "gift" which Jesus said he, himself, would send upon his followers after he would go back to Heaven, was made to YOU, also!

"For God's promise was made to you and your children, and TO ALL who are far away - ALL whom the Lord our God calls to himself." [Acts 2:39.]

The last chapter in the Book of Luke and the first chapter in the book of Acts overlap. That is, they partly cover the same events. Read Acts Chapter One, verses 1-5. Jesus told his followers that God the Father had promised them a "gift." What was it? [See verse 5.] |

They would be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

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The Holy Spirit lives in all those who follow Jesus - but to be baptized with the Holy Spirit is an extra gift. In John 20:22 (after Christ died on the cross and arose from the grave - before he went back to Heaven), Jesus breathed on his followers and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." After this, the Holy Spirit was IN THEM, but as yet they had not been "baptized" with the Spirit.

To be "baptized" means to be overwhelmed or covered with. This is why Jesus told his followers (even though the Holy Spirit was already IN THEM), "... wait in the city until the POWER from above comes down upon you." [Luke 24:49.]

Read Acts 1:8. What did Jesus say his followers would be filled with when the Holy Spirit came upon them?



Power.

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He said they would be Witnesses for him.  
*[Write the answer in the line.]*

Acts 2:1-4 tells what happened as the followers of Jesus waited in the city of Jerusalem. What was the result of their being "filled" with the Spirit? [See verse 4.]

They began to talk in strange languages (they spoke in tongues) as the Spirit enabled

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them (or, as the Spirit gave them the utterance).

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Who did Peter say "poured out" the Holy Spirit on the followers of Jesus? [Acts 2:32-33.] Jesus.

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### **Bonus Question:**

What are four (4) different references (Bible Verses) that prove Jesus is **"The Baptizer" in the Holy Spirit**? [The answer is in each of the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.]

Matthew 3:11 - Mark 1:8 - Luke 3:16 - John 1:33

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The Holy Spirit is the "gift" of POWER which God promised!

Study the following verses: Acts 10:44-48 and Acts 19:1-6. Remember in Acts 2:4 when the followers of Jesus were filled with the Holy Spirit - how they began to talk in other languages (strange sounds to the ones who were speaking)?

Read the following verses again and tell what they have in common with Acts 2:4.

Acts 10:46

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Talked with strange languages (talked in tongues).

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Talked with strange languages (talked in tongues).

Acts 19:6

Remember the preacher Paul who we have studied about in other lessons? Before he was saved, his name was Saul. Just after he was saved, God sent a man named Ananias to pray for him. Read Acts 9:17-18. When Ananias laid hands upon Saul, what did he pray for?

That he might see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.

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In the book of 1 Corinthians, Paul said, "I thank God that I speak with strange sounds (other tongues) much more than any of you." [1 Corinthians 14:18.] This was after Paul was filled with the Holy Spirit.

What one thing seemed to happen each time you read about the Spirit coming down upon people?

They talked with strange sounds (spoke in tongues).

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Study Acts 8:14-21 carefully. What do you suppose Simon saw that made him know that the Spirit had been given to them when the apostles laid their hands upon them? [See verse 18.]

Probably they spoke in strange sounds (tongues). **Note:** *It wasn't because Simon saw*

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*miracles; because he had already seen miracles (see verse 13). It was something new!*

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Have you ever been "baptized" with the Holy Spirit? If not, ask the Lord Jesus to baptize you right now. Pray and wait on God until you receive this POWER! Tell the Lord how much you love him. Praise him! While you are praising him, simply shut off your own language (English or whatever language you speak), and start praising him in a NEW language the Holy Spirit will give you!

You will not understand your new language (neither will anyone else, unless it happens to be a language they know), but don't let that bother you. The Holy Bible says, "The person who speaks with strange sounds (other tongues) does not speak to men but to God, because no one understands him. He is speaking secret truths by the power of the Spirit." [1 Co. 14:2.]

Pray to God much in your new language. It will build you up, and then you will be able to build others up. 1 Corinthians 14:4 says, "The man who speaks with strange sounds edifies (or, builds up) himself ..."

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## LESSON FIVE

[ANSWERS]

# *How to read God's map!*

Mark's gospel is really a "map" in story form. It tells us about the "Lord's road" - the highway, or path, that Jesus traveled to the cross, where he died for our sins.

God sent a messenger named John ahead of the Lord Jesus to open the road, or way, for him. Read Mark 1:1-5. Why was he known as John the Baptist?

He baptized people in water. He preached: "Turn away (repent) from your sins and be

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baptized."

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John told the people about the man who would come after him, the one whose way he was preparing. What did John the Baptist (not John, who wrote the gospel of John) say the man who would come after him would do? [See verse 8.]

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

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Read Mark 1:9-11. What happened when John baptized Jesus in the Jordan River? [See verse 10.]

The Holy Spirit came down upon him like a dove.

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After Jesus was baptized in water and the Holy Spirit came down upon him, he began his ministry. He preached and told the people:

“Turn away from your sins and believe the Good news (gospel) “. [Verse 15]

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What did Jesus tell Simon and Andrew they would catch if they came after him? [Mark 1:16-18.]  
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Read verses 21-28. How did Jesus teach? [Verse 22.]

with authority

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When Jesus commanded the unclean spirit out of the man in the synagogue, what happened?  
[See verse 26.]

The evil spirit (demon) shook the man hard, gave a loud scream, and came out of him.

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The people said, "This man has AUTHORITY!"

Read Mark 1:32-34. What kind of diseases did Jesus heal?

All kinds, all types of diseases

In verse 35, when did Jesus pray?

Very early in the morning (before daylight).

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Where?

In a place alone where nobody else was gathered.

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In Mark 1:40-45, a leper came to Jesus for help. When Jesus touched the leper and said, "Be clean!," how long did it take the leprosy to leave the man?

It left at once - immediately!

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Jesus came back to his home town after a few days and crowds gathered. Why did some teachers of the Law get upset when Jesus told a man, "My son, your sins are forgiven?" [See Mark 2:7.]

The thought he talked against God, since only God can forgive sins.

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They didn't realize (or possibly, didn't want to admit) that he was God who had come to

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earth in human flesh: the Messiah of Israel.

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How did Jesus prove to them that he had authority on earth to forgive sins? [Read verses 8-12.]

He asked the question: "Which is easier: to heal, or to forgive sins?" Then he healed

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the man. The healing of the paralyzed man next showed the authority of Jesus to forgive

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sins. He was the Son of God and had authority to both forgive and to heal. He showed

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his authority in BOTH the eternal and the physical world.

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Jesus passed by a man who was collecting taxes. Jesus said, "Follow me." What did the man do? [See verses 13-14.]

He got up and followed Jesus.

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Jesus went home to eat with him [Mark 2:15-17.] Some teachers of the Law who were Pharisees (a very strict religious sect) were disturbed because Jesus ate with outcasts (sinners) and tax collectors. Read what Jesus told them in verse 17. Who did Jesus say that he came to call?

Outcasts - sinners.

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On another occasion, some of the religious people were mad because the disciples (followers and learners) of Jesus were picking grains of wheat to eat as they walked in the fields on the Sabbath (Holy Day of rest). They said, "Look, it is against our Law for your disciples to do this on the Sabbath!" How did Jesus answer? [See verse 27.]

The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

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On the same day, Jesus went back to the synagogue, where there was a man who had a crippled hand. Why were some people watching Jesus very closely? [Mark 3:2.]

The religious leaders were watching; they wanted to accuse Jesus of doing wrong.

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They wanted to see if he would heal anyone on the Sabbath; if he would "DO" something

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which they would call work, or “sin.” Not to “DO” good, Jesus showed, would be sin!

Read Mark 3:3-6. Jesus asked the people: "What does our Law allow us to do on the Sabbath? To help, or to harm? To save a man's life, or to destroy it?" Why did Jesus feel sorry for them, even though he was angry at them? [Verse 5.]

Because they were so stubborn and wrong. Their hearts were hardened.

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Jesus healed the man's hand, and after that the religious leaders left to meet with some members of Herod's party (the Roman government). Why? [Verse 6.]

They made plans against Jesus to kill him.

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Later on, Jesus picked 12 men who he named as apostles (sent ones). Even though he would preach and teach to many large crowds, he chose these 12 men to stay with him so that he could teach them to do the same thing he was doing.

In Mark 3:13-15, Jesus was preparing them to send them out to:

1. Preach

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2. Heal

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3. Cast out demons.

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[There are 3 answers to the above question. Memorize them because you are to do the same thing.]

Some of the religious leaders accused Jesus of having the devil (Beelzebub) in him. They said that this was how he had the power to drive the demons out. Look how Jesus answered this in verses 23-30. What did Jesus say about the person who says evil things against the Holy Spirit?

He can never be forgiven because he has committed an eternal sin.

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Read Mark 3:31-35. Who did Jesus say are his mother and brothers?

Those who know the will of God and do it. (Those who do what God wants them to.)

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By doing the will of God we become his spiritual children, and therefore we become

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related to Christ. Jesus admits three human relationships --"brother, sister, mother"-- but

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omits the paternal relationship, since he had no earthly father. God was his Father

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Study very carefully Mark 4:2-9. Now study carefully Jesus' explanation of this parable (teaching) in Mark 4:13-20. In your own words, tell how Jesus explained what the four soils were like.

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| 1. Path         | <u>People who hear the word (God's message), but Satan comes and takes away the message that was sown in the heart.</u> |
| 2. Rocky ground | <u>The word does not sink deep into these people.</u><br><u>When trouble and persecution come, they give up.</u>        |
| 3. Thorns       | <u>These people hear the word and make a good start, but then the</u>   |
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worries (or, cares) of life, the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts

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of other things enter and choke the word. It is then non productive.

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4. Good soil

These people hear the word (the message), accept it, and bear

fruit. That is, the word becomes productive in them. They live a life

that bears much fruit: many people are brought into the kingdom.

We are to be "good soil!" Jesus said, "*You did not choose me; I chose you, and appointed you to go and bear much fruit, the kind of fruit that endures ...*" [John 15:16.]

The rest of Mark's map tells us how Jesus continued his ministry of forgiving sins, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Jesus told his 12 followers several times how that he must go to the city of Jerusalem, and suffer many things, and be delivered up to die. But he also told them how he would rise again from the dead on the third day!

After Jesus was raised from the dead, he again appeared to his disciples. (Read Mark 16:14-26.) He told them to preach the "Good News" to all people!

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LESSON SIX

[ANSWERS]

## *How to walk in the light!*

The Holy Bible is a book of light. Jesus is the light of the world. We are to be lights in the Lord, so that we will shine in the world. there are seven books in the Bible that are written to us as followers of Jesus to tell us how to shine for Jesus; they are:

James

1, 2, and 3 John

1 and 2 Peter

Jude

The book of James was written to show how our faith causes action (works) and how we can have victory in trials and temptations. James tells us how we should consider ourselves fortunate when all kinds of trials come our way. Why? [See James 1:2-4.]

When our faith succeeds in facing trials, the result is the ability to endure.

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The testing of your faith works itself out in the ability to endure.

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What can we do if we ever need wisdom in any situation? [See James 1:5.]

Pray to God and ask for wisdom. It will be given to us.

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Read James 1:12-15. When is a person tempted? [Verse 14.]

When he is drawn away and trapped by his own evil desire. Sin starts small, grows big,

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then multiplies. Lust is the “mother” of sin.

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What is the final result? [Verse 15.]

Death. Sin starts in the mind, then the act ... which results in separation from God.

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The Holy Bible, in James 1:26, says a man's religion is worthless if he does not:

control his tongue (like a bridle on a horse).

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How can you make the devil flee from you? [See James 4:7.]

Submit yourself to God and oppose (or resist) the devil. Find a Bible verse (a promise)

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that applies to your situation and speak it to the devil. [Like Jesus did in Matthew 4:1-11]

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If you can't find a verse for your situation, then just say what James 4:7 says!

**NOTE: THE WORD OF GOD IS YOUR WEAPON! USE THE VERSE ABOVE - JAMES 4:7 - AGAINST SATAN AND WATCH HIM RUN!**

Study James 5:14-15. What should you do when you are sick? [Verse 14.]

Call the church elders and have them pray for you, and anoint you with oil in the name

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of the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are home sick, they should come to where you are.

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What will be the result? [Verse 15.]

This prayer by the elders, made in faith, will save the sick. That is, it will make them

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whole. The Lord will restore the sick person to health, and any sin(s) they have

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committed will be forgiven.

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The book of 1 Peter explains to us the purpose of trials and the reason for living holy.

Read 1 Peter 1:6-7. What is the purpose of trials?

To prove that your faith is genuine.

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Why must we live holy? [1 Peter 1:15-16.]

Because our Father, God, is holy.

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What was Noah's flood a figure (picture) of? [Look at 1 Peter 3:18-22.]

Water baptism.

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Water baptism is only for those who are saved; those who have of their own will received the Lord Jesus and been born again. Have you been baptized in water since you believed?

Yes [  ] No [  ] *[Check one of the boxes to answer.]*

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Why should we be happy if we are insulted for following Christ? [Read 1 Peter 4:12-16.]

1. Be glad you are sharing Christ's sufferings.

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2. This means the Spirit of God has come down to you.

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3. Thank God that you bear Christ's name.

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What should you do with your worries? [1 Peter 5:7.] Also, explain "Why?"

Throw them on to God, because He cares for you.

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Throw your anxieties on God because he is interested in the things that concern you ...

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AND ... will take care of you AND those things.

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The book of 2 Peter tells us how that false teachers will appear in the last days and how this world will end. In 2 Peter 1:3-9 we read of eight qualities we need in order to be active and effective for the Lord. Why does Peter tell us to try harder in verse 10?

If you do so, you will never fall away.

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Chapter 2 warns us that false teachers shall appear among us - it tells us how they will act and what they will say. Who will they deny? [Verse 1.]

They will deny the Master who saved them.

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God tells us in 2 Peter, Chapter 3:1-8 that in the last days there will be people whose lives are to be controlled by their own passions. What will they say and do to you? [Verse 3.]

They will make fun of you and mock you, saying, "Where is Jesus?"

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Why is God patient with the world? [See verse 9.]

He doesn't want anyone to be destroyed. He wants everyone to turn away from their

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sins so they can be saved from Hell and eternal judgment.

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Verse 10 tells us that the Day of the Lord will come as a:

thief in the night (when nobody expects him).

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What will happen on that day?

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The heavens will disappear with a great noise, the heavenly bodies and earth, with its

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elements will burn up and be destroyed. The earth and everything in it will vanish.

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The books of 1, 2, and 3 John show us not only how to live in the light, but how to love. Study 1 John 1:5-10. God is light and there is no darkness at all in him. If we live in the light, what two things result? [See verse 7.]

1. We have fellowship with each other.

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2. The blood of Jesus Christ makes us clean from every sin.

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If we say that we have no sin, what do we do to ourselves? [1 John 1:8.]



We deceive (lie to) ourselves.

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What will happen if we confess our sins? [See verse 9.]

1. God will forgive us of our sins.

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2. He will make us clean from all wrongdoing (cleans us from all unrighteousness).

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How can we check to see if the love of the Father is in us? [1 John 2:15-16.]

If we love the world (the fallen, sinful, world system - not nature), or anything that

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belongs to the world system, we do not have the love of the Father in us.

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Why doesn't the world know us now that we are in Christ? [1 John 3:1.]

Because it does not know God. We are His children so it can't know us.

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What happens if our heart condemns us? [1 John 3:19-20.]

God is greater than our heart, and He knows everything. Therefore, he knows what is

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in our heart.

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Study 1 John 4:4-6. In your own words describe how we can tell the difference between the Spirit of Truth and the spirit of error.

Whoever knows God listens to us.

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What should you do if anyone comes to you who does not bring the teaching of the Holy Bible? [2 John, verses 10, 11.]

Do NOT welcome them into your home. Do not say "God bless you!" to them, or,

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"Peace be with you!"

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The book of Jude tells us how to fight on for the complete faith which God gives us. How does Jude say to keep building yourself up, in your most sacred faith? [Verses 20, 21.]

1. Pray in the power of the Holy spirit (in tongues).

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2. Keep yourselves in the love of God.

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You have five more lessons, and you will have completed the whole New Testament. The rest of the lessons are especially important: you will begin to know what's happening today ... and the news in advance! Your next study [Lesson 7] will be: [How to Learn God's Program!](#)

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LESSON SEVEN

[ANSWERS]

## *How to learn God's program!*

Have you ever wondered if God has a master plan? You know, like a plan of the ages, or a program for the world? Well, he does! And it is all written in the Holy Bible for you to learn.

In the book of Romans you will learn about sin – where it came from and how God made a way to set us free. You will learn about God's Law – why it was given and how it had no strength to change our human nature. You will also learn about the nation Israel – what God has planned for her.

The Holy Spirit used the apostle Paul to write the followers of Jesus in Rome to tell them about salvation and their new life, as well as God's program for the world. When was the Good News first promised?  
[Romans 1:2]

Long ago by God through His prophets and written in the Holy scripture.

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The gospel (Good News) is God's power, or God's dynamite! What will it do? [Romans 1:16]

Save all who believe, first the Jews and also the Gentiles (non Jews).

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Why does God punish men who sin? [Romans 1:19]

Because what man can know about God is plain and easy to discern. God Himself

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made it plain to man.

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How will God reward every person? [Romans 2:6]

According to what he has done.

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God gave the Law of Moses to the Jews (the people of Israel) so that they would know when they sinned. (Read Romans 3:19-20.) The Law is like a mirror. When we look into it, we see our imperfections (sin).

Why are both Jews and non-Jews (Gentiles) judged under sin? [Romans 2:12-16]

The Gentiles (non Jews) do not have the Law of Moses. They sin and are judged apart

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from the Law. The Jews have the Law from God. They sin and are judged by the Law.

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[Notice also: God will judge all men by the secret thoughts in their hearts.]

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How does God put men right? [Romans 3:22]

Through their faith in Jesus Christ. [His Hebrew name is Yeshua haMeschiach]

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Who needs to be saved? [Romans 3:23]

Everyone. All people have sinned and come short of the glory of God. [When Adam (the

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first man) sinned, that sin spread through the blood line of the human race to all men.]

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How did God show us how much he loves us? [Romans 5:8]

It was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us.

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Read Romans 5:12. When Adam (the first man who ever lived) sinned, what happened to the human race?

Sin came into the world and death spread to the whole human race. Adam’s sin was

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what brought death because it separated man from God, who is the source of life.

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DISCUSSION: If the Adamic curse (man’s inherited sin in the bloodline of the race)

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had not happened, would humans live forever in their earthly bodies and never be sick?

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Just as sin ruled by means of death, how does God’s grace rule those who receive it? [Romans 5:21]

By means of righteousness, leading us into eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Righteousness is the “right standing” which God gives to us through faith in Christ.

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Grace rules through our “right standing” before God as a citizen of Heaven.

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How should we give ourselves to God? [Romans 6:13]

As a person who has been bought from death to life. We should surrender our whole

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life - our whole being - to Him to be used for righteous purposes.

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How have we been set free from the law of sin and death? [[Romans 8:2]

By the law of the Spirit which brings us life in union with Christ Jesus (Messiah Jesus).

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The resurrection power of Christ works in us to set us free, to guide, and to energize us.

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DISCUSSION: Why is it important to pray in the Spirit? Compare Romans 8:2 & Jude 20

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There is NO condemnation now for those who live in union with Christ Jesus!

Study Romans 8:8-14 carefully. What happens if we obey our human nature?

We will die.

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What happens if we obey God's Spirit?

We will live (we kill our sinful actions by the Spirit).

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How do we know that we are God's children? [See Romans 8:16]

God's Spirit joins Himself to our human spirit to declare that we are God's children.

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His Spirit bears witness (testifies ... tells us) that we belong to Him. We know it!

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No matter what happens to you, if you love God and are called according to his purpose, God works [ all ] things for good. [Romans 8:28] *Write your answer in the box [ ].*

**IF GOD BE FOR US, WHO CAN BE AGAINST US? [Romans 8:31]**

The apostle Paul was Jewish. Read what sorrow he had in his heart for his own people. [Romans 9:2] He wanted them to know their Messiah (the Christ ... the Anointed One) personally, as he did. For centuries

the Jews had waited for the Messiah. All the Old Testament prophets had written of him, how that he would come and be their king, the Holy One of Israel.

Yet they did not realize that first he must come as the lamb of God to die for our sins, before he would come back as King: the Lion of the tribe of Judah. John said, "He came unto his own (Israel, the Jews) and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God ..." [John 1:11-12]

Did God reject his own people (the Jews)? [See Romans 11:1-6]

Certainly not!

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The nation of Israel did not receive Jesus (Yeshua) at his first coming. So then, the message of salvation came to the Gentiles. (That is, the apostles started preaching to the non-Jews, or Gentiles.) If the sin of the Jews (in rejecting Messiah Jesus) brought rich blessings to the rest of the world, think how much greater the blessings will be when the complete number of Jews is included! [Romans 11:11-12]

#### **NOTICE:**

Most of the believers in the early church during the first century were Jewish; however, the nation of Israel - as a whole - did not receive Him as their Messiah.

Study, and then read again Romans 11:16-24 very carefully. God describes Israel as a cultivated olive tree and the Gentiles (non-Jews) as a wild olive tree. Why should Gentiles NOT despise the Jews? [See verse 18]

The Gentiles are like branches in a tree. They don't support the root. The root (Israel)

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supports them. Gentiles share the strength and the rich life of the Jews.

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What secret truth does the book of Romans teach which will keep the Gentiles from thinking how wise they are? [Romans 11:25]

The stubbornness of the people of Israel is not permanent, but will last only until the

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complete number of Gentiles comes to God. [God knows the exact number that will be.

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He has known how many before he ever made the world and Planet Earth.]

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After the complete number of Gentiles comes to God, then the complete number of Jews will be included. All Israel (those who believe) will be saved. When the Messiah Jesus comes back to Israel, what will he take away from the descendants of Jacob (the Jews)? [Romans 11:26-27]

Their sins and all wickedness ... all unrighteousness.

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Because of God's many mercies to us (both Jews and Gentiles), what should we do? [Romans 12:1]

Offer our lives every day as a sacrifice to God, dedicated to His service and pleasing

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to Him. Present your bodies to Him ... in other words, give God a present: your body!

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## LESSON EIGHT - PART A

[ANSWERS]

# *How to know the news in advance!*

Have you ever wondered what it would be like if you could know the news in advance? You know, not like for a week or two, but for the rest of man's time on earth.

Think how God could use if you had all this information! Well, God has already made it available in "The Revelation" to John (the last book in the New Testament of the Holy Bible). Actually, it is the revelation of Jesus Christ as he made these things known to his servant John. [Revelation 1:1.]

The Bible promises in Revelation 1:3 that you will be blessed if you READ this book (The Revelation), or if you LISTEN to, and OBEY the words of this message of prophecy. It is one of the easiest books in the Holy Bible to outline:

Chapter 1	The vision: what John saw - things that would happen in his time and in the future.
Chapters 2-3	Message to the seven churches: things which would happen in John's time.
Chapters 4-22	Future events: things that will happen in the future.

Read the messages to the seven churches in Chapters 2 and 3. Even though these messages were to churches in Asia Minor (in the area of Turkey) in John's day (about 96-98 A.D.), they have a message to groups of believers in our day - and also to our individual lives.

After you study and answer the questions in both parts of this study (Parts A and B cover Chapters 4 through 22 in the Revelation), you will know the important world news in advance.

Chapter 4 shows us a scene in Heaven with 24 elders and four living creatures. The living creatures sing songs of glory and honor and thank to the one who sits on the throne. What do

the elders do as often as the four living creatures give glory to God? [See verses 9-10.]

They fall down before the One Who sits on the throne and worship Him Who lives

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forever and ever.

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Chapter 5 shows a scroll in the hand of the one who sits on the throne; but no man in Heaven or earth is found who is worthy to break the seven seals on the scroll and open it. Then there is one who is worthy to open the scroll and look inside - it is the Lion [from Judah's tribe](#) who is worthy: the great [descendant of David](#) (Jesus, the Messiah of Israel). Why is he found worthy? [Verse 9.]

By His blood He bought men for God from every tribe, language, people, and nation.

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He died to purchase us for God; His blood paid the price!

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Chapter 6 describes what happens when the Lamb breaks open the first six of the seven seals. **On a separate page,\*** describe what happens when the first six seals are opened. Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

**NOTICE:** The answers for this separate page may be found at: **EXTRA 8A.**

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NOTE: Seal #1 shows a person who conquers the world without war (he is given a crown). This leader will probably have a lot of military armament (a bow), but does not need to use it (has no arrows). Seal #2 shows a world war; and Seal #3 a famine.

Chapter 7 describes two different scenes: one on earth, and the other in Heaven. On earth, 144,000 Jewish servants of God are marked in their foreheads (to protect them from harm). In Heaven, there is a crowd so great no one can number the people; they are from every nation, tribe, people, and language.

Who are the people dressed in white robes in Chapter 7? [See verses 13 and 14.]

Those who have come safely through the great persecution, or those who washed

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their robes and made them white in the Lamb's blood.

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Chapter 8 starts where Chapter 6 ended. The 7th seal is opened. The 7th seal contains seven trumpets. [See verse 2.] The first four of the seven trumpets are sounded in Chapter 8. In your

own words, briefly describe these four trumpet judgments **on a separate page**.<sup>\*</sup> Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

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NOTE: The first four trumpets were judgments upon natural objects: the earth, the sea (and ships); the rivers and springs; and the sun, moon, and stars. You can see how they will hurt man's food supply (the earth); his distribution of products (ships and sea); his water supply (rivers and springs); and his work, or production (loss of light by which to travel or work).

There are three trumpets left to sound which are known as three horrors or "woes". Chapter 9 describes the first horror (Trumpet #5) and the second horror (Trumpet #6). Describe what these two judgments are like **on a separate page**.<sup>\*</sup> Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

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**NOTE "A":** Unlike the first four trumpets, where judgment is directed against natural objects, the 5th and 6th trumpet judgments are against men.

**NOTE "B":** Only one-half of the earth's population will be left at this time. One-fourth of the population is destroyed in Revelation 6:8, the 4th seal. This leaves three-fourths, or 75%, one-third of which is destroyed in Revelation 9:18.

**NOTE "C":** Men still do NOT repent of their [murders, magic, immorality, or stealing](#). (Revelation 9:21.) Magic in this verse includes drugs (or, narcotics), sometimes accompanied by witchcraft.

We know this because of the original Greek word used for magic (or, sorcery): pharmakeia.

Chapter 10 tells of an angel, with one foot on the land and one on the sea, who announces there will be no more delay. When the 7th trumpet sounds, God will begin to accomplish his secret plan.

Chapter 11 tells of two witnesses who are [street preachers](#). They proclaim God's message for 3½ years. After they finish their message, the [beast](#) out of the bottomless pit (Satan) is allowed to kill them.

What will the people of earth do when the two street preachers are killed? [See Revelation 11:10.]

[Celebrate and send presents to one another.](#)

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After 3½ days, a life-giving breath from God enters the dead preachers and they stand up. What happens then? [Read about this in Revelation 11:11-12.]

[People who see them are afraid. \[They will probably watch from around the world by](#)

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[satellite broadcast or similar communications.\] A voice from heaven says: "Come up](#)

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[here!" The street preachers then go up to heaven in a cloud.](#)

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Then there is another earthquake (the third, so far), and a tenth of the city is destroyed (7,000 people are killed). How do we know that this city where the street preachers are preaching is Jerusalem? [See verse 8.]

[It is the city where the Lord was nailed to the cross.](#)

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This is the end of the second horror, or woe. Then the 7th angel sounds his trumpet (start of the third horror) and announces that the power to rule over the world belongs to our Lord and to his

Messiah: the Messiah of Israel, Jesus Christ. Then, another earthquake!

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## LESSON EIGHT - PART B

[ANSWERS]

# *How to know the news in advance!*

In the first half of this study we covered eleven chapters. Remember, we finished Part A after the 7th angel sounded his trumpet [Revelation 11:15.] We will not study what happens as a result of Trumpet #7 being sounded until Chapter 15. The three chapters between [12, 13, and 14] will show us events that will happen meanwhile.

Chapter 12 describes a woman (the nation Israel) who gives birth to a son (Jesus). We know that this woman is Israel by the way she is described in this chapter and also by the description in verse 1. In the Old Testament, Genesis 37:9-11, Joseph had a dream in which his 11 brothers were described as stars. These 12 brothers were the heads of the 12 tribes of Israel. Joseph's parents were the sun and moon in this dream.

The dragon, who is the Devil (see verse 9), stood in front of the woman to devour (eat up) the child as soon as it was born (verse 4). This is how Satan used King Herod when Jesus was born. Herod had all the young male babies, two years and under killed; but Jesus' parents took him to Egypt until Herod died, and so Jesus was safe.

Verse 5 of Chapter 12 tells how Jesus was born and then taken to God and to his throne. These events (the woman who gave birth to a son, and the son going up to God) are NOT future events; they have already happened, as you know. However, they are important events and the Holy Spirit had them recorded in Scripture because they help us to see why Satan hates the Jewish people. Why does Satan hate the Jews? [See Revelation 12:13.]

1. Because a Jewish woman gave birth to the (male) child Jesus, who defeated Him.

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2. Because he (the devil) was defeated and thrown out of Heaven.

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3. Also, because the Word of God, Holy Bible, was written by Jews.

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You see, it was the BLOOD of Jesus on the cross that defeated Satan. The devil hates the people of Israel, because it was through [Jewish ancestry](#) (or, [family lines](#)) that Jesus was born.

There will be a **time of** great persecution for the Jews in the future. How long will it last? [See verses 6 and 14.]

3 ½ years = 1,260 days = 42 months

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Chapter 13 describes a beast coming up out of the sea. Who gives him his power? [Re. 13:2.]

The dragon (Satan).

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People will worship the dragon, who is Satan, and **the beast**. [See verse 4.] This beast out of the sea is the coming world ruler described here in Chapter 13, verses 5-8, and in other places of the Holy Bible. Who will NOT worship the beast?

Everyone whose name has been written before he world began in the Book of Life (the

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Book of the Living) that belongs to the Lamb that was killed (Jesus). [Those who have

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been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.]

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This coming world ruler is also known as the "**false-Messiah**", or the "**anti-Christ**". He [seemingly] dies and then [it appears as if] his deadly wound is healed.

Another beast is seen coming up out of the earth. [Look at verse 11.] He is the false prophet. He causes people to worship the first beast (the anti-Christ) and to make an image of him. Then, the false prophet (seemingly) gives life to the image of the first beast.

The false prophet, who will be the religious head of the world, forces ALL people to have a mark place on their right hands or in their foreheads. No one can buy or sell unless they have his mark: the mark is a name, or the number that represents the beast's name. What is the number of the beast, the mark which people will be forced to take? [Revelation 13:18.]

## WARNING!

**WHEN THIS HAPPENS, GOD'S WRATH WILL BE Poured OUT UPON ALL WHO TAKE THIS MARK . . . WARN YOUR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES NOT TO DO IT!**

Chapter 14 tells that the great Babylon has fallen who influenced all nations with immoral lust. All who worship the beast and its image, and receive this mark will be tormented in fire with no relief forever.

Chapter 15 starts where Chapter 11 ends: at the 7th trumpet. Just for review, remember that there are seven seals. Seal #7 contains seven trumpets; and now we will see that Trumpet #7 contains seven bowls of God's wrath (or, the seven last plagues).

Chapter 16 describes the seven last plagues (the seven bowls of God's wrath). Describe in your own words what each plague is like **on a separate page**.<sup>\*</sup> Keep this extra page of descriptions you write (your answers) in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

Describe them briefly like the example below:

Bowl #1	Painful sores on those who have the mark
(Example)	of the beast and worship his image.

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Chapter 17 describes the great city Babylon as a prostitute. This city causes the leaders and people of the nations to be influenced with immorality. (Re. 17:2.) This great city will be destroyed by the beast, who is the coming world ruler, and by ten kings, or leaders of nations (the 10 horns of Revelation 17:12). These 10 leaders of nations are finally given authority to rule at the same time (one hour, figuratively) with the beast.

What are two ways people will be able to know, or identify, this city in the future? [Verse 6 and verse 18.]

1. Responsible for killing God's people who had been loyal to Jesus.

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2. The city will dominate the kings (or, leaders) of the earth.

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**NOTE:** See additional notes below for more ways to identify the city.\*

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\* **NOTE:** There are seven (7) ways you will be able to identify this city in the future:

- 1) influences world trade;
- 2) deceives all nations by its witchcraft and narcotics;
- 3) rules over the leaders of the nations;
- 4) responsible for murdering Christians and Messianic Jews; and,
- 5) causes leaders and people of the nations to be influenced with immoral lust;
- 6) key distributor of pornography, sexual trade, and idolatry;
- 7) it is a seaport city.

**DISCUSSION:** See if you can find in the Book of Revelation where these are mentioned.

Chapter 18 actually describes the fall announced in Chapter 17. Babylon, the great city, will be hit with plagues in one day and burnt with fire. The businessmen of the earth who trade with her, and who are made rich by that commerce, will be sad because in one hour the city loses everything. Why will the city be punished? [See Revelation 18:23, 24.]

Because the blood of prophets and God's people is found in the city.

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NOTE: In verse 23, we see that the city used magic, or sorcery, to deceive the people of the world. Magic in this verse includes drugs (or, [narcotics](#)), sometimes accompanied by witchcraft. We know this because of the original Greek word used for magic (or, sorcery): pharmakeia.

Chapter 19 shows the King of Kings and Lord of Lords appearing from Heaven and the armies of Heaven are with him. [Re. 19:14-16.] The kings (or, the leaders) of the earth and their armies gather together to fight against the Lord and his army.

The beast and the false prophet are thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur; and the armies of the earth are killed with a sharp sword that comes out of the mouth of the Lord. [Revelation 19:19-20.]

In Chapter 20 we see that Satan is bound for 1,000 years - at the end of the 1,000 years he will be loosed for a little while. Those who were killed for the testimony (or, the truth) of Jesus, and for the Word of God, ... and had not worshipped the beast or his image ... and had NOT taken his mark ... live and rule as kings with Christ for 1,000 years.

After the 1,000 years, Satan is loosed a little while to deceive the nations of the world. The armies of the nations surround the city that God loves (Jerusalem), but fire comes down from Heaven and destroys them.

The devil (Satan) will be cast into the lake of fire and sulfur ... where the beast and false prophet already have been for the 1,000 years during which Satan was bound. How long will they all be tormented? [Read Revelation 20:10.]

Day and night forever and ever without end! [Note: in the original Greek language in

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which the New Testament was written, it shows the torment will never cease.]

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Next, is the Great White Throne judgment. Whoever does not have their name in the Book of Life is thrown into the lake of fire. [Read verses 11 through 15 in Revelation Chapter 20.]

Chapter 21 describes a new Heaven and new earth. The holy city, New Jerusalem, comes down out of Heaven.

In Chapter 22, Jesus says, "*Listen, I am coming to you soon!*"

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## LESSON NINE

### [ANSWERS]

# *How to know what's happening today!*

In Lesson 7 you learned God's program, or his master plan of the ages. In Lesson 8 you studied some of the important world events that will happen in the future. In this lesson you will find out what is happening today - that is, what is really happening!

About two days before Jesus died for our sins on the cross, he told the people of Jerusalem that they would not see him again until they say, "God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord." [Matthew 23:39.]

Jesus left and was going away from the Temple where he had been speaking, when his disciples came to him to show him the Temple's buildings. "Yes," Jesus said, "you may well look at all these. I tell you this: not a single stone here will be left in its place: every one of them will be thrown down."

Later, the disciples came to Jesus in private. [See Matthew 24:1-3.] They asked him three questions:

1. "When will all this will be happening?"
2. "What will happen to show that it is time for your coming again?"
3. "What will happen to show that it is the time for the end of the age?"

The disciples were curious. They wanted to know when all this would happen: the Temple being destroyed and Jesus going away until the Jews will say, "God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord."

The Temple was destroyed in the year 70 A.D. by Titus and his Roman soldiers. This was about 40 years after Jesus had warned the people of Jerusalem; and the entire city, as well as the Temple, was destroyed.

But as for the time of the Lord's coming, and of the end of the age, Jesus gave us certain signs to watch for. He answered the disciples questions and told them things that would happen to show when it is time for his coming, and for the end of the age (or, world).

No one knows, however, when that day and hour will come: neither the angels in Heaven, nor the Son (Jesus) ... the Father alone knows. [See Matthew 24:36.]

However, we can know when the time is near, or ready to begin. Read carefully Matthew 24:32-35. How can we know when it is near the time for the Lord to come again to Israel, and for the end of the age, or world? [See verses 33 and 34.]

When we see all these things come to pass. Once they start happening, all these

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things will happen before the people who are now living will die.

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Notice what Jesus said in Matthew 24:34. "All these thing will happen before the people now living have all died." In other words, Jesus was saying that the people who are living in the age when these signs start to happen will see all of them come to pass.

Now what are some of these signs that the Lord Jesus mentioned? What did Jesus say will happen to show that it is the time for his return, and for the end of the age? This is what we want to study in the rest of this lesson.

Immediately after the disciples asked Jesus the three questions, Jesus answered, "Watch out, and do not let anyone fool you." Why did he say this? [See Matthew 24:5.]

Because many would come in His name and say, "I am the Messiah," and fool

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many people.

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Jesus said that there would be battles close by and far away (wars and rumors of wars). Why did Jesus say for us NOT to be troubled? [Verse 6.]

Such things must happen, but they do not mean the end has come.

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In Matthew 24:7, what are four (4) signs which are mentioned?



1. One country will fight another.

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2. One kingdom will attack another.

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3. Famines everywhere.

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4. Earthquakes everywhere.

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Jesus said that these signs mentioned in verse 7 are like the first pains of childbirth. In other words, the end is not yet: the real pains are yet to come.

Read carefully Matthew 24:9-14. Why will the love of many people grow cold? [Verse 12.]

Because of the spread of evil. Sin abounds more and more.

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Where will the Good News about the Kingdom be preached?

Throughout all the world for a witness to all mankind.

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What will happen then? [Matthew 24:14.]

The end will come.

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Remember what we studied in Lesson 8-A, "How to Know the News In Advance?"

Remember the two street preachers who will **proclaim God's message for 3½ years**? Also, remember that there will be a time of great persecution for God's people in the future which will last for **3½ years** [42 months, or 1260 days].

This 3½ year period is the same period of time that Jesus was talking about in Matthew 24:15-35. The prophet Daniel tells us that a world leader will arrive on the scene who will make a **false treaty** with the nation of Israel for seven years. But in the middle of the seven years (with 3½

years left), this world leader (who is the anti-Christ) will go into the Temple and stand in the Holy Place pretending as though he is God.

This is what Jesus was talking about when he said, "You will see 'The Awful Horror' of which the prophet Daniel spoke, [ will be] standing in the holy place." [Matthew 24:15.]

Now remember, the "signs" in verse 7 of Matthew 24 are described as the first pains of childbirth. They tell us that the end is not yet ... BUT NEAR! Jesus is coming SOON!

This is why God's Spirit is moving in Israel today; drawing his chosen people, the Jews, back into their land from the four corners of the earth.

This is why we have wars and hear of wars almost daily. Yes, there have always been wars, but there is an increase in world strife today. Since World War II we have had over 50 major conflicts in the world.

This is why we have famine. Famine (shortage of food, and starvation) is on the increase around the world. The increased population rate coupled with the pollution of our natural resources promises an alarming increase in famine.

This is why we have earthquakes throughout the world. Yes, there have always been earthquakes in history, but the frequency is rising rapidly ... and there is an earthquake coming that will be bigger and more destructive than the world has ever known!

All of these signs tell us what is happening today - Jesus is coming SOON! Your next study (Lesson 10) will be: [\*\*How to Let God Use You!\*\*](#)

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## LESSON TEN

### [ANSWERS]

# *How to let God use you!*

The preacher Paul wrote two letters to the church in the city of Corinth (in Greece). In both letters, Paul appealed to them to be completely united: to work together with only one thought and purpose.

Why did Paul tell the Good News without using the language of man's wisdom? [See 1 Corinthians 1:17.]

That would rob Christ's death on the cross of all its power.

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1 Corinthians 1:18 tells us: "For the message of Christ's death on the cross is:

foolishness . . . or . . . nonsense

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[Write in your answer above]

to those who are being lost; but for us who are being saved, it is:

the power of God."

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Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-28. Notice that:

1. The "message" is foolish [verse 18].
2. The "method" is foolish [verse 21].
3. We (the "messengers") are foolish [verses 26-28].

**NOTICE:**

**IF YOU WANT TO BE USED OF GOD IN A MIGHTY WAY, YOU'VE GOT TO BE WILLING TO BE "FOOLISH" IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD!**

Who then can boast in God's presence? [See 1 Co. 1:29.]

No one.

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In 1 Corinthians 2:1-2, Paul said that he did not use long words and great learning when he came to preach God's secret truth. Why? [See verse 2.]

He made up his mind to forget everything except Jesus Christ, and especially Christ's

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death on the cross.

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Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-9. Notice that there are three kinds of wisdom:

1. Worldly wisdom [verse 6].
2. Satanic wisdom, the powers that rule this world [verses 6, 8].
3. God's secret wisdom [verse 7].

Why cannot the man who does not have God's Spirit (the natural man) receive the gifts that come from God's Spirit? [See 1 Corinthians 2:14.]

They are foolishness to him. He cannot understand them because they must be

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spiritually discerned.

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What proves that some Christians are still children in the faith, or "men of this world?" [1 Corinthians 3:3.]

There is jealousy among them and they quarrel with one another.

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What is God's temple? [1 Corinthians 3:16.] Our body.

In 1 Corinthians 5:9-13, the Holy Bible says you should not associate with immoral people. This does not mean unbelievers - to avoid them you would have to get out of the world completely! What does it mean? [See verse 11.]

A person who says they are a brother or sister in the Lord [saved] but who is immoral

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or greedy, or worships idols, or is a slanderer [gossip] or a drunkard, or lawbreaker.

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DISCUSSION: Why do you think this is so? What would be the result if you did?

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Your body is a part of the body of Christ. Read 1 Corinthians 6:15-20. This is why the Bible warns us to avoid immorality. Every other sin a man commits is without [outside] the body; but the man who commits fornication sins against what? [Answer below.]

His own body.

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Why should we use our bodies for God's glory? [Vs. 19 & 20.]

We do not belong to ourselves, but to God. God bought us with the blood of His Son.

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Our body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. We should glorify God in BOTH our body and

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our spirit.

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Read the command given to married people in 1 Corinthians 7:10-11. A married woman must not leave her husband. What must she do, if she does?

She must remain single, or else be reconciled to her husband.

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What is one way in which we should be careful towards our brothers (and sisters) in the faith? [1 Corinthians 8:9.]

Not to let our freedom of action make those who are weak in the faith fall.

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How should those that preach the Good News get their living? [1 Corinthians 9:1-14.] [See also: Galatians 6:6; Matthew 10:10; 1 Timothy 5:17-18.]

From the Gospel. They should be rewarded by the people to whom they minister.

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Every temptation that has come your way is the kind that normally comes to people. What will God give you at the time you are tempted? [1 Corinthians 10:13.]

The strength to endure the temptation, and He will provide a way out of the

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temptation IF you will take it.

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What is God's chain of command? That is, who is supreme (the head) and then next in command, and so on? [1 Co. 11:3.]

1. God
2. Christ, or Messiah
3. Husband
4. Wife

Chapters 12, 13, and 14 of 1 Corinthians deal with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, their operation, and worship in the church. It would be well for you to read these chapters through several times until you are familiar with them. List the nine gifts of the Spirit which are mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 **on a separate page\***. Keep this extra page in a file with your Bible studies (either file it in a hard-copy [paper] file or in one of your computer files).

**NOTICE:** Answers for this separate page may be found at: **EXTRA 10**.

**\*CAUTION!**

**Do NOT omit this part of the lesson. You will need this information to help you be super-productive for God! And to access THE BEST God has ... so you can help others!**

The Holy Bible says to set your heart on the more important gifts. Best of all, however, is the way of LOVE. Read Chapter 13. Strive for LOVE, and desire spiritual gifts.

Set your heart especially on the gift of [see 1 Corinthians 14:1] [prophecy, or speaking God's message.](#)

But do NOT forbid the [see 1 Corinthians 14:39] [speaking in tongues, or strange sounds.](#)

What is of the greatest importance? [1 Co. 15:3-4.] This is the Gospel, the Good News!

1. Christ died for our sins as written in the scriptures.

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2. He was buried.

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3. He was raised from the dead to life on the third day.

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Why should you always keep busy in your work for the Lord? [1 Co. 15:58.]

Nothing you do in the Lord's work is unproductive. It always produces life and has value.

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You are certain that His work is not without effect.

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How should we do all our work? [1 Corinthians 16:14.]

in love

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Do NOT try to work together as "equals" with those who are unbelievers, for it cannot be done. Why? [Read 2 Corinthians 6:14-18.]

1. Right and wrong cannot be partners.

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2. Light and darkness can't exist together.

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3. Christ and the devil do not agree.

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4. A believer has nothing in common with an unbeliever.

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Congratulations! You have just studied through every book in the New Testament. This is just the beginning of many wonderful experiences you will have in the Word of God!

Remember to share God's Word with those who do not have it. Many people do not know that God loves them and that He sent his Son, Jesus, to die for their sins on the cross ... and that he is ALIVE ... waiting to save them!

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## EXTRA ANSWERS FOR WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS / LESSON 10

### THE NINE GIFTS

1. A word of wisdom.
2. A word of knowledge.
3. Faith.
4. Power to heal.
5. Power to work miracles.
6. Speaking God's message (prophecy).
7. Discernment - ability to tell the difference between gifts that come from the Holy Spirit and those that do not.
8. The ability to speak with other tongues, or sounds. [Tongues.]
9. The ability to explain what the other tongues, or sounds, mean. [Interpretation.]