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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the study of "Now That I Am In Christ, Lessons For Christian Maturity." This series is exactly what the title says -lessons for new Christians or for anyone seeking Christian growth and maturity.

THE DESIGN OF THE SERIES

Each page is a separate phase of development, a part of one's new relationship "In Christ." When completed this series will have covered the basics of a Christian's relationship to God in Christ.

POSSIBLE USES

This series is planned for a variety of uses: (1) A person can use these lessons for his own individual study. (2) They are ideal for once-a-week home-study lessons with new converts. (3) They have been widely used in church Bible class meetings. (4) They have been successfully used as correspondence lessons. (5) They are excellent materials for vacation Bible school or for Bible camp instruction. (6) They are narrated on tape cassettes.

THE DESIGN OF EACH LESSON

Each page is a complete topic broken into six sub-topics. These sub-topics are the skeleton of the lesson with Scripture references to put meat on the bone. In classroom or home-class use the teacher will round out each topic and sub-topic with his own illustrations and applications.

HOW TO PREPARE EACH LESSON

The key-phrase is the key to the use of the lessons. This is a germ-thought that must be extracted from each Scripture reference. It will be a phrase (not the whole verse) taken out of the passage. It will pertain to the sub-topic heading.

FOR INSTANCE

In Lesson 1, "A New Relationship In Christ," the first sub-topic is 1. "I Was Dead In Sin, the Old Relationship Out Of Christ," and the first Scripture is "Romans 3:23." The only part of this verse that will be written is "All have sinned and come short," because this is the part that pertains to the broken fellowship idea described in the sub-topic. Most students write too much of the verse or even the whole verse. The King James Bible is used in all verses. Use the table of contents, if needed, to find unfamiliar Bible books.

CHECKING YOUR WORK

After filling in the key-phrase for each Scripture on one lesson, turn to the answer section in the back to check your work. Here the key-phrase will be in bold-faced type, while the whole passage will be in normal type. If you have missed the correct key-phrase, erase your answer and correct it.

MAKING SKETCHES ON EACH PRECEDING PAGE

The tape narration gives instructions during each lesson for the student to sketch the main idea of each lesson on the empty page before each lesson. This helps to visualize the concepts of each sub-topic and serves as a visual aid in teaching.

THE MAIN THREAD IN THE SERIES

Each lesson stresses that God's will is for our happiness and that sin is poison, because it breaks fellowship with God, the only source of true happiness. This emphasizes the true picture of the Christian life as related to God "in Christ."

GOOD STUDY HABITS

Individuals should use these lessons to build good study skills in regular study sessions. Teachers should use these lessons to develop their own maturity in teaching others. As new Christians are the most eager to learn and the easiest persons to teach, it is hoped that teaching them in home-studies will give each teacher confidence that will enable him to grow into teaching the non-Christian also.

A NEW RELATIONSHIP IN CHRIST

1. I WAS DEAD IN SIN. THE OLD RELATIONSHIP OUT OF CHRIST

Romans 3: 23

Isaiah 59:2

Ephesians 2: 1

Romans 6:1,2

2. BECAUSE OF MY TRUST IN JESUS. I WAS BAPTIZED "INTO" CHRIST

1 Corinthians 15:3

2 Corinthians 5:21

Romans 6: 3, 4

Galatians 3:26,27

3. I NOW ENJOY ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS WHICH ARE "IN" CHRIST

Ephesians 1:3

2 Corinthians 5:17

I John 3:1

2 Timothy 2:10

4. CHRISTIANITY IS A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD IN CHRIST

John 17:3

I John 1:3

Galatians 2:20

2 Timothy 1:12

5. MY SIN IS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN BREAK THIS FELLOWSHIP

I John 1:6

Romans 1:18

Hebrews 2:2

2 Corinthians 6:14

2 Corinthians 6:17

6. I AM IN A NEW RELATIONSHIP TO EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING BECAUSE OF MY NEW RELATIONSHIP TO GOD

2 Corinthians 5:17

Galatians 3:28

Colossians 3:18

Ephesians 6:1

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1. SIN IS THE SOURCE OF ALL UNHAPPINESS

Genesis 4:13
Proverbs 13:15
Romans 7:24
Ephesians 2:12

2. GOD IS THE ONLY SOURCE OF TRUE HAPPINESS

Psalms 42:2
Acts 17:28
Romans 1:28
John 17:3

3. SINS FORGIVEN IN CHRIST IS TRUE HAPPINESS

I John 1:7
Acts 3:19
Acts 8:39
Philippians 4:4

4. GOD'S LOVE MEANS THAT HE DESIRES OUR HAPPINESS

Romans 5:8
Romans 8:31
John 3:16
John 10:10

5. GOD'S HAPPINESS IS SPIRITUAL NOT MATERIAL

John 14:27
Luke 12:15
Luke 12:21
I Timothy 6:10

6. DREAD, FEAR, AND WORRY CANNOT OVERCOME JOY IN CHRIST

Matthew 6:25
Proverbs 3:5
Philippians 4:6
I Peter 5:7

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John 3:5

I Peter 1:23

I Corinthians 3:1

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Psalms 103:13

Matthew 7:11

Romans 8:15

Galatians 4:6

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I John 2:1

I John 1:8

I John 1:9

I John 1:7

4. FOR MY SPIRITUAL GROWTH. I AM IN THE CHURCH. HIS FAMILY

Hebrews 3:6

Ephesians 2:19

Galatians 6:10

I Timothy 3:15

5. I NEED FOOD, EXERCISE, AND FREEDOM FROM DISEASE

I Peter 2:1

I Peter 2:2

Acts 20:32

Hebrews 5:14

6. I GROW DAILY TO BE MORE LIKE GOD, MY FATHER

2 Peter 3:18

2 Peter 1:4

2 Corinthians 3:18

I Corinthians 13:11

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1. GOD SEEKS MY WORSHIP. HE MADE ME FOR HIS COMPANIONSHIP

Psalms 95:6

Genesis 3:8

John 4:23

Luke 22:15

2. EARLY CHRISTIAN WORSHIP WAS STEADFAST. NOT IRREGULAR

Acts 2:42

Hebrews 10:25

Hebrews 13:15

1 Corinthians 15:58

3. WORSHIP BY TRADITION OR HUMAN PREFERENCE IS VAIN OR WORTHLESS

Jeremiah 10:3

Genesis 4:5

John 6:38

Matthew 15:3,6,9

4. TRUE WORSHIP IS "IN SPIRIT" (WITH MY SPIRIT), NOT RITUALISTIC OR CEREMONIAL

John 4:24

Iphilippians 3:3

Matthew 15:8

I Corinthians 10:16

5. "IN TRUTH" MEANS WITHIN GOD'S TRUTH. THE SCRIPTURES

John 17:17

2 John 9

John 8:31

Revelation 22:18

6. I WILL WORSHIP AS BIBLE CHRISTIANS DID IN PREACHING, GIVING, COMMUNING, PRAYING AND SINGING

Acts 2:42

Acts 20:7

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1. BECAUSE I AM MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE. I LONG FOR HIS FELLOWSHIP

Psalms 63:1

I John 1:3

I Corinthians 1:9

Matthew 28:20

2. EARLY CHRISTIANS WERE STRENGTHENED BY CLOSE FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER

Acts 2:44

Acts 4: 32

I Corinthians 12:26

Philippians 2:25

3. THEY WORSHIPED TOGETHER IN A COMMON SPIRIT AND BOND OF LOVE

Acts 2:42

Matthew 18:20

Hebrews 10:24

I Corinthians 10:17

4. THEY WORKED TOGETHER IN THE COMMON CAUSE OF THE GOSPEL

Philippians 1:5

Philippians 4:3

3 John 8

2 Corinthians 12:15

5. THEY SHARED THEIR GOODS AND GAVE TO A COMMON NEED

Acts 11:29

2 Corinthians 9:7

2 Corinthians 8: 3, 4

Philippians 4:15

6. THEY DID NOT FELLOWSHIP THOSE IN EVIL OR IN ERROR

Ephesians 5:11

2 Corinthians 6: 14

Romans 16:17

I Corinthians 5:11

2 John 10

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1. FAITH MEANS BELIEF, TRUST, CONFIDENCE AND RELIANCE IN JESUS AS SAVIOR

Isaiah 26:3

Romans 4:18-21

1 Corinthians 2:5

Ephesians 2:8

2. I CANNOT TRUST MY SINFUL SELF OR MY GOODNESS OR GOOD WORKS

Romans 3:23-26

Galatians 3:11-14

Romans 7:14-24

Romans 4:2-8

3. JESUS DIED AS MY ATONEMENT. TO TAKE MY SINS UPON HIMSELF

Leviticus 16:21, 22

Isaiah 53:4-12

John 1:29

I John 2:2

I Peter 2:24

4. IT IS BY TRUST IN JESUS' DEATH THAT I BEGIN AND CONTINUE IN CHRIST

Romans 5:1, 2

Ii Corinthians 15:1-4

Romans 5:10, 11

Galatians 1:4

5. IF I REALL Y TRUST IN JESUS. I WILL OBEY HIS WORD

Matthew 7:21

Romans 10:16

James 2:24

Hebrews 5:8, 9

6. CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST INSTEAD OF IN MYSELF BRINGS JOY AND SECURITY

1 John 5:13

1 John 1:4

2 Timothy 1:12

Galatians 2:20

Philippians 3:8-10

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I WANT TO BE LIKE HIM

1. IF I CONTINUE IN SIN, I WILL BE OVERCOME BY SIN'S POWER

Romans 6:1

Romans 6:16

John 8:34

2 Timothy 2: 26

2. I CAN REACH A POINT WHERE I CANNOT REPENT OF MY SINS

Hebrews 6:4-6

2 Peter 2:14

Hebrews 10:26-31

1 John 5:16

3. THE DEVIL IS PERSONAL, CRAFTY, AND POWERFUL. ONLY BY GOD'S POWER AND JESUS' BLOOD CAN I OVERCOME HIM

1 Peter 5:8

2 Corinthians 11:3

1 John 4:4

Ephesians 6:10-12

4. IF I BECOME UNFAITHFUL AND DISOBEDIENT, I AM IN WORSE CONDITION THAN BEFORE

2 Peter 2:20

Revelation 3:15-17

Matthew 12:45

Acts 8:18-24

5. THE WORLD IS A POWERFUL INFLUENCE DAILY TO MAKE ME CONFORM

Romans 12:2

2 Corinthians 6:17

1 John 2:15-17

John 17:15

6. GOD LOVES ME. AND JESUS DIED FOR ME. BUT I CAN BE LOST ETERNA

1 Corinthians 9:27

Romans 8:13

1 Corinthians 10: 5, 6

Hebrews 3:12, 13

LESSON 8:
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I NEED HELP:

1. JESUS PLAINLY WARNS THAT TEMPTATIONS WILL CONSTANTLY ENTICE ME:

JOB 2:2:

EPHESIANS 6:16:

JAMES 1:2 and 13-15:

1 PETER 1:6,7:

2. I MUST ADMIT AND CONFESS MY SINS AND AVOID TEMPTATION AREAS:

MATTHEW 6:13:

1 JOHN 1:7-10:

LUKE 18:13:

1 THESSALONIANS 5:22:

3. I NEED THE HELP OF MY CHRISTIAN BRETHERN AND THE STRENGTH OF WORSHIP:

JAMES 5:16:

ACTS 19:18:

ACTS 8:24:

1 CORINTHIANS 11:30:

4. TEMPTATION WILL COME WHEN MY DESIRE IS STRONGEST AND WHEN I AM WEAKEST:

2 SAMUEL 11:2:

MATTHEW 4:2:

2 TIMOTHY 2:22:

1 TIMOTHY 6:9, 10:

5. TEMPATATION IS DISGUISED AS SOMETHING GOOD. THE DEVIL EVEN TWISTS SCRIPTURE:

MATTHEW 4:3:

MATTHEW 4:6:

2 CORINTHIANS 11:13-15:

2 PETER 3:16,17:

6. JESUS IS MY GREAT HIGH PRIEST. WHO KNOWS ALL MY TEMPTATIONS:

HEBREWS 2:17,18:

HEBREWS 4:14-16:

1 CORINTHIANS 10:13:

1 JOHN 2:1:

ROMANS 8:26:

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1. BECAUSE GOD LOVES ME, I LOVE OTHERS. IN THE WAY HE LOVES ME I LOVE OTHERS

1 John 4:8
1 John 4:11
Ephesians 5:1,2
Ephesians 4:32

2. LOVE IS WANTING ANOTHER'S GOOD, NOT BECAUSE HE IS LOVABLE OR BECAUSE OF WHO HE IS

1 Corinthians 10:24
Romans 5:7,8
Matthew 5:44,45
Philippians 2:21

3. LOVE TOPS GOD'S LIST. IT DOES ALL HE WANTS DONE. BY IT, I AM MOST LIKE HIM

Colossians 3:14
Matthew 22:37-40
1 John 4:7,8
1 Peter 4:8

4. TO FAIL TO LOVE ANOTHER IS TO FAIL TO LOVE GOD. THERE IS NO WORSE FAILURE

Matthew 25:40
1 John 4:20
1 John 3:10
1 John 3:14,15

5. I AM HAPPY TO OBEY CHRIST BECAUSE HE LOVES ME AND WANTS MY GOOD

John 14:15
1 John 5:3
1 John 2: 3-5
2 Corinthians 8:8

6. I LOVE FORGIVELY, PATIENTLY, AND UNSELFISHLY WHEN I LOVE LIKE CHRIST

Colossians 3:12,13
1 Corinthians 13:4-7
1 John 3:17,18
John 13:34,35

LESSON 10
IN CHRIST & IN THE CHURCH
I AM IN GOD'S FAMILY

1. GOD'S FAMILY IS THE CHURCH, HIS SPIRITUAL HOUSE MADE UP OF HIS CHILDREN

Ephesians 3: 21

I Timothy 3:5, 15

Ephesians 5:25

Acts 20:28

2. CHRISTIANITY IS COLLECTIVE AS WELL AS INDIVIDUAL, I CANNOT GO IT ALONE

Hebrews 10:24

Romans 14:7, 19

Galatians 6:1, 2

Romans 15:14

3. BY WORSHIPPING, WORKING, AND SHARING TOGETHER, WE GROW TOGETHER IN HIS BODY

Ephesians 4:16

Ephesians 2:21, 22

I Peter 2:5

Colossians 2:19

4. AS MEMBERS OR ORGANS IN HIS BODY, WE HONOR CHRIST, THE HEAD

Ephesians 1:22, 23

Colossians 1:18

Romans 12:4, 5

I Corinthians 12:12

5. THE LOCAL CONGREGATION IS GOD'S PLAN FOR MY SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Acts 14:23

Philippians 1:1

I Corinthians 1:2

I Corinthians 14:23

6. MY LOCAL CHURCH RELATIONSHIP IS THE PRACTICAL WAY I SERVE CHRIST

Ephesians 3:10, 11

Acts 11:26

Acts 9:26

Acts 20:28

LESSON 11
RESPECTING CHRIST'S AUTHORITY
THE WAY I KNOW HIS WILL

1. **AUTHORITY IS THE POWER TO CONTROL, A MOST IMPORTANT AND BASIC MATTER**

Matthew 21:23

Acts 9:14

Matthew 21:25

I Corinthians 14:33

2. **JESUS HAS ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH, MEN'S TEACHINGS HAVE NONE**

Matthew 28:18

Ephesians 1: 21, 22

Matthew 15:3

Matthew 15:9

3. **CHRIST'S APOSTLES WERE GUIDED INTO "ALL TRUTH." IT IS THROUGH THEIR WRITINGS THAT WE KNOW WHAT JESUS REQUIRED**

John 16:13

Matthew 18:18

Ephesians 3: 5

John 20:23

4. **THE SCRIPTURES ARE GOD'S AUTHORITY. I HAVE NOT FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD EXCEPT IT IS BASED UPON THE BIBLE**

2 Timothy 3:16,17

I Corinthians 14:37

I John 4:6

2 John 9, 10

Acts 17:11

5. **SCRIPTURAL AUTHORITY IS OF TWO KINDS: GENERAL AND SPECIFIC: GENERAL AUTHORITY ALLOWS CHOICE, SPECIFIC ALLOWS NO CHOICE**

Deuteronomy 5:32

2 Timothy 2:15

Hebrews 8:5

I Thessalonians 5:21,22

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STEWARDSHIP IN CHRIST
MY TIME, MY JOB, MY MONEY

1. **I AM A STEWARD (CARETAKER), SINCE GOD OWNS ME AND ALL THAT IS MINE**

1 Corinthians 4: 2, 7

Psalms 24:1

Acts 17:25

James 1:17

2. **MY TIME IS GOD'S: I MUST USE IT FRUITFULLY, NOT WASTEFULLY: I AM A STEWARD OF THE GOSPEL**

Ephesians 5:16

2 Corinthians 6:2

Hebrews 3:13

Acts 24:25

3. **I WILL GIVE AN ACCOUNTING OF MY USE OF MY BODY, MIND, AND TALENTS**

Psalms 139:14

I Corinthians 6:19

Romans 12:1

Matthew 25:15

Romans 6:13

4. **I WILL WORK AT MY JOB WHOLEHEARTEDLY AS UNTO CHRIST: BUT IT MUST NEVER COME FIRST BEFORE HIS KINGDOM**

Deuteronomy 8:18

Ephesians 6: 5-9

Colossians 3:22-24

John 6:27

Matthew 6:33

5. **MY GIVING TO CHRIST BY MY LOCAL CHURCH COLLECTIONS IS A VITAL PART OF MY WORSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITY**

Matthew 6:21

Acts 4:32

I Corinthians 16:2

2 Corinthians 9:6

LESSON 13
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1. GOD DESIGNED THE HOME FOR MY HAPPINESS, BUT IT CAN WORK ONLY BY HIS PLAN

Genesis 2:18:

Genesis 2:24:

1 Peter 3:7:

Matthew 12:25:

2. A HUSBAND AND FATHER HAS WEIGHTY RESPONSIBILITIES AS HEAD

1 Samuel 3:13

Ephesians 5:25

Ephesians 6:4

1 Timothy 3: 5

3. A WIFE AND MOTHER HAS THE VITAL ROLE OF QUEEN OF THE HOME

1 Corinthians 7:3-5

Ephesians 5:23

1 Timothy 5:14

Titus 2:4, 5

4. CHILDREN MUST OBEY PARENTS IN THE LORD, THOUGH CHRIST COMES FIRST

Proverbs 22:6

Ephesians 6:1-3

Ecclesiastes 12:1

1 Timothy 4:12

Matthew 10:37

5. MARRIAGE IS FOR LIFE FOR MY HAPPINESS, SWEETER AS THE YEARS GO BY

Romans 7:2, 3

Matthew 19:9

1 Timothy 5:8

Ephesians 5:28-33

LESSON 14
STUDYING THE SCRIPTURES
THE BASIS OF ALL MY GROWTH:

1. GOD FORMERLY SPOKE IN DIFFERENT WAYS, BUT SPEAKS TO ME NOW ONLY THE BIBLE:

Hebrews 1:1, 2:

Romans 10:17:

John 20:30, 31:

2 Timothy 3:16, 17:

2. ALL SCRIPTURE IS INSPIRED: GOD IS SPEAKING THROUGH HIS WORD:

2 Samuel 23:2:

2 Peter 1:21:

1 Thessalonians 2:13:

1 Corinthians 2:13:

3. I MUST STUDY DILIGENTLY AND REGULARLY: OVERCOMING ALL HINDRANCES:

2 Timothy 2:15:

1 Timothy 4:15:

Matthew 13:22:

1 Peter 2:1, 2:

2 Peter 3:18:

4. I MUST "RIGHTLY DIVIDE" THE BIBLE: MAKING THE RIGHT APPLICATION:

Deuteronomy 29:29:

2 Peter 3:16:

2 Corinthians 4:2:

John 1:17:

5. I STUDY TO LIVE AND DO THE WORD. NOT FOR THEORY BUT FOR PRACTICE:

James 1:22:

Matthew 7:21:

James 4:17:

John 12:48:

6. AS I LEARN, I TEACH OTHERS:

Deuteronomy 6:7:

Hebrews 5:12:

2 Timothy 2:2:

1 Timothy 4:16:

LESSON 15
PRAYING IN CHRIST
TALKING TO MY GOD WHO ANSWERS

1. JESUS INVITES AND URGES ME TO ASK GOD AS A CHILD DOES HIS FATHER

Matthew 7:7-11

John 15:7

Ephesians 3:20

Hebrews 4:16

2. GOD ANSWERS MY PRAYERS NOT WITH MIRACLES, BUT WITHIN NATURAL LAWS

James 5:17, 18

I Kings 18:41-45

Philippians 2:27

James 5:15

3. I MUST PRAY IN FAITH. BELIEVING AND NOT DOUBTING

Mark 11:24

James 1:6, 7

Hebrews 11:6

Hebrews 10:22, 23

4. I MUST PRAY ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL. NOT SELFISHLY

2 Corinthians 12:8

James 4:3

Matthew 26:39

John 6:38

5. I MUST PRAY PERSISTENTLY. NOT GROWING DISHEARTENED

Luke 18:1-7

I Thessalonians 5:17

Ephesians 6:18

Hebrews 5:7

6. CONFIDENT PRAYER IS HOW I OVERCOME WORRY, DREAD, AND FEAR

Romans 8:26

Philippians 4:6, 7

Matthew 6:25

Romans 12:12

ANSWER SHEET

NOW THAT I AM IN CHRIST -- LESSONS FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

LESSON 1: A NEW RELATIONSHIP IN CHRIST

1. **Romans 3:23:** "For **all have sinned, and come short** of the glory of God."
Isaiah 59:2: "But **your iniquities have separated between you and your God**, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear ."
Ephesians 2:1: "And you He made alive, who **were dead in trespasses and sins**,"
Romans 6: 1,2: "What shall we say then? **Shall we continue in sin**, that grace may abound? 2: God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?"

2. **1 Corinthians 15:3:** "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that **Christ died for our sins** according to the Scriptures."
2 Corinthians 5:21: "For He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us**, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."
Romans 6:3,4: "Or do you not know that as many of us as were **baptized into Christ Jesus** were baptized **into His death**? **4:**Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."
Galatians 3:26,27: "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. **27:** For as many of you as have been **baptized into Christ have put on Christ**."

3. **Ephesians 1:3:** "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every **spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ**."
2 Corinthians 5:17: "Therefore, if anyone is **in Christ, he is a new creation**; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."
1 John 3:1: "Behold **what manner of love** the Father has bestowed on us, that **we should be called children of God...**"
2 Timothy 2:10: "Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sake, that they may also obtain the **salvation which is in Christ Jesus** with eternal glory."

4. **John 17:3:** "And this is eternal life, that they may **know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ** whom You have sent."
1 John 1:3: "that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly **our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ**."
Galatians 2:20: "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me**; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."
2 Timothy 1:12: For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for **I know whom I have believed** and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

5. **1 John 1:6:** "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth."
Romans 1:18: "For **the wrath of God** is revealed from heaven **against all ungodliness and unrighteousness** of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness."
Hebrews 2:2: "For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and **every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense** of reward."
2 Corinthians 6:14: "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For **what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness?** And what communion has light with darkness?"
2 Corinthians 6:17: "Therefore **“Come out from among them And be separate**, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.”

6. **2 Corinthians 5:17:** "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, **all things have become new**."
Galatians 3:28: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for **you are all one in Christ Jesus**."
Colossians 3:18: "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, **as it is fit in the Lord**."
Ephesians 6:1: "Children, obey your parents **in the Lord**: for this is right."

ANSWER SHEET
NOW THAT I AM IN CHRIST - LESSONS FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

LESSON 2: *TRUE HAPPINESS IN CHRIST*

1. **Genesis 4:13:** "And Cain said unto the Lord, **My punishment is greater than I can bear.**"
Proverbs 13:15: "Good understanding giveth favour: **but the way of the transgressors is hard.**"
Romans 7:24: "**O wretched man that I am!** who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"
Ephesians 2:12: "That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, **having no hope, and without God in the world.**"

2. **Psalms 42:2:** "**My soul thirsteth for God,** for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?"
Acts 17:28: "For **in Him we live, and move, and have our being;** as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring."
Romans 1:28: "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, **God gave them over to a reprobate mind,** to do those things which are not convenient."
John 17:3: "And **this is life eternal,** that they might **know Thee the only true God,** and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

3. **I John 1:7:** "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."
Acts 3:19: "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, **that your sins may be blotted out,** when the times of **refreshing** shall come from the presence **of the Lord.**"
Acts 8:39: "And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: **and he went on his way rejoicing.**"
Philippians 4:4: "**Rejoice in the Lord alway:** and again I say, Rejoice."

4. **Romans 5:8:** "But **God commendeth his love toward us,** in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
Romans 8:31: "What shall we then say to these things? **If God be for us, who can be against us?**"
John 3:16: "For **God so loved the world,** that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
John 10:10: "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: **I am come that they might have life,** and that they might have it **more abundantly.**"

5. **John 14:27:** "Peace I leave with you, **my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth,** give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."
Luke 12:15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: **for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance** of the things which he possesseth."
Luke 12:21: "So is he that layeth up **treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.**"
I Timothy 6:10: "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and **pierced themselves through with many sorrows.**"

6. **Matthew 6:25:** "Therefore I say unto you, **take no thought for your life,** what you shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?"
Proverbs 3:5: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and **lean not unto thine own understanding.**"
Philippians 4:6: "**Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer** and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."
I Peter 5:7: "**Casting all your care upon Him,** for he careth for you."

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LESSON 3: *GROWING IN CHRIST*

1. **John 3:5:** "Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit**, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."
I Peter 1:23: "**Being born again**, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, **by the word of God**, which liveth and abideth for ever."
I Corinthians 3:1: "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto **babes in Christ**."
Philippians 3:13: "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, **forgetting those things which are behind**, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. . ."
2. **Psalms 103:13:** "**Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him**."
Matthew 7:11: "**If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children**, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"
Romans 8:15: "For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear, but **ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father**."
Galatians 4:6: "And **because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts**, crying Abba, Father."
3. **I John 2:1:** "My little children, **these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin**, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."
I John 1:8: "**If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves**, and the truth is not in us."
I John 1:9: "**If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins**, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
I John 1:7: "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin**."
4. **Hebrews 3:6:** "But **Christ as a son over His own house, whose house are we**, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end."
Ephesians 2:19: "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but **fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God**."
Galatians 6:10: "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, **especially unto them who are of the household of faith**."
I Timothy 3:15: "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the **house of God, which is the church of the living God**, the pillar and ground of the truth."
5. **I Peter 2:1:** "Wherefore **laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings**."
1 Peter 2:2: "As **newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word that ye may grow thereby**."
Acts 20:32: "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, **and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up**, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."
Hebrews 5:14: "But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, **who by reason of use have their senses exercised** to discern both good and evil."
6. **2 Peter 3:18:** "**But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."
2 Peter 1:4: "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that **by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."
2 Corinthians 3:18: "**But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory** even as by the Spirit of the Lord."
I Corinthians 13:11: "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a **child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things**."

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LESSON 4: *WORSHIP IN CHRIST*

1. Psalms 95:6: "**O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our maker.**"
Genesis 3:8: "**And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden.**"
John 4:23: "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth, **for the Father seeketh such to worship him.**"
Luke 22:15: "And he said unto them, **With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer.**"
2. Acts 2:42: "**And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.**"
Hebrews 10:25: "**Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another, and so much the more as ye see the day approaching.**"
Hebrews 13:15: "By him therefore **let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.**"
I Corinthians 15:58: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, **be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.**"
3. Jeremiah 10:3: "**For the customs of the people are vain, for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe.**"
Genesis 4:5: "**But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect.** And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell."
John 6:38: "**For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.**"
Matthew 15:3, 6, 9: "But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also **transgress the commandment** of God by your tradition? **6: And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. 9: But in vain they do worship me,** teaching for doctrines the commandments of men."
4. John 4:24: "God is a spirit, and they that worship him **must worship him in spirit and in truth.**"
Philippians 3:3: "For we are the circumcision, **which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.**"
Matthew 15:8: "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, **and honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.**"
1 Corinthians 10:16: "**The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?**"
5. John 17:17: "Sanctify them through thy truth, **thy word is truth.**"
2 John 9: "Whosoever transgresseth, **and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God.** He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son."
John 8:31: "Then Jesus said to those Jews which believed on him, **If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed.**"
Revelation 22:18: "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, **If any man add** unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book. **19: And if any man shall take away** from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."
6. Acts 2:42: "**And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.**"
Acts 20:7: "And upon the **first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread,** Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow, and continued his speech until midnight."
Colossians 3:16: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, **singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.**"
I Corinthians 16:2: "**Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.**"

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LESSON 5: *FELLOWSHIP IN CHRIST*

1. Psalms 63:1: "O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee, my soul thirsteth for thee, **my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is.**"
I John 1:3: "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us, and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ."
I Corinthians 1:9: "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord."
Matthew 28:20: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."
2. Acts 2:44: "And all that believed were together, and had all things common."
Acts 4:32: "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul, **neither said any of them that ought of the things which he possessed was his own, but they had all things common.**"
I Corinthians 12:26: "And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it, **or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.**"
Philippians 2:25: "Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, **but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.**"
3. Acts 2:42: "And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, **and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.**"
Matthew 18:20: "For where two or three are gathered together **in my name**, there am I in the midst of them."
Hebrews 10:24: "and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works."
I Corinthians 10:17: "For we being many are one bread, and one body, for we are all partakers of that one bread."
4. Philippians 1:5: "For your fellowship in the gospel **from the first day until now.**"
Philippians 4:3: "And I entreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life."
3 John 8: "We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth."
2 Corinthians 12:15: "And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you, **though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved.**"
5. Acts 11:29: "Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea."
2 Corinthians 9:7: "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, **not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.**"
2 Corinthians 8:3, 4: "For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves, **4: Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.**"
Philippians 4:15: "Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving but ye only."
6. Ephesians 5:11: "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, **but rather** reprove them."
2 Corinthians 6:14: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: **for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"**
Romans 16:17: "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them."
1 Corinthians 5:11: "But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner, with such a one no not to eat."
2 John 10: "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

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LESSON 6: FAITH IN CHRIST

1. **Isaiah 26:3:** "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."
Romans 4:18—21: "Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. **19:** And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: **20: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief,** but was strong in faith, giving glory to God, **21: And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."**
I Corinthians 2:5: "That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."
Ephesians 2:8: "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God."
2. **Romans 3:23—26:** "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, **24: Being justified freely by his grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: **25:** Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God, **26:** To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness, that **he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus."**
Galatians 3:11 — 14: "But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, is evident: for the just shall live by faith. **12:** And the law is not of faith but **the man that doeth them shall live in them. 13: Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law,** being made a curse for us: Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: **14:** That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
Romans 7:14—24: "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, **sold under sin. 15:** For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. **16:** If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. **17:** Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. **18: For I know that in me dwelleth no good thing:** for to will is present with me, but how to perform that which is good I find not. **19:** For the good that I would I do not, but the evil which I would not, that I do. **20:** Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. **21:** I find then a law that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. **22:** For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: **23:** But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. **24: O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me** from the body of this death?"
Romans 4:2—8: "For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory, but not before God. **3:** For what saith the scripture? **Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness. 4:** Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt. **5:** But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. **6:** Even as **David** also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works, **7:** Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered. **8: Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin."**
3. **Leviticus 16:21, 22:** "And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: **22:** And the **goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited:** and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness."
Isaiah 53:4—12: "Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. **5: But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities:** the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. **6:** All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way, and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. **7:** He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. **8:** He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of

my people was he stricken. **9:** And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. **10:** Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him, he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand. **11:** He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many for he shall **bear their iniquities.** **12:** Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors, and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”

- John 1:29:** “The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, **Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.**”
- I John 2:2:** “**And he is the propitiation for our sins** (appeasement, satisfaction): and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”
- I Peter 2:24:** “**Who his own self bare our sins** bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.”
4. **Romans 5:1, 2:** “Therefore **being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.**”
- I Corinthians 15:1—4:** “Moreover, brethren, **I declare unto you the gospel** which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, **and wherein ye stand;** **2:** By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. **3:** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; **4:** And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”
- Romans 5:10, 11:** “**For if when we were enemies** we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. **11: And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.**”
- Galatians 1:4:** “**Who gave Himself for our sins that He might deliver us from this present evil world,** according to the will of God and our Father.”
5. **Matthew 7:21:** “**Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord,** shall enter into the kingdom of heaven but he that **doeth the will of my Father** which is in heaven.”
- Romans 10:16:** “**But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?**”
- James 2:24:** “**Ye see then how that by works** a man is justified, **and not by faith only.**”
- Hebrews 5:8, 9:** “**Though he were a Son,** yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; **9:** And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him.”
6. **I John 5:13:** “These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; **that ye may know that ye have eternal life,** and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.”
- 1 John 1:4:** **And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full.**”
- 2 Timothy 1:12:** For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: **for I know whom** I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.”
- Galatians 2:20:** **I am crucified with Christ,** nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and **the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith** of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”
- Philippians 3:8—10:** **Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss** for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, **9:** And be found in him, not having mine **own righteousness** which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: **10: That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection,** being made conformable unto his death.”

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LESSON 7: *PURITY IN CHRIST*

1. **Romans 6:1:** "What shall we say then? **Shall we continue in sin**, that grace may abound? **2:** God forbid. **How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?"**
Romans 6:16: "Know ye not, **that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are whom ye obey**; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"
John 8:24: "Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **Whosoever committeth sin is the bondservant of sin.**"
2 Timothy 2:26: "**And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil**, who are taken captive by him at his will."
2. **Hebrews 6:4—6:** "**For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened**, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, **5:** And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, **6:** If they shall fall away, **to renew them again unto repentance**; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame."
2 Peter 2:14: "Having eyes full of adultery, **and that cannot cease from sin**; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices, cursed children."
Hebrews 10:26—31: "For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, **there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, 27:** But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. **28:** He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: **29:** Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? **30:** For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. **31: It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.**"
1 John 5:16: "If any man see his brother sin a sin which is not unto death, he shall ask and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. **There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.**"
3. **1 Peter 5:8:** "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as **a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour.**"
2 Corinthians 11:3: "But I fear, lest by any means, **as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty**, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."
1 John 4:4: "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: **because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.**" (v. 2: Spirit of God)
Ephesians 6:10-12: "Finally, my brethren, **be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. 11:** Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. **12:** For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."
4. **2 Peter 2:20:** "For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, **the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.**"
Revelation 3:15-17: "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: **I would thou wert cold or hot. 16:** So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, **I will spue thee out of my mouth. 17:** Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."

- Matthew 12:45:** "Then goeth he and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there, **and the last state of that man is worse than the first.** Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation."
- Acts 8:18—24:** "And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, 19: Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. 20: But Peter said unto him, thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money. 21: Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God. 22: Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. 23: For I perceive that **thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.**"
5. **Romans 12:2:** "**And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed** by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."
- 2 Corinthians 6:17:** "Wherefore **come out from among them, and be ye separate,** saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you."
- I John 2:15—17:** "**Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world,** the love of the Father is not in him. 16: For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17: And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever."
- John 17:15:** "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, **but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil one.**"
6. **I Corinthians 9:27:** "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: **lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.**"
- Romans 8:13:** "**For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die,** but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live."
- I Corinthians 10:5,6:** "**But with many of them God was not well pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.** 6: Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted."
- Hebrews 3:12, 13:** "Take heed, brethren, lest **there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.** 13: But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today, **lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.**"

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LESSON 8: *OVERCOMING TEMPTATIONS IN CHRIST*

1. **Job 2:2:** "And the Lord said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the Lord and said, **From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.**"
- Ephesians 6:16:** "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith **ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.**"
- James 1:2&13—15:** "My brethren, **count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;** 13: Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man; 14: **But every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.** 15: Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin, and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."
- I Peter 1:6, 7:** "Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, **ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations;** 7: That the trial of your faith being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, **though it be tried with fire,** might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ."

2. **Matthew 6:13:** "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever."
- I John 1:7—10:** "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. **8:** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. **9: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** **10:** If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar and his word is not in us."
- Luke 18:13:** "And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, **God be merciful to me a sinner.**"
- I Thessalonians 5:22:** "Abstain from all appearance of evil."
3. **James 5:16:** "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."
- Acts 19:18:** "And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds."
- Acts 8:24:** "Then answered Simon and said, **pray ye to the Lord for me**, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me."
- 1 Corinthians 11:30:** "For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep."
4. **2 Samuel 11:2:** "And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and **from the roof he saw a woman washing herself;** and the woman was **very beautiful to look upon.**"
- Matthew 4:2:** "And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward ahungred."
- 2 Timothy 2:22:** "Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart."
- 1 Timothy 6:9, 10:** "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. **10: For the love of money is the root of all evil:** which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."
5. **Matthew 4:3:** "And when the tempter came to him he said, If thou be the Son of God, **command that these stones be made bread.**"
- Matthew 4:6:** "And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: **for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee:** and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone."
- 2 Corinthians 11:13 — 15:** "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, **transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.** 14: And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an ange of light. 15: Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be **transformed as the ministers of righteousness;** whose end shall be according to their works."
- 2 Peter 3:16, 17:** "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things in which are some things hard to be understood, **which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures,** unto their own destruction. **17:** Ye therefore beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness."
6. **Hebrews 2:17, 18:** "Wherefore in all things it behooved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. **18:** For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, **he is able to succour them that are tempted.**"
- Hebrews 4:14-16:** "Seeing then that we have a great high priest that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. **15:** For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but **was in all points tempted like as we are,** yet without sin. **16:** Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."
- I Corinthians 10:13:** "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, **but will with the temptation also make a way to escape,** that ye may be able to bear it."
- I John 2:1:** "My little children, these things write I unto you that ye sin not. And **if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.**"
- Romans 8:26:** "Likewise **the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities:** for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered."

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LESSON 9: *LOVE OF BRETHREN IN CHRIST*

1. **I John 4:8:** "He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love."
I John 4:11: "Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another."
Ephesians 5:1,2: "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children, 2: and walk in love, as Christ **also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.**"
Ephesians 4:32: "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."
2. **I Corinthians 10:24:** "Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth." (**his neighbor's good**)
Romans 5:7, 8: "For scarcely for a righteous man will one die, **yet peradventure** for a good man some would even dare to die. 8: But God commendeth his love toward us in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
Matthew 5:44, 45: "**But I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; 45: that you may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.**"
Philippians 2:21: "For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's."
3. **Colossians 3:14:** "**And** above-all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness."
Matthew 22:37—40: "**Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38: This is the first and great commandment. 39: And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**"
I John 4:7, 8: "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. 8: He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love."
I Peter 4:8: "**And** above all things have fervent charity among yourselves, for charity shall cover the multitude of sins."
4. **Matthew 25:40:** "**And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.**"
I John 4:20: "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?"
I John 3:10: "In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: **whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.**"
I John 3:14, 15: "**We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. 15: Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.**"
5. **John 14:15:** "If ye love me, keep my commandments."
I John 5:3: "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: **and his commandments are not grievous.**"
1 John 2:3—5: "And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. 4: He **that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments is a liar and the truth is not in him. 5: But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.**"
2 Corinthians 8:8: "I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love."
6. **Colossians 3:12, 13:** "**Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; 13: Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.**"
I Corinthians 13:4-7: "**Charity suffereth long, and is kind, charity envieth not, charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, 5: Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, 6: Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; 7: Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.**"
I John 3:17, 18: "**But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 18: My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.**"
John 13:34, 35: "**A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another, as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. 35: By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.**"

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LESSON 10: *IN CHRIST AND IN THE CHURCH*

1. **Ephesians 3:21:** "Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end."
I Timothy 3:5, 15: "For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God? **15:** But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."
Ephesians 5:25: "Husbands, love your wives, even as **Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it.**"
Acts 20:28: "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, **to feed the church of God which he hath purchased with his own blood.**"
2. **Hebrews 10:24:** "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works."
Romans 14:7, 19: "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. **19:** Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."
Galatians 6:1,2: "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself lest thou also be tempted. **2:** Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ."
Romans 15:14: "And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that **ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.**"
3. **Ephesians 4:16:** "From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."
Ephesians 2:21, 22: "In whom all the building **fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22:** In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit."
I Peter 2:5: "Ye also as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."
Colossians 2:19: "And not holding the Head, from which **all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.**"
4. **Ephesians 1:22, 23:** "And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the **head over all things to the church, 23: Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.**"
Colossians 1:18: "And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, **that in all things he might have the preeminence.**"
Romans 12:4, 5: "For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office, **5:** So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another."
I Corinthians 12:12: "For as the body is one, and hath many members and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ."
5. **Acts 14:23:** "And when they had **ordained them elders in every church**, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed."
Philippians 1:1: "Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, **to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons.**"
I Corinthians 1:2: "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours."
I Corinthians 14:23: "If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?"
6. **Ephesians 3:10, 11:** "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places **might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, 11: According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord,**"
Acts 11:26: "And when he had found him he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass that a whole year **they assembled themselves with the church and taught much people.** And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."

Acts 9:26: "And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, **he assayed to join himself to the disciples:** but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple."

Acts 20:28: "**Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers,** to feed the church of God which he hath purchased with his own blood."

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LESSON 11: *RESPECTING CHRIST'S AUTHORITY*

1. **Matthew 21:23:** "And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching and said, **By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?"**

Acts 9:14: "And here **he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.**"

Matthew 21:25: "**The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven or of men?** And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven, he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?"

I Corinthians 14:33: "**For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace,** as in all churches of the saints."
2. **Matthew 28:18:** "And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, **All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.**"

Ephesians 1:21, 22: "**Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named,** not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: **22:** And **hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church.**"

Matthew 15:3: "But he answered and said unto them, **Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?"**

Matthew 15:6,9: "And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. **Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition. 9:** **But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.**"
3. **John 16:13:** "Howbeit **when he, the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth:** for he shall not speak of himself, but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak and he will shew you things to come."

Matthew 18:18: "Verily I say unto you, **Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, & whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.**"

Ephesians 3:5: "Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, **as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit.**"

John 20:23: "**Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them, and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.**"
4. **2 Timothy 3:16, 17:** "**All scripture is given by inspiration of God,** and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17:** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."

I Corinthians 14:37: "If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge **that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.**"

1 John 4:6: "We are of God: **He that knoweth God heareth us;** he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error."

2 John 9, 10: "**Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He** that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. **10:** If there come any unto you and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed."

Acts 17:11: "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, **and searched the scriptures daily whether those things were so.**"
5. **Deuteronomy 5:32:** "Ye shall observe to do therefore as the Lord your God hath commanded you: **ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.**"

2 Timothy 2:15: "**Study to shew thyself approved unto God,** a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth.**"

Hebrews 8:5: "Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for See, saith he, **that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.**"

I Thessalonians 5:21, 22: "**Prove all things, hold fast that which is good. 22:** Abstain from all appearance of evil."

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LESSON 12: STEWARDSHIP IN CHRIST

1. I Corinthians 4:2, 7: "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. 7: For who maketh thee to differ from another? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory as if thou hadst not received it?"
Psalms 24:1: "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein."
Acts 17:25: "Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed anything, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things."
James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."
2. Ephesians 5:16: "Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."
2 Corinthians 6:2: "(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the day of salvation.)"
Hebrews 3:13: "But exhort one another daily while it is called Today, lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin."
Acts 24:25: "And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time, when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee."
3. Psalms 139:14: "I will praise thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well."
I Corinthians 6:19: "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?"
Romans 12:1: "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."
Matthew 25:15: "And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability, and straightway took his journey."
Romans 6:13: "Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God."
4. Deuteronomy 8:18: "But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is to this day."
Ephesians 6:5—9: "Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ; 6: Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers, but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, 7: With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men, 8: Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free. 9: And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening, knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him."
Colossians 3:22—24: "Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eye-service as menpleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing God. 23: And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily as to the Lord, and not unto men; 24: Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ."
John 6:27: "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed."
Matthew 6:33: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."
5. Matthew 6:21: "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
Acts 4:32: "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that aught of the things which he possessed was his own, but they had all things common."
1 Corinthians 16:2: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."
2 Corinthians 9:6: "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

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LESSON 13: MY FAMILY RESPONSIBILITIES

1. **Genesis 2:18:** "And the Lord God said, **It is not good that the man should be alone, I will make him an help meet for him.**"
Genesis 2:24: "Therefore shall a man **leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife, and they shall be one flesh.**"
I Peter 3:7: "Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, **and as being heirs together of the grace of life**, that your prayers be not hindered."
Matthew 12:25: "And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, **and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand.**"
2. **I Samuel 3:13:** "For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth, **because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.**" (his sons were Hophni & Phinehas)
Ephesians 5:25: "Husbands, love your wives, even as **Christ also loved the church and gave himself for it.**"
Ephesians 6:4: "And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but **bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.**"
I Timothy 3:5: "For if a man know not **how to rule his own house**, how shall he take care of the church of God?"
3. **I Corinthians 7:3—5:** "**Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence, and likewise also the wife unto the husband.** **4:** The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband, and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. **5:** Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer, and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your in-continency."
Ephesians 5:23: "For **the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church**, and he is the saviour of the body."
I Timothy 5:14: "I will therefore that the younger women **marry, bear children, guide the house**, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully."
Titus 2:4, 5: "That they **may teach the young women to be sober**, to love their husbands, to love their children, **5:** to be discreet, chaste, **keepers at home**, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed."
4. **Proverbs 22:6:** "**Train up a child in the way he should go**, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."
Ephesians 6:1-3: "**Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.** **2:** Honour thy father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise, **3:** That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth."
Ecclesiastes 12:1: "**Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth**, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."
I Timothy 4:12: "**Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers**, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."
Matthew 10:37: "**He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me**, and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."
5. **Romans 7:2, 3:** "For the woman which hath an husband is bound **by the law to her husband so long as he liveth**, but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. **3:** So then if, while her husband liveth, she is married to another man she shall be called an adulteress, but if her husband be dead she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man."
Matthew 19:9: "And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, **and shall marry another, committeth adultery**, and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery."
I Timothy 5:8: "But **if any provide not for his own**, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."

Ephesians 5:28—33: "So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. **29:** For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: **30:** For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. **31:** For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. **32:** This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. **33:** Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself, and the wife see that she reverence her husband."

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LESSON 14: *STUDYING THE SCRIPTURES*

1. **Hebrews 1:1,2:** "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, **2:** **Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son**, by whom also he made the worlds."

Romans 10:17: "So then **faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.**"

John 20:30, 31: "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: **31: But these are written that ye might believe** that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name."

2 Timothy 3:16, 17: "All **scripture is given by inspiration of God**, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: **17:** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."
2. **2 Samuel 23:2:** "**The Spirit of the Lord spake by me, and his word was in my tongue.**"

2 Peter 1:21: "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man, **but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**"

I Thessalonians 2:13: "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it **not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God**, which effectually worketh also in you that believe."

I Corinthians 2:13: "Which things also we speak, **not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth**, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth, comparing spiritual things with spiritual."
3. **2 Timothy 2:15:** "**Study to show thyself approved unto God**, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

I Timothy 4:15: "**Meditate upon these things, give thyself wholly to them**, that thy profiting may appear to all."

Matthew 13:22: "He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word, **and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word**, and he becometh unfruitful."

1 Peter 2:1,2: "Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, **2:** **As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may grow thereby.**"

2 Peter 3:18: "**But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.** To him be glory both now and for ever."
4. **Deuteronomy 29:29:** "**The secret things belong unto the Lord our God:** but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law."

2 Peter 3:16: "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as **they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.**"

2 Corinthians 4:2: "But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, **nor handling the word of God deceitfully**, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God."

John 1:17: "**For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.**"
5. **James 1:22:** "**But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only**, deceiving your own selves."

Matthew 7:21: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, **but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.**"

James 4:17: "Therefore **to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.**"

John 12:48: "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: **the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.**"

6. **Deuteronomy 6:7:** "**And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children**, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."
- Hebrews 5:12:** "For **when for the time ye ought to be teachers**, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God, and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat."
- 2 Timothy 2:2:** "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, **the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.**"
- I Timothy 4:16:** "**Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine**, continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee."

ANSWER SHEET NOW THAT I AM IN CHRIST - LESSONS FOR CHRISTIAN MATURITY

LESSON 15: *PRAYING IN CHRIST*

1. **Matthew 7:7—11:** "**Ask, and it shall be given you**, seek, and ye shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you. **8:** For every one that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. **9:** Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? **10:** Of if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? **11:** If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

John 15:7: "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, **ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you.**"

Ephesians 3:20: "**Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think**, according to the power that worketh in us."

Hebrews 4:16: "**Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace**, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."
2. **James 5:17,18:** "Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, **and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain:** and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. **18:** And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth brought forth her fruit."

I Kings 18:41 —45: "And Elias said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink, for there is a sound of abundance of rain. **42:** So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel, and he cast himself down upon the earth and put his face between his knees, **43:** And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up and looked, and said, There is nothing. And he said, Go again seven times. **44:** And it came to pass at the seventh time that he said, Behold, **there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand.** And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare thy chariot, and get thee down, that the rain stop thee not. **45:** And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode and went to Jezreel."

Philippians 2:27: "**For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him**, and not on him only, but on me also lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow."

James 5:15: "**And the prayer of faith shall save the sick**, and the Lord shall raise him up, and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."
3. **Mark 11:24:** "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, **when ye pray, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them.**"

James 1:6, 7: "But **let him ask in faith, nothing wavering.** For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. **7:** For **let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord.**"

Hebrews 11:6: "**But without faith it is impossible to please him**, for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Hebrews 10:22, 23: "**Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith**, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. **23:** Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering."

4. **2 Corinthians 12:8:** "**For this thing I besought the Lord thrice**, that it might depart from me."
James 4:3: "**Ye ask and receive not because ye ask amiss**, that ye may consume it upon your lusts."
Matthew 26:39: "And he went a little farther, and fell on his face and prayed saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless **not as I will, but as thou wilt.**"
John 6:38: "**For I came down from heaven not to do mine own will** but the will of Him that sent mi
5. **Luke 18:1—7:** "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, **that men ought always to pray and not to faint**; **2:** Saying, there was in a city a judge which feared not God, neither regarded man, **3:** And there was a widow in that city and she came unto him saying, Avenge me of mine adversary. **4:** And he would not for a while, but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God nor regard man; **5:** Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her lest by her continual coming she weary me. **6:** And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith. **7:** And shall not God avenge his own elect which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?"
I Thessalonians 5:17: "**Pray without ceasing.**"
Ephesians 6:18: "**Praying always with all prayer and supplication** in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints."
Hebrews 5:7: "Who in the days of his flesh when he had offered up **prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears** unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared."
6. **Romans 8:26:** "Likewise **the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities** for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered."
Philippians 4:6, 7: "**Be careful for nothing, but in every thing by prayer and supplication** with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. **7:** And the peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."
Matthew 6:25: "Therefore I say unto you, **Take no thought for your life what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink**, nor for your body what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?"
Romans 12:12: "Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, **continuing instant in prayer.**"