



New Life Christian Growth Series

“Christianity 101”

Booklet #1

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General Instructions:

1. Please fill in the blanks on the following pages using a King James Version of the Bible. Please read the detailed instructions for the individual lessons on page 6 before you begin to put pen to paper. NOTE: The individual lessons are designed to be completed daily so you can meditate on the material.
2. When you are done, return the **Review Section (Pages 35-36) of this booklet** to the address provided below. Keep the rest of this Booklet (Pages 1-34) for your own use. Review Sections returned less than 30 days from the time it was mailed, will not be accepted. Please spend time with the Lord in prayer and ask Him to help you learn the material.
3. As soon as we receive your completed review pages, we will grade it and send it back to you, along with Booklet #2 in the Series.
4. When you have completed all three booklets in the "Christianity 101" Series, we will send you a certificate of completion.

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Mountain State Ministries was started in January of 2017 to continue the legacy of Country Wide Prison Ministry. CWPM's purpose was to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to prison inmates and their families, and to edify them through the teaching of the Word of God through Bible correspondence courses. MSM will continue this legacy and expand the Bible correspondence courses to anyone in world via the internet. This will provide anyone the opportunity to study God's word, become more closely imitate with Jesus, and be more sensitive and obedient to God's Holy Spirit. Our goal is to Exalt the King and to Expand the Kingdom!

Ray Witmer Jr., author of this Bible study curriculum, founded Country Wide Prison Ministry in 2003. His New Life Christian Growth Series has been administered to thousands of prison inmates throughout every state in the Union. Mr. Witmer retired due to health issues on 1 January 2017, and has provided Mountain State Ministries all rights to continue his legacy.

We are very grateful and appreciate Brother Ray's heart for God and his willingness to let us use this resource to spread God's Word among this generation of people.

“Verily, Verily, I say to you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.” John 12:24

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******* INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR BIBLE LESSONS *******

- A. The Bible verses used in this study are taken from the King James Version of the Bible, translated out of the original tongues with the former translation diligently compared and revised.
- B. Before doing each lesson, take time to ask God to open your understanding and show you the truth.
- C. For the best results, do only one lesson each day (There are four weeks of lessons per book).
- D. Keep in mind that these lessons are based on what the Bible says and not on man's opinion.
- E. These lessons are designed to help you to know the truth, to know the Lord in a personal way, and to trust what the Bible says and teaches you.
- F. Remember, it is not what you, I, or any preacher says, but what the Bible says.
- G. You must learn to stand on what the Bible says to “study to show yourself approved unto God, workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (II Timothy 2:15).
- H. Who wrote the Bible? (II Peter 1:21)
- I. All Scripture is inspired by God (II Timothy 3:16).
- J. Regardless of what man says, the believer (Christian) has direct access to the throne of God and is responsible directly to God. This access is through Jesus Christ and Him only (I Timothy 2:5).
- K. These studies are to help you have peace of mind (Isaiah 26:3-4).
- L. These studies will help you know if you are going to Heaven or Hell (Romans 10:13).
- M. These lessons will help you with assurance and security; these are not the same. The securing of the believer is God's work; It is a part of God's great work of Salvation depending solely upon His infinite grace. Assurance is the believer's acceptance of the security provided for him in Christ; It is the result of the human soul resting in what God has promised in His Word to accomplish. This is why it is important to know what the Bible says (I John 5:11-13).



TAKE TIME TO READ BELOW BEFORE
DOING THIS LESSON

Meditate on the Scriptures of this Lesson and
Ask Yourself These Questions:

1. What do these verses teach me about God and myself?
2. Is there an example here to follow or avoid?
3. Is there a command, a promise, or a warning that I need to apply?
4. What action do I need to take to align my life with this truth?



The Bible is the Word of God

WE ARE ALL SINNERS
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Lesson #1

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The Bible says that we are all as an _____, and all of our _____ are as filthy _____ (Isaiah 64:6).

For _____ have _____, and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23).

As it is written, There is _____, no, not one (Romans 3:10).

What God says: I must be _____ (John 3:7).

To be saved or born again I must _____ upon the _____ of the _____ (Romans 10:13).

Before I was saved, I was like a sheep going _____ (Isaiah 53:6).

Before I was saved, I was a _____ (Romans 5:8).

What did Christ do for me? _____ (Romans 5:8).

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the _____ (Romans 5:6).

God says that you were _____ in trespasses and sin (Ephesians 2:1).

As an unbeliever, you were condemned because you did not believe in the _____ of the only begotten _____ of God (John 3:18).

Before you were saved, who was your father? _____ (John 8:44).

The _____ (unsaved) shall be turned in to Hell, and all the nations that _____ God (Psalm 9:17).

Through one man, sin _____ the world (Romans 5:12).

Your human nature (heart) is _____ above all things, and _____ (Jeremiah 17:9).

Today's Bible reading is II Corinthians 5:17:

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature:
old things are passed away behold all things are become new.

DEMAND FOR A NEW BIRTH
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Lesson #2

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After I am saved, God says: And their sins and iniquities will I _____
_____ (Hebrews 10:17).

When I become saved, the Bible says that I put off the _____ and put on the _____
_____ (Ephesians 4:22-24).

The Bible says when I become saved, I am a new _____: old things are passed away; behold,
_____ are become new (II Corinthians 5:17).

Not by _____ of righteousness which _____ have done, but according to His
_____ He saved us (Titus 3:5).

Knowing that man is not _____ by the works of the law, but by the _____
of Jesus Christ (Galatians 2:16).

The Bible says that we must die to ourselves that we can bring forth much _____ (John 12:24).

Forasmuch as you know that you were not _____ with corruptible things, as silver and gold. . . ,
but with the _____ of Christ (I Peter 1:18-19).

Since you got saved, you are now not _____, for you are bought with a price.
What was that price? _____ (I Corinthians 6:19-20).

But as many as received Him (Jesus), to them gave he power to become the _____ of God, even to them
that _____ on His name (John 1:12).

The Bible says: My little children, these things write I unto you, that you _____ not. And if any
man _____, we have an advocate with the _____, Jesus Christ
the righteous: and he (Jesus) is the propitiation for our _____: and not for ours only, but also for
the sins of the _____ (I John 2:1-2).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm 27:14:

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart:

Wait, I say, on the Lord.

This is a good verse to memorize and hide in your heart to fight Satan.

PLANS FOR THE NEW BIRTH
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Lesson #3

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The Bible says: Except ye _____, ye shall all likewise perish (Luke 13:3).

God commandeth what? _____ everywhere to repent (Acts 17:30).

Thus saith the Lord God; _____, and turn yourselves from your _____;
and turn away your faces from all your _____ (Ezekiel 14:6).

Jesus said: The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: _____ ye, and believe the
_____ (Mark 1:15).

Jesus' disciples went out, and did what? _____ that men _____
_____ (Mark 6:12).

_____ ye therefore, and be converted, that your _____ may be blotted
out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the _____ (Acts 3:19).

Peter said: Repent therefore of this thy _____, and pray God, if perhaps the thought
of thine heart may be _____ thee (Acts 8:22).

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and _____. Behold I (Jesus)
stand at the door (heart) and _____: if _____ hear my
voice and open the door (heart), I (Jesus) will come in to him and will sup with him, and he with me (Revelation 3:19-20).

Jesus said: I came not to call the _____, but _____
to repentance (Luke 5:32).

Jesus said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to _____, and to rise from the
dead the third day: And that _____ and remission of sins should be preached
in his name among all _____, beginning at Jerusalem (Luke 24:46-47).

Psalm 147:13:

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 37.

ACTUAL ACT OF NEW BIRTH
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Lesson #4

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To be saved I must _____ upon the name of the Lord, and I _____
be _____ (Romans 10:13).

That if thou shalt confess with thy _____ the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine
_____ that God hath raised Him (Jesus) from the dead, thou *may be*—**NO**—thou
_____ (Romans 10:9).

I am now justified (saved) by his _____ (Romans 5:9).

God says I am _____ freely by His grace through the _____
that is in _____ (Romans 3:24).

THIS MEANS I HAVE A NEW LEGAL STANDING BEFORE GOD

In Christ we have things: we have _____ through His _____,
the forgiveness of _____, according to the riches of His grace (Ephesians 1:7).

But God commendeth His _____ toward us, in that, while we were yet _____,
Christ died for us (Romans 5:8).

When is the best time to consider the question of one's eternal destiny? Behold, _____ is
the day of salvation (II Corinthians 6:2).

The Bible says: If children, then heirs; heirs of _____, and _____
_____ with Christ (Romans 8:17a).

For the wages of _____ is death: but the gift of God is eternal life through _____
_____ our Lord (Romans 6:23).

The Bible says: The fearful (cowardly), and _____, and the abominable,
and murders, and whoremongers, (sexually immoral) and sorcerers, and idolaters, and _____
_____, shall have their part in the lake of fire which burneth with _____
and _____; which is the second death (Revelation 21:8).

Today's Bible reading is Revelation 21:7:

He that overcometh shall inherit all things;
and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

PROVISION FOR NEW BIRTH
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Lesson #5

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Salvation, or the new birth, is a free _____ of God; it is eternal life through _____
_____ our Lord (Romans 6:23).

Salvation is not by _____ of righteousness which we have done, but according to his
_____ he (Jesus) saved _____ (Titus 3:5).

For by _____ are ye saved through _____: and that not of yourselves:
it is the gift of _____: not of _____, lest any man should _____
(Ephesians 2:8-9).

What is faith, and how do you get faith? The Bible says: So then faith cometh by _____, and
hearing by the word of God (Bible) (Romans 10:17).

Now faith is the substance (realization) of things hoped for, the evidence (conviction) of things not _____
(Hebrews 11:1).

But without _____ it is impossible to please Him (God): for he that cometh to God _____
believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek _____ (Hebrews 11:6).

Let us hold fast the profession (confession) of our faith without wavering: for he is faithful that promised (Hebrews 10:23).

What did God promise? (The answer is in Romans 10:13). Answer: _____

Being saved, we now have the power to become the _____ of _____ (John 1:12).

Being saved, I am now a _____ (II Corinthians 5:17).

Being saved, I must now be a _____ of Christ (I Corinthians 11:1).

Now that I am saved, God has given me _____ life (John 10:28).

Today's Bible reading is Colossians 2:6-7:

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted
and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught,
abounding therein with thanksgiving.

RESULTS OF NEW BIRTH
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Lesson #6

Being saved: now that we have the privilege of having a _____ priest, that is passed into the heavens, _____ the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the _____ of _____ infirmities, but was in all points _____ like as _____ are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come _____ unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain _____, and find grace to help in time of _____ (Hebrews 4:14-16).

Results of being saved: We should: observe all things whatsoever I (Jesus) have commanded _____; and lo, I am with _____, even unto the end of the _____ (Matthew 28:20).

Results of being saved: Jesus said: Let not your heart be _____: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many _____: if it were not so, I would have told you. I (Jesus) go to prepare a place for _____. . . . I (Jesus) will come again, and receive _____ unto myself; that where I _____, there ye may be also (John 14:1-3).

Results of being saved: We know that _____ believeth in Him (Jesus) should not perish, but have _____ life (John 3:16).

Results of being saved: He that heareth my word, and _____ on Him that sent me, hath _____ life, and shall not come into condemnation (judgment); but is passed from _____ unto _____ (John 5:24).

Results of being saved: Jesus gave me _____ life; and I shall never _____, neither shall any man pluck (snatch) me out of Jesus' hand. My (Jesus') Father, which gave you to me (Jesus), is _____ than all; and no man is able to _____ you out of my _____ hand (John 10:28-29).

Results of being saved: In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of _____, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye _____, ye were _____ with that Holy Spirit of promise (Ephesians 1:13-14).

Results of being saved is: The steps of a good man are ordered (established) by the _____; and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall (sin), he shall _____ be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his _____ (Psalm 37:23-24).

Today's Bible reading is Proverbs 25:21-22:

If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:
for thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

SABBATH: DAY OF REST
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We know that the Hebrew word, "Sabbath," means rest, from the statement in Genesis 2:2 that says God rested on the seventh day. After the ascension of Jesus, the disciples met on the first day of each week.

The Bible says: And upon the first day of the _____, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul _____ unto them (Acts 20:7).

NOTICE: *It was the first day of the week. Also, the Bible says that they came together.*

The Bible says: Praise ye the _____. I will praise the Lord with my _____, in the _____ (saints) of the _____, and in the congregation (church) (Psalm 111:1).

The Bible says: For where _____ or _____ are gathered together in _____ (Jesus') name, there _____ in the midst of them (Matthew 18:20).

Note: *The Bible says, "gathered together."*

The Bible says: That we should stand fast in one _____, with one mind striving _____ for the _____ of the gospel (Philippians 1:27).

Note: *Again, the Bible says that we should stand together.*

The Bible says: Wherefore comfort (encourage) yourselves _____, and edify (build up) one _____, even as also ye do (I Thessalonians 5:11).

The Bible says: Not _____ the assembling of _____ together, as the manner of some is; and so much the more, as you see the day _____ (the coming of the Lord) (Hebrews 10:25) .

The Bible says: And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He _____ on the seventh day from all His work which He had made, and God blessed the _____ and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made (Genesis 2:2-3).

The Bible says: Remember the _____ day, to keep it holy (Exodus 20:8) .

The Bible says: Therefore to _____ that knoweth to do good, and _____ it _____, to him it is _____ (James 4:17).

Today's Bible reading is 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.

DOUBT COMES TO A NEW CHRISTIAN

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Lesson #8

How should the new Christian deal with doubt?

This question often surfaces during times of tragedy when, for an instant, it may seem to you that God is not present. The Bible, however, tells you that God is always with you, in every circumstance, through all moments of your life. He promises in His word that He will never leave or forsake you (Hebrews 13:5).

As humans, the concept of someone who is incapable of disappointing us is hard to grasp. Our wandering minds often give way to veins of doubt — doubt that God cannot provide for us and meet our needs, and will never leave nor forsake us.

When feelings such as these seek to break your confidence in God, you must take action. Your best defense is His Word — the Bible.

The Bible is your reassurance and your guide to the undeniable truth of God's love for you and His desire to know you intimately. If you are not easily receiving encouragement from your Bible reading, consider inviting a friend to become a Bible study partner with you. This decision will increase your knowledge in a spirit of fellowship. Be sure to select a person who is a Christian capable of helping you to study God's word and not man's ideas. These lessons will help both of you as you read the Bible and pray together. Your knowledge will increase, and thoughts of doubt will decrease.

REVIEW WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU

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| Step 1. Do you acknowledge that you have sinned? <i>The Bible says: " For all have sinned" (Romans 3:23).</i> | _____ | _____ |
| Step 2. Do you realize there is a penalty for sin? <i>The Bible says: " All liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire" (Rev. 21:8).</i> | _____ | _____ |
| Step 3. Do you acknowledge that Jesus Christ paid the penalty of sin for you? <i>The Bible says: " But God commendeth His love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for you" (Romans 5:8).</i> | _____ | _____ |
| Step 4. Do you realize that God now wants to give you the gift of eternal life in Heaven? <i>The Bible says: " The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).</i> | _____ | _____ |
| Step 5. Do you know that you must believe that Jesus is Lord and ask Him into your heart and save you in order to have eternal life in heaven? <i>The Bible says: "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:13).</i> | _____ | _____ |

God promises that anyone who calls on the Lord Jesus Christ will be saved from sin and Hell.

FIGHT DOUBTS AND SATAN
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Lesson #9

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Jesus Is Always A Good Example For Us To Live By.

The Bible says that Jesus had fasted forty days and forty nights and was hungry. The tempter (Satan) came to Jesus; he said, "If thou be the son of God, command these stones be made bread."

Look what Jesus said: It is _____, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the _____ (Matthew 4:4).

When tempted again, Jesus said: It is _____ again, Thou shalt _____ the Lord your God (Matthew 4:7).

When tempted a third time, Jesus said: Get thee _____, Satan: for it is _____ Thou shalt _____ the Lord thy God, and _____ him shalt thou serve (Matthew 4:10).

Each time Jesus said, "It is written," he was speaking right from the Bible.

Then the _____ leaveth Him, and, behold, angels came and _____ unto Him (Matthew 4:11).

The Bible Is One Of The Powers That You Can Use to Fight The Devil, So Hide It In Your Heart!

How to fight: _____ therefore to God. Resist the devil, and _____ from you (James 4:7).

How to fight: Ye are _____ little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He (Jesus) that is in you, than he (devil) that is in _____ (I John 4:4).

How to fight: For _____ shall _____ have _____ over you: for ye are not under the _____ but under _____ (Romans 6:14).

How to fight: For the _____ is quick, and _____, and sharper than two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a _____ of the thoughts and intents of the _____ (Hebrews 4:12).

How to fight: Thy _____ have I _____ in mine _____, that I might not _____ (Psalm 119:11).

How to fight: For God hath not given us the spirit of _____ but of _____, and of love, and of a _____ (II Timothy 1:7).

How to fight: Thou wilt keep him in _____, whose _____ is _____ on thee, (Jesus) because he _____ in thee (Isaiah 26:3).

How to fight: In God I have put my _____, I will not be _____ what man can do unto me (Psalm 56:11).

JESUS' PROMISES FROM THE BIBLE

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Lesson #10

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Jesus' promise: I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me, and _____
_____. He brought me up also out of an _____ pit, out of the miry clay, and set my
feet upon a rock, and _____ my goings (Psalm 40:1-2).

Jesus' promise: _____ thou not; for I am with thee, be not _____
for I am thy God, I will _____ thee, yea I will help thee, yea, I will uphold thee with
the right hand of my _____ (Isaiah 41:10).

Jesus' promise: Trust in the Lord with all _____, and lean not unto
_____. In all thy ways
_____, and He shall _____
_____ (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Jesus' promise: Cast _____ upon the Lord, and He shall
_____, He shall never suffer the
_____ (saved) to be moved (Psalm 55:22).

Jesus' promise: I will say of the Lord, He is my _____ and my _____,
my God, In Him _____ (Psalm 91:2).

Jesus' promise: He that _____ not His own Son (Jesus) but delivered Him up _____
_____, how shall He not with Him also freely _____
_____ (Romans 8:32).

Jesus' promise: Thou wilt keep him in perfect _____, whose _____ is
_____ on _____, (Jesus) because he _____
in _____ (Jesus) (Isaiah 26:3).

Jesus' promise: Trust you in the _____:
for in the Lord Jehovah is _____ (Isaiah 26:4).

Jesus' promise: Because of His (Jesus) _____ will I wait upon thee; for God is _____
_____ (Psalm 59:9).

Jesus' promise: Humble _____ therefore under the mighty _____
_____, that He may _____ in due time.
_____ your cares upon Him for he _____
_____ (I Peter 5:6-7).

Jesus' promise: Be merciful unto _____, O God, be merciful unto me; for my _____
trusteth in thee; yea in the shadow of thy wings will _____
_____, until these _____ be overpast (Psalm 57:1).

Today's Bible reading is Proverbs 3:5-6.

PRIVILEGE: ACCESS TO GOD BY PRAYER (Part I)

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Lesson #11

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Nowhere does the Bible say that prayer is easy. It can be a struggle, and there will be times when Satan will attack you as you are on your knees, harassing you with doubt and sending distracting thoughts into your mind. One of Satan's most effective weapons is causing you to feel worthless before God; this does not refer to proper humility, but to an unhealthy feeling that God cannot even look at you.

Again, Jesus Is A Good Example In How He Prayed.

And when He (Jesus) had sent the multitudes away, He went up into a mountain _____
_____: and when the evening was come, He was _____
_____ (Matthew 14:23).

And in the morning, rising up a great while _____ He (Jesus) went out,
and departed into a _____ (deserted) place, and _____
_____ (Mark 1:35).

And He (Jesus) _____ into the wilderness, and
_____ (Luke 5:16).

And He (Jesus) went a little farther, and _____ on his _____ and prayed,
saying, O my Father, if it be _____, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless
_____, but as thou wilt (Matthew 26:39).

But thou, when thou prayest, enter into _____, and when thou
_____, pray to thy
Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret _____
_____ (Matthew 6:6).

Now, Take Time To Read Matthew, Chapter 7.

In Matthew 7:7-11, Jesus emphasizes an important lesson on prayer. Dispelling the assumption that prayer simply comes naturally to Christians, Jesus asserts that prayer is an intentional, learned activity for God's children. In this passage, He is quite simply showing the disciples the three basic steps for an effective prayer life: ASK, SEEK, and KNOCK.

Unfortunately, well-meaning Christians can miss fantastic opportunities and blessings in life because they have taken a completely passive role in their prayer lives. Too often, SEEKING and KNOCKING are overlooked as the believer sits back and merely ASKS God for something once or twice and then forgets all about the matter.

Stop And Ask God To Teach You To Pray As Jesus' Disciples Did in Luke 11:1.

Today's Bible Reading is Matthew, Chapter 6.

When you pray, you should not be like whom? _____

Where should you go to pray? _____

PRIVILEGE: ACCESS TO GOD BY PRAYER (Part II)

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Lesson #12

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*One of Satan's most effective weapons is causing you to feel worthless before God. Scripture shatters this fear by boldly proclaiming that you and I have freedom in Christ to approach the throne of God in prayer **BOLDLY** (Hebrews 4:16).*

He (God) that spared not _____ (Jesus), but delivered Him up (on the cross) for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give _____ (Romans 8:32).

Therefore, I say unto you what things soever _____ when you pray _____ that you receive them and you shall _____ (Mark 11:24).

But let him ask in _____, nothing wavering (not doubting). For he that _____ (doubts) is like wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive anything _____ (James 1:6-7).

And this is the _____ that we have in Him, (God) that if we ask any thing according _____, He heareth us: And if we know that He hear us, _____ we ask, we know that we have the petition that we _____ (I John 5:14-15).

And whatsoever you shall ask in _____ (Jesus) that will I do, **WHY?** That the Father may be _____ in the Son. If you shall ask any thing in my name, _____ (John 14:13-14).

And call upon me (Jesus) in the day of _____: I will _____ thee, and thou shalt _____ (Psalm 50:15).

The Bible says that Paul said that he was given a thorn in the flesh. The messenger of _____ to buffet (beat) me, lest I should be _____. For this thing I besought (pleaded with) the Lord thrice (three times) that it might depart from me. And He (God) said unto me, My _____ for thee: for my strength (power) is made _____. Most gladly therefore will I _____ in my infirmities, that the _____ of Christ may _____ upon me (II Corinthians 12:7-9).

Why did God not answer Paul's prayer? Please state what you think. _____

Today's Bible reading is Psalm 141:3:

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

PRIVILEGE: ACCESS TO GOD BY PRAYER (Part III)

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Lesson #13

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According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in _____ our
Lord. In whom we have _____ and _____ with
_____ by the _____ of Him. (Ephesians 3:11-12).

Let us therefore come _____ (confidently) unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain
_____, and find grace to _____ in _____ of
_____ (Hebrews 4:16).

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Every request, every desire of our hearts, and every need should begin with prayer where we ask God for permission, seeking to know His will. Because He has now become our life, we have the right and the authority to come to Him and make a request.

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Prayer is not only asking and receiving, but also giving thanks, adoring, and praising the Lord God. There are two responsibilities in prayer: God's responsibility and our responsibility. You cannot have one without the other; prayer is both human and divine.

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When we talk to God, we are building and nourishing our relationship with Him. We are getting to know Him — who He is and how He operates. Once you have become one of his children, do you realize that God wants to give Himself above everything else? He wants you to know Him.

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One of the primary reasons we do not pray is that we are not willing for God to take His scalpel and open us up all the way down to our innermost beings, and there deal with things that we have never overcome.

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When you go to the Lord, do not be meek and embarrassed; instead, bow before Him and rejoice. Explain, "Lord Jesus, I praise Your name that You are my life. I thank You that I can come to you in confidence because You have told me to ask, seek, and knock; and Lord, I'm coming. I'm coming as your child, confident that You are listening to what I am saying, confident that you will give me direction for my life."

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REVIEW (LESSONS 1-13)
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Lesson #14

Who, on earth, has sinned? _____.

Before you were saved you were a what? _____.

Who was your father before you were saved? _____.

How many sins will God remember that you have done? _____.

Being now saved I am a new what? _____.

How are you redeemed? _____.

Jesus said I need to do what? _____.

All I need to do to be saved is what? _____.

The wages of sin is what? _____.

Where will all liars go at death? _____.

Salvation is a free what? _____.

Without what you cannot please God? _____.

Jesus went to prepare what for us? _____.

No man can do what from our Father's hand? _____.

What should we do on the Sabbath day? _____.

How can we fight the devil? _____.

What are you to hide in your heart to fight the devil? _____.

What should we do when doubt keeps coming up? _____.

Where should we go to pray? _____.

How are we to come before God? _____.

Today's Bible reading is John chapter 1.

EVERLASTING LIFE IN HEAVEN: WHO?

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Lesson #15

For God so loved the _____, that He gave His only begotten _____ (Jesus), that _____ (means all) believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting _____ (John 3:16).

Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and _____ on Him (God) that sent me (Jesus), hath _____ life, and shall not come into condemnation (judgment), but is passed from _____ unto _____ (John 5:24).

And I _____ unto them eternal life; and they shall _____, neither shall any man _____ them _____ of my hand (John 10:28).

These things have I written unto you that _____ on the name of the son of God, that ye may _____ that you have _____, and that you may believe on the name of the _____ (I John 5:13).

But if the Spirit of Him (God) that raises up Jesus from the dead _____ in _____, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your _____ by His Spirit that _____ (Romans 8:11).

For the wages of sin is death; but the _____ of _____ is eternal life _____ our Lord (Romans 6:23).

And this is the record, that _____ hath given to us eternal life, and this life is _____ (I John 5:11).

For we know that if _____ earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, _____ in the _____ (II Corinthians 5:1).

And God shall wipe away all _____ from their eyes; and there shall be no more _____, neither _____, nor _____, neither shall there be anymore _____: for the former things _____ (Revelation 21:4).

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be _____ from the _____, and to be _____ with the _____ (II Corinthians 5:8).

Help In Time Of Trouble

Psalm 37:39, Nahum 1:7, Psalm 37:24, Psalm 32:7, Psalm 71:20,
Psalm 42:11, Psalm 73:26, Psalm 91:10-11, Psalm 126:5-6,
Psalm 31:23, Psalm 22:24, Psalm 9:9, Psalm 138:7, Psalm 18:2

DEALING WITH TEMPTATION
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Lesson #16

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Wherefore let him that thinketh he _____ take heed lest _____
(I Corinthians 10:12).

There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is _____, who will not _____ to be tempted above that _____; but will with the temptation also make away to _____, that you may be able to bear (endure) it (I Corinthians 10:13).

Temptation of Lying: Set a watch, O Lord, before _____: keep the door _____ (Psalm 141:3).

Temptation of Gossip: He that keepeth his _____ keepeth his _____; but he that openeth wide his lips shall have _____ (Proverbs 13:3).

Temptation of Lust: That he no longer should _____ the rest of his _____, in the _____ to the lust of men, but to do the _____ (I Peter 4:2).

Temptation of Bad Thoughts: And be not conformed to this _____, but be ye _____ by the renewing of your _____, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, _____ (Romans 12:2).

Temptation of Hating: Thou wilt keep him in perfect _____, whose _____ is stayed on thee, because he _____ (Isaiah 26:3).

Temptation of Discouragement: Fear thou not: for I am with thee, be not dismayed (discouraged) for _____, I will _____ thee. Yes, I will help thee, yea I will _____ with the right hand of _____ (Isaiah 41:10).

Temptation of Temper: I wait patiently for the _____, and He inclined unto me, and _____ He brought me up also out of an horrible _____ out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and _____ (Psalm 40:1-2).

By hiding the above verses in your heart, you will have help fighting Satan in Lies, Gossip, Cheating, Lust, Bad Thoughts, Hate, Discouragement, and your Temper.

Think on these verses; it will help you to overcome these sins.

DEALING WITH ANGER
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Booklet #1

Lesson #17

The Lord Is A Great Example For Us

The Lord is _____, and _____ of compassion, _____
_____, and of great mercy (Psalm 145:8).

For His anger endureth but _____; in His favour is life: _____
may endure for a _____, but _____ in the
_____ (Psalm 30:5).

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let _____ be swift to hear, _____ to
_____, slow to wrath: For the wrath of man worketh not the _____
of God (James 1:19-20).

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be _____; for anger resteth in the _____
_____ (Ecclesiastes 7:9).

He that is slow to anger is better than the _____; and he that _____ his spirit
than he that _____ (Proverbs 16:32).

An angry man _____ up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in _____
(Proverbs 29:22).

A soft answer turneth away _____: but grievous words stir _____ (Proverbs 15:1).

Let all _____, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and _____
_____, be put _____ from _____, with all malice: And be ye
_____ one to another, tenderhearted, _____ one another, even as God
for Christ's sake _____ (Ephesians 4:31-32).

If thine _____ be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be _____, give him
water to drink: For thou shalt _____ coals of fire upon his head, and the _____
shall _____ (Proverbs 25:21-22).

But now ye also _____ all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, _____
communication out _____ (Colossians 3:8).

Use these verses to fight Satan when Angry:

James 1:19-20, Ecclesiastes 7:9, Proverbs 14:17, Proverbs 16:32, Proverbs 15:18, Psalm 37:8,
Proverbs 22:24-25, Proverbs 15:1, Ephesians 4:26, Proverbs 19:11, Proverbs 21:19,
Matthew 5:22, Ephesians 4:31-32, Romans 12:19-21, Colossians 3:8.

Today's Bible reading is John chapter 13.

HOW TO RESPOND TO TRIALS AND TROUBLES (Part I)

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #18

My brethren, count it all joy when ye _____ into diverse (various) temptations (trials): knowing this, that the trying of your _____ worketh (produces) _____. But let patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire (complete) wanting _____ (James 1:2-4).

One of life's most commonly asked question is, "Why does God allow His children to go through difficult, trying, and painful times in life?" We recognize that God is all-powerful and could prevent these trials if He chose to do so; yet, He often does not. Therefore, there must be some purpose for them—some divine reason for not sparing these hardships. Once you begin to understand God's purpose for these things, you will be able to stand strong through any storm of life.

Now, take time to read James 1:1-12. These verses issue a serious challenge to every believer. The first thing we should notice is the Holy Spirit's assurance in verse two that all Christians will in fact face trials of many kinds. The Holy Spirit leaves no room for doubt. He alludes to these "various trials," which indicates the inevitability of such ordeals. Therefore, you should not ask how you can avoid trials (because you cannot), but rather, you should ask God to show you how to deal with them when they appear.

The second thing we should notice in verse two is the seemingly strange instruction to "count it all joy" whenever hardships assault our lives. This is a strange statement. Trials and joy simply do not go together. Tears, discouragement, disillusionment, and despair — these are the things that we associate with trials—but joy? The Holy Spirit must have known that this would be a contradiction to our natural human reasoning; so, there must be an answer beyond what we perceive.

Wherein you greatly rejoice, though now for a _____, if need be you are in heaviness (distressed) through manifold temptations; That the trial of your _____, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, through it be tried (tested) with fire, might be found unto _____ and honor and glory at the appearing of _____ (I Peter 1:6-7).

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that _____ may be able to comfort them which are in _____, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are _____ (II Corinthians 1:4).

Trials equip you for service in the kingdom of God for the sake of others.

Use The Following Verses To Help You Through Your Trials:

Psalm 46:1-2, Psalm 84:11-12, Psalm 37:3-5, Proverbs 3:5-6, Luke 12:32, Matthew 6:31-32, I Peter 5:7, Psalm 40:4, Psalm 125:1, Hebrews 11:1, James 1:5-6, Colossians 2:6-7, I Corinthians 16:13

(Pick one of the verses above that fits your trial, and when you think about your trial, just keep repeating the verse. You will soon see how God takes care of your trial.)

HOW TO RESPOND TO TRIALS AND TROUBLES (Part II)

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #19

Take A Moment To Review Ten Ways To Understand God's Response:

You must know that God is in control of the timing and intensity of your trials (read Romans 11:33).

You must realize that God has a specific purpose for each trial in your life (read Psalm 55:22).

You must understand that each trial is designed to meet a specific need that God sees in your life (read Isaiah 12:3-4).

You must accept that each trial is going to result in good if you respond in faith (read Psalm 10:3-7).

You must discover that each trial can strengthen your faith by realizing that you can depend on the Lord for all of your needs (read I Peter 5:6-7).

You must rejoice in the fact that each trial is an opportunity for God to demonstrate His power to sustain you under tremendous pressure (read James 1:2).

You must submit yourself to the development of Christ-like character that results from your trials (read Philippians 2:14).

You must take advantage of your trial's usefulness in measuring your spiritual growth. For example, you may realize that you are capable of handling a powerful hardship that would have crippled you only a year or two ago. This is true because your continuing trials have taught you that God will indeed empower you to prevail (read Ephesians 4:22-23).

You must be convinced that God will walk you through every step of each trial (read Proverbs 3:5-6).

You must have faith that by His grace and the enabling power of the Holy Spirit, you will not only survive, but you will also conquer over each trial (read Hebrews 10:17).

If you are a child of God, you have the means by which to stand firm in the face of any trial.

Hide Proverbs 3:5-6 In Your Heart:

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

YOU MUST LEARN TO FORGIVE
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Booklet #1

Lesson #20

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We cannot begin to understand God's ability to "Forgive And Forget." It seems impossible that an omniscient God could erase our transgressions from His mind; yet, the Bible tells us that when we confess our sins to God, we will receive forgiveness — no matter how great or small our offenses may be.

For I (God) will be _____ to their unrighteousness, and their _____ and their iniquities (lawless deeds) will I _____ no _____ (Hebrews 8:12).

Let all bitterness, and _____, and _____, and clamour, and _____ speaking, be _____ from _____, with all malice: and be you kind one to another, tenderhearted, _____ one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath _____ (Ephesians 4:31-32).

And when you stand praying, _____, if you have ought against _____: that your Father also which is in Heaven may forgive _____ your trespasses. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in Heaven _____ trespasses (Mark 11:25-26).

For if you forgive _____ their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also _____ (Matthew 6:14).

Judge not, and _____ shall not be _____: condemn not, and you shall not be condemned: _____, and you shall be _____ (Luke 6:37).

If we _____ our sins, He is _____ and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from _____ (I John 1:9).

For there is _____ God, and _____ mediator between God and men, the man _____ (I Timothy 2:5).

I write unto you, little children, because your sins are _____ for His name's sake (I John 2:12).

Has any one ever mocked you, or spit in your face, or beat you? Now, take time to read Luke chapter 23.

What did Jesus say to the men who killed Him? (Luke 23:34). _____

Do you have someone you need to forgive? Can you say that you will now forgive that person who came to your mind? _____ Yes _____ No.

Tell that person that you forgive him or her, if you are able to do so. Tell God you forgive him or her, and then forget it.

HOW DO YOU KNOW THE BIBLE IS THE WORD OF GOD?

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #21

Knowing this first, that _____ of the scripture (Bible) is of any _____ interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old (any) time by the will of man: but _____ of God spake (wrote) as they were moved by the _____ (II Peter 1:20-21).

Scripture is _____ by inspiration of God, and is _____ for doctrine, for _____, for _____, for _____ in righteousness: that the _____ of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnish (equipped) unto all good _____ (II Timothy 3:16-17).

For the _____ is quick (living), and _____, and sharper than any two edged sword, _____ even to the dividing asunder of _____ and _____, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner (able to judge) of the thoughts and intents of the _____ (Hebrews 4:12).

This book of the law shall not _____ out of thy mouth; but thou shalt _____ therein _____ and _____, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have _____ (Joshua 1:8).

Now _____ have received, _____ the spirit of the world, but the _____ which is of _____; that we might _____ the things that are freely _____ to us of God (through His word). Which things also we speak, _____ in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost _____; _____ spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural (sinner) man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are _____ unto him: _____ can he _____, because they are spiritually discerned (**This is why most men do not understand the Bible; they are not saved.**) (I Corinthians 2:12-14).

For I testify unto every _____ that _____ the words of the prophecy of this _____, if any man shall _____ unto these things, God shall add unto him the _____ that are written in this book (Bible): and if any man shall _____ from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall _____ his part out of the book of life, and out of the Holy City, and from the things which are written in _____ (Revelation 22:18-19).

I know that the Bible is the Word of God because it changed my life. I can trust what the Bible tells me. People have let me down many times. I do not know about but you, but I want to be able to know that when I die, I will live in Heaven. I want to trust—not in man's word, but in God's Word, the Bible; this book tells me how to get there.

FRIENDS GOOD AND BAD : WHICH ONES DO YOU HAVE?

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #22

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The Bible says: A man that hath friends must shew _____; and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a _____ (Proverbs 18:24).

Does your friend do this? He that goeth about as a _____ revealeth secrets; therefore meddle (associate) not with him that _____ with _____ (Proverbs 20:19).

And that we may be _____ from unreasonable and wicked men; for all men _____ (been saved) (II Thessalonians 3:2).

Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye _____ yourselves from every brother that _____ disorderly, and not after the tradition (teaching) which he _____ (II Thessalonians 3:6).

And if any man obey not our word by this epistle (Bible), note that man, and have _____ with him, that he may _____ (II Thessalonians 3:14).

Open rebuke is better than secret love, _____ are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are _____ (Proverbs 27:5-6).

You adulterers and adulteresses, know you not that the friendship of the _____ is _____ with God? Whosoever therefore will be a _____ of the world is the enemy of _____ (James 4:4).

He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very (the best of) _____ (Proverbs 17:9).

Greater love hath no _____ than this, that a man _____ down his _____ for _____ (John 15:13).

Out of the mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things _____ so to be (James 3:10).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 1.

Blessed is the man that sitteth not where? _____

But man's delight is in what ? _____

The way of the ungodly shall do what? _____

YOUR DAILY RESPONSIBILITIES
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Booklet #1

Lesson #23

Study to shew thyself _____ unto God, a workman that needed _____ to be _____, rightly dividing the word of _____ (II Timothy 2:15).

All scripture is given by _____ of God and is profitable for _____, for _____, for _____, for _____ in _____ (II Timothy 3:16).

The Bible will give you victory over what? _____ (Psalm 119:11).

Summarize in your own words what the Bible can do for you, according to II Timothy 1:7 _____.

Thy word (Bible) is a lamp unto my _____, and a light unto my _____ (Psalm 119:105).

Blessed is he that _____, and they that _____ the _____ of this prophecy, and keep those things which are _____ therein; for the _____ is at _____ (Revelation 1:3).

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in My name, He shall _____ you _____, and bring all things to your _____, whatsoever I (Jesus) have _____ (John 14:26).

What should we do daily according to Acts 17:11? _____.

But be ye _____ of the _____, and not _____, deceiving your own selves (James 1:22).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 2.

What do heathens do? _____

What will He that sitteth in heaven do? _____

God shall speak unto them how? _____

Whom did the Lord declare was His Son? _____

How should we serve the Lord? _____

Blessed are all they that put what in Him (Jesus)? _____

A CHRISTIAN MUST GROW WITH THE LORD:
READ THE BIBLE, STUDY THE BIBLE, AND PRAY
New Life Christian Growth Series
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Lesson #24

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Every Christian should have a Daily Quiet Time in order to be alone with God and read His word. Every Christian should also have a Personal Altar Time between just him and God. Talk to Him out loud as you would talk to a friend. Tell Him what you are feeling. Get personal with Him. Tell Him if you are hurting. Express to Him your needs. Tell Him how much you love Him. Thank Him for what He has done and what he is going to do for you.

I will _____ in the precepts (Bible), and have respects unto thy ways (Psalm 119:15).

A quiet time is a Christian's personal relationship of talking to and listening to God through prayer and reading the Word of God.

Choose a convenient quiet time and place to be alone with God each day: Where and when did you choose? _____

Be consistent; form a habit to do it every day (Matthew 6:6).

Begin with prayer, asking God to show you the truth: Will you do this? _____ Yes _____ No

When reading the Bible, will you listen to what God has to say, and apply it to you life? _____ Yes _____ No

You should always close in prayer, thanking God for what you have learned; will you do this? _____ Yes _____ No

Prayer should be made where? (Acts 12:5) _____

You should pray in the name of whom? (John 14:13-14) _____

Who will help you to pray? (Ephesians 6:18) _____

Now take time to read Matthew chapters 6 and 7.

What Is Prayer? The answer to this question is found in Matthew 7:7-8 and I John 5:14-15. Please write down the answer in your own words. _____

What are some hindrances to answered prayer?

And this is the confidence that we have in Him (Jesus), that if we ask anything _____
to his _____, He heareth us (I John 5:14).

You ask, and receive not, because ye _____, that you may consume it upon your
_____ (James 4:3).

Likewise, you husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving _____ unto the
_____, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being _____
of the grace of life; that your prayers be not _____ (I Peter 3:7).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 3.

HOW DO YOU GET HINDRANCES TO PRAYER TURNED OFF?

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #25

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If we _____ our sins, He is _____ and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all _____ (I John 1:9).

Now we know that God heareth _____ sinners: but if any man be a _____ of God, and doeth His will, _____ (John 9:31).

Some Things We Can Pray For Specifically:

I (Jesus) exhort therefore, that first of all, supplication, _____, intercession, and _____ of _____, be made for _____; for kings, and for all that are in _____; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty (I Timothy 2:1-2).

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have _____, and that we would be delivered from _____ and _____: for all men have not _____. But the Lord is _____, who shall _____ you, and keep you from _____ (II Thessalonians 3:1-3).

Be careful (anxious) for _____; but in every thing by _____ and supplication with thanksgiving let your _____ be made _____ unto _____ (Philippians 4:6).

But I say unto you, love your _____, bless them that _____ you, do good to them that _____ you, and pray for them which despitefully (spitefully) _____ you, and _____ (Matthew 5:44).

If any of you lack _____, let him _____ of _____, that giveth to _____ liberally, and upbraideth not (without reproach); and it shall be _____ (James 1:5).

Therefore, _____ heareth these saying of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a _____ man, which builds his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was _____ a _____ (Jesus) (Matthew 7:24-25).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 4.

O God have what upon me? _____

The Lord hath set apart him that is what? _____

Stand in fear and do what? _____

Thou hast put what in my heart? _____

I will both lay me down in what two things? _____

TRINITY: GOD THE FATHER, GOD THE SON, AND GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

New Life Christian Growth Series

Booklet #1

Lesson #26

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For there are three that bear record (witness) in Heaven, the _____, the _____, (Jesus) and the _____; and these three are one (I John 5:7).

In the above verse, the name used for Jesus is "the Word." Read John 1:1-2; it tells us that the Word was with God, and the Word was God; once again, this is referring to Jesus.

For _____ so loved the world, that He gave _____, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have _____ (John 3:16).

The above verse tells us that there is a Father (God) and there is a Son (Jesus).

Jesus said I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another _____, that He may abide with you _____, even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but you know Him: for He dwelleth with you, and shall be _____ (John 14:16-17).

The verse above shows us the third person in the Godhead, the Holy Spirit.

Likewise the Spirit also helpeth _____ infirmities: (weaknesses) 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. And He that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because He maketh intercession for the saints (Christians) according to the _____ (Romans 8:26-27).

This verse shows us that the Holy Spirit lives in us and works for us.

Where is Jesus today? The Bible says:

Looking unto Jesus, the author (originator) and finisher (perfecter) of our faith: (salvation) who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, _____ the shame, and is _____ at the right hand of the _____ of _____ (Hebrews 12:2).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 5.

Give what to the ear of the Lord? _____

When praying, ask God to do what? _____

My voice shalt thou hear when? _____

Lead me, O Lord where? _____

Let all those put their trust in whom? _____

THE BIBLE IS THE WORD OF GOD
New Life Christian Growth Series
Booklet #1

Lesson #27

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As A Christian You Need To Be Baptized.

Baptism is an outward sign that you are God's child. Just as Jesus was buried and raised from the dead, baptism is a sign that in going under the water you are buried, but you are also raised up out of the water, as Jesus was raised from the grave. Being baptized will not save you; you only are baptized to show people you are now saved and want to obey God—that you are now dead to sin and the world and Satan, and are a new creation in Christ.

Go you therefore, and teach all _____, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Teaching them to _____ whatsoever I (Jesus) have _____: and, lo I am with you always, even unto the end _____ (Matthew 28:19-20).

Know you not, that so many of us were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are _____ with Him (Jesus) by baptism into death (dying to the old man): that like as _____ was raised up from the _____ by the _____ of the _____, even so we also should walk in _____ of _____ (putting on the new man) (Romans 6:3-4).

Buried with Him in _____, wherein also ye are _____ with _____ through the _____ of the operation of God, who hath raised Him (Jesus) from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the circumcision (not Jewish) of your flesh, hath He _____ (made alive) together with Him, having _____ all trespasses (sins) (Colossians 2:12-13).

Jesus as an example to us:

Then, cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be _____ of him. But John forbid Him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, _____ (allow) it to be now: for thus it becometh (is fitting) for us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when He was _____, went up straightway out of the _____: and, lo, the Heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the _____ descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: And lo a voice from Heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I (God) am well _____ (Matthew 3:13-17).

Then Peter said unto them what? _____ (Acts 2:38).

Today's Bible reading is Psalm chapter 6.

O Lord, rebuke me not in what? _____

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am what? _____

Deliver my soul, Lord, and do what? _____

The Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping. He will do what? _____

New Life Christian Growth Series—Christianity 101

*****Booklet #1 Review (Pages 35-36)*****

Instructions: After you complete pages 7-34 of this Booklet, please answer the following questions to share what you have learned. When you are all done, please mail **pages 35-36 ONLY**, back to: Mountain State Ministries, P.O. Box 217, Springfield, WV 26763. When we receive it, we will review your answers and then return it with the next lesson.

Today's Date: ____/____/____

My Full Name: _____

My Address: _____

What part of humankind has sinned (Romans 3:23)? _____

Are you included among those who have sinned? _____

How is one justified (seen as righteous) in the sight of God? (Galatians 2:16) _____

Jesus said that one cannot see the kingdom of God unless he is _____ (John 3:3).

What does it mean to be born again according to Jesus? _____

Whom does God command to repent? (Acts 17:30) _____

Copy Ephesians 2:8-9 from your Bible: _____

It takes pride to think that we can get to heaven by our own works, but it takes humility to realize that there is nothing we can do—that we can never be good enough—to make up for our sin. One must trust in Jesus Christ alone and what He did for us on the cross. Based upon the Bible, do you agree or disagree?

According to John 3:16, who can have everlasting life? _____

How much of the Bible—God's word—is true? _____

If what man teaches is different than what the Bible says, which is right and why? _____

Why should a Christian have Daily Quiet Time every day with God—reading His word and praying?

What is baptism according to the Bible, and why should Christians get baptized? _____

Have you been born again? If so, we would love to hear how and when. If not, what are the reasons hindering you from being born again? _____

Do you have any questions or comments about this lesson? _____

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