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Introduction

Running to Win is a four-book, 32-lesson series designed to make you more like Jesus and equip you to help others do the same. You were born again to reproduce spiritually. That's what disciples do! It's a vital part of your God-ordained destiny.

You'll be completing a lesson every two weeks and reading at least five chapter/week in the New Testament beginning with Matthew and will record what you're learning and applying in Appendix A of *Starting Fast* or on a lined piece of paper containing the date, Scripture read, questions, observations, and life applications.

Becoming more like Jesus requires...

Life

Corn grows but pictures of corn don't. You received spiritual life from God when you repented of your sins and received Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. "He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son does not have life" (1 John 5:12)

The Bible



God speaks to you through the Bible. In each lesson you'll ask yourself, "What is God saying to me about this topic?" What's God's Message (GM) to me?

Time

A zucchini matures and bears fruit in 45 days. Christian maturity takes much longer. You can influence others for Christ from the beginning, but maturity requires at least two years. One mark of a mature disciple is

the ability to apply God's Word wisely to life's daily decisions. Another is making other disciples.

Application

Jesus said, "But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand" (Matthew 7:26). In each lesson you'll ask yourself, "What's My Action Plan [MAP] to respond to GM?" You need someone to hold you accountable to do it.

Sacrifice

As a disciple of Christ, you can't afford to dedicate yourself to achieving some earthly goal. Jesus said, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

God

The Apostle Paul wrote, "I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God made it grow" (1 Corinthians 3:6). God works in your life to make you grow and bear spiritual fruit.

People

God uses more mature believers to teach and model the truth for you, so you can do the same for others. "And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others" (2 Timothy 2:2). You need someone to meet with you regularly to discuss and model these lessons and help you grow and reproduce spiritually. Before you finish the series, you also need to begin to be that someone for others.

Discipleship Pods

What's a Pod?

A pod is a group of four to nine disciples of Jesus committed to be honest with, encourage, challenge and hold each other accountable to grow more like Jesus in who they are and what they do. The pod leader is the chief discipler who with the Apostle Paul says, "Follow my example as I follow the example of Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1). Realistically, not everything in the leader's life is yet worth imitating. The part that's like Jesus is the part to copy. That makes being a spiritual model for others achievable. Leaders don't have to be perfect to bless others.

Expectations

Jesus focused his ministry on making disciples. Since you're imitating Him, the expectation is that you'll start your own pod in six to twelve months. Disciples make other disciples because that's what Jesus commanded (Matthew 28:19).

Perhaps you can't see yourself leading a pod. By yourself, you're right, but you're not by yourself! God will do it through you, and others in your pod who are leading their own pods can also help. You'll discover that discipling others is God's spiritual Miracle Grow to accelerate your own spiritual development. It's very much like maturing more quickly once you become a parent and are responsible for someone else!

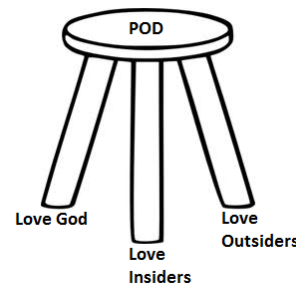
Attendance at pod meetings is a priority. The pod will meet every week for 60-90 minutes at a mutually agreed upon place and time. After your group has completed the lessons in *Running to Win*, it will meet less frequently, perhaps every other week or once a month.

The new focus will become sharing GMs and MAPs with one another and holding one another accountable to follow through. Your original pod will also be a resource to address challenges that arise as you disciple those in your own pod.

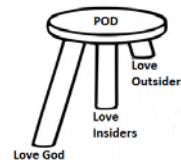
Mission

Mission is a key part of every pod. Part of making disciples is reaching out to show God's love in practical ways to those who are still outside God's Kingdom. Discipleship is the power plant for outreach. We're seeking to become like Jesus in who we are and what we do. Jesus said, "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). Jesus wants to continue His relational mission of seeking and saving the lost through us. We hold one another accountable to do that through specific MAPs which we implement both as a group and as individuals.

Balance



Healthy believers, pods and churches demonstrate a balance among loving God, insiders (other believers) and outsiders (not-yet-believers).



There are six ways to be imbalanced. Each of us tends to be weak in at least one of the three dimensions. Being unbalanced greatly diminishes the flow of God's power through us. Part of our purpose is to help one another find the balance and stability that maximizes God's ability to use us.

Assurance of Salvation

1. What does Jesus promise to do in Revelation 3:20 if you open the door of your life to him? _____

2. How do you know Jesus' promise can be trusted?

a. John 14:6

b. John 1:17

3. If Jesus is in your life, what else do you possess (1 John 5:11-12)

4. Everlasting life is described in John 5:24 as (circle the best answer):

a. Past b. Present c. Future

5. Eternal life isn't just endless. It's Jesus' heart transplanted into you, a different kind of life altogether. When He loves, He's just being Himself. His life gives you the ability to be like Him. One of its characteristics is that it has no end.

6. In the car illustration, the gas tank that feeds the engine represents the facts, the gasoline is your faith and the trunk is your feelings. Putting fuel in the trunk won't take you anywhere. Trust the facts (God's character and promises), not your feelings. Your feelings change, but the facts don't. Faith believes God's promises and ACTS on them.

7. God's character and promises support your faith. Great faith in thin ice doesn't prevent you from breaking through it. Thick ice supports one with weak faith. Why is faith the foundation for knowing that Jesus is living within you

(Hebrews 11:6)?

8. 1 John 5:13 says that God wants you to _____ you have eternal life. With time you will increasingly detect in yourself several vital signs of new birth from God:

a. Evidence #1—1 John 4:13

Do you have assurance in your heart that you belong to God as a result of the Holy Spirit's inner witness? Yes No

b. Evidence #2—1 John 5:1

Are you trusting Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection instead of your own goodness to make you 100% acceptable to God? Yes No.

c. Evidence #3—1 John 2:3

d. Evidence #4—1 John 3:14

e. Evidence #5—1 John 3:10

9. Check below all the "fingerprints" of God's nature you see in your life now compared to before you believed in Jesus:

- a. I'm more interested in the Bible.
- b. I can forgive others easier.
- c. I pray more now.
- d. A weight of guilt has been removed.
- e. I enjoy being with other believers.

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- f. ___ I have a greater desire to help others.
- g. ___ I want others to know Jesus too.
- h. ___ I love others more now.
- i. ___ My talk is "cleaner."
- j. ___ I have a new ability to resist sin.
- k. Other changes I've seen

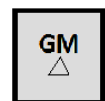
10. How do you know that Jesus is in your life and you have eternal life now?

If you aren't sure, would you like to be? _____

To be sure, you must **repent** (Be willing to turn from sin and self-centered living to God) and **believe** that Jesus Christ, God's Son, died on Calvary's cross in your place, was buried, and rose again the third day.

Believing in Jesus means receiving Him. Ask Him to forgive your sins and come into your life to be your Savior and Lord. The following is a prayer you could use:

Lord Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross in my place and taking my sin, death, and judgment upon yourself. I open the door of my life to you. I want you to come into my life and take control. Thank you for forgiving my sins, and making me a child of God. Make me like you. Amen.



What's God's message to you in this lesson?

What underlying attitudes/thought patterns do you need to change?

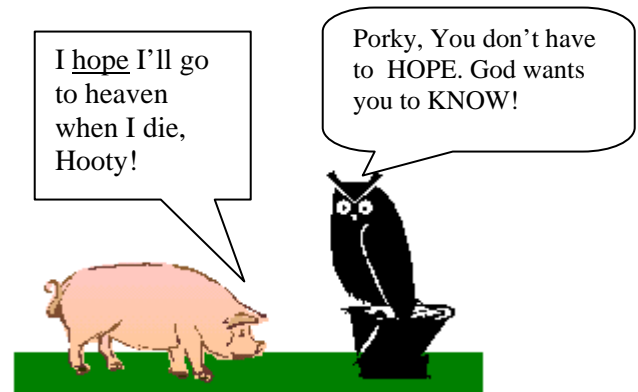


Write your action plan to make those changes:

Starting Fast

Scripture Memory

Revelation 3:20—Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.



God-Shaped Living

Share your progress carrying out your “Assurance of Salvation” action plan.

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

God-shaped Rhythms

Olympic athletes input thousands of hours of preparation for sometimes mere seconds of gold-medal output. To win the prize they channel years of time, money and energy toward one all-consuming goal. If you watch them any day of the year, you’ll see gold-medal-shaped living. Unless we intentionally organize our life rhythms around God, when He asks us on Judgment Day what we’ve accomplished for the Kingdom, we’ll be like the third-grader, who when asked what he learned that day, predictably said, “Nothin.”

Allowing God to shape our lives is the ultimate act of worship. Do you allow God to shape how you use your time? The intent of the Old and New Testaments and life forever with God can be summarized as God-shaped living. Allowing God to shape your life will almost certainly disrupt your existing routines. You can’t become more like Jesus while staying the same! You’ll be tempted to look for an easier way and talk yourself into thinking you don’t really have to change very much. Really? If someone followed you around for a day, would he conclude your rhythms of life were God-shaped?

Weekly Rhythms

We need life rhythms with a God-shaped balance. A sustainable weekly rhythm includes at least one day of rest. The Ten Commandments forbid being a workaholic (remember the Sabbath day...) right along with adultery and stealing (Exodus 20:1-17). Rest is defined by what energizes and recharges you while honoring God. If you’re an extravert, you’ll probably spend at least some God-shaped rest

time with many people. If you’re an introvert, it will be alone or with just a few people. Are you resting at least one day each week? If not, when will you start? _____

Be patient with yourself. It’ll take time to make your daily and weekly life rhythms more God-centered. That will include balancing your time with God, your family, fellow-believers and not-yet-believers. Which legs of the three-legged footstool of your life need attention? _____

Daily Rhythms

You’ll probably have to discipline yourself to go to bed and get up earlier to create space for God to speak into your life daily. My daily rhythm includes getting up early enough to make room for about 40 minutes in God’s Word and prayer before I leave for work. I get up earlier than I used to and also go to bed earlier. If you’re not a morning person, you’ll have to discipline yourself to spend time with God when you’re alert at some other time of the day.

1. What did David do every morning (Psalm 5:3)? _____

2. What is the purpose of daily time with God (Psalm 27:8)? _____

3. What does God promise those who seek Him (Psalm 9:10)? _____

4. What does seeking God’s face mean? (Psalm 27:9 describes its opposite) :
Not h _____ my face from, t _____ away
in a _____ from, r _ j _ ct _ _ _ or
for _____ Him.

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5. How must you seek God (Psalm 63:1)? _____

6. What kind of seeker finds God (Deuteronomy 4:29)? _____

7. What is associated with seeking God with your whole heart (Psalm 119:2a, first part of the verse)? _____

8. What was special about Daniel (Daniel 6:7-10)? _____

9. What must a grape branch do to bear fruit? How does this relate to your life rhythms (John 15:5)? _____

10. What kind of place did Jesus choose for prayer (Mark 1:35)? _____

Practical Considerations

1. What time of day are you most alert and best able to seek God earnestly?
__ morning __ afternoon __ evening

2. Where could you meet with God without being interrupted?

What to Do

1. Read your daily Scripture portion. A study Bible such as *The Life Application Bible* will help you understand the background of the passage, its meaning, and how to apply it.

2. Write down in Appendix A what impresses you most and also a personal application.

3. Pray about all that concerns you (Philippians 4:6-7).



What's God's message to you in this lesson?

Starting Fast

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Write your action plan to make those changes:

Scripture Memory

John 15:5—I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.



Being the Church

Share your progress carrying out your "God-Shaped Living" action plan.

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

1. What was David's attitude toward the Lord's house (Psalm 122:1)? _____

2. The synagogue was a Jewish institution for the reading and teaching of the Holy Scriptures. Church worship is patterned after synagogue worship.

3. Many excuse their absence from church because of the hypocrites there who only pretend they are dedicated to God. Hypocrites aren't themselves on Sunday! They wear a mask and play a part.

4. Were there any hypocrites in the synagogue (Matthew 23:2-3, 13)? _____

5. How do you know they didn't keep Jesus away from the synagogue services (Luke 4:16)? _____

6. Fellowship means sharing together. It implies union and oneness and is pictured by the marriage relationship.

7. To what four things did the first 3,000 Christians baptized into the church dedicate themselves (Acts 2:42)?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____

8. The believer has fellowship with (1 John 1:3)?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

9. The church is a living organism created by God—the body of which Christ is head.

10. According to 1 Corinthians 12:17-21 (Choose the 2 best answers):

- ___ I need the other members of the church.
- ___ Church participation is optional.
- ___ I don't need the other members of the church.
- ___ The other members of the church need me.

11. Can an index finger function properly apart from its place in the hand? _____

12. Can the hand function properly without the index finger? _____

13. The hand is the finger's home. To me the _____ is home where I use my spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12:4-5) to serve others (John 13:14-16).

14. How is merely going to church different than being the church?

15. Based on Hebrews 10:25, God's will for my life is _____

16. Remove a log from the fire and its flame quickly goes out. How does the effect of stirring a fire relate to Hebrews 10:24?

17. How will the world know I'm Jesus' disciple (John 13:34-35)?

18. Why does this require being the church?

19. Being the church is one way to _____ a _____ e my allegiance to Jesus to others (Matthew 10:32) who don't believe in Him.

20. The church teaches and preaches the _____ of God (1 Peter 2:2) to build my spiritual muscles.

21. Pastors and teachers in the church prepare me for (Ephesians 4:12)? _____

22. In God’s presence is fullness of ____ (Psalm 16:11). Jesus’ promised in Matthew 18:20 that wherever two or three come together in his name, he is with them. Worshipping Jesus brings me joy.

23. Why can’t you be a football player without being part of a team? _____

24. Based on the Scriptures you’ve considered, agree or disagree with the statement, “I can be a good Christian without going to church.” Give reasons for your response.

25. Check which of the following your church holds and you will attend regularly:

- Sunday school classes
- Worship service
- Sunday evening service
- Mid-week service
- Discipleship group
- Other (describe) _____

What’s God’s message to you in this lesson?



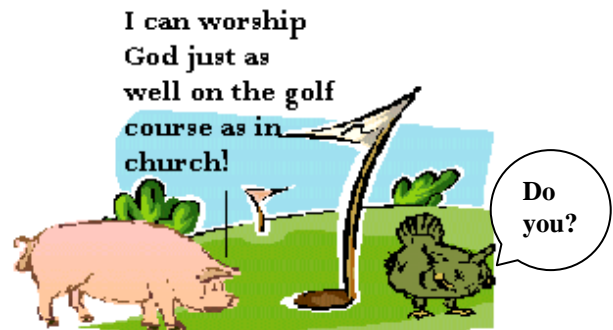
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Scripture Memory

Hebrews 10:25 - Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.



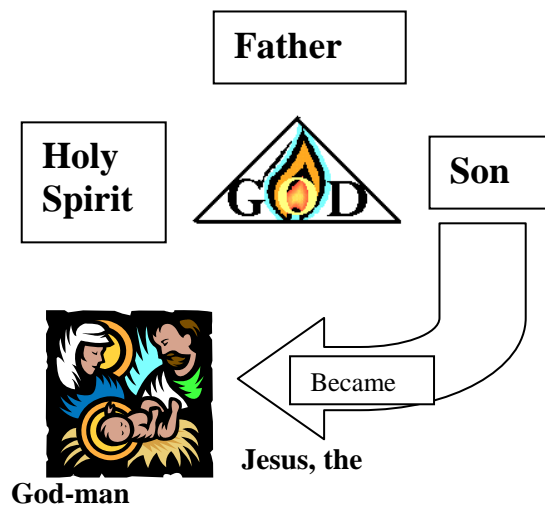
Share your progress carrying out your “Being the Church” action plan

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

Few question that Jesus was a man, but many doubt he was God. Jesus Christ is more than a great teacher. He is fully God as well as fully man. You owe him complete obedience. He is your ultimate boss with authority over every area of your life.

1. At His birth, what three words were used to describe Jesus (Luke 2:11)?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
2. The Word was (John 1:1)? _ _ _, and the Word became (John 1:14)? _____
3. Who is the Word? _____
4. If Jesus Christ is the Word made flesh, then He is both G _ _ and m _ _ .

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5. How does Thomas, one of Jesus’ disciples, describe Him when he sees the crucifixion-wounds (John 20:28)? _____

6. What did Jesus claim the ability to do that only God can do (Mark 2:7-11)?

7. Who is the shepherd in Psalm 23:1?

In John 10:11? _____

What’s your conclusion?

8. Why did the Jews try to kill Jesus (John 5:18)? _____

9. How did the Jews interpret Jesus’ claims in John 10:30 (John 10:30, 33)? How did they respond?

10. How many people do you know who have never done anything wrong? _____

11. What sins did John observe in Jesus (1 John 3:5)? _____

12. How many did the Apostle Peter witness (1 Peter 2:22)? _____

13. Jesus came to show us God the Father. He is God’s “Show and Tell”!

- a. Knowing Him means knowing (John 8:19) _____
- b. Believing in Him means believing in (John 12:44) _____
- c. Honoring Him means honoring (John 5:23) _____
- d. Hating Him means hating (John 15:23) _____

e. Seeing Him means seeing (John 14:9)

f. Welcoming Him means welcoming (Mark 9:37)

14. Colossians 1:15-18 describes Jesus #1 status three different ways.

a. He is the i _ _ _ _ of God, like a reflection of Him in a mirror. He perfectly reveals what God is like.

b. He is the f _ _ _ _ born (first in rank) over all creation because He made it to do His will and give Him glory.

c. He is the h _ _ _ of the church (the collection of all believers past, present, and future). He is its Leader and source of its life.

15. He has first place in E _ _ _ _ THING (Colossians 1:18).

16. Instead of saying, "We're #1," we should say, "_____."

17. What physical action accompanies confessing that Jesus Christ is Lord (Philippians 2:10-11)?

18. What does calling Jesus Lord imply about your relationship to Him (Luke 6:46)?

19. Check below the relationships that you especially need to submit to Jesus' control:
- with friends ...brothers/sisters
 - ...spouse ...coworkers
 - ...parents/guardians ...boss
 - ... neighbors ...relatives
 - ...other Christians ...money
 - ... unbelievers specify _____



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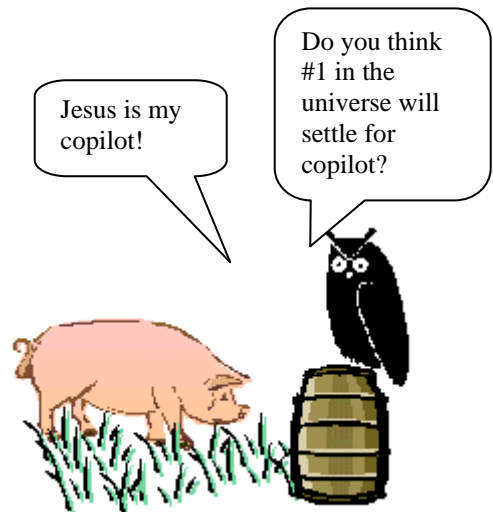
What underlying attitudes/thought patterns do you need to change?



Write your action plan to make those changes:

Scripture Memory

Colossians 1:18 - And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.



Obedience

Share your progress carrying out your “Jesus Christ Is Lord” action plan.

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

Stay Out of Sin’s Jaws!

God made salmon to swim freely in sparkling rivers and vast oceans. In the mouth of a grizzly bear, however, they’re absolutely helpless. You’re like a salmon, God’s kingdom like water, and sin like the bear. God designed you for the sea of his kingdom, not the jaws of sin. The choice is yours. Without obedience, there’s no joy, freedom or peace in life!

For what purpose has God chosen believers (1 Peter 1:2)?

The righteous are described as obedient and holy (1 Peter 1:14). That means we can’t live however we want. We all serve either sin or holiness (Romans 6:16).

Keep It Simple

A relationship with God isn’t complicated. You don’t have to dig a hole 1000-feet deep with a teaspoon or climb a ladder 49 miles into the atmosphere to stay on his good side. You need to know what he has said, believe it, and do it. Don’t bother exploring other options.

Rule #1

Rule #1 of the Christian life is that *God’s will takes priority over your own and everyone else’s.*

We like to rationalize our way around that rule. We sometimes think our situation is special, so we don’t have to obey. When tempted to make excuses, refer back to rule #1!

Priority #1

Obedience to God is more important than any other claim on our lives. Imagine an elderly woman at Penn State’s football game with Michigan. Every seat in Beaver Stadium is filled except the one beside her. Someone asks her whose seat it is. She says that she and her late husband have been season ticket holders for 35 years, and the seat belonged to him. She is asked why she didn’t ask a friend or relative to come with her. She says, “Are you kidding! They’re all at the funeral.” We need that kind of commitment to God. What’s the result of such obedience (Hebrews 5:9)?

Submission’s Seven-Pack

The Bible requires obedience to seven human authorities:

(1) Parents (Ephesians 6:1) - Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

(2) Teachers – What is the root cause of disobedience to teachers (Prov 5:12-13)?

(3) Husbands – a. What is the wife’s responsibility? _____

b. What is the husband’s? (Eph 5:21-25)

4) Other Believers – Ephesians 5:21. Submit to _____

(5) Masters (employers) -- (Eph 6:5). How are we to relate to our employer?

(6) Government (Titus 3:1) – Christians are to be subject to _____

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(7) Spiritual Leaders (Hebrews 13:17) How are we to relate to our spiritual leaders? Why?

If the demands of any of these seven “bosses” conflict with God’s commands, what must we do (Acts 5:29) _____

Obedience Demonstrates Faith

Obedying Jesus’ commands demonstrates (John 14:21, 15:14)? _____

What else does it demonstrate (1 John 2:3)?

Obedience Pays Dividends

What are three benefits of doing what Jesus commands: (John 15:10-11)

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

How does God reward obedience?

- a. 1 John 3:22 _____
- b. Proverbs 3:1-2 _____
- c. Isaiah 48:18 _____
- d. Luke 11:28 _____
- e. John 14:23 _____
- f. 1 John 2:17 _____
- g. Luke 8:15 _____
- h. Matthew 7:24-27 _____

Put Your Heart into It!

Is outward conformity to God’s commands enough (Matthew 22:37)? Why?

What attitude is appropriate?

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1. Ephesians 6:7 _____

2. 2 Corinthians 5:15 _____

Application

Christian growth requires obedience. Write your plans to be obedient in the following areas of being a disciple of Jesus:

1. Regular prayer and Bible reading

2. Giving of my time, talents, and treasures to further God’s kingdom

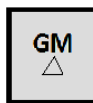
3. Commitment to a small discipleship group

4. Regularly attend worship services

5. Involved in serving others

6. Submitting my will to God’s will

7. Telling others how they can know Jesus



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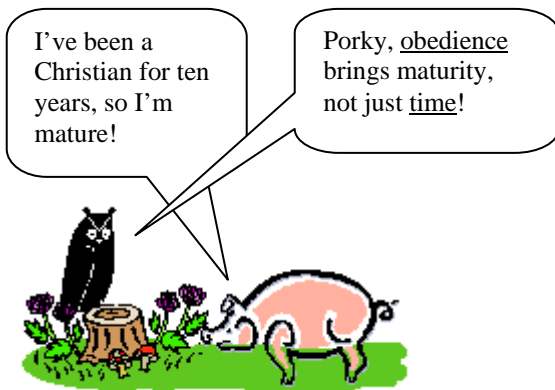
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Write your action plan to make those changes:

Scripture Memory

John 14:15 - If you love me, you will obey what I command.



Reading Your G-Mail

Share your progress carrying out your "Obedience" action plan.

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

Ignorance Isn't Bliss

Sin is a prison cell. You're a slave to the things that control you. Many think God's ways are too restricting and prefer their "freedom." They aren't willing to exchange their cigarettes, alcohol, sexually immoral lifestyles, etc. for God's ways. Do you think these persons are really in control of their own lives? Why?

Studying and applying the Bible to your life cuts away, one by one, the bars of sin. It will take years to appreciate fully how much they've limited you.

According to John 10:10, why did Jesus come?

According to John 8:32, what does knowing the truth do for you?

Read or Bleed!

Ignore God's Word and you're a possum in Satan's headlights. Bump-bump. Road-kill for sure! Make no mistake about it— he wants you to be the most ineffective Christian in North America. He's both powerful and subtle. He's like a _____ on one hand (1 Peter 5:8), and an _____ of light on the other (2 Corinthians 11:14). To defeat him you must spend time reading and studying God's Word. Begin with at least ten minutes each day and gradually increase. Start with Matthew. Record your observations and personal applications in Appendix A. *Set a goal of reading through the*

New Testament within the next twelve months. Then spend the following twelve months completing the Old Testament beginning with Genesis.

A Guide Dog for the Blind

A blind man trusts his guide dog's eyes and judgment. Living the Christian life is similar. You must learn to see life through God's eyes and trust his judgment. Proverbs 3:5 commands you not to trust your own _____ but in all your ways to _____ God who will then direct you. Consistently reading and applying God's Word trains you to see life from his point of view. His eyes and judgment are vastly superior to yours.

According to Hebrews 4:13, what is hidden from his eyes? _____

Lies are the devil's weapon of choice. John 8:44 describes him as having no _____ in him and as the _____ of lies. He often camouflages his untruths as half-truths and even 90% truths to inject more poison than a pure lie could. Daily you swallow them like pills ground up and mixed with applesauce. They go down so easily. Few of them are obvious. God's Word in you will reveal them and frustrate Satan's destructive plans.

Liquid Truth

Truth used to correspond to reality. Now we're told it's relative. Supposedly, it no longer applies to all people at all times and places. Like milk, it takes the shape of its container.

One hundred persons' definitions of love are all correct, even if they contradict one another. Truth is whatever you want it to be. Limits are out. "Freedom" is in. Chaos rides "freedom's" passenger seat! How does the notion of "relative truth" threaten God's absolute moral standards? _____

The God-Standard

Truth has departed from the reality-standard, but God hasn't and he's the Judge! For now people can play word games and twist the truth into whatever shape is convenient. They can ignore or redefine reality as they like, but they can't escape it or the consequences of their actions. Calling black white and wrong right doesn't make it so. On judgment day all will have to explain every careless _____ (Matthew 12:36). Everything hidden will be uncovered before God's eyes to whom all must give _____ (Hebrews 4:13). No one will tell *Him* that truth is relative!

Abe Lincoln once asked someone how many legs a dog had if one called its tail a leg. After the man answered incorrectly, Abe told him it had four legs. He said, "Calling a tail a leg doesn't make it one."

Father Knows Best

A commercial once said that wearing seat belts in Pennsylvania isn't just a good idea—it's the law. Studying God's Word is more than just a good idea. Put 2 Timothy 2:15 in your own words: _____

Programming 101

Your brain is like a computer with defective software. It doesn't run according to the manufacturer's specifications. It never did. No one naturally imitates Jesus very well. His life alone was unaffected by the "___ bug" (1 Peter 2:22).

When you repented and received Jesus into your life, the manufacturer inserted a spiritual drive into your "computer." That's the new birth. Your spiritual drive enables you to "read" God's truth. According to Romans 12:2, what needs to be renewed? _____ How does that happen? According to 1 Peter 2:2, you are to *crave* _____. May your defining passion be the same as the psalmist who wrote, "Oh, how I _____ your law... (Psalm 119:97).

Renewing your mind isn't automatic or easy. It takes time and effort to think, feel, and act more like Jesus. A lot of both! God's part is to work in you to enable you to _____ and _____ according to his purposes (Philippians 2:13).

Your part is to program your mind with and act upon one transforming God-truth after another after another. Jesus said that those who practice his teachings prove they are his _____ (John 8:31).

It's a life-long journey. You need to learn and be reminded of God's truth daily. A practical way is to set aside at least ten minutes a day to read and align your life with the Bible. What is the best time for you? _____. Where is the best place? _____.

Some Bibles are easier to understand than others. *The King James Version* was published in 1611. Its elevated language is both beautiful and difficult. Those who classify reading material rate it at grade level 14. *The New International Version*, by comparison, is about grade level 8.5. The Bible isn't a magical book. Reading a chapter a day *won't* keep the devil away! He probably reads more than that himself trying to figure out what God is going to do next! Only Scripture you understand and apply will make you more like Jesus. Simpler is better.

Consider purchasing a study Bible. It will help you digest a lot more soul food. *The Life Application Bible*, for example, will both help you understand the Bible and apply it to your life.

A Bible dictionary and concordance deepen your study. You can purchase them in a Christian bookstore. If you have a computer, you'd be wise to buy them on CD ROM. This will help you to search more quickly and effectively.

A Bible dictionary provides historical and cultural backgrounds that will help you understand what you're reading. It explains Bible people, places, things, books, and customs.

A concordance is an index of important words found in the Bible. For example, a complete

concordance lists all 250 places “peace” occurs (book, chapter, and verse). Your concordance should correspond to the version of the Bible you’re using.

Nine Principles to Interpret Scripture

1. *Let the Bible explain itself.* Matthew 7:7-8 doesn’t guarantee getting everything you ask from God. Other passages, such as James 4:3, describe conditions for answered prayer.
2. *Consider literary forms.* Jesus is the door (John 10:9), but don’t expect a knob and hinges.
3. *Look for only one meaning* (the original intention of the author), *but many applications.*
4. *Understanding grammar and historical background are two keys to accurate interpretation.*
5. *Interpret unclear passages in the light of clear ones.* Ephesians 2:8-10 describes how good deeds relate to salvation better than James 2:24 does.
6. *Research what words meant to the biblical authors.* Two resources to help: *Nelson’s Expository Dictionary of the Old Testament* by Merrill F. Unger and Williams White, Jr. and *An Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words* by W. E. Vine.
7. *Proverbs express general principles, not moral absolutes.* Proverbs 3:16 promises long life to the wise, but some wise persons die young.
8. *In parables look for one main point.* Luke 15: 3-7 teaches that God cares about lost people.
9. *Pray for the Holy Spirit to teach you.*



What’s God’s message to you in this lesson?

What underlying attitudes/thought patterns do you need to change?



Write your action plan to make those changes:

Scripture Memory—1 Peter 2:2 - Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.



Launching God's Missiles

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Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

You're in the Army Now!

During Operation Desert Storm, Iraq was overwhelmed by the Coalition Forces' ability to strike targets with uncanny accuracy. Special Operations Forces had moved undetected deep behind Iraqi lines. They provided bombing coordinates with hand-held lasers pointed at targets that missiles then homed in on and destroyed. Through folded-hand, laser prayers, you can direct God's missiles against the enemy. But first you have to know the enemy?

Your struggle is against the forces of Satan (Ephesians 6:12), your _____ nature (Galatians 5:17) and the _____ (1 John 5:4). The second is that part of you that loves to have its own way in everything. The third is the system of values organized against and hostile to God's values.

Satan laughs when you fight against him trusting in your own resources instead of God's. What can you do *apart from* a trusting connection with Jesus Christ (John 15:5) _____? What can you do through that connection (Philippians 4:13)? _____ To win spiritual battles, you must learn to pray.

Who Needs to Pray?

According to Colossians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18, and 1 Timothy 2:8, who needs to pray?

Two Way Communication

Prayer is talking *with* God about everything. He's your best friend. Give him a chance to speak. Many days he'll let the Bible do all his talking. Sometimes, though, he speaks directly.

Often this takes the form of a persistent impression.

Hearing God's voice shouldn't seem strange. You follow Jesus because you know his _____ (John 10:4). Allow some quiet moments during prayer for God to speak to you in a still small voice. That's how you know what God's message for you is in each of these lessons and in your devotional time.

Vending Machine in the Sky

Most people think prayer is asking God for things. Period. You put your money into the prayer machine (time spent praying), push the button (make your request) and get what you want (kerplunk!).

That kind of one-dimensional prayer life doesn't develop your relationship with God! The basic ingredients of a growing, healthy relationship with another person are found in a growing relationship with God.

PRAYER Time

Prayer's primary motivation is to become more like Jesus. The acrostic PRAYER will help you develop a balanced prayer life. PRAYER represents: **P**raise, **R**ely, **A**dmit, **Y**ield, **E**xpress thanks, and **R**equest.

Praise

Definition: Praise is words or deeds that honor and exalt God for who he is and what he's done. Knowledge of both comes from the Bible.

Biblical Basis:

1. What is one thing for which we can exalt God _____ (Ephesians 1:6)?

2. Jesus is God’s all-sufficient sacrifice for sin. What sacrifice is appropriate for those he has rescued _____ (Hebrews 13:15)

3. What praise word do the servants of God in heaven use H _____ h (Revelation 19:6)? (This word means “Praise ye Jehovah” or “Praise the Lord”).

Example:

Father, I praise you for your glorious grace that rescued a sinner like me. I deserve hell, but you gave me heaven. Without grace I wouldn’t know or serve you. I couldn’t do your will with the right attitude for even one minute. You made a way for me to know you even when I didn’t care. I praise you for your grace.

I praise you for your love for me that’s new every day. I can always depend on it. I love you only because you first loved me. Your love doesn’t contain even an ounce of selfishness. Lord, I praise you for your love.

Rely

Definition: You trust your auto mechanic to fix your car. The Greek word translated faith means trust or reliance. It includes dependence upon Jesus, his teachings, and his finished work on the cross. It describes a commitment to believe God no matter what.

Biblical Basis:

1. Prayer without _____ won’t please God (Hebrews 11:6).
2. In Matthew 8:13 Jesus told a centurion _____
3. If you _____, you will receive _____ (Matthew 21:22). Of course, this verse isn’t a blank check to obtain luxury cars, executive positions, etc. It is qualified by other verses on prayer.

Example:

Father, I need a job. I trust you to supply it. You have promised that if I seek you first, the things I need will be provided. You know how my faith wavers. I’ve been without a job for two months.

I’ve filled out 23 job applications, but still haven’t heard any encouraging news. Lord, I believe you’ll provide a job where you want me to have a ministry. Help me to persevere despite the heckling unbelief within that tells me I’m a fool to rely on you.

Admit

Definition – We must acknowledge the sins of which we’re guilty.

Biblical Basis:

1. Based on Leviticus 5:5, when we’re guilty of offending God, what must we do? _____
2. When we wrong another person, what must we do (Numbers 5:6-7)? _____
3. If we confess our sins, what does God promise (1 John 1:9)? _____

Example:

Dear Lord, I’m sorry I watched that television show last night. It certainly didn’t glorify you and I knew it. It appealed to the lust of my flesh. It filled my mind with pictures that I can’t erase. I chose the show in preference to your will. Please forgive me. Help me to develop a plan to keep this kind of thing from happening again.

Yield

Definition: Prayer demonstrates our dependence on God. He’s God. We aren’t. We surrender to him and his purposes for our lives.

Biblical Basis:

Effective prayer requires surrendering to God our _____ (Matthew 26:39), minds (Colossians 3:2), k _____ (Matthew 6:33), b _____ (Romans 12:1), u _____ (Proverbs 3:5-6), w _____ and t _____ (Isaiah 55:8-9), and the control of our lives (Ephesians 5:18).

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Example:

Our Father in heaven, I want to present all of myself to you this morning. There are parts of my life that I want to reserve for myself alone. Help me to hold these too with an open hand. I ask you to think with my mind, speak with my mouth, love with my heart, walk with my feet, and bless others with my hands today. I give you the control center of my life. Thank you for controlling me with your Holy Spirit.

Express Thanks

Definition: Thanksgiving means expressing gratitude to God for what he has done.

Biblical Basis:

1. How are we to enter into God's presence (Psalms 100:4)? _____
2. Give _____ to the Lord for he is good (Psalms 106:1).
3. Always giving _____ to God the Father for _____ (Ephesians 5:20).
4. In what circumstances are we to give thanks (1 Thessalonians 5:18)? _____

Example:

Dear Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross in my place. Thank you for giving me this healthy body. Thank you for my house, a warm and dry refuge as the snow is piling up outside. Thank you for the food you have provided for me and my family. Thanks for Bill who has taught me so much about you since I met him. Thanks for my pastor who led me to faith in you. Thanks that you will give me everything I need to serve you today.

Request

Definition: Asking God to supply what we need (petition) and what others need (intercession).

Biblical Basis:

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1. In Romans 1:10, what did Paul ask for?

2. Paul asked three times that a "_____ " be removed (2 Corinthians 12:7-8).

3. In 1 Timothy 2:1 Paul urged Timothy that r _____, prayers, i _____ and thanksgiving be made for everyone.

4. Christians are to keep on praying for all the s _____ (Ephesians 6:18).

Example:

Dear Father, give me wisdom as I shop for cars today to pick one that will provide the best value. Give me safety on the highway as I travel to and from the car dealership in Harrisburg.

Lord, I pray that you would encourage Pastor Richards, protect him from Satan's fiery darts, and fill him with wisdom and knowledge as he prepares his sermon this week.

I pray for Betty. Help her to adjust quickly to her new job and may her Christian light shine brightly there.

Key Requests: Along with your other concerns please pray regularly for:

1. The salvation of at least three acquaintances who don't know Jesus in a personal way.
2. The purity, protection, and effectiveness of your pastor and the spiritual leaders of your church.

How many minutes/day will you spend in prayer



What's God's message to you in this lesson?

What underlying attitudes/thought patterns do you need to change?



Write your action plan to make those changes:

Scripture Memory

If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer. Matthew 21:22



Forgiveness

Share your progress carrying out your "Launching God's Missiles" action plan.

Share one God-message from your devotional time since we last met.

1. Based on Romans 6:23, what are the wages of sin? _____

What's the gift of God? _____

Through whom does the gift come? _____

2. *Forgiveness means letting go of hard feelings and any attempt to get even with an offender.*

3. How can a holy God forgive my sins?

a. What did the law of Moses require for forgiveness (Hebrews 9:22)?

b. Blood from the death of _____ and _____ can't take away sin (Hebrews 10:4).

c. What is the basis of my forgiveness and eternal redemption (Hebrews 9:11-12, Ephesians 1:7)? _____

d. As a result of Jesus' death in my place, I've been made (Hebrews 10:10)? _____

e. My forgiveness depends on (check the best answer):

___ How many good things I've done (Ephesians 2:9).

___ My ability to keep God's laws (Galatians 2:16).

___ God's undeserved favor received by faith (Ephesians 2:8).

4. God's forgiveness of sin is conditional on:

a. _____ Luke 3:3

b. _____ Acts 13:38-39

c. _____ 1 John 1:9*.

*That means calling my behavior what God does (sin) and dealing with it.

5. How do the words, "Pass it on" apply to forgiveness (Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:13)?

6. How is God's forgiving me linked to my forgiving others (Matthew 6:14-15)?

7. How many times do I want God to forgive me when I sin against Him? _____

8. How many times must I forgive those who sin against me (Matthew 18:21-22)?

9. What reason do Joseph's words in Genesis 50:20 and God's promise in Romans 8:28 give to forgive those who offend us?

10. The parable in Matthew 18:23-35 concerns forgiveness. Whose sins are represented by the man who owed 10,000 talents (30 million days' pay) to the king? _____

11. Whose sins are illustrated by the man who owed 100 days' pay to a fellow servant?

12. What does this parable teach about forgiveness? _____

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13. According to Colossians 2:13, what accompanies God’s forgiveness?

14. How is the forgiven person described in Psalm 32:1-2?

This means “fully satisfied.”

15. When we’ve been forgiven much, what is our natural response to God (Luke 7:47)?

16. What was Jesus’ mission (Matthew 1:21)?

17. Rasputin, the Russian monk, lived very immorally because he thought the more he sinned, the more forgiveness he would experience. What’s wrong with thinking that way (Romans 6:1-4)? _____

18. Consider which of the following sins in your life need to be confessed, repented of, forgiven, and cleansed. Confess each one and claim God’s forgiveness using 1 John 1:9. *If you don’t care who knows*, check each one.

- I worry
- I don’t thank God for my food
- I take all the credit when I do something good for God
- I fail to serve God because of feelings of inferiority
- I don’t witness for Christ with my life
- I don’t witness with my mouth
- I complain, find fault, argue
- I have a critical spirit
- I participate in unholy sex acts
- I eat poorly or don’t exercise
- I think of myself as better than others
- I use filthy language or tell off-color jokes
- I participate in yoga, seances, psychic hotline, horoscopes.
- I don’t pay my debts on time
- I use shady business or income tax practices
- I attend church infrequently
- I’m not attentive during worship services
- I neglect family devotions

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- I pray infrequently
- I lie
- I lust after members of the opposite sex
- I lust after persons of the same sex
- I feed my mind with sexually oriented material
- I engage in fornication, adultery, or perversion
- I underpay others
- I shortchange my employer
- I steal
- I waste time
- I put off doing things
- I read cheap books or watch TV trash.
- I withhold from God his due from my income
- I act holy in public and otherwise in private
- I listen to or pass on gossip
- I read the Bible infrequently

19. From whom are you withholding forgiveness? How are you going to make things right with those persons?



What’s God’s message to you in this lesson?

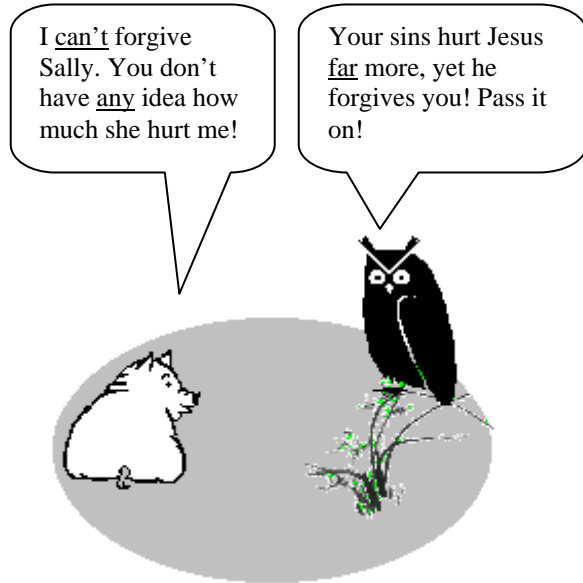
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1 John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



**Appendix A
Devotional
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John 19

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Acts 1

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Romans 1

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2 Corinthians 1

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Running to Win Series

Galatians 1

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Ephesians 1

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Philippians 1

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Colossians 1

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2 Thessalonians 1

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Titus 3

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Starting Fast

Philemon

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Hebrews 1

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James 1

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2 John

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3 John

1. I am most impressed with:

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Jude

1. I am most impressed with:

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Revelation 1

Starting Fast

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Revelation 7

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Revelation 21

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Revelation 22

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Answer Key

Assurance of Salvation

- To come into my life
- a. He is the truth
- b. Truth comes through Jesus Christ
- Eternal life
- Present
- Without faith it is impossible to please God
- Know
 - The presence of His Spirit
 - Believe Jesus is the Christ
 - Obey his commands
 - Love our brothers (other believers)
 - Do what is right

God-Shaped Living

- Prayed
- Seeking God's face
- He will never forsake them
- hiding...turning...anger...rejecting...forsaking
- Earnestly as one thirsts for water in the desert

Starting Fast

- Those who seek him with all their heart and soul
- Being blessed by God
- He risked his life to pray to God
- The branch must remain attached to the vine. I must maintain vital contact with Jesus through my devotional life to be spiritually fruitful.
- Solitary (where he could be alone)

Being the Church

- He rejoiced in being able to go to the Lord's house
- Yes.
- His custom was to go to the synagogue on the Sabbath
 - The apostles' teaching
 - Fellowship
 - Breaking of bread (Lord's Supper)
 - Prayer
- Other believers
 - The Father
 - The Son, Jesus Christ
- I need the other members of the church
The other members of the church need me
- No
- No
- Church...gifts...serve
- The difference between sitting on a log and being part of a living tree.
- To assemble regularly with other believers
- Believers gather to spur one another on (stir one another up) toward love and good deeds
- By my love for other followers of Jesus
- I can't love other believers if I don't have close relationships or spend time with them
- acknowledge
- word
- works of service
- joy
- Football is a team sport

Jesus Christ Is Lord

- a. Savior
- b. Christ
- c. The Lord
- God...Flesh
- Jesus Christ
- God...man
- My Lord and my God
- To forgive sins
- The Lord
Jesus
Jesus is the Lord
- He made himself equal with God
- That he was claiming to be God. They tried to kill him
- None
- No sin
- No sin
- a. The Father
- b. The Father
- c. The Father
- d. The Father
- e. The Father
- f. The Father
- a. image
- b. firstborn
- c. head
- EVERYTHING
- "He's #1."
- Every knee bowing before him in worship
- It implies that I do what he says

Obedience

For obedience to Jesus Christ
Obedient children...sin...obedience

Eternal salvation

- (1) obey...right
- (2) hating discipline and correction
- (3) a. To submit to her husband
b. To love his wife as Christ loved the church
- (4) one another out of reverence for Christ (other believers)
- (5) obey them as we would obey Christ
- (6) rulers and authorities
- (7) obey and submit to them because they have to give an account of their watch over me.

Obey God rather than men

That we love him

That we have come to know him

- 1) I will remain in Jesus' love
 - 2) His joy will be in me
 - 3) My joy will be complete
 - a. I receive from him anything I ask
 - b. My life will be prolonged and I will be prosperous
 - c. I will experience peace and righteousness
 - d. I will be blessed by God
 - e. The Father will love and make his home with me
 - f. I will live forever
 - g. I will produce a spiritual crop
 - h. Obedience brings stability and safety to my life
- No. My obedience must be motivated by love for God.

1. Wholehearted service
2. Gratefully living for the one who died for me

Reading Your G-Mail

No. They are controlled by the things they think they can't do without

Jesus came that I might experience life to the full

Knowing the truth sets me free

Roaring lion...angel

Understanding...acknowledge

Nothing

Truth...father

The notion of relative truth removes all authority from God's standards

Word...account

God approves the one who studies his word to properly understand it

Sin

My mind...pure spiritual milk...love

Will...act

Disciples

Launching God's Missiles

sinful...world

nothing...everything (he asks me to do)

Everyone

Voice

1. His glorious grace
2. Praise
3. Hallelujah
 1. Faith
 2. It will be done to you as you believed it would
 3. Believe...whatever you ask for in prayer
 1. Confess it
 2. confess the sin and make restitution (See Luke 19:8 as an example)
 3. He will forgive our sin and purify us from unrighteousness
- wills...kingdoms...bodies...understandings...ways...thoughts
 1. with thanksgiving
 2. thanks
 3. thanks...everything
 4. all circumstances
 1. The way would be open for him to visit the Christians in Rome
 2. "thorn in my flesh"
 3. requests...intercession
 4. saints

Forgiveness

1. death
eternal life
Jesus Christ
3. a. the shedding of blood
b. bulls and goats
c. The blood Jesus Christ shed on the cross
d. holy
e. God's undeserved favor received by faith
4. a. repentance
b. belief
c. confession
5. Because God has forgiven me, I am under obligation to forgive others
6. God's forgiving me depends on my forgiving others
7. As many times as I sin
8. As many times as they sin
9. God is using even the offense to work for our good.
10. Mine
11. The ones who sin against me.
12. The sins of others against us are nothing compared to the sins that God has forgiven us.
13. He made me spiritually alive with Christ
14. Blessed
15. To love him much.
16. To save us from our sins
17. Jesus died for us that we might live a new life for him no longer under sin's domination