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Preface

Salvation is a gift of God that is for all people in the world. He sent His one and only Son, Jesus, to die on the cross and redeem mankind once and for all.

Unfortunately many people do not understand this very beautiful gift. As a result, they lose the opportunity to experience the eternal life that God has prepared for them.

*Through the class **I'M SAVED**, salvation will be discussed in great detail so that you can understand God's complete plan of salvation for you.*

In addition to discussing salvation, you will also learn about baptism, the Holy Spirit, Every Day with Christ, The Covenant in Local Church, The Cross, and Casting Out spirits.

My prayer is that after you go through this class that you will understand how great God's grace is in your life and you will experience the joy of His salvation.

In His Love,

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SALVATION

READING

9 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. 11 As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:9-13 NIV).

TRUTHS THAT SET YOU FREE

A. THE CREATION

Many people never quite understand God’s purpose for their life. Some think life is all about seeking happiness through wealth, power, or worldly pleasure. Others find themselves in an unending search for purpose but find no answer. The truth is, true happiness lies only in knowing God and understanding his purpose for your life.

1. God created you to be the object of his **LOVE**.

The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: “I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness (Jeremiah 31:3 NIV).

4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will... (Ephesians 1:4-5 NIV)

2. You were created to **ENJOY** him and all his creation.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment (1 Timothy 6:17 NIV).

“You have made us for yourself, and our heart is restless until it rests in you.”

– St. Augustine

3. You are created with **DOMINION MANDATE** to **GOVERN** His creation.

27 So God created humankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. 28 God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful

and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground” (Genesis 1:27-28 NIV).

4. In the likeness of God, you are given the **FREE WILL** to choose.

16 And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die” (Genesis 2:16-17 NIV).

“Freedom means nothing in the realm of no choices.”

B. THE PROBLEM

1. **ADAM** rebelled against God, which is called **SIN**.

From the beginning, God desired humankind to walk in his path and to enjoy all of his creation. However, by his own free will, Adam chose to rebel against God. Rebellion against God is called “sin.” This sinful nature was then passed on to the rest of humanity. In this sinful nature, humans have the tendency to “be their own boss”, ignoring God and all his principles and purpose for them. Humans tends to:

- Prioritize convenience instead of God’s commands
- See themselves as free to live however they choose
- Think that the entire world revolves around them

Paul describes the sinful nature of humanity in Romans 3:10-18. What can you observe about sin from this passage?

“Sin is everything that is not in harmony with God’s character.”

2. Humans **INHERIT** a sinful nature from Adam and Eve

Adam’s disobedience towards God’s laws brought sin into the world. As a result, the rest of humankind became sinful and inherited all of its consequences. We do not become sinful the first time we commit a sin. Rather, as descendants of Adam, we are born into sin.

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned... (Romans 5:12 NIV)

3. It's **IMPOSSIBLE** for people to save themselves.

Below are some common misconceptions on to get into heaven:

- a. "All roads lead to Rome. Everything you believe is good as long as you are sincere about it."
- b. "My good deeds and act of worship will help me get into heaven."
- c. "I have a proper life and I never hurt anyone."
- d. "My parents are Christians."
- e. "I diligently go to church and take part as a minister."

People often think that being good and doing good deeds (worshipping God, doing charity, being a good person, etc) will get them to enter heaven. However being "good" is not good enough because God is perfect, hence His standard is nothing less than perfection.

Speak to all the congregation of the sons of Israel and say to them, "You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy" (Leviticus 19:2 NIV).

For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all (James 2:10 NIV).

4. Sin **SEPARATES** people from God.

Sin brings death to all mankind.

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord (Romans 6:23 NIV).

What do the following passages teach us regarding the destructive effects of sin? Psalm 51:3-4, Romans 6:17, Ephesians 2:12, Psalm 32:1-5

C. THE "FINISHED" WORK

1. Jesus' death and resurrection **JUSTIFIES** and **RECONCILES** people to God.

9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. 10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation (Romans 5:9-11 NIV).

Standing firm on the belief that Jesus Christ died for our sins and rose again as the savior and lord of all creation, we understand that through the cross:

- a. The **RELATIONSHIP** between humans and God the Father is restored.

Namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation (2 Corinthians 5:19 NIV).

- b. Our **AUTHORITY** to manage all of his creations is restored.

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth (Revelation 5:10 NIV).

- c. We will receive God's **BLESSINGS** and **PROVISION**.

And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19 NIV).

Walking according to the purpose of God, here are the blessings of God, which you can enjoy in your every day life:

- 1) Life and peace (Romans 8:6)
- 2) Good conscience (Romans 8:11)
- 3) Receive help in time of need (Romans 8:26)
- 4) Having purpose in life (Romans 8:28)
- 5) Having faith in God (Romans 8:31)
- 6) Feeling secure (Romans 8:39).

2. We are justified entirely by **GRACE**.

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast (Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV).

No man's thoughts, words or acts can justify him in front of the Almighty God.

3. God is **FAITHFUL** and **JUST** to save us.

Some people have a presupposition that God is like an old kind-hearted grandfather who loves his grandchildren unconditionally without considering justice and correction, blindly justify all wrongdoings. This extreme understanding of God's love downplays the importance of justice and righteousness.

By those who come near me I will be treated as holy, and before all the people I will be honored (Leviticus 10:3 NIV).

On the other extreme, some people see God as a stern police officer that is only concerned with our mistakes and seeks to punish us without mercy. These people usually feel an extreme fear towards God. This perspective overemphasizes God's wrath and downplays the implications of justification by faith.

1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him (Romans 5:1, 9 NIV).

The truth is, not forsaking justice, God in His unfailing love sent His only Son to take our place of death on the cross so that you may live a new life with God.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life (John 3:16 NIV).

The grace of God (the gospel) is the ultimate and only solution for sin.

D. THE RESPONSE

You are saved by God's grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8-9).

1. **ACKNOWLEDGE** that you are a sinful person who cannot redeem yourself and that you need God's forgiveness.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9 NIV).

I acknowledged my sin to you, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; and you forgave the guilt of my sin (Psalm 32:5 NIV).

2. **RECEIVE** God's free gift of salvation, which is obtained through faith, not your own power, strength, skill or achievement. Your relationship with God is no longer defined by what you do but by what Jesus has done for you.

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God (John 1:12-13 NIV).

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast (Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV).

2. **BELIEVE** that Jesus has died for your sins and has risen on the third day as your savior.

17 For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. 18 He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God (John 3:17-18 NIV).

3. **REPENT** (turn away) from your sins and turn toward Jesus.

14 After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. 15 "The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!" (Mark 1:14-15)

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38).

4. **INVITE** Jesus to be the Lord of your life. In other words, surrender your life to him.

Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me (Revelation 3:20 NIV).

I am saved by God's grace and not by my works.

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. Describe your spiritual journey growing up. What did your parents and surroundings teach you about spirituality?

2. Have you ever heard someone call themselves a good person or sinless? Is there such thing as a sinless person (Romans 3:23, Psalm 51:5)? What does the Bible teach us about those who say they are without sin (1 John 1:10)?

3. Have you received Jesus as your personal lord and savior? If yes, share the experience. If not, would you like to receive Jesus as your personal lord and savior now?

MEMORIZE IT

...9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; 10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation (Romans 10:9-10 NIV).

SALVATION AND LIFE TRANSFORMATION

READING

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand (John 10:27-29 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

And these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified (Romans 8:30 NIV).

Our spiritual journey does not end once we receive Christ. Rather, this is just the beginning of a life-long relationship with God, one that the Bible describes as taking us “from glory to glory” (2 Corinthians 3:18). So, what happens when we come into a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, and what does a life with God look like? This chapter will seek to answer some of these questions.

Here is a systematic explanation of what happens to a believer at the time of conversion.

- **Forgiven:** We are cleansed from all sin
- **Made Right:** We are brought into a covenant relationship with God by his righteousness/justification
- **Adopted & Sealed:** We are given the Holy Spirit, which brings us into the family of God and assures us of our future inheritance
- **Regenerated:** We are born-again into a new life with God and his family

A. FORGIVEN

1. You are forgiven at a **GREAT PRICE.**

7 In him (Jesus) we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding (Ephesians 1:7-8 NIV).

People often take for granted what they get for free. However, just because the gift of salvation is free does not mean it has no value. Yes receiving God's salvation by faith may look like a simple act. However, it is crucial for you to know that your forgiveness came at a great

price, the very life of God's beloved Son. Jesus died on the cross in order to remove the stain, pollution and final consequence of sin from our lives.

The extent to which you are able to comprehend God's love for his Son, Jesus Christ, will determine how much you value the forgiveness of your sin.

2. You are **COMPLETELY** forgiven.

You may think that what you have done has disqualified you from receiving God's forgiveness and love. That could not be further from the truth. Jesus' death on the cross was a perfect and sufficient sacrifice, making God's forgiveness available to even the worst of sinners.

Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool (Isaiah 1:18 NIV).

3. You are **ETERNALLY** forgiven

In Christ, we can be confident that all of our sins are forgiven: past, present and future!

For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy (Hebrews 10:14 NIV).

Jesus' finished work on the Cross redeems and save us eternally.

B. MADE RIGHT (JUSTIFIED)

Not only are we forgiven through Jesus Christ, through him we enter into a peaceful relationship with God. In scripture, this phenomenon is called justification and is also referred to as the righteousness of God.

1. The righteousness of God refers to his **SAVING ACT** through Jesus Christ. It is through this saving act that we are justified.

For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith" (Romans 1:17 NIV).

2. To be justified is to be **MADE RIGHT** with God.

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...(Romans 5:1 NIV)

Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation (Romans 5:11 NIV).

3. Those who have been justified will also be saved from God's **WRATH** in the future.

Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! (Romans 5:9 NIV)

C. ADOPTED & SEALED

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God... (John 1:12 NIV)

1. Sonship speaks **SECURITY**.

13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory (Ephesians 1:13-14).

2. Sonship depicts **INTIMACY**.

6 Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father" (Galatians 4:6 NIV).

You have received the spirit of sonship so you may call Him, "Abba, Father." Abba is an intimate calling from a child to his or her dad. Rest assured that the Lord is your Abba/father/dad.

3. Sonship signifies **INHERITANCE**.

So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir (Galatians 4:7 NIV).

As you walk in the spirit of sonship, knowing the riches, power and super-abounding love of your Father will make you feel secure and protected. No matter what challenges you encounter, you can trust that:

- a. He will provide you with his **RICHES**

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19 NIV).

- b. His **POWER** will be at work in you

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us... (Ephesians 3:20 NIV)

- c. His **PRESENCE** will be with you

15 If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. – Jesus (John 14:15-18 NIV).

- d. His unconditional **LOVE** & sufficient **GRACE** will be there for you.

We love because he first loved us (1 John 4:19 NIV).

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me (2 Corinthians 12:9 NIV).

Holy Spirit is our “seal” that guarantees that we are sons and daughters of God, once and forever.

D. REGENERATED (BORN AGAIN)

In Christ, your old life is gone, and you are born again (Greek: *Paliggenesia* – Cosmic Rebirth) as a new creation.

26 I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws (Ezekiel 36:26-27 NIV).

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! (2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV)

God only regenerates those who receive Jesus by faith. Regeneration is the work of God's Spirit and is needed in order to have a relationship with God. Regeneration gives us a heart that seeks to know God and empowers us to follow his commands. It gives believers everything they need to live a godly life without removing the need for human responsibility. As believers, we are still responsible to:

1. **WORK** out your salvation (exert effort)

12 Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose (Philippians 2:12-13 NIV).

2. Continue in **GOOD WORK** as **FRUITS** of your salvation.

10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (Ephesians 2:10 NIV).

As a tree produces fruit in and out of season, so does our walk with Christ. Our relationship with Jesus is a process in which we are watered and pruned in order to produce fruit (good works).

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. God saves us from our past sin so that we can live a life that brings us joy and gives God glory. Is there anything in the past that still plaguing you? Leave it behind and surrender it to God through prayer.

2. God's saving grace does not just deliver you from eternal damnation, but it comes with blessings and power. In which area of your life do you need to see God's power?

3. Are you currently living in a way that contradicts your faith? How so? Take time to repent and ask for forgiveness.

MEMORIZE IT

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast (Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV).

WATER BAPTISM

READING

19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age (Matthew 28:19-20 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

A. BAPTISM DEFINED

1. Baptism is a declaration of **FAITH** for believers.

Crispus, the synagogue leader, and his entire household believed in the Lord; and many of the Corinthians who heard Paul believed and were baptized (Acts 18:8 NIV).

2. Baptism is a declaration of your **NEW IDENTITY** in Him.

26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ (Galatians 3:26-27 NIV).

3. Baptism is a declaration of **DEATH** to your old self, and you **BORN AGAIN** experience into the newness of life in Him.

3 Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— 7 because anyone who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him (Romans 6:3-8 NIV).

Baptism is your confession:

TO HEAVEN - that you believe in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

TO THE CHURCH - that you are a part of it.

TO THE WORLD - that you no longer of the world.

TO THE DEVIL - that you are done with him and you belong to God.

4. Baptism is a **SPIRITUAL IMPARTATION**.

For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ (Galatians 3:27 NIV).

Baptism is not just a symbol of obedience, but a spiritual impartation on the life of believer. It implies a union with Christ himself.

B. WHY BAPTISM?

1. To follow the example of **JESUS**.

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan (Mark 1:9 NIV).

2. To obey **JESUS' COMMAND**.

19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age (Matthew 28:19-20 NIV).

3. To declare **PURE CONSCIENCE** before God.

...And this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ... (1 Peter 3:21 NIV)

C. WHY IMMERSION?

1. The Greek word *baptizo* means:
 - a. **COVER** completely in liquid.
 - b. **IMMERSE** completely in liquid and then remove it out again.
 - c. **COMPLETELY WET**.
2. **JESUS** was baptized by immersion.

As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him (Matthew 3:16 NIV).

3. Every example of baptism in the Bible is done by **IMMERSION**.

38 And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. 39 When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing (Acts 8:38-39 NIV).

D. CONDITIONS OF WATER BAPTISM

1. Receive Jesus as **LORD AND SAVIOR**.

Candidates for water baptism must first accept Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior.

2. Receive **TEACHING** on Baptism.

Candidates must receive instruction on baptism and understand its meaning and significance.

3. It must be a **DECISION** from the heart, and not **FORCED** under any circumstances.

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. When can a person be baptized? (Acts 2:41; 8:26-39; 16:22-34)

2. Why should we be baptized by immersion as opposed to sprinkling?

3. Have you been baptized? If not, will you submit yourself to be baptized?

MEMORIZE IT

26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ (Galatians 3:26-27 NIV).

HOLY SPIRIT

READING

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8 NIV).

11 I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire (Matthew 3:11-12 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

A. WHO IS HOLY SPIRIT?

The Greek word Jesus used to describe the Holy Spirit as a helper was *parakletos*, which means helper, comforter, and mediator, someone who walks beside you to instruct and encourage you. The Holy Spirit cares for you. He will point you to the completed work of Christ in you and empower you to walk in his spiritual gifts. Who is the Holy Spirit? How is he personified?

1. He is **DEITY**, the Spirit of God himself.

As Peter confronted Ananias who lied about gifts that were placed under the apostles' feet, he said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit ... You have not lied to men, but to God" (Acts 5: 3-4). Basically, lying to the Holy Spirit is lying to God because the Holy Spirit is God! Trinity: God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19 NIV).

2. He is **ETERNAL**.

Because Holy Spirit is God, He is eternal. He was there in the beginning of time, and was at work throughout the history of humankind.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters (Genesis 1:1-2 NIV).

How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! (Hebrews 9:14 NIV)

3. He is **OMNIPRESENT** (ever-present).

7 Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? 8 If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. 9 If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, 10 even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. 11 If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," 12 even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you. (Psalm 139:7-12 NIV).

4. He is **OMNISCIENT** (all-knowing).

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come (John 16:13 NIV).

These are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God (1 Corinthians 2:10 NIV).

5. He is **OMNIPOTENT** (all-powerful).

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of[a] his Spirit who lives in you (Romans 8:11 NIV).

6. He is a **PERSON**.

The Holy Spirit is not an impersonal "force" or energy such as electricity, power, or other forms of energy. Just like God the Father and Jesus, the Holy Spirit is a person. He is personified with characteristics and personality.

a. **He thinks.**

And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God (Romans 8:27 NIV).

b. **He wills.**

All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines (1 Corinthians 12:11 NIV).

c. He speaks.

The Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot and stay near it" (Acts 8:29 NIV).

d. He grieves.

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption (Ephesians 4:30 NIV).

B. WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO FOR YOU?

1. He **LOVES** you.

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me (Romans 15:30 NIV).

2. He **LEADS** you.

6 Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia... 10 After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. (Acts 16:6,10 NIV).

3. He **FORBIDS** you.

6 Paul and his companions traveled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia (Acts 16:6 NIV).

4. He **CONVICTS** you and the world.

8 When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 about sin, because people do not believe in me; 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; 11 and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned (John 16:8-11 NIV).

a. He convicts the world of **SIN**.

Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit to convict the world of sin is clearly an important part of evangelism.

- b. He convicts the world of **RIGHTEOUSNESS**.

The Holy Spirit will also help people to see that Jesus is the solution to their sin problem and the Son of God.

In addition, here is some more truth about the Holy Spirit:

- Matthew 12:28: He gives you the power to drive out evil spirits
- John 14: 16-17: He is your Helper forever and abides in you
- John 14:26: He reminds you of Jesus' teachings
- Romans 5: 5: He enables the love of God to be poured out in your heart
- Romans 15:13: He gives you peace and joy in the midst of hope
- 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11: He gives spiritual gifts as He wills
- Galatians 5: 22-23: He enables you to produce the fruit of the Spirit.

C. WHY BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

1. It activates His **DIVINE POWER** in you.

So he said to me, "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty (Zechariah 4:6 NIV).

***God's spirit in you is
the source of God's power in your life.***

2. It helps you in **PRAYER**.

26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God (Romans 8:26-27 NIV).

So what shall I do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my understanding; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my understanding (1 Corinthians 14:15 NIV).

3. It gives you boldness to **WITNESS**.

7 He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:7-8 NIV).

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say (Acts 2:14 NIV).

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Peter, who had previously denied the Lord, boldly preached to the multitudes. He spoke in the presence of the people in Jerusalem, and on that day 3,000 people become believers of Christ.

Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day (Acts 2:41 NIV).

4. Helps you to know **GOD and HIS WORD.**

For who knows a person’s thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God (1 Corinthians 2:11 NIV).

Only the Spirit of God understands the hidden things of God and His Word. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God Himself, so He can help you to understand God and his Word.

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come (John 16:13 NIV).

D. WHAT IS THE HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM?

7 He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:7-8).

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance (Acts 2:4 NIV).

The Holy Spirit baptism is all about empowerment. In short, it empowers believers to be effective witnesses. Speaking in tongues is a visible sign that someone has been filled with the Holy Spirit, like what the disciples experienced at Pentecost. To be clear, when a person receives Christ, he or she experiences regeneration and the Holy Spirit dwells in him or her. However, being “filled with the Holy Spirit” in this sense refers to charismatic empowerment, which is a secondary and subsequent experience to the regeneration that happens at conversion.

E. HOW TO BE BAPTIZED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT?

1. A LONGING-HEART.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled (Matthew 5:6 NIV).

2. ASK God.

So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened (Luke 11:9-10 NIV).

Pray and ask God for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. There may be a servant of the Lord who would lay his or her hands on you (Acts 8: 14-17; 19: 6). People often receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit while praying or worshipping God.

3. OPEN YOUR MOUTH and act in faith.

11 Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him! (Luke 11:11-13 NIV)

The Holy Spirit will put these words within you as you utter new tongues in faith. The baptism of the Holy Spirit may also result in supernatural boldness, prophecy, words of knowledge or other charismatic gifts.

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. Are there any conditions to receive Holy Spirit baptism? (Galatians 3:2-5, Luke 11:11-13)

2. Have you received the baptism of the Holy Spirit (charismatic empowerment)? If not, ask the leader and colleagues in your care group to pray with you so that you may receive it.

3. What do you need most from the Holy Spirit today? Strength, wisdom, courage, help, instruction or consolation? Share your burden and pray for one another.

MEMORIZE IT

11 I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire (Matthew 3:11-12 NIV).

EVERY DAY WITH JESUS

READING

6 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, 7 rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness (Colossians 2:6-7 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

In every relationship, communication is crucial. Many broken marriages or relational issues in organizations happen as a result of poor communications. As believers, you need to communicate with God in order to grow spiritually because He is source of life and truth. God desires to have a relationship with you that is characterized by open communication.

A. RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Investing into your relationship with God is important because:

1. You were created to be in **FELLOWSHIP** with God.

God is love, and He longs for a loving relationship with humanity. Building a relationship with God is an expression of love and commitment to Him. God's desire to be in relationship with humanity is so strong that he sent his one and only Son to die on the cross.

God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord (1 Corinthians 1:9 NIV).

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me (John 10:27 NIV).

2. A relationship with God is the **SOURCE OF STRENGTH** and **WISDOM**.

Building relationship with God will make your life more “fruitful” because you will be living life alongside the God of the universe.

In everything that he undertook in the service of God’s temple and in obedience to the law and the commands, he sought his God and worked wholeheartedly. And so he prospered (2 Chronicles 31:21).

***You can achieve more things with God in one moment,
than in a lifetime without Him.***

B. QUIET TIME

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed (Mark 1:35).

Prioritize your time with God.

Basically, the “quiet time” that you set aside is composed of four parts:

- Silence
- Thanksgiving, Praise & Worship
- Reading His Word
- Prayer

1. SILENCE

He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” (Psalm 46:10 NIV).

2. THANKSGIVING, PRAISE AND WORSHIP.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. 5 For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. (Psalm 100:4-5 NIV).

- a. **GIVE THANKS** in all things.

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus (1 Thessalonians 5:18 NIV).

It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High (Psalm 92:1).

Thanksgiving gives glory to God. There are many things you can be thankful for, such as:

- God gave you salvation through his Son, Jesus Christ
- God gives us brothers and sisters in the faith
- God gave you victory in your life
- God gives you provision for your every day needs, and more.

- b. God inhabits the **PRAISES** of His people. (Psalm 22:4)

Praise is defined as "Boast, give applause, showing a sense of awe or delight in someone /

something. Hailed by words or singing, raising, glorifying.” Praise focuses on God's character and His miraculous works for His children.

Expressions of praise:

- 1) Words – Psalm 34:2
- 2) Songs – Psalm 47:7-8
- 3) Shouts – Psalm 27:6
- 4) Raising Hands – Psalm 63:5
- 5) Music – Psalm 33:2-3
- 6) Hand Claps – Psalm 47:2
- 7) Stand – 2 Chronicles 20:19
- 8) Kneel – Psalm 95:6
- 9) Dance – Psalm 149:3

Praise (music) is much more effective than just words as it affects the body, soul, and spirit of a person.

c. God is looking for true **WORSHIPPERS**.

23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth (John 4:23-24 NIV).

Worship is an expression of the heart that is filled with love, adoration and praise to God, an acknowledgment of His majesty and deity. Worship is a communication between God and humanity. Worship in Greek is *proskuneo*, which means kissing a person, like a dog licking its master's hand. Or *sebomai*, which means submission, prostrate on the ground in homage to God. In Hebrew the word is *shachah*, which also means submission, prostrate on the ground in homage to God.

You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being (Revelation 4:11 NIV).

When you praise and worship God, you are strengthened and reminded of your dependence on God, who is the source of life.

2. PRAYER

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer (Romans 12:12 NIV).

Prayer is a two-way communication with God, not just a long wish list that we hope He will fulfill or an act of formality that is conditional to your salvation. Prayer is like two friends sitting and chatting in closeness and intimacy. Here are 5 things that you can learn from the "Lord's Prayer,"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

9 *"This, then, is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, 10 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. 11 Give us today our daily bread. 12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one"* (Matthew 6: 9-13 NIV).

- a. **HONOR** His greatness and what He has done.

...Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name (Matthew 6:9 NIV).

- b. **SURRENDER** your family, work, future, your whole life and even the nations to His will.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10 NIV).

- c. **ASK** God to provide for your needs.

Like a loving parent who meets the needs and desires of his children, God loves to hear your requests. You can pray about anything that is in your heart and on your mind. God cares about you.

Give us today our daily bread (Matthew 6:11 NIV).

- d. Receive and extend **FORGIVENESS**.

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors (Matthew 6:12 NIV).

- 1) Admit your weaknesses and limitations.

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy (Proverbs 28:13 NIV).

- 2) With faith, accept forgiveness from God.

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

- 3) Repent. In other words, turn away from your sin with all of your mind, emotions and energy.

Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you (Revelations 3:3 NIV).

- 4) Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you on the right path.

23 Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting (Psalm 139:23-24 NIV).

- 5) Extend forgiveness to others.

Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you (Colossians 3:13 NIV).

- e. Ask for spiritual **PROTECTION**.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one (Matthew 6:13 NIV).

Towards that end, take time to pray for other people to experience (a) the greatness of God, (b) His will, (c) His provision, (d) His forgiveness, and (e) His protection.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 3 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:1-4 NIV).

3. WORD OF GOD

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ (Romans 10:17 NIV).

The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed (Isaiah 50:4 NIV).

- a. **READ** and **MEDITATE** on the Word of God.

Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God’” (Matthew 4:4 NIV).

There are different ways you can hear the Word of God, including listening to sermons, seminars, reading spiritual books, devotionals, etc. But reading the Word of God daily is a discipline that should not be abandoned. God will speak to you through his Word and when you are in trouble, the Holy Spirit will remind you of certain verses that will give you strength and wisdom.

- 1) How often should I read and meditate on the Word of God?

Every single day you have to eat in order to have the energy to do any activities that day. Similarly, every day your spirit needs to be fed with the Word of God so that you get the strength and wisdom to face the day.

2 But whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. 3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers (Psalm 1:2-3 NIV).

2) How do I start reading and meditating on the Word of God?

- **Trust in the leading of the Holy Spirit** as He helps you to understand His Word.
- **Read systematically, without skipping around.**
- **Ask these questions** as you meditate:
 - Are there specific things that the Lord is reminding me of?
 - Is there a promise from the Lord that I need to grasp?
 - Is there a command I need to obey?
 - Is there an example that I need to follow?
- **Record** in your journal what God revealed during your quiet time.

b. **APPLY** the biblical themes and ideas in your life and **EXPERIENCE** all the promises in His Word.

Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says (James 1:22 NIV).

God's Word is not only to be read, but it is to be applied and experienced. This one way we experience life transformation.

Here are some things that you will experience through His Word:

1) Receive **POWER** to overcome temptation.

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you (Psalm 119:11 NIV).

2) Receive **WISDOM** to make decisions.

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path (Psalm 119:105 NIV).

3) Receive **HELP** when faced with challenges.

If your law had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction (Psalm 119:92 NIV).

- 4) Receive **COMFORT** during hardships.

Remember your word to your servant, for you have given me hope (Psalm 119:49 NIV).

- 5) Receive **COURAGE** to witness.

But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect (1 Peter 3:15 NIV).

The Holy Spirit often speaks through memorized verses.

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. Have you ever heard “God’s voice” or received a revelation while reading God’s word?

2. Share a testimony of when God answered your prayer.

3. How is your daily devotional life? Do you already have a regular daily quiet time? What prevents you from setting this particular time aside? How do you plan to make this a priority?

MEMORIZE IT

Blessed is the one...2... whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. 3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers (Psalm 1:1-3 NIV).

COVENANT IN LOCAL CHURCH

READING

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit (Ephesians 2:19-22 NIV).

***My church family gives me:
God's PURPOSE for living (mission)
God's PEOPLE to live with (membership)
God's PRINCIPLES to live by (maturity)
God's PROFESSION to live out (ministry)
God's POWER to live in (magnify)
(Rick Warren)***

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

A. WHY THE LOCAL CHURCH?

Some people believe it's okay to not be part of a local church as long as they have a relationship with God. This is wrong. The church is an important part of God's plan for the world. In the New Testament, the church was called *ekklesia*, which means a community that is separated and called out from the rest of the world. Although there is a universal church that includes all believers, the Bible specifically refers to the group of Christians (community), which is known as the local church.

1. The local church is His **INSTRUMENT**.

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it (Matthew 16:16-18 NIV).

***God's purpose has not changed.
The church is His final instrument in accomplishing His purpose on earth.***

2. The church is where you are **EQUIPPED**.

11 So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ (Ephesians 4:11-13 NIV).

3. Jesus **BUILT** the church and the Church belongs to Him.

And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it" (Matthew 16:18 NIV).

The only two institutions that were established by God himself are marriage and the Church. The church is not an institution created by men, or one pastor's great idea, but the embodiment of God's purpose. The Church is community of people who have been purchased and redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ. The church is an instrument to fulfill the Great Commission and declare His love on earth.

B. BENEFITS OF BELONGING TO A LOCAL CHURCH

In the Bible, the Church is described as a united community that is interdependent. The Church is not comprised of isolated individuals or "loner wolves" that follow Jesus on their own. Being part of the local church comes with several benefits for our personal and spiritual lives. Those benefits include...

1. SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

It is almost impossible for believers to be able to grow on their own. God provides spiritual leaders and other believers to provide accountability in your spiritual growth.

12 The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; 13 planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God (Psalm 92:12-13 NIV).

2. You can discover your **GIFTS** and put them into practice.

4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good (1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NIV).

3. **PROTECTION** from false teachings.

If the believers are not settled in and connected to a church, they can be influenced by all kinds of false teachings and doctrines.

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming (Ephesians 4:14 NIV).

4. A **SPIRITUAL FAMILY** that is a source of support, encouragement and comfort. You don't have to be alone or lonely because you are part of a big family.

1 Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ (Galatians 6:1-2 NIV).

24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching (Hebrews 10:24-25 NIV).

C. RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS

In a covenant, each party has certain responsibilities. These are the responsibilities of all church members:

1. **BUILD UP** one another.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing(1 Thessalonians 5:11 NIV).

2. **RESPECT, OBEY** and **PRAY** for your leaders.

Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. 13 Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other (1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 NIV).

17 Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you. 18 Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honorably in every way (Hebrews 13:17-18 NIV).

3. **KEEP** the unity of the church.

As a Father, God is pleased when His children live in harmony and unity. Even Jesus prays,

22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— 23 I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me (John 17:22-23 NIV).

There are several things that can be done by the members in order to maintain harmony and unity in the church:

- a. Focus on things that mutually **BUILD UP** the body.
- b. Resolve **CONFLICT** quickly and biblically.
- c. Avoid unrealistic **EXPECTATIONS**.

4. **SERVE** in the local church.

Members of the church need to serve according to their gifts. Imagine if only 50% of your body functioned. Imagine if only the right side of your body worked properly. It would be very difficult for you to perform any tasks or complete your daily obligations. Similarly, in the church, it is important for every member to serve.

4 For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, 5 so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others (Romans 12:4-5 NIV).

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms (1 Peter 4:10 NIV).

5. **MAKE** a financial commitment.

Your tithes and offerings are the embodiment of your commitment to the service of the local church where you worship. In addition, the tithe (a tenth of the income / profits) is a form of honor and devotion to God. By tithing, you declare that your life is not dependent on money, but on God.

10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. 11 I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe," says the Lord Almighty (Malachi 3:10-11 NIV).

9 Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine (Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV).

***The Church is one body... with many members.
One temple ... with various kinds of stones.
A group of livestock ... with a lot of sheep.
A holy nation ... with a large population.
One vine ... with many branches.
One family ... with many brothers [and sisters].
(Bill Scheidler)***

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. In your opinion, what is the difference between the church and other social organizations?

2. What services can you do, or what skills do you have that can be used to contribute to the local church?

3. If you ever see or hear your leader in church make a mistake, how will you react?

4. There are people who respond to conflict by shaming others. Is this a correct response? How should we resolve conflicts biblically between brothers and sisters?

MEMORIZE IT

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household (Ephesians 2:19 NIV).

THE CROSS

READING

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Philippians 2:8-11 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

A. THE SUFFERING

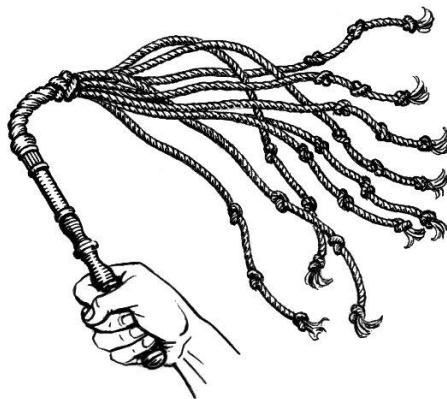
The finished work of Jesus on the cross carries the most essential part of the gospel that you received. In order to understand and appreciate the value of what Jesus did on the cross, first you need to realize that crucifixion was the most cruel and painful form of punishment during that time. It was designed deliberately to prolong suffering and humiliation before a slow death.

1. Jesus endured immense **SUFFERING** to atone for your sins.

Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand (Isaiah 53:10 NIV).

Jesus experienced tremendous suffering:

- He was whipped by the Roman lash called the "cat o'nine tails", with claws at each end that tore his skin and the flesh, resulting in tremendous pain.



- He was given a crown of thorns, which penetrated his skull.
- Nails pierced his hands and feet.

- He was given sour grape hyssop, which was commonly used during that time to clean oneself after defecation (removing feces), to quench His thirst.



2. Jesus **KNEW** that He would experience great suffering even before He was crucified.

From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life (Matthew 16:21 NIV).

3. Jesus gave Himself to suffer on the cross out of **HIS OWN WILL**.

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father (John 10:18 NIV).

B. THE “GLORIOUS” EXCHANGE

Jesus took the place of sinful humanity, bearing the sins of all humankind and suffered in order to remove the stain and punishment of sin from our lives. Not only are humans freed from this great suffering, but they also receive every spiritual blessing in Christ.

1. By taking upon himself the **SIN** of humanity, Jesus is able to impart to us through faith the **GIFT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**.

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21 NIV).

2. By being **PUNISHED** on our behalf, Jesus removed the condemnation of sin from our lives and gave us **FORGIVENESS**.

6 We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was

led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth (Isaiah 53:6-7 NIV).

3. Jesus took upon himself the **CURSE** of sin in order to give us **BLESSINGS**.

13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole." 14 He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit (Galatians 3:13-14 NIV).

4. Through his suffering on the cross, Jesus imparts to us **HEALING**.

He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24 NIV).

5. By becoming the poorest and lowest of all, Jesus imparts to us **PROSPERITY** (of the heart).

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9 NIV).

C. THE COMPLETION

And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross (Colossians 2:15 NIV).

1. Through the cross, Jesus **DEFEATED** the devil and all of his work.

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil (Hebrews 2:14 NIV).

2. Through the cross, Jesus perfectly redeemed all **SINFUL PEOPLE**.

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst (1 Timothy 1:15 NIV).

You might think that you are unredeemable or that you have committed sins too great to receive forgiveness. However, the work of the cross is greater than any sin you may have committed.

“Come now, let us settle the matter,” says the Lord. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool (Isaiah 1:18 NIV).

There is no sin that is unforgiveable to God.

3. The work of Jesus Christ on the cross saves you from **GOD’S WRATH** once and for all.

Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him! (Romans 5:9 NIV)

The punishment Jesus received on the cross is representative of the wrath of God on all sinners.

...And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath (1 Thessalonians 1:10 NIV).

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

1. Have you committed a sin that you think is unforgiveable? Know that you are completely forgiven and that there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ.

2. Do you suffer from a particular disease or infirmity? Look to the cross for He is able to cure all sickness and disease.

3. Have you already experienced the promises of God in your life? In your relationships? Personal health? Finances? Be aware that in Christ you have access to all of His promises.

MEMORIZE IT

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God (1 Corinthians 1:18 NV).

CASTING OUT SPIRITS

READING

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery (Galatians 5:1 NIV).

TRUTH THAT SETS YOU FREE

The public interest in the powers of darkness has shifted from viewing it as a source of “danger” to a source of “entertainment.” It is so widely used by various television stations that the devil and the powers of darkness have become ordinary. The public even likes it and considers it an interesting spectacle. Yet the Bible clearly states that you are to be aware of the power of darkness and all things associated with it.

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour (1 Peter 5:8 NIV).

A. THE DEVIL HAS BEEN DEFEATED!

1. Believers have **AUTHORITY** over the power of darkness.

17 The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.” 18 He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. 20 However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven” (Luke 10:17-20 NIV).

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world (1 John 4:4 NIV).

The devil is not equal to God. He is not omnipotent, omniscient, or omnipresent. With the authority given by God to the believers, you can defeat the powers of darkness by:

- a. Submitting to God.

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you (James 4:7 NIV).

- b. Not giving the devil any opportunities.

...and do not give the devil a foothold (Ephesians 4:27 NIV).

- 2. Believers **CANNOT** be possessed by the devil.

Believers cannot be 'possessed' (controlled / owned / controlled entirely) by the devil. Once you are born again, you belong to God, and the Holy Spirit of God dwells in you. Christians, therefore, cannot be harmed by the powers of darkness, such as black magic, demon possession, etc.

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies (1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NIV).

B. WHAT SHOULD YOU BE AWARE OF?

- 1. Dysfunctional **RELATIONSHIPS**.

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another (John 13:34 NIV).

The salvation that the Lord gave not only restores the relationship between God and humanity, but it also restores our personal relationships.

Types of relational reconciliation and restoration include:

- a. Unforgiveness (bitterness).

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice (Ephesians 4:31 NIV).

See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many (Hebrews 12:15 NIV).

- b. Broken family relationships.

He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction (Malachi 4:6 NIV).

c. Rejection.

15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children (Romans 8:15-16 NIV).

2. Sin of **DIVINITY**.

a. Fortune Telling.

Do not turn to mediums or seek out spiritists, for you will be defiled by them. I am the Lord your God (Leviticus 19:31 NIV).

I will set my face against anyone who turns to mediums and spiritists to prostitute themselves by following them, and I will cut them off from their people (Leviticus 20:6 NIV).

19 When someone tells you to consult mediums and spiritists, who whisper and mutter, should not a people inquire of their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living? 20 Consult God's instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn (Isaiah 8:19-20 NIV).

Astrology, *feng shui*, palm reading and any kind of fortune telling are considered sorcery and are forbidden by God. Trying to find out what God does not reveal is a sign of distrust in the wisdom, provision and goodness of God. Only God knows the future. He provides hope and encourages you to fully trust Him.

b. Shamanism and the Occult.

There is no black magic and white magic because all things that do not come from God are derived from the enemy. The devil can also be disguised as an angel of light:

And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light (2 Corinthians 11:14 NIV).

For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect (Matthew 24:24 NIV).

The devil also can give you what is similar to healing through a shaman or witch doctor. But you need to realize that whatever is given by the devil has a price. When he gives something, he will take something away from you. Worship the Lord only and continue to believe in His Word that says that by His stripes you will receive healing that has been paid for by Jesus on the cross. Christ is the only God and the only one worthy of your worship and praise.

Do not bring a detestable thing into your house or you, like it, will be set apart for destruction. Regard it as vile and utterly detest it, for it is set apart for destruction (Deuteronomy 7:26 NIV).

c. Focusing too much on the existence of evil spirits.

Sometimes believers give excessive focus to evil spirits and the occult. They prefer to focus on the power of darkness rather than the great power of God that is in them. Trust that God's power is far above the influence of evil spirits.

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world (1 John 4:4 NIV).

The best response to evil spirits is to ignore them and strive to realize that Jesus is God and that he is with you wherever you go. He is God in your home and your workplace, and he fills the entire area where you and your family live.

C. MINISTRY OF DELIVERANCE DEFINED

The ministry of deliverance is a ministry of prayer and continual counseling focused on helping believers recover from the bondage of sin, the trauma of the past, the power of darkness or anything that prevents true growth in Christ.

New believers who have accepted Jesus as their personal savior should be counseled so that he or she can undergo a restoration of spirit, soul and body as well as spiritual growth.

D. WHY MINISTRY OF DELIVERANCE?

1. Jesus **TOOK PART** in this ministry.

When evening came, many who were demon-possessed were brought to him, and he drove out the spirits with a word and healed all the sick (Matthew 8:16 NIV).

Jesus was driving out a demon that was mute. When the demon left, the man who had been mute spoke, and the crowd was amazed (Luke 11:14 NIV).

Jesus came to earth to destroy the work of the devil and set the captives free. Jesus delivered many people whose lives were plagued by demons in order to bring them recovery and healing.

2. To **BREAK** free from the power of darkness and sin.

12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. 13 Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. 14 For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace (Romans 6:12-14 NIV).

If someone ever invites the powers of darkness into his or her life, perhaps through magic, fortune telling and idolatry, he or she needs to expel / reject / disconnect with the powers of darkness. In this ministry, the person who is oppressed needs to have the desire to expel the evil spirits.

Some diseases and habits are just a physical thing. However, there are diseases and habits that are manifestations of the power of darkness. One day Jesus went into the temple and cured a hunchback woman worshipping there. The Bible writes that she was "possessed by the spirit so that she had a bent back." The disease was caused by the powers of darkness:

10 On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, 11 and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." 13 Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God (Luke 13:10-13 NIV).

3. To break sinful or unhealthy **GENERATIONAL TRENDS.**

In addition to disease, there are bad habits inherited through a family line. For example, there are families with fathers or grandfathers who have gambling addictions or problems with domestic violence. Inwardly they might say, "I'm not going to be like my father/grandfather," but in fact, the urge to do the same thing happens again in several generations. These are things that need to be prayed about and released. Then that person must make the decision to quit. When it becomes a habit, that person must experience a renewal of their mind through the study of God's Word and godly counseling.

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will (Romans 12:2 NIV).

E. POST-DELIVERANCE

And do not give the devil a foothold. 28 Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need (Ephesians 4:27-28 NIV).

24 When an impure spirit comes out of a person, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left.' 25 When it arrives, it finds the house swept clean and put in order. 26 Then it goes and takes seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of that person is worse than the first (Luke 11:24-26 NIV).

Leave behind sin and bad habits, and live a new life that is led by the Holy Spirit.

SHARING YOUR THOUGHTS

This list will help determine who needs to undergo the ministry of deliverance. Read this and check off the boxes that you have experienced at some point in your life or you are still dealing with.

1. You have been involved in occult activities:

- ☐ Were you ever taken to a temple or another place of worship because of illness as a child?
- ☐ Have you ever been hypnotized by a hypnotist, psychiatrist or have you done self-hypnosis?
- ☐ Have you ever tried to bewitch another person?
- ☐ Have you ever participated in telepathy?
- ☐ Have you ever invited a person or influenced a person using mental concentration?
- ☐ Have you ever been guided by invisible spirits or played with an invisible friend?
- ☐ Have you ever had a fetish, a rabbit's foot, or some other talisman?
- ☐ Do you usually or have you ever joined in reading your horoscope?

2. Have you ever predicted or used any of the following for fortune telling?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cards | <input type="checkbox"/> Tea leaves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Palms | <input type="checkbox"/> Pendulum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wren | <input type="checkbox"/> Crystal ball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fingernails that are painted black | <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cave in a temple | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Others : _____ | |

3. Have you ever been actively involved in/participated in:

- ☐ Oui ja board (board with letters and wine glass)
- ☐ Table lifting / tafel dans (lifting up tables with calling up spirits)
- ☐ Writing with a spirit
- ☐ Being the caretaker of a shrine
- ☐ Asking for help from a medium to find a person
- ☐ Looking for water or a well using the occult
- ☐ Meeting with spirits/ghosts
- ☐ Walking on fire
- ☐ Giant dance
- ☐ Cut tongue/whistle

4. Have you ever been cured by occult practices through any of the following:

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|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spells | <input type="checkbox"/> Holy water from a witch doctor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roots / herbs / stones | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychic powers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temple water | <input type="checkbox"/> Meditation |

5. Have you ever worn fetishes, charms or talismans such as:

- ☐ Implant
- ☐ Tattoo (for magic purposes)
- ☐ Sexual attractiveness
- ☐ Akar bahar
- ☐ Mantra to attract somebody
- ☐ Beauty charm from a witch doctor

6. Have you even been involved in any of the following practices:

- ☐ Interpretation of dreams
- ☐ Cults
- ☐ Witchcraft occult sciences
- ☐ Occult sciences
- ☐ Predictions
- ☐ Heresy

7. Have you ever been involved in ancestor worship?

- ☐ Have you ever worshipped ancestors (or spirits that resemble the deceased)?
- ☐ Do you have any objects that you use to revere or pay respect to the dead? What objects do you have? (incense holder, deceased belongings that have spiritual ties, etc.) Please specify:

- ☐ Have you ever gone to pray at sacred graves?
- ☐ Were your parents or in-laws medicine men/ hermits/ opium sellers or something similar?
Explain: _____
- ☐ Are there any positive characters in history / art /religion that have a bond /influence on you?
Explain : _____

8. Have you experienced uncontrolled emotional problems?

- ☐ angry outbursts, persistent sadness, anxiety / fear of disparity
- ☐ feeling suicidal

9. Have you experienced things that are possibly hereditary and/or occur often?

- ☐ Constant accidents / disasters
- ☐ Unnatural death / juvenile mortality in the family
- ☐ Hereditary poverty, continuous failures
- ☐ Polygamy / divorce / household rifts in the family lines
- ☐ Hereditary disease in the family

10. Do you have any bad habits or sins that are highly binding (controlling your life) and are difficult to remove?

- ☐ Drug addiction, smoking, sex outside of marriage, pornography, gambling
- ☐ Sexual problems (homosexuality, premarital sex, etc.)

11. Did you experience trauma or hurt in the past and do you still feel anger / bitterness / fear?

Explain : _____

12. Have your parents or in-laws ever worshipped ancestors or engaged in occult practices? Explain:

MEMORIZE IT

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery (Galatians 5:1 NIV).

ANSWER KEY

CHAPTER I – SALVATION

- A.1. Love
- A.2. Enjoy
- A.3. Dominion mandate, govern
- A.4. Free will
- B.1. Adam, sin
- B.2. Inherit
- B.3. Impossible
- B.4. Separates
- C.1. Justified, reconcile
- C.1.a. Relationship
- C.1.b. Authority
- C.1.c. Blessings
- C.2. Grace
- C.3. Love, faithful, just
- D.1. Acknowledge
- D.2. Receive
- D.3. Believe
- D.4. Invite

CHAPTER II – SALVATION AND A LIFE TRANSFORMATION

- A.1. Great price
- A.2. Completely
- A.3. Eternally
- A.3.a. Past
- A.3.b. Present
- A.3.c. Future
- B.1. Justified
- B.2. Blessing, power
- C.1. Certainty
- C.2. Intimacy
- C.3. Inheritance
- C.3.a. His riches
- C.3.b. His power
- C.3.c. Love
- E.1. Work out
- E.2. Fruits

CHAPTER III –WATER BAPTISM

- A.1. New identity
- A.2. Death, born again
- B.1. Jesus
- B.2. Jesus' commands
- B.3. Clean conscience
- B.4. Spiritual impartation
- C.1.a. Cover
- C.1.b. Immerse
- C.1.c. Completely wet
- C.2. Jesus
- C.3. Immersion
- C.4. Flesh
- D.1. Lord and Savior
- D.2. Teaching
- D.3. Decision, forced

CHAPTER IV – HOLY SPIRIT

- A.1. Deity
- A.2. Eternal
- A.3. Omnipresent
- A.4. Omniscient
- A.5. Omnipotent
- A.6. Person
- B.1. Loves
- B.2. Leads
- B.3. Forbids
- B.4. Convicts
- B.4.a. World, sin
- B.4.b. Believer, righteousness
- B.4.c. Judgement, devil
- C.1. Divine power
- C.2. Prayer
- C.3. Witness
- C.4. God and His Word
- E.1. Longing-heart
- E.2. Ask
- E.3. Open yourmouth

CHAPTER V – EVERY DAY WITH JESUS

- A.1. Fellowship
- A.2. Source strength, wisdom
- B.1.a. Give thanks
- B.1.b. Praise
- B.1.c. Worshippers
- B.2.a. Honor
- B.2.b. Surrender
- B.2.c. Ask
- B.2.d. Forgiveness
- B.2.e. Protection
- B.3.a. Ready, meditate
- B.3.b. Apply, experience
- B.3.b.1). Power
- B.3.b.2). Wisdom
- B.3.b.3). Help
- B.3.b.4). Comfort
- B.3.b.5). Courage

CHAPTER VI – COVENANT IN LOCAL CHURCH

- A.1. Instrument
- A.2. Equipped
- A.3. Built
- B.1. Spiritual growth
- B.2. Gifts
- B.3. Protection
- B.4. Spiritual family
- C.1. Build up
- C.2. Respect, obey and pray
- C.3. Keep
- C.3.a. Build up
- C.3.b. Conflict
- C.3.c. Expectations
- C.4. Serve
- C.5. Make

CHAPTER VII – THE CROSS

- A.1. Suffering
- A.2. Knew
- A.3. His own will
- B.1. Gift of righteousness, sinned
- B.2. Forgiveness, punishment
- B.3. Blessings, curses

- B.4. Health, great pain
- B.5. Prosperity, poor
- C.1. Defeated
- C.2. Sinful men
- C.3. God's wrath

CHAPTER VIII – CASTING OUT SPIRITS

- A.1. Authority
- A.2. Can not
- B.1. Relationships
- B.2. Divinity
- D.1. Took part
- D.2. Break
- D.3. Forgiveness, relieved, delivered, healed

AM I ALREADY SAVED?

Am I sure that if I die today that **I WOULD ENTER HEAVEN?**

Was salvation extended to me because I have done good things during my life on earth?

What are the signs that I am a person who has been saved?

All of these questions will be answered when you join the class **I'M SAVED** and read this book.

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