Search for Truth #2

HOME BIBLE STUDY

“Search the Scriptures... they are they which testify of me.”

John 5:39
THE OLD TESTAMENT - WHAT IS IT?

LAW
(5 Books)
Genesis Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy

POETRY
(5 Books) Job Psalms Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Solomon

HISTORY
(12 Books) Joshua Judges Ruth I Samuel II Samuel I Kings II Kings I Chronicles II Chronicles Ezra Nehemiah Esther

PROPHETS
MAJOR
(5 Books) Isaiah Jeremiah Lamentations Ezekiel Daniel

MINOR PROPHETS
(12 Books)
Hosea Joel Amos Obadiah Jonah Micah Nahum Habakkuk Zephaniah Haggai Zechariah Malachi

Approximately 32 writers covering 3,600 years of man’s history

Many Writers, one Author
“FROM GOD’S HAND TO OURS”

First Written Covenant

First 2,500 years there was no written Word

Word of God came:
- Orally
- Creation
- Conscience

Law is preserved

Scribes copy law

Entire law read every seven years

The Word in our hands

First Bible printed 1488

Orally

Creation

Conscience
THE BIBLE: UNIQUE AND WONDERFUL

More translations than any other books

Survivor of time and critics

God wrote it!

We saw it happen!
HOW CAN WE KNOW THE BIBLE IS TRUE?

Science  Medicine  History  Archeology  Dead Sea Scrolls
PROPHECY SAYS: “IT’S TRUE!”

Immorality
Luke 17:28-30; II Timothy 3:2-4

Witchcraft
I Timothy 4:1

False Christs and cults
Matthew 24:11, 24

Defensive aircraft
Isaiah 31:5

Israel regathered
Ezekiel 37:1-28; 36:33-35; Psalm 102:16

Famines, pestilence and earthquakes
Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11

Wars and rumors of wars
Matthew 24:6; Mark 13:7

Propaganda Of the Beast
Revelation 13:16-18
IN THE BEGINNING... Genesis 1:1

GOD IS...

- The Creator
- Eternal
- Living
- Omniscient
- Omniscient
- A Spirit
- One
- Our Father
GOD CREATES HIS ANGELS

Created to worship and serve
Nehemiah 9:6; Daniel 7:10

To aid, protect and proclaim
God’s messages on earth
Psalm 34:7; 91:11; Hebrews 1:14

Lucifer,
Son of Morning
Revelation 12:7-9;
Luke 10:18

War in heaven
Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:12-19

Satan: god of this world
Luke 4:6; Ephesians 6:12;
II Corinthians 4:4
GOD CREATES HIS EARTH
Genesis 1:1; Hebrews 11:3

1st DAY
Genesis 1:3-5
Light appears. Light and darkness divided.

2nd DAY
Genesis 1:6-8
Waters above divided from waters below.

3rd DAY
Genesis 1:9-13
Oceans, dry land, plant life

4th DAY
Genesis 1:14-19
Sun, moon, stars

5th DAY
Genesis 1:20-23
Sea creatures, birds, insects

6th DAY
Genesis 1:24-31
Cattle, reptiles, beasts,

7th DAY
Genesis 2:1-3
God rested from all that He had made.

first man, Adam
FIRST DISPENSATION
“INNOCENCE”

Adam and Eve created in innocence. Genesis 2:25

“But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.” Genesis 2:17

The serpent tempts Eve to disobey. Genesis 3:1-5

Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil

Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit. Genesis 3:6-7

Sin breaks communion with God. Romans 5:12

Man Becomes A Sinner

SPIRIT: Mind, will and emotions ruled by sensual passions and desires. Separated from God. In union with Satan. Ephesians 2:1-3

BODY: Subject to pain, disease, death and decay.
INNOCENCE ENDS IN JUDGMENT

THE CURSE OF SIN

Serpent
Genesis 3:14

Woman
Genesis 3:16

Man
Genesis 3:17-24

Genesis 3:17-18
THE WONDERFUL PROMISE!

“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.”

Genesis 3:15

The seed of the woman
Isaiah 7:14; Galatians 4:4

Spiritual warfare:
Good versus Evil
Ephesians 6:10-13; Romans 5:19

The Victor!
Revelation 1:18; Ephesians 1:20-23; I Peter 3:21-22; Romans 16:20
SECOND DISPENSATION—"CONSCIENCE"

“Then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.” Genesis 4:26

World becomes very evil. Genesis 6:1-7

“Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.” Genesis 6:8

Adam and Eve

Cain and Abel
Genesis 4:1-4; Leviticus 17:11

Cain and Abel
Genesis 4:25-26

Cain, a Wanderer
Genesis 4:11-16

Enoch
Genesis 5:18-24; Jude 14-15

Cain kills Abel
Genesis 4:5-10

Lesson 3
Chart 1
"And the LORD said, I will destroy man . . . from the face of the earth." Genesis 6:7

Days of Noah

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Noah's ark discovered

A worldwide flood

Blueprint for escape

450 ft.

Which animals were in the ark?

Coming of Christ

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THIRD DISPENSATION - "HUMAN GOVERNMENT"

Genesis 9:1-7

"Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth."

Noah’s Covenant
Genesis 9:8-17

Shem and 5 Sons

Ham and 4 Sons

Japheth and 7 Sons

"And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech."
Genesis 11:1

Curse and blessings divide Noah’s family.
Genesis 9:18-27
THE BEGINNING OF NATIONS AND LANGUAGES

“The Dispersion at Babel”
Genesis 11:1-9

LESSON 3
CHART 4
“And he (Abraham) believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.”

Genesis 15:6

Covenant Promises:
Genesis 12:1-3; 17:1-8
✓ A country—Canaan
✓ A posterity—“as the stars of heaven”
✓ A spiritual seed—through whom all families of earth would be blessed
✓ Financial prosperity

Gentiles Become Abraham’s Heirs
Galatians 3:1-29
“And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”
Galatians 3:29
To him that believeth in Jesus Christ, “his faith is counted for righteousness.”
Romans 4:3-5

God’s Covenant Sign
(Circumcision)
Genesis 17:10-14

Abraham and Lot separate
Genesis 13:8-13

Sodom and Gomorrah
Genesis 19:1-28

Water baptism is the sign of entering the new covenant
Colossians 2:11-12
FOURTH DISPENSATION—“PROMISE”

Abraham’s test
Genesis 22:1-19

Abraham
Genesis 16:1-16; 21:9-21

Isaac
Genesis 21:1-5

Isaac
Genesis 25:19-28

Jacob
Genesis 32:28

Jacob’s dream
Genesis 28:10-22

ESDOM

Eshmael
Genesis 16:1-16; 21:9-21

Jacob’s
Genesis 32:24-32

Jacob
Genesis 32:24-32

Esau
Genesis 36:1-8

A new man!
Genesis 32:24-32

Birthright exchange
Genesis 25:29-34; 27:1-46
ISRAEL BECOMES A NATION
Jacob’s Twelve Sons—“The children of Israel”

Joseph tells his dreams.
Genesis 37:2-11

Judah

In prison
Genesis 39:1-23

Sold into Egypt
Genesis 37:12-36

Interprets dream
Genesis 41:1-46

Forgives brothers
Genesis 45:1-15

Israelites become slaves in Egypt.
Exodus 1:8-14

1. Reuben
2. Simeon
3. Levi
4. Judah
5. Zebulun
6. Issachar
7. Dan
8. Gad
9. Asher
10. Naphtali
11. Joseph (Ephraim)
12. Benjamin

Genesis 48:1 - 49:33

Exodus 1:8-14
GOD SENDS A DELIVERER

Birth of Moses
Exodus 2:1-10

Plagues of Egypt
Exodus 7:14 - 11:10
1. Blood
2. Frogs
3. Gnats
4. Flies
5. Cattle disease
6. Boils
7. Hail
8. Locusts
9. Darkness
10. Death

Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh
Exodus 5:1-9; 7:10-13

God calls Moses
Exodus 3:1 - 4:17

Passover
Exodus 12:1-36, 41-51
ISRAEL LEAVES EGYPT

Crossing Red Sea
Exodus 14:1-31

Bitter waters made sweet
Exodus 15:22-26

Manna and quail given
Exodus 16:1-36

Law and Tabernacle
Exodus 19:1 - 40:38

Twelve spies sent
Numbers 13:1 - 14:45

Brazen serpent
Numbers 21:4-9

LESSON 4

CHART 2
LESSON 4

GOD MAKES A COVENANT WITH ISRAEL
FIFTH DISPENSATION - “LAW”

TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain.
4. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
5. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land.
6. Thou shalt not kill.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.
10. Thou shalt not covet.

Exodus 20:1-7
A HOLY PEOPLE, SEPARATED UNTO GOD

Teach children to worship one God
Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Sacrificial offerings
Leviticus 1:1-9:24

The Sabbath—a Jewish day of rest and joy
Exodus 20:8-11; 31:12-17

Moral Laws
Books of Exodus and Leviticus

Tabernacle—the place of worship

Dietary Laws
Leviticus 11:1-47; 17:10-14

Priests offer sacrifices and interpret law
Exodus 28:1-29:46

Special feast days
Leviticus 23:1-44; 25:1-55

 Customs and ceremonies
Books of Exodus and Leviticus
GOD DWELLS WITH HIS COVENANT PEOPLE

Numbers 1:50 - 3:39

LESSON 4

CHART 5
A NEW WAY OF WORSHIP

Golden Candlestick
Provided light for priests to perform duties in the Holy Place. Oil in lamps burned continually.

Brazen Altar
The place of death and bloodshed. Sin had to be covered by blood before man could fellowship with a holy God.

Ark of the Covenant
The most important object in the Tabernacle! God’s presence dwelled above the “mercy seat” between the cherubim. Inside the ark were the tables of law, a pot of manna, and later, Aaron’s rod that budded.

Table of Shewbread
Twelve loaves of unleavened bread sprinkled with frankincense were renewed each Sabbath and eaten by the priests. Became a continual thank offering to God.

Holiest of Holies

Altar of Incense
The perfumed fragrance of incense was offered to God twice a day, morning and evening.

Brazen Laver
A ceremonial washing of the priests was required before ministering at the brazen altar or entering the Tabernacle.
“GOOD THINGS TO COME!”
Hebrews 8:5; 9:8 - 10:1

An example of Jesus’ Death, Burial, and Resurrection
CONQUERING THE LAND OF PROMISE

Deuteronomy 34
Joshua leads the way
Joshua 1:1-9

Joshua 3:1-17
Crossing the Jordan

Joshua 4:1-9
In remembrance . . .

Conquering Canaan
JUDGES AND KINGS IN ISRAEL

Fifteen judges reign in Israel
Samson
Judges 13:1 - 16:31

Gideon
Judges 6:1 - 7:25

Samuel
I Samuel 1:1 - 3:21

Israel demands a king like other nations
I Samuel 8:1-22

Theocracy to Monarchy

King Solomon, wisest of men
I Kings 3:1-28; 4:29 - 6:38

King David, champion of praise
I Samuel 16:1-23;
I Chronicles 6:31-32;
15:1 - 16:43; 25:1; Acts 15:13-17

King Saul comes to a tragic end
15:1-35; 28:3-25; 31:1-13
THE KINGDOM IS DIVIDED

ISRAEL (Northern Kingdom)

JERUSALEM destroyed

JUDAH (Southern Kingdom)

King Rehoboam

ASSYRIAN Captivity 721 B.C.

BABYLONIAN Captivity 586 B.C.

Daniel Ezekiel

Habakkuk Zephaniah Obadiah Micah Nahum Joel

Jeremiah Isaiah

Prophets In Judah

Prophets In Israel

King Jeroboam

Jonah Hosea Amos

Elisha Elijah

In Israel

In Judah
A REMNANT IS RESTORED

Zerubbabel, Governor of Judah
Ezra 1:1 - 2:2; 5:1-2

Prophets encourage God’s people:
• Haggai
• Zechariah
• Malachi

Rebuilding the Temple and repairing the walls at Jerusalem

Ezra restores law
Ezra 7:6-10

Nehemiah supervises reconstruction
Nehemiah 1:1-3; 6:15-16
# BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS

## 400 SILENT YEARS

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- Old Testament Canon
- New religious groups
  - Scribes
  - Pharisees
  - Sadducees
- Greek translation of Scriptures
- Quest for knowledge
- Universal Greek language
- Religious dissatisfaction
- Persecution and dispersion
- Roman roads

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Paving the way for Christ and His gospel  
*Galatians 4:4*
DISPENSATIONS OF TIME

1. Innocence
   - First man and woman pure and innocent.
   - Enjoyed fellowship with God.
   - Made stewards of God’s earth.
   - Disobedience resulted in sin and death—with promise of a coming Savior.

2. Conscience
   - Blood sacrifices “covered” man’s sin.
   - Conscience guided man’s moral acts.
   - By calling upon the name of the Lord and offering blood sacrifices, fellowship was restored.

3. Human Government
   - Authority for men to begin governing others.
   - Capital punishment instituted.
   - At Tower of Babel, men forced to scatter to replenish earth.

4. Promise
   - Everlasting covenant between God and Abraham and his heirs with many promised blessings.
   - All who believed and obeyed the covenant terms could share the promises.

5. Law
   - God’s covenant with Israel contained commandments and laws that governed all life and activities.
   - The law exposed man’s dead spirit and sinfulness, which prepared him for Christ’s coming.

6. Grace
   - God showed His great love and grace by redeeming us from sin with His own blood.
   - New covenant laws are written in hearts.
   - All who by faith accept His salvation become sons of God in a new spiritual kingdom.

7. Kingdom Age
   - Jesus returns to rule and reign on earth with the faithful from every dispensation.
   - For 1,000 years, righteousness and peace prevail.
   - At the White Throne judgment, eternity begins and time ends.

A progressive revelation of God’s plans and purposes for man
A "NEW" BOOK OPENS FOR US

“We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth.” John 1:45
JOHN THE BAPTIST PAVES THE WAY
For the kingdom of God
Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 3:1; Luke 1:76-77

“There cometh one . . .after me”
Mark 1:7

Baptism of Repentance
Matthew 3:5-12; Mark 1:4-8; Luke 3:1-18; John 1:19-28
WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

A decision to turn from actions that lead to death
Ezekiel 18:23; Acts 26:18, 20

The altar represents:

• Death (surrender self-rule)
  Romans 6:6-13; Galatians 5:24

• Blood (call upon the Lord: confess sins; Jesus’ blood cleanses)
  Acts 2:21; 22:16; Romans 10:12-13; I John 1:7-9; Revelation 1:5

• Covenant (promise to love, serve and obey)
  John 12:26; 14:23; Matthew 26:28; Romans 11:25-27;
  Galatians 3:6-9, 14-17, 29; Hebrews 8:10

Inward: change of mind

Outward: change of direction

Restitution (clear conscience)
Luke 19:8; Acts 24:16

Prepare for baptism
Acts 10:48; Mark 16:16

Forsake sins, witchcrafts, and flee from evil
Proverbs 28:13; Acts 19:13-20

Making Jesus our Lord and Master is the basis for entering into covenant with Him.
Old Testament Prophecies
Numbers 24:17; Isaiah 7:14; Micah 5:2

JESUS CHRIST, THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Birth of Christ
Luke 2:1-20

Luke 2:41-52

Temptation of Christ
Matthew 4:1-11

Baptism of Christ
John 1:29-34

Chooses disciples
Mark 3:13-19

His “Father’s business”
Luke 2:41-52

LESSON 6
CHART 4
Jesus teaches Kingdom Concepts

His miracles...

Cast out demons

Opened blind eyes
Matthew 9:27-31

Multiplied loaves and fish
Matthew 14:15-21

Turned water to wine
John 2:1-11

Raised the dead
John 11:41-45

Calmed the water
Luke 8:22-25

His parables...

The Lost Sheep Matthew 18:11-14
The Sower Matthew 13:1-23
The church!
A kingdom of “Called-Out” Believers

Later, he opens the door to salvation

“Upon this rock I will build my church.”
Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 2:20-22

“Thou art the Christ” Matthew 16:16

Gentiles
Acts 10:1-48

Jews
Acts 2:12-41

Samaritans
Acts 8:14-25

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JESUS
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LESSON 6
CHART 6
PATH TO CHRIST’S DEATH

1. Last Supper
   Luke 22:7-20

2. Garden of Gethsemane

3. Trial before Caiaphas
   Matthew 26:57-75; Mark 14:53-72

4. Judas hangs himself
   Matthew 27:3-10; Acts 1:15-20

5. Jesus scourged and sentenced by Pilate

6. Crucifixion at Calvary
“This is my blood of the new testament . . . for the remission of sins.”
Matthew 26:28

“Ye do shew the Lord’s death till he come.” 1 Corinthians 11:23-34
THE NEW COVENANT PROVIDES FOR HEALING

Healing Promises:

“My body which is given for you.” Luke 22:19

“Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses.” Matthew 8:17

“By whose stripes ye were healed.” 1 Peter 2:24

“Healed them that had need of healing.” Luke 9:11

“Healing all that were oppressed of the devil.” Acts 10:38

“The prayer of faith shall save the sick.” James 5:15

Ways to be healed:

Anoint with oil
James 5:14-16

Lay hands on the sick
Mark 16:15-18

Anointed aprons and handkerchiefs and other things touched
Acts 19:11-12

United prayer
Matthew 18:19-20

Personal prayer of faith
Mark 11:22-24; John 14:12-14

Gifts of healings
Matthew 8:16; 10:1; Luke 9:1-2; 1 Corinthians 12:9
“IT IS FINISHED!”

John 19:30

At Calvary, the sinless Lamb of God was sacrificed—
“For the remission of sins.”

Mathew 26:28; Hebrews 9:22

A new way to God.

Matthew 27:50-51

The Passover lamb was slain at 3:00 P.M.
THE GOSPEL “GOOD NEWS”!

Jesus, the last Adam, came to bring life.
I Corinthians 15:21-22, 45

Believer’s Privileges:
• Sons of God I John 3:1-3
• Righteous Romans 5:18-19
• Justified Galatians 2:16
• Eternal life John 6:40
• Joint-heirs Romans 8:14-17
• New creation II Corinthians 5:17

Blood sprinkled on mercy seat
Hebrews 9:12, 21-28

Man legally redeemed

First Adam:
• Created in God’s image Genesis 1:26
• Dominion over earth Genesis 1:26-28

Disobedience resulted in:
• Sin Romans 5:19
• Spiritual death Genesis 2:16-17; Romans 5:12; 6:23
• Separation from God Ephesians 2:12; 4:18
• Satan made god of world II Corinthians 4:4
• Men became sons of Satan John 8:44

At Calvary, Jesus:
• Identified with man’s dead spiritual nature Hebrews 2:9; II Corinthians 5:21
• Was made sin and sickness Isaiah 53:4-7
• Was forsaken of God Mark 15:34
• Suffered penalty of death for us Acts 2:24-27; I Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:8-12

Resurrection:
• Jesus’ name exalted Philippians 2:9-11
• Restored man’s rightful dominion Luke 9:1-2; 10:19; John 14:12; I John 3:8
• Conquered death, hell, and Satan Colossians 2:15; Hebrews 2:14-15

Became the “firstborn” from the dead!
Acts 13:33-37; Romans 6:9; 8:29; I Peter 3:18-19; Colossians 1:15, 18

Those who never seek Jesus’ “finished work” (the gospel), must suffer the second death.
Mark 16:15-16; Revelation 20:12-14; Romans 2:16

Spirit united with body
John 20:16-17

ASCENDED TO FATHER
A NEW DAY DAWNS FOR MAN!

THE MISSION OF JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD

John 3:17; I Timothy 3:16

OLD TESTAMENT

• The Father, an invisible omnipresent Spirit, related to angels and men through a Spirit image
  I Timothy 1:17; John 4:24; Jeremiah 23:24; I Kings 22:19

• The Father’s plan of creation—His “Word”
  Genesis 1:1-3; Psalm 33:6; 148:4-5; Hebrews 11:3; John 1:1-3; II Timothy 1:9; Revelation 13:8; Ephesians 1:4

• His “Word” became flesh Son of God—Son of Man
  Galatians 4:4; John 1:14; Luke 1:35; Matthew 1:21-23

• The Son came to redeem from sin and be our example
  Luke 4:18; John 14:12; I Peter 2:21

NEW TESTAMENT

• He will judge at Great White Throne Revelation 20:11-15; II Peter 2:9

• He will rule on earth with saints for 1,000 years Revelation 20:6; Zechariah 14:9

• He will soon catch away re-created believers
  I Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 24:30-31; Romans 8:11

• Christ’s present ministry—high priest, intercessor, Mediator, and Advocate
  Hebrews 2:16-18; Romans 8:33-34; I Timothy 2:5; I John 2:1

• The Father’s Spirit was sent to re-create and baptize all who believe and obey the gospel
  John 3:3-5; 7:38-39; 14:16-26; Acts 1:4-8; 2:1-4
THE GREAT COMMISSION

Infallible proofs
Acts 1:3; John 20:20

Jesus’ last command:
“And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”
Luke 24:45-49

“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe.”
Mark 16:15-18

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”
Matthew 28:18-20

“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me.”
Acts 1:4-8

Mount Olivet Ascension

Disciples go to Jerusalem to wait.

LESSON 8 CHART 1
“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.” Acts 2:38-39

“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, ...” Acts 2:4

Ephesians 5:25-27

Joel 2:28-29
Isaiah 28:10-12
Ezekiel 11:19-20
Jeremiah 31:31-33
“REPENT, AND BELIEVE THE GOSPEL”
Mark 1:14-15; Acts 20:20-21

“Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations.” Luke 24:47; Acts 3:19; 5:31

“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.” Mark 16:16; Acts 8:35-38; 16:31-33; 18:8

How do we repent?
• Choose to turn from actions that lead to death. Ezekiel 18:23; Acts 26:18, 20
• Surrender our self-rule. Romans 6:6-13; Galatians 5:24; Colossians 3:3
• Call upon the Lord; confess and forsake sins. Acts 2:21; 22:16; Romans 10:12-13; I John 1:9; Ephesians 4:22
• Promise to love, serve, and obey Him. John 12:26; 14:23

What must we believe?
• The gospel! (Acknowledge and identify with Christ’s death, burial, and resurrection.) Romans 1:16; 6:3-8, 11; 10:9-10; I Corinthians 15:1-4; Galatians 2:20
• Jesus’ blood legally redeemed us from sin. Hebrews 9:12; I Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 5:9
• Jesus is the Christ. (Salvation in no other name.) John 20:31; Acts 4:12; 9:20-22

What begins when we repent and believe?
• We turn from Satan’s rule to the lordship of Christ. Hebrews 2:14-15; Romans 6:16-22
• Sins are forgiven. Acts 3:19; 26:18; Ephesians 1:7; I John 1:7-9

DO NOT STOP HERE!
WATER BAPTISM—SIGN OF NEW COVENANT

OLD SIGN

Circumcision of flesh
Genesis 17:10-14

NEW SIGN

Circumcision of the heart
Colossians 2:11-12; Romans 2:28-29

Why should I be baptized in water?

• A Command
• Remission of Sins
• A Clear Conscience
• At repentance, the “old man” died. In water baptism, the “old man” is buried.
• Identify with Christ
THE COVENANT NAME

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.” Matthew 28:19

The name of the Father is:
(“I am come in my Father’s Name.”) John 5:43

The name of the Son is:
(“Thou shalt call his name JESUS.”) Matthew 1:21

The name of the Holy Ghost is:
(“The Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name.”) John 14:26

“Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” Acts 4:12

Examples of water baptism in the Book of Acts

- Taught in the epistles
  Galatians 3:27; Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:11-12

3,000 believers baptized on Day of Pentecost
Acts 2:38-41

The Samaritan believers
Acts 8:16

Cornelius, his family, and friends
Acts 10:48

Disciples of John
Acts 19:5

DO NOT STOP HERE!
### THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GIVEN TO “BELIEVERS”

**First believe . . .**

- “And these signs shall follow them that **believe** . . .
- “He that **believeth** on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly rivers of living water . . .
- “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and . . .
- “After that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye **believed**, . . .
- “How much more shall your heavenly Father give . . .

**. . . Then receive!**

- . . . In my name . . . they shall cast out devils.” Mark 16:17
- . . . (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that **believe** on him should **receive**.” John 7:38-39
- . . . ye shall **receive** the gift of the Holy Ghost.” Acts 2:38
- . . . ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.” Ephesians 1:13
- . . . the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?” Luke 11:13

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“God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who **believed** on the Lord Jesus Christ.” Acts 11:17

“Have ye **received** the Holy Ghost since ye **believed**?” Acts 19:2
THE PURPOSE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

What is the Holy Spirit?

• God’s new manifestation
  John 4:24; 7:37-39

• Promise of Father
  Luke 24:49;
  Acts 1:4; 2:39

• A gift
  Acts 2:38;
  Acts 11:17;
  Luke 11:13

• The Comforter
  John 15:26; 16:7

• A seal of ownership
  Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; II Corinthians 1:22

• A witness that we dwell in Him and He in us
  I John 3:24; 4:13; Galatians 4:6; Acts 15:8

Why receive the Holy Spirit?

• Brings rest, peace, and joy
  Isaiah 28:11-12; Romans 14:17

• Helps us pray
  Romans 8:26;
  I Corinthians 14:14-15;
  Jude 20

• Gives power to witness
  Acts 1:8; 4:31

• Teaches, guides, shows us things to come
  John 14:26; 16:13

• Gives power over the enemy
  Luke 10:19-20; Isaiah 59:19;
  I John 4:1-4

• Opens the door to other gifts of the Spirit
  I Corinthians, chapters 12 and 14
THE FIRST PEOPLE BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

- The Apostles
  - Acts 1:13; 2:4
- Mary, mother of Jesus
  - Acts 1:14; 2:4
- The Samaritans
  - Acts 8:17-20
- Cornelius, family, friends
  - Acts 10:44-47
- Disciples of John
  - Acts 19:1-6
- Apostle Paul
  - Acts 9:17-18; I Corinthians 14:18

What were they doing when they received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

Acts 1:12-14
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST SINCE YOU BELIEVED?

Repent and believe the gospel. Ask Jesus to be Lord of your life.

**STEP 1**

**STEP 2**
Water baptism
Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38

**STEP 3**
Spend quality time in Prayer.
Acts 10:30

**STEP 4**
Ask and believe for God’s gift.

**STEP 5**
Offer a sacrifice of praise.
Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 116:17

**STEP 6**
Hunger and thirst for the things of God.
John 7:37-38

**STEP 7**
Become as a little child. Surrender your life to the Spirit’s control.
Matthew 18:2-4; Galatians 4:6; Isaiah 28:11; Acts 2:4

DO NOT STOP HERE!
WELCOME TO THE KINGDOM!

A new way of life for covenant people.

“Except a man be born again, . . . Except ye . . . become as little children ye shall not enter into the kingdom.” John 3:3; Matthew 18:3

Privileges:
- Remission of sins
  Acts 2:38; Romans 3:25; 1 John 1:9
- Sons of God; joint-heirs with Christ
  John 1:12; 14:13; 1 John 3:1-2; Romans 8:14-17
- Righteousness
  Romans 3:22; 5:18-19; 8:10; Hebrews 4:16
- Eternal Life
  John 5:24; 6:40-58; 1 John 5:13
- New Creation
  II Corinthians 5:17; II Peter 1:4; Romans 5:17
- Lordship of Christ
  Romans 10:9; Matthew 6:25-34; Luke 11:9; John 15:7

Responsibilities:
- Love God and obey His laws
  John 14:23; 15:10; Exodus 20:6; Romans 6:16-17
- Submission to God’s will above human authority
  Matthew 7:21; John 5:30; 8:28-29; Hebrews 13:17
- Continue spiritual development
  John 8:31-32; Acts 14:22; James 1:22-25
- Continue Jesus’ mission
  Mark 16:15; Matthew 10:1, 8; Luke 10:19; John 14:12
- Prepare for future position
  Matthew 13:43; Luke 19:17; Revelation 20:6

DO NOT STOP HERE!
FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT
Christ’s New Principles of Living
John 8:12; Ephesians 5:8

Old Way
- Murder; anger
- Sexual sins
- Revenge
- Hate enemies
- Prejudiced
- Hypocritical
- Greed
- Worry; anxiety
- Judgmental

Matthew 5, 6, 7

New Way
- Ask forgiveness
- Pure thoughts
- Pardon
- Love enemies
- Impartial
- Pure motives
- Generous
- Contented
- Tolerant

- Golden Rule
- Fruit Test

Matthew 5, 6, 7

Laws and rules are necessary to govern the old nature.
PROVISIONS FOR CONQUERING THE ENEMY

**Spiritual Armor**  Ephesians 6:10-18; Isaiah 59:17

- **Helmet of Salvation**
- **Breastplate of Righteousness**
- **Sword of the Spirit**
- **Loins girded with Truth**
- **Shield of Faith**
- **Feet shod with Gospel of Peace**

**Sources of strength**

- **Prayer**  (developing a relationship with the King)
  Matthew 6:6; Psalm 91:1; John 9:31, 15:7; Romans 8:26-27; I Thessalonians 5:17; I John 3:22

- **Fasting**  (a physical discipline for spiritual alertness)
  Matthew 6:16-18; Acts 13:2-3; Mark 9:29; Joel 1:14; 2:12; Isaiah 58:6-8

- **Bible study and meditation**  (practicing kingdom concepts)
  Joshua 1:8; Proverbs 4:4; Psalm 1:2-3; 119:97, 99
**GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT**

*God’s Power Manifested Through Believers*

I Corinthians 12:1-11

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**Revelation Gifts**

- Discerning of Spirits
- Word of Knowledge
- Word of Wisdom

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**Power Gifts**

- Gifts of Healings
- Working of Miracles
- Faith

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**Inspiration Gifts**

- Speaking in Tongues
- Divers Kinds of Tongues
- Interpretation of Tongues
- Prophecy

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“But covet earnestly the best gifts.”

I Corinthians 12:31
A NEW PRIESTHOOD
WITH NEW, LIVING SACRIFICES

• Apostles
• Prophets
• Evangelists
• Pastors
• Teachers

Ephesians 4:11

The fivefold ministry equips saints to serve and to build up the members of Christ’s body, the church.
Ephesians 4:12

“Apostles
Prophets
Evangelists
Pastors
Teachers

Ephesians 4:11

“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, . . . that ye should shew forth the praises of him.” I Peter 2:9

“Let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.”
Hebrews 13:15

Dancing
Psalm 149:3; Luke 6:23;
II Samuel 6:14-16

Singing
Psalm 30:4; 40:3; 69:30;
Ephesians 5:18-19;
Colossians 3:16

Clapping hands
Psalm 47:1; 98:4, 8; 100:1;
Isaiah 55:12

Musical Instruments
Psalm 33:2-3; 150:3-6;
I Chronicles 15:16;
Isaiah 38:20

Lifting hands
I Timothy 2:8;
Psalm 28:2; 63:4;
134:2; 143:6

David’s tabernacle restored
Amos 9:11; Acts 15:13-17
A HOLY PEOPLE, SEPARATED UNTO GOD

“Be ye holy; for I am holy.”
I Peter 1:16; Hebrews 12:14

Principles:

- Separated from sin and the world; dedicated to God
  I Corinthians 6:9-11; II Corinthians 6:14 - 7:1; II Timothy 2:21; Ephesians 4:22-24

- Sanctified
  Past Hebrews 10:9-10; Acts 26:18
  Present Ephesians 5:25-26; II Timothy 2:19
  Future I Corinthians 13:10, 12

- Growing to maturity
  II Peter 3:18; Ephesians 4:14-15

- A renewed mind
  Romans 8:6, 8; 12:2; Philippians 2:5; Ephesians 4:22-24

- Christ-like attitudes
  Philippians 2:5; Romans 13:14; Ephesians 4:31-32; I Thessalonians 3:12-13; John 13:35

Practical Application:

- What you say
  Matthew 12:34-37; James 1:26; 3:1-8; Ephesians 4:29; 5:4; I Timothy 4:12

- What you see
  Matthew 6:22-23; Psalm 101:3; 119:37; Job 31:1

- What you hear
  Mark 4:24; Jeremiah 7:23-24; Titus 2:12

- Where you go
  Ephesians 5:11; Hebrews 11:25-26; James 4:4; I John 2:15-16

- Humbleness in dress
  I Timothy 2:8-10, 15; I Peter 3:1-5; I Corinthians 11:3-16

- Care of the body
  I Thessalonians 4:1-7; 5:22; I Corinthians 3:16-17; 9:25, 27; 10:31; II Corinthians 7:1; Galatians 5:19, 21

“Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.”
Romans 12:1

LESSON 9 CHART 6
“As every man hath received the gift, even so minister... as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” I Peter 4:10
THE EARLY CHURCH ABLAZE!

Mark 16:20; Acts 4:31-33; 5:12-16; 6:7; 8:4

Lame man Acts 3:1-11

Signs and wonders . . .

Stephen is stoned
Acts 7:54-60

Peter imprisoned
Acts 12:1-19

...and persecutions!
PAUL, APOSTLE TO THE GENTILES

Saul, the persecutor
Acts 9:1-2

Paul, the converted
Acts 9:3-22

Paul, the prisoner
II Corinthians 11:23-28

The apostle and his epistles

Paul, the missionary
Acts 13:1-3
Three missionary campaigns

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LESSON 10

CHART 2

Romans
I & II Corinthians
Galatians
Ephesians
Philippians
Colossians
I & II Thessalonians
I & II Timothy
Titus
Philemon
Hebrews
DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

A.D. 70

Roman armies besiege holy city

The days of vengeance

“And shall be led away captive into all nations . . . until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.”
Luke 21:24
THE CHURCH IN PERSECUTION

The Roman Persecution

Persecution spreads the gospel

Persecution by Nero A.D. 64

Catacombs of Rome A.D. 257

Diocletian burns Bibles A.D. 303
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LESSON 10  
CHART 6
THE LATTER-DAY OUTPOURING

“And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh.” Joel 2:28

1901
Topeka, Kansas

1906
Azusa Street

1914
Formation of churches seeking deeper truth

1940’s
Instruction about Gifts of Spirit

LESSON 10  CHART 7
SIGNS OF THE END
(GLOBAL)

Heart failure
Luke 21:26

Wars and rumors of wars
Matthew 24:6; Mark 13:7

Poverty, famine, and pestilence
Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11

Mass devotion to things other than God
II Timothy 3:1-4

Immorality
Luke 17:28-30; II Timothy 3:2-4

Knowledge increases
Daniel 12:4

Earthquakes increase
Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11

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LESSON 11
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SIGNS OF THE END (RELIGIOUS)

Apostasy and worldliness
Matthew 24:12; 2 Thessalonians 2:3; II Timothy 4:3-4

False Christs and cults
Matthew 24:11, 24

Expansion and Revival!
Matthew 24:14; Mark 13:10; Acts 2:17-18

Witchcraft
I Timothy 4:1
SIGNS OF THE END (ISRAEL)

Israel regathered
Ezekiel 37:1-28; 36:33-35; Psalm 102:16
1917 British Mandate
1948 Becomes a nation
1967 As of 1967, map shows:
State of Israel

Occupied territory

Conflict of the Nations
Ezekiel 38, 39;
Luke 21:20

A city regained
Luke 21:24

Blood sacrifices soon to be restored
Matthew 24:15; Revelation 11:1-2

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THE BEGINNING OF GENTILE KINGDOMS

Gold (Babylon)
Silver (Media-Persia)
Brass (Greece)
Iron (Rome)

Stone smites Image

Feet of Iron and Clay

World Union Market
THE “BEAST” AND HIS SYSTEM

An Antichrist reigns in Jerusalem
Revelation 13:1-18; 2 Thessalonians 2:3-10

Humanism

World Union and money system

Computers and Satellites for Propaganda

New Age movement

Theories of Initiation rite
Revelation 13:16-18

Refusal to worship the Beast results in death.
Revelation 13:15; 20:4

LESSON 11
CHART 5
THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH
Jesus outlined events of last generation

Matthew 24:3-35; Mark 13:1-31; Luke 21:5-33

False Christs, Matthew 24:4-5
decception
Wars, Matthew 24:6-8
famines,
earthquakes
Persecution Matthew 24:9-13
because of
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God’s wrath
awaits those who
take the “mark.”
Revelation 14:9-11

Seven seals
Revelation 5:1 - 8:1

Seven angels with trumpets
Revelation 8:2 - 11:19

Seven angels with vials of wrath
Revelation 16:1-21

Grievous sores
Revelation 16:1-2
Sea becomes as blood.
Revelation 16:3
Rivers and fountains become blood.
Revelation 16:4-6
Sun scorches men with fire.
Revelation 16:8-9
Beast’s kingdom full of darkness.
Revelation 16:10-11
Euphrates River dries up.
Revelation 16:12
Christ appears in clouds.
Revelation 24:30-31
THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON
Revelation 16:13-16; 17:12-14; Zechariah 12:2-5, 8-14; 14:1-5; Colossians 3:4; Jude 14-15

Nations will gather:
- Gog, Meshech, Tubal (Russia)
- Persia (Iran)
- Ethiopia (black African nations)
- Libya
- Gomer (Germany, and communistic Slavic countries)
- Togarmah (Turkey)
- Kings of East (Asiatic and Oriental nations)

Ezekiel 38:1-6; Revelation 16:12

Fowls will eat flesh
Revelation 19:17-21

Christ Returns
Zechariah 14:3-4

Judgment of living nations
Matthew 25:31-46; Zechariah 14:16

Antichrist and False Prophet destroyed
II Thessalonians 2:8; Revelation 19:20

Satan bound 1,000 years
Revelation 20:1-3

LESSON 11  CHART 8
KINGDOM AGE—“SEVENTH DISPENSATION”

- **Satan bound**  
  Revelation 20:1-3; Isaiah 24:21-22

- **Eden recreated**  
  Zechariah 8:12; Isaiah 35:1, 6-7; 55:13

- **Animal natures changed**  
  Isaiah 11:6-8; 65:25

- **Health restored**  
  Isaiah 33:24; 35:5-6

- **Human life extended**  
  Isaiah 65:20; Zechariah 8:4

- **One language**  
  Zephaniah 3:9

- **One religion**  
  Jeremiah 31:31-34; Zechariah 14:9

- **Peace and justice**  
  Isaiah 2:4; 9:6-7; 11:3-5; Micah 4:3-4

- **Jerusalem headquarters**  
  Isaiah 2:2-4; Jeremiah 17:25;  
  Zechariah 8:3-8; 14:16-21
REIGNING IN THE KINGDOM AGE

The church shall be like Him! (glorified and immortal)
Philippians 3:21; I Corinthians 15:49-54

Subjects in the kingdom:

“And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.”
Zechariah 14:16

Various ranks and positions of authority

Satan’s final rebellion
Revelation 20:7-10

Armies of God and Magog

LESSON 12
CHART 2
GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT

“And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” Revelation 20:15

Books opened:

- Word of God John 12:48
- Thoughts Romans 2:15-16
- Words Matthew 12:36-37
- Works Revelation 20:12
- Gospel Mark 16:15-16; II Thessalonians 1:8-9; 2:9-12
- Book of Life Revelation 20:12, 15

Second death Revelation 14:11; 20:10-15; 21:8; Mark 9:44; Jude 13
THE NEW JERUSALEM
A new heaven and earth

John’s vision

Heaven . . . a life of:

- Joy and happiness Revelation 21:4
- Continual fellowship John 14:3
- Peaceful rest Revelation 14:13
- Complete knowledge 1 Corinthians 13:12
- Purity and holiness Revelation 21:27
- Abundance Revelation 21:6-7
- Divine glory Colossians 3:4
- Continual worship Revelation 7:9-17
FROM HERE TO ETERNITY!

Matthew 7:13-14