

Questions Lesson My Answers: Understanding the Bible

In the Document: To understand The Holy Spirit

Give scriptures for your answers.

1. Are there hard to understand scriptures? *Yes, but most are in the simplicity of Christ. Use the simple to explain the complicated.*

(**2Pe 3:14** Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; **15** and consider *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, 16 as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures.)

2. Are the majority of scriptures simple to understand?

Yes, but there is a difference in the milk of the word and the solid food of the word. You must understand the milk of the word first.

(**2Corinthians 11:3** But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. **4** For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or *if* you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted—you may well put up with it!)

(**1Corinthians 3:1** And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual *people* but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. **2** I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able *to receive it*, and even now you are still not able; **3** for you are still carnal. For where *there are* envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like *mere* men?)

3. How do we learn to understand the complicated? *See what Jesus said to Nicodemus:*

(**John 3:6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7** Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' --- **9** Nicodemus answered and said to Him, "How can these things be?" **10** Jesus answered and said to him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things? **11** Most assuredly, I say to you, We speak what We know and testify what We have seen, and you do not receive Our witness. **12** *If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?*)

Study to gain knowledge.

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

4. How do we gain faith? *Read hear and study God's word.*

(**Romans 10:17** So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.)
Can we please God without faith? *No.*

(**Hebrews 11:6** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently

seek Him.)

5. What will happen to those who do not know God or don't obey the gospel?
(**2Thesalonians 1:6** since *it is* a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, **7** and to *give* you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, **8** *in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*)

6. What is involved in calling on the name of the lord?
(**Acts 22:14** Then he said, 'The God of our fathers has chosen you that you should know His will, and see the Just One, and hear the voice of His mouth. **15** For you will be His witness to all men of what you have seen and heard. **16** And now why are you waiting? *Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.*)

(**Romans 10:13** For "*WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.*" **14** *How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? 15* *And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF PEACE, WHO BRING GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!"*)

We call on the lord in obedience to the word of God.

Can we call him lord if we do not obey him? *No!*

(**Mathew 7:20** Therefore by their fruits you will know them. **21** *"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22* Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' **23** And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!')

7. Did anyone ever receive the Holy Spirit without receiving the teaching of God's word? *Even the apostles received the teaching from Christ first Then later from the Holy Spirit.*

(**Acts 5:30** The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. **31** Him God has exalted to His right hand *to be* Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. **32** And we are His witnesses to these things, and *so* also is *the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.*")

(**1Peter 4:17** For the time *has come* for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if *it begins* with us first, what will *be* the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? **18** Now "IF THE RIGHTEOUS ONE IS SCARCELY SAVED, WHERE WILL THE UNGODLY AND THE SINNER APPEAR?")

You know God by studying the gospel. No one in the New Testament received the Holy Spirit before teaching and obedience under the New Covenant.

(**Acts 2:38** Then Peter said to them, "*Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*) *The message came first.*

(2Thesalonians 1:8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.)

8. How do we rightly divide the word of truth?

Only with constant diligent study over time you learn this.

(2Corinthians 6:4 But in all *things* we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, **5 in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; **6** by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, **7** by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,)**

(2Timothy 2:14 Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. **15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. **16** But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. **17** And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort, **18** who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some. **19** Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.")**

(James 1:16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. **17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. **18** Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. **19** So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; **20** for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. **21** Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.)**

9. How do we become approved unto God?

(2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

10. What is wrong with the teaching the Holy Spirit will guide you so you do not need to study?

Without studying you go against these scriptures. Study to show yourself approved. (2Timothy 2:14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. **15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.) **KJV Love God's word. Meditate on its deep meaning. (Psalms 1:2 But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.) You must believe he is God. If you diligently seek him, he will reward you in his own way. (Hebrews 11:6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.) You must diligently seek him.****

The guidance of the Holy Spirit was promised to the apostles:

(**John 16:13** However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. **14** He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. **15** All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare *it* to you.)

11. What is involved in meditating? How do we do it? *We must seek to understand the meaning of all scripture and not neglect any questions in your study. Always try to find answers no matter how long it takes.*

(**1Timothy 4:13** Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. **14** Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. **15** Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.)

12. *Explain what is involved in diligently seek him?*

From Strong's definition:

Diligently

DILIGENTLY, adv. With steady application and care; with industry or assiduity; not carelessly; not negligently.

Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God.

Read aloud these passages: I will give a summary to save document space.

(**Exodus 15:26** *diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes,*)

(**Deuteronomy 4:9** *take heed to yourself, and diligently keep yourself,* lest you forget the things your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. And teach them to your children and your grandchildren,)

(**Deuteronomy 6:6** "And these *words which I command you today shall be in your heart.* **7** *You shall teach them diligently to your children,* and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. --- **17** *You shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God,* His testimonies, and His statutes which He has commanded you. **18** And you shall do *what is right and good in the sight of the LORD,*)

(**Deuteronomy 28:1** *if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today*)

(**2 Chronicles 34:33** *diligently serve the LORD their God.* All his days they did not depart from following the LORD God of their fathers.)

(**Ezra 7:23** *Whatever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it diligently be done for the house of the God of heaven.*)

(**Psalms 119:4** *keep Your precepts diligently.*)

(**Zechariah 6:15** *you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God*)

(**1Timothy 5:10** *if she has diligently followed every good work.*)

(**Hebrews 11:6** *But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently*

seek Him.)

13. What causes people to be sent to preach the gospel?

To save our souls and those around us.

(Romans 10:13 For "WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED." **14** How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? **15** And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF PEACE, WHO BRING GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!" **16** But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?" **17** So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.)

(2Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. **11** Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences.)

14. What causes us not to be able to please God?

(Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. **8** So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God. **9** But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. **10** And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.)

(Galatians 1:9 As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. **10** For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ. **11** But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. **12** For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.)

If we don't follow God's Spiritual words, we are not able to please God.

(1Corinthians 2:12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. **13** These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.)

15. What gives us the power of God to salvation? *God's word.*

(Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. **17** or in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH.")

(1Peter 1:4 to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, **5** who are kept by the power of God through

faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.)

16. Give some examples of the preaching done before salvation. Are there any examples of anyone receiving salvation without preaching first? **No!**

(Acts 8:26 Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert. **27** So he arose and went. And behold, a man of Ethiopia, a eunuch of great authority under Candace the queen of the Ethiopians, who had charge of all her treasury, and had come to Jerusalem to worship, **28** was returning. And sitting in his chariot, he was reading Isaiah the prophet. **29** Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go near and overtake this chariot." **30** So Philip ran to him, and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah, and said, "Do you understand what you are reading?" **31** And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he asked Philip to come up and sit with him. **32** The place in the Scripture which he read was this: "HE WAS LED AS A SHEEP TO THE SLAUGHTER; AND AS A LAMB BEFORE ITS SHEARER IS SILENT, SO HE OPENED NOT HIS MOUTH. **33** IN HIS HUMILIATION HIS JUSTICE WAS TAKEN AWAY, AND WHO WILL DECLARE HIS GENERATION? FOR HIS LIFE IS TAKEN FROM THE EARTH." **34** So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" **35** Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. **36** Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, *here is* water. What hinders me from being baptized?" **37** Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." **38** So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. **39** Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.)

(Acts 10:34 Then Peter opened *his* mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. **35** But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. **36** The word which *God* sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all— **37** that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: **38** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. **39** And we are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed by hanging on a tree. **40** Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, **41** not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, *even* to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. **42** And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God *to be* Judge of the living and the dead. **43** To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins." **44** While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. **45** And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.)

17. How was the New Testament delivered to man? What and who was involved in its deliverance?

First, Jesus taught his apostles then after his departure he sent the Holy Spirit the helper, the Spirit of truth to the apostles:

All the Godhead is involved giving what the Father wanted and all of what Jesus would teach men: The complete word of God was to be delivered to them:

(John 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you *I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.* **11** *Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me,* or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves. **12** "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. **13** *And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.* **14** If you ask anything in My name, I will do it. **15** "If you love Me, keep *My commandments.* **16** *And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—* **17** *the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.* **18** *I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.*)

(John 15:21 *But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me.* **22** *If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.* **23** *He who hates Me hates My Father also.* **24** *If I had not done among them the works which no one else did, they would have no sin; but now they have seen and also hated both Me and My Father.* **25** *But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, 'THEY HATED ME WITHOUT A CAUSE.'* **26** "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, *He will testify of Me.* **27** And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.)

Second, the apostles were to deliver the complete word of God to man:

(Mathew 24:14 *And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations,* and then the end will come.)

(Mark 13:10 *And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations.*)

(Mark 16:14 *Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen.* **15** *And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.* **16** *He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.*)

(Acts 20:24 But none of these things move me; nor do *I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.* **25** "And indeed, now *I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God,* will see my face no more. **26** *Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men.* **27** *For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.* **28** *Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among*

which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.)

Third, the complete word of God was to be delivered in written form:

This is totally obvious because all this comes from the written Bible. The whole council of God.

- 18. What is wrong with the teaching only Jesus's teaching and not the apostles teaching? *They willfully forget: John 14:26.***

Is the apostles teaching directly from God? *Yes: Mathew 16:19*

(John 14:26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.)

(Mathew 16:19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.)

- 19. What is wrong with opinions of man without examining all scripture? *It becomes man's law and not God's law. Man's law is unapproved by God.***

(2Timothy 3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.)

(Romans 11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.)

(Romans 12:16 Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.)

(Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end *is* the way of death.)

- 20. Can we depend on famous men's opinions? *No!***

(Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end *is* the way of death.)

- 21. Is error taught on salvation? *Yes!* Explain your answer.**

Every denomination seems to have their own doctrine. The don't follow the simplicity in Christ. Don't put up with it.

(2Corinthians 11:2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. 3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted — you may well put up with it!)

They will come up with complicated means to explain away, with what the scripture plainly says. Remember scripture was not designed to contradict other scriptures, but all scripture gives the complete understanding without contradictions in teaching.

(2Timothy 3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.)

(2Peter 3:16 as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures. 17 You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.)

(Proverbs 16:25 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death. 26 The person who labors, labors for himself, For his hungry mouth drives him on. 27 An ungodly man digs up evil, And it is on his lips like a burning fire.)

(2Timothy 3:12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them.)

22. What has caused much misteaching on the bible?

The incorrect teaching on the Holy Spirit by not teaching the complete unity of the Godhead. If the teaching contradicts any scripture. And if they are not using all scripture in teaching the doctrine of Christ. And if they don't stick to the simplicity in Christ.

(2Timothy 2:14 Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers. 15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

(Colossians 2:1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words. 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. 6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. 8 Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ. 9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; 10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.)

(2Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if

you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted—you may well put up with it!

Use all scripture and believe the simple scripture in plain English exactly what it says.

23. How do we receive sound doctrine?

From the Bible not men. Study to show yourself approved rightly dividing the word.

(2Timothy 4:1 I charge you therefore before God and *the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: 2 Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. 5 But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. 6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.)*

(2Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. 17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;) KJV

(2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. 17 And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort,) NKJV

All the miss-teachings of several denominations on, baptism is not for salvation, is a perfect example of ignoring the simplicity in Christ. The scriptures plainly teach it is for salvation. It is one of many things for salvation. All are necessary.

Under the influence of the Holy Spirit Peter told his brethren this:

(Acts 2:38 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.*)

Jesus said this:

(Mathew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.)

Jesus would not have told them to do what was not necessary. Wake up people!

24. How was the hidden wisdom of God delivered?

(1Corinthians 2:6 However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet

not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. 7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, 8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But as it is written: "EYE HAS NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NOR HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN THE THINGS WHICH GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM." 10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. 11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. 13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 15 But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. 16 For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" But we have the mind of Christ.) The spiritual things hidden before, have been delivered to the apostles then by them to man by preaching and teaching. We now receive, God's Holy Word, in the Bible.

25. What is comparing spiritual things with spiritual? How is this done?

(1Corinthians 2:11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. **12** *Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. 13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.)*

The words spoken by the apostles in the Bible give us what is spiritual because it was delivered by the Holy Spirit.

26. Is it possible for man to understand spiritual things without the Bible? *No!* Explain your answer.

(1Corinthians 2:11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? *Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. --- 14* But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. **15** But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is *rightly* judged by no one. **16** For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" But we have the mind of Christ.)

Because of the Bible we have the mind of Christ in the Bible.

27. Are all churches claiming to be Christian ok? Why?

If they don't follow the scriptures and develop any doctrine that contradicts any scripture then no, they are not ok. Misteaching, in many cases, was taught because of a lack of teaching on the Holy Spirit over time. The Holy Spirit took

the mind of Christ and made it known to man. Christ had the mind of the Father so the complete Godhead was involved in the deliverance of God's word. Thus, we have the Bible, the written word. The Holy Spirit delivering God's word to the apostles they delivered it to man. We could not perceive God's will without the Bible.

28. What are we to believe for salvation?

Everything in the Bible that is says it saves us or what causes faith or remission of sins or commanded for us for obedience. Not man's invented ways which are not in the Bible!

We should hear and believe the gospel. This is the calling:

(Romans 10:13 For "WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED." **14** How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?)

We must hear and believe what the gospel says:

(Acts 15:7 And when there had been much dispute, Peter rose up and said to them: "Men and brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe.)

We must believe with faith:

(Romans 10:16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?" **17** So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.)

(Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.)

Believe Jesus is the Christ: Jesus said this:

(John 8:23 And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. **24** Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.")

We must repent of our sins:

(Acts 17:30 Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, **31** because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead.")

We must confess we believe in Christ sacrifice before men:

(Mathew 10:32 "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.) *This confession is at the beginning of our salvation until the end of our life.*

(Philippians 2:10 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, **11** and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.)

Obey the gospel in baptism:

(1Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of

God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. **21** The like figure whereunto *even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:)* KJV

(Acts 2:38 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.*) Peter under the influence of the Holy Spirit said this:

(Acts 2:36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. **37** Now when they heard *this*, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do? **38** 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.*)

To those who say Baptism is not for salvation:

Christ commanded the apostles to baptize. Christ does not ask anyone to do what is not necessary!

(Mathew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "*All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*" Amen.)

29. What is making your call and election sure? What does it mean? Explain your answer.

(2Peter 1:1 Simon Peter, a bondservant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ: **2** *Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, 3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, 4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. 5 But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, 6 to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, 7 to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. 8 For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins. 10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; 11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.*) *These things will ground you in the truth of God. Since you have elected to follow God completely. Do all these things.*

30. What brings us spiritual understanding?

(Colossians 1:5 because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel, 6 which has come to you, as it has also in all the world, and is bringing forth fruit, as it is also among you since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth; 7 as you also learned from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, 8 who also declared to us your love in the Spirit. 9 For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; 10 that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;)

Hearing the word of the truth of the gospel. Having the love of God. Increasing in the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.

- 31. God bore witness both with signs and wonders. What was the witness for? To confirm as a witness the message was from God.**

Because of the false speaking against "the way" (God's way), proof was required to establish, the words spoken by the apostles, were from God. (Acts 28:22 But we desire to hear from you what you think; for concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against everywhere.") (Acts 24:14 But this I confess to you, that according to the Way which they call a sect, so I worship the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the Law and in the Prophets.)

No one would have believed the apostle's words without proof; thus, signs and wonders confirmed their words as a "witness from God" that this is and was and is God's word.

(John 4:48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.)

(Hebrew 2:3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, 4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?)

Questions for Lesson 2 Correcting Error:

Give scriptures when you can.

- 1. Is it wrong or mean to correct error?**

Being comfortable in error will destroy all who don't warn others of sin. You must not be a novice in teaching others. This is why you must study to show yourself approved of God. (2Ti 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

(Ezekiel 3:17 "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: 18 When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. 19 Yet, if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. 20 "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a

stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. 21 Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man that the righteous should not sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live because he took warning; also you will have delivered your soul."

2. What is lawlessness? *All sin.* (1John 3:3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. 4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.)
3. If you don't obey God, can you call God your lord? *No!*
(Luke 6:46 "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say? 47 Whoever comes to Me, and hears My sayings and does them, I will show you whom he is like: 48 He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock. 49 But he who heard and did nothing is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation, against which the stream beat vehemently; and immediately it fell. And the ruin of that house was great.")
4. What do we need to do to be prepared for the Lord's coming?
(Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.) God will take vengeance on those who do not know God and don't obey the gospel. You cannot obey what you haven't studied. The Bible is God's gospel, his word. (2Thesalonians 1: 4 so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure, 5 which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; 6 since *it is* a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, 7 and to *give* you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.)
5. How does the parable of the foolish virgins apply to Christians?
You must prepare by not waiting to the last minute. Someone else cannot do it for you. (2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)
6. What is the Kingdom of heaven and the kingdom of God?
There is a kingdom of heaven where God's throne is. Christians are members of the church which is the Kingdom of God.
7. Will doing many wonders get you into heaven without obedience? *No.*
(Mathew 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to

Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' **23** And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!')

8. What should we rule over? *Sin.*

(**Genesis 4:7** If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire *is* for you, but you should rule over it.")

9. Can churches be in sin? Give examples. Can they repent? *Yes.*

The church of Ephesus:

(**Revelation 2:1** "To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, 'These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands: **2** "*I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; 3 and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name's sake and have not become weary. 4 Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love. 5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent. 6 But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. 7*" He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. *To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.*" ')

The church in Pergamos:

(**Revelation 2:12** "And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write, 'These things says He who has the sharp two-edged sword: **13** "*I know your works, and where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas was My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. 14 But I have a few things against you, because you have there those who hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit sexual immorality. 15 Thus you also have those who hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate. 16 Repent, or else I will come to you quickly and will fight against them with the sword of My mouth. 17*" He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. *To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it.*" ')

The church in Thyatira:

(**Revelation 2:18** "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write, 'These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass: **19** "*I know your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and as for your works, the last are more than the first. 20 Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a*

prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. 21 And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, and she did not repent. 22 Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds. 23 I will kill her children with death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works. 24 "Now to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as do not have this doctrine, who have not known the depths of Satan, as they say, I will put on you no other burden. 25 But hold fast what you have till I come. 26 And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations— 27 'HE SHALL RULE THEM WITH A ROD OF IRON; THEY SHALL BE DASHED TO PIECES LIKE THE POTTER'S VESSELS'— as I also have received from My Father; 28 and I will give him the morning star.)

The church in Sardis:

(Revelation 3:1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write, 'These things says He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. 2 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found your works perfect before God. 3 Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore, if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you. 4 You have a few names even in Sardis who have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy. 5 He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.)

The church of the Laodiceans:

(Revelation 3:14 "And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God: 15 "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. 16 So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth. 17 Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'—and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked— 18 I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore, be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. 21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

(Luke 6:46 "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?) (Mathew 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out

demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!')

10. What is required for repentance?

Turning from sin and strive never to sin again.

11. What did John claim to be?

(John 1:23 He said: "I *am* 'THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS: "MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD," ' as the prophet Isaiah said.")

12. What is the baptism of fire?

The eternal fire of punishment.

13. What do we need to do to be approved of God?

(2Ti 2:14 Remind *them* of these things, charging *them* before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. 15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 But shun profane *and* idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness.)

14. What is a different gospel? ***Error! No other Gospel!***

(Gal 1:6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, 7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. 9 As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed. 10 For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.)

15. What can happens to the sinner if you don't warn him of his sin?

(Ezekiel 3:17 "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: 18 When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. 19 Yet, if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. 20 "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. 21 Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man that the righteous should not sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live because he took warning; also you will have delivered your soul.")

16. What happens to you if you don't warn the sinner?

(Ezekiel 3:18 When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand.)

17. Can a righteous man fall into sin? *Yes.*

(Ezekiel 3:20 "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand.)

18. Can you save the righteous man who sins? *Yes Ezekiel 3:*

19. How can you cover a multitude of sins? *Yes.*

(James 5:20 let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.)

20. Can religious people become unworthy of everlasting life?

(Acts 13:46 Then Paul and Barnabas grew bold and said, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken to you first; but since you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles.)

21. When does God put a stumbling block before a man?

(Ezekiel 3:20 "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand.)

Questions and assignments For Lesson 3:

The Beginning deliverance of God's Word in the New Covenant in the New Testament.

Be prepared to give scripture for each conclusion:

Do the following optional assignments: Explain what you learned from this:

(A.) Also, I suggest you study all things tied together with Baptism. Examples: (Act 2:38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.) (Mark 16:16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.) As an assignment see what other words as grace or remission of sins and forgiveness of sins are tied together with what circumstance.

(1.) Grace:

Grace definition: Strong's Concordance: **KJV**

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charis

khar'-ece

From **G5463**; *graciousness* (as *gratifying*), of manner or act (abstract or concrete; literal, figurative or spiritual; especially the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life; including *gratitude*): - acceptable, benefit, favour, gift, grace (-ious), joy liberality, pleasure, thank, liberality,

Total KJV occurrences: 156

Also translated: favour, gracious, thank, thanks, benefit, pleasure, Joy, acceptable

(Luke 1:30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour **G5485 with God.)**

(Luke 2:40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace **G5485 of God was upon him.)**

(Luke 2:52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour **G5485 with God and man.)**

(Luke 4:22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious **G5485 words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?)**

(Luke 6:32 For if ye love them which love you, what thank **G5485 have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.)**

(Luke 6:33 And if ye do good^{G15} to them which do good to you, what thank **G5485 have ye? for sinners also do even the same.)**

(Luke 6:34 And if ye lend *to them* of whom ye hope to receive, what thank **G5485 have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.)**

(Luke 17:9 Doth he thank **G5485 that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not.)**

(John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace **G5485 and truth.)**

(John 1:16 And of his fulness have all we received, and grace **G5485 for grace. **G5485**)**

(John 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, *but* grace **G5485 and truth came by Jesus Christ.)**

(Acts 2:47 Praising God, and having favor **G5485 with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.)**

(Acts 4:33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace **G5485 was upon them all.)**

(Acts 7:10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favor **G5485 and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.)**

(Acts 7:46 Who found favor **G5485 before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.)**

(Acts 11:23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace **G5485 of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.)**

(Acts 13:43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace **G5485 of God.)**

(Acts 14:3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace **G5485, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.)**

(Acts 14:26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace **G5485** of God for the work which they fulfilled.)

(Acts 15:11 But we believe that through the grace **G5485** of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.)

(Acts 15:40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace **G5485** of God.)

(Acts 18:27 And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace **G5485**.)

(Acts 20:24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace **G5485** of God.)

(Acts 20:32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, **G5485** which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.)

(Acts 24:27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, **G5485** left Paul bound.)

(Acts 25:3 And desired favour **G5485** against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying wait in the way to kill him.)

(Acts 25:9 But Festus, willing to do the Jews a pleasure **G5485**, answered Paul, and said, Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before⁹ me?)

(Romans 1:5 By whom we have received grace **G5485** and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:)

(Romans 1:7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called *to be* saints: Grace **G5485** to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by his grace **G5485** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:)

(Romans 4:4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, **G5485** but of debt.)

(Romans 4:16 Therefore *it is* of faith, that *it might be* by grace; **G5485** to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,)

(Romans 5:2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace **G5485** wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.)

(Romans 5:15 But not as the offence, so also *is* the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace **G5485** of God, and the gift by grace, **G5485** which *is* by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.)

(Romans 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace **G5485** and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

(Romans 5:20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace **G5485** did much more abound.)

(Romans 5:21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace **G5485** reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.)

(Romans 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace **G5485** may abound?)

(Romans 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace **G5485**).

(Romans 6:15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? **G5485** God forbid.)

(Romans 6:17 But God be thanked **G5485**, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.)

(Romans 11:5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace. **G5485**)

(Romans 11:6 And if by grace, **G5485** then *is it* no more of works: otherwise, grace **G5485** is no more grace. **G5485** But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: **G5485** otherwise work is no more work.)

(Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace **G5485** given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.)

(Romans 12:6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace **G5485** that is given to us, whether prophecy, *let us prophesy* according to the proportion of faith;)

(Romans 15:15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace **G5485**, that is given to me of God,)

(Romans 16:20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.)

(Romans 16:24 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.)

(1Corinthians 1:3 Grace **G5485** *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(1Corinthians 1:4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace **G5485** of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;)

(1Corinthians 3:10 According to the grace **G5485** of God which is given unto me, as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.)

(1Corinthians 10:30 For if I by grace **G5485** be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?)

(1Corinthians 15:10 But by the grace **G5485** of God I am what I am: and his grace **G5485** which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace **G5485** of God which was with me.)

(1Corinthians 15:57 But thanks **G5485** *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our

Lord Jesus Christ.)

(1 Corinthians 16:3 And when I come, whomsoever ye shall approve by *your* letters, them will I send to bring your liberality **G5485** unto Jerusalem.)

(2 Corinthians 16:23 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you.)

(2 Corinthians 1:2 Grace **G5485** *be* to you and peace from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(2 Corinthians 1:12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace **G5485** of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.)

(2 Corinthians 1:15 And in this confidence I was minded to come unto you before, that ye might have a second benefit; **G5485**)

(2 Corinthians 2:14 Now thanks **G5485** *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.)

(2 Corinthians 4:15 For all things *are* for your sakes, that the abundant grace **G5485** might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.)

(2 Corinthians 6:1 We then, *as* workers together *with him*, beseech *you* also that ye receive not the grace **G5485** of God in vain.)

(2 Corinthians 8:1 Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace **G5485** of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia;)

(2 Corinthians 8:4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, **G5485** and *take upon us* the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.)

(2 Corinthians 8:6 Insomuch that we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also finish in you the same grace **G5485** also.)

(2 Corinthians 8:7 Therefore, as ye abound in every *thing, in* faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and *in* all diligence, and *in* your love to us, *see* that ye abound in this grace **G5485** also.)

(2 Corinthians 8:9 For ye know the grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.)

(2 Corinthians 8:16 But thanks **G5485** *be* to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.)

(2 Corinthians 8:19 And not *that* only, but who was also chosen of the churches to travel with us with this grace, **G5485** which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and *declaration of* your ready mind:)

(2 Corinthians 9:8 And God *is* able to make all grace abound **G5485** toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:)

(2 Corinthians 9:14 And by their prayer for you, which long after you for the exceeding grace **G5485** of God in you.)

(2 Corinthians 9:15 Thanks **G5485** *be* unto God for his unspeakable gift.)

(2 Corinthians 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace **G5485** is sufficient for thee: for my

strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.)

(**2Corinthians 13:14** The grace **G5485** of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.)

(**Galatians 1:3** Grace **G5485** *be* to you and peace from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ,)

(**Galatians 1:6** I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace **G5485** of Christ unto another gospel:)

(**Galatians 1:15** But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his grace, **G5485**)

(**Galatians 2:9** And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace **G5485** that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we *should go* unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.)

(**Galatians 2:21** I do not frustrate the grace **G5485** of God: for if righteousness *come* by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.)

(**Galatians 5:4** Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. **G5485**)

(**Galatians 6:18** Brethren, the grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.)

(**Ephesians 1:2** Grace **G5485** *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(**Ephesians 1:6** To the praise of the glory of his grace, **G5485** wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.)

(**Ephesians 1:7** In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; **G5485**)

(**Ephesians 2:5** Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace **G5485** ye are saved;)

(**Ephesians 2:7** That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace **G5485** in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.)

(**Ephesians 2:8** For by grace **G5485** are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:)

(**Ephesians 3:** If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace **G5485** of God which is given me to you-ward:)

(**Ephesians 3:7** Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace **G5485** of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.)

(**Ephesians 3:8** Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace **G5485** given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;)

(**Ephesians 4:7** But unto every one of us is given grace **G5485** according to the measure of the gift of Christ.)

(Ephesians 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace **G5485** unto the hearers.)

(Ephesians 6:24 Grace **G5485** be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.)

(Philippians 1:2 Grace **G5485** be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

(Philippians 1:7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. **G5485**)

(Philippians 4:23 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

(Colossians 1:2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace **G5485** be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(Colossians 1:6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace **G5485** of God in truth:)

(Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace **G5485** in your hearts to the Lord.)

(Colossians 4:6 Let your speech be alway with grace, **G5485** seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.)

(Colossians 4:18 The salutation by the hand of me Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace **G5485** be with you. Amen.)

(1Thessalonians 1:1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace **G5485** be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(1Thessalonians 5:28 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.)

(2Thessalonians 1:2 Grace **G5485** unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(2Thessalonians 1:12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace **G5485** of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(2Thessalonians 2:16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, **G5485**)

(2Thessalonians 3:18 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.)

(1Timothy 1:2 Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, **G5485** mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.)

(1Timothy 1:12 And I thank **G5485** Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;)

(1Timothy 1:14 And the grace **G5485** of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.)

(1 Timothy 6:21 Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace **G5485** *be* with thee. Amen.)

(2 Timothy 1:2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, **G5485** mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.)

(2 Timothy 1:3 I thank **G5485** God, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;)

(2 Timothy 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, **G5485** which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,)

(2 Timothy 2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace **G5485** that is in Christ Jesus.)

(2 Timothy 4:22 The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace **G5485** *be* with you. Amen.)

(Titus 1:4 To Titus, *mine* own son after the common faith: Grace, **G5485** mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.)

(Titus 2:11 For the grace **G5485** of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,)

(Titus 3:7 That being justified by his grace, **G5485** we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.)

(Titus 3:15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace **G5485** *be* with you all. Amen.)

(Philemon 1:3 Grace **G5485** to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(Philemon 1:7 For we have great joy **G5485** and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.)

(Philemon 1:25 The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.)

(Hebrews 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace **G5485** of God should taste death for every man.)

(Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, **G5485** that we may obtain mercy, and find grace **G5485** to help in time of need.)

(Hebrews 10:29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? **G5485**)

(Hebrews 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace **G5485** of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble *you*, and thereby many be defiled;)

(Hebrews 12:28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, **G5485** whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:)

(Hebrews 13:9 *e* not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For *it is* a good thing that the heart be established with grace; **G5485** not with meats, which, have not

profited them that have been occupied therein.)

(Hebrews 13:25 Grace **G5485** *be* with you all. Amen.)

(James 4:6 But he giveth more grace. **G5485** Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace **G5485** unto the humble.)

(1Peter 1:2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace **G5485** unto you, and peace, be multiplied.)

(1Peter 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace **G5485** *that should come* unto you:)

(1Peter 1:13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace **G5485** that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;)

(1Peter 2:19 For this *is* thankworthy, **G5485** if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.)

(1Peter 2:20 For what glory¹ *is it*, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer *for it*, ye take it patiently, this *is* acceptable **G5485** with God.)

(1Peter 3:7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace **G5485** of life; that your prayers be not hindered.)

(1Peter 4:10 As every man hath received the gift, *even so* minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace **G5485** of God.)

(1Peter 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all *of you* be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace **G5485** to the humble.)

(1Peter 5:10 But the God of all grace, **G5485** who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle *you*.)

(1Peter 5:12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace **G5485** of God wherein ye stand.)

(2Peter 1:2 Grace **G5485** and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,)

(2Peter 3:18 But grow in grace, **G5485** and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen.)

(2John 1:3 Grace **G5485** be with you, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.)

(Jude1:4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace **G5485** of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.)

(Revelation 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace **G5485** *be* unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the

seven Spirits which are before his throne;

([Revelation 22:21](#) The grace **G5485** of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.)

G2143

εὐπρέπεια

euprepeia

yoo-prep'-i-ah

From a compound of **G2095** and **G4241**; *good suitableness, that is, gracefulness*: - grace.

Total KJV occurrences: 1

([James 1:11](#) For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the **grace** **G2143** of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.)

(2.) Remission of sin:

Remision:

G859

ἀφεσις

aphesis

af'-es-is

From **G863**; *freedom*; (figuratively) *pardon*: - deliverance, forgiveness, liberty, remission.

Total KJV occurrences: 17

([Mathew 26:28](#) For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the **remission of sins**.)

([Mark 1:4](#) John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the **remission of sins**.)

([Luke 1:77](#) To give knowledge of salvation to His people By the **remission of their sins**.)

([Luke 3:3](#) And he went into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the **remission of sins**.)

([Luke 24:47](#) and that repentance and **remission of sins** should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.)

([Acts 2:38](#) Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the **remission of sins**; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.)

(**Acts 10:43** To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive **remission of sins.**")

G3929

πάρεσις

paresis

par'-es-is

From **G2935**; *praetermission*, that is, *toleration*: - remission.

Total KJV occurrences: 1

(**Romans 3:25** Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his ^{G848} blood, to declare his righteousness for the **remission**^{G3929} of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;)

(3.) **Forgiveness of sins:** ^{G859}

Notice this is the same Greek word for remission of sins

(**Acts 5:31** Him God has exalted to His right hand *to be* Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and **forgiveness**^{G859} of sins.)

(**Acts 13:38** Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through this Man is preached to you the **forgiveness**^{G859} of sins;)

(**Acts 26:18** to open their eyes, *in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness^{G859} of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.)*

(**Ephesians 1:7** In Him we have redemption through His blood, the **forgiveness**^{G859} of sins, according to the riches of His grace)

(**Colosians 1:14** in whom we have redemption through His blood, the **forgiveness**^{G859} of sins.)

1. State the order the New Testament word of God was delivered to man.

Preaching and teaching always came first.

2. Who was the scripture talking about in “the Word became flesh”?

Speaking of Jesus:

(**John 1:12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, 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. **14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.)

Tell why this is so important in understanding scripture.

The word taught Jesus was and is the word of God.

(**John 6:63** It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. *The words that I*

Speak to you are spirit, and they are life.)

(John 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? *The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.* **11** Believe Me that I *am* in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.)

3. Was Jesus a servant? Yes

(John 5:36 But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish—*the very works that I do—bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me.*)

Did he choose this. *Yes.* If so, show why he did this.

Luke 19:10 *for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.*"

Are we to be servants? *Yes*

(Mathew 23:11 *But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.* **12** *And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.*)

What are and who are we to be servants for?

In Righteousness for God all works the scriptures tells us to do.

God in his calling. Serve to save men.

What was Jesus's teaching on this to the apostles?

Jesus washing the apostles feet:

(John 13:12 *So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?"* **13** *You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am.* **14** *If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.* **15** *For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.* **16** *Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him.* **17** *If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*)

4. What was the Holy Spirit to do for the apostles?

(John 14:26 *But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.* **27** *Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.*)

What was the apostles to do for mankind?

(Mathew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. **19** *Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,* **20** *teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you;* and lo, I am with you always, *even to the end of the age.*" Amen.)

5. What does, putting the word of God in our mind and hearts, do for each man or woman? *It is putting God in our minds and head. God dwells in us through his word.*

(Mathew 23:39 for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, *'BLESSED is*

HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!' ")

(James 1:25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does. 26 If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless. 27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, and to keep oneself unspotted from the world.)

(John 8:31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.")

(Ephesians 1:11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, 12 that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. 13 In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.)

Why is this so powerful? *It helps us to become spiritual.*

(John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.)

6. How does the commands from God reinforce each other in what God wants from man? *Yes. If you understand and remember God's word you can correct error.*

7. What are the things necessary for man to do in obedience which lead to salvation? *Obedience to all of God's word leads us to salvation.*

Hear, believe the gospel, gain faith, repent of sin. Confess God's word before men. Then obey God in Baptism.

(Note read my study on saved.pdf)

8. State some of the many ways men have tried to change God's plain for salvation which are not taught in the Bible. How long has man been taking these shortcuts? *Since the beginning in the first century.*

Do they think they are inspired to add to the Bible? *No.*

Give scriptures to show why this is wrong.

(Mathew 7:20 Therefore by their fruits you will know them. 21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!')

(Revelation 22:18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;)

(1Corinthians 4:6 Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the

other.)

9. Why do people just accept what these teachers deliver as if it comes from God? *Because they don't study for themselves all scripture. They may be lazy.*

(2Timothy 2:15 *Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.* 16 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. 17 And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort,)

10. Why do so many, don't accept Baptism is for salvation?

They call it a work. What God has commanded is not a work of man but a work of God because he commanded it.

(Luke 6:46 "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?)

Show why their reasoning is wrong.

(1Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. 21 The like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: 22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.)

11. Explain what pouring out of the Holy Spirit on mankind was to accomplish.

It was to deliver God's word to man. The spiritual works showed the teaching was from God.

(Romans 15:19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.)

Was this ever done in the Old Testament? *Not like this but healings were done.*

12. Read and discuss what the prophet Joel stated about the pouring out of the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 2:16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: 18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: 19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: 20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: 21 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.)

Questions: On Faith, Hope, and Love

Lesson 4:

Give scriptures:

1. From the scriptures give a definition of Faith.

(Romans 10:17 So then **faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**)
A biblical definition. (Hebrews 11:1 Now **faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.**)

2. Why is Faith important? (Hebrews 11:6 But without **faith it is impossible to please Him**, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.)
3. How do we get Faith? (Romans 10:17 So then **faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**)
4. List the defensive and offensive armaments in the armor of God.
 - (1) **girded your waist with truth** (Defense)
 - (2) **put on the breastplate of righteousness** (Defense)
 - (3) **feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace** (Defense)(Offence)
 - (4) **taking the shield of faith** (Defense)
 - (6) **the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God** (Offence)
 - (7) **praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit** (Defense)(Offence)
 - (8) **utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel** (Defense)(Offence)

The Whole Armor of God

(Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **11** **Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.** **12** **For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.** **13** **Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.** **14** Stand therefore, having **girded your waist with truth**, having **put on the breastplate of righteousness**, **15** and having shod your **feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace**; **16** above all, **taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.** **17** And take **the helmet of salvation**, and **the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God**; **18** **praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit**, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— **19** and for me, that **utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel**, **20** for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.)

5. How do we obtain this armor?

(2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)
6. How do we stay away from temptation and resist the devil?

Use Prayer:

(Luke 11:4 And forgive us our sins, For we also **forgive everyone who is indebted to us.** And do not **lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one.**") (Luke 22:40 When He came to the place, He said to them, "**Pray that you may not enter into temptation.**") (Luke 22:46 Then He said to them, "**Why do you sleep? Rise and**

pray, lest you enter into temptation.")

Take heed that you become overconfident and trust in yourself. Don't trust your own abilities:

(1Corinthians 10:12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. 13 No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it. 14 Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.)

Have godliness with contentment: Don't desire to love riches:

(1Timothy 6:6 Now godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. 8 And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. 9 But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.)

Remember how Jesus used scripture to defeat temptation:

Remember Satan and his helpers will misuse scripture to tempt you:

This why you must study to show yourself approved by God:

(2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

(Mathew 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. 3 Now when *the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread."* 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.' " 5 Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'HE SHALL GIVE HIS ANGELS CHARGE OVER YOU, and, IN THEIR HANDS THEY SHALL BEAR YOU UP, LEST YOU DASH YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.' " 7 Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'YOU SHALL NOT TEMPT THE LORD YOUR GOD.' " 8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD, AND HIM ONLY YOU SHALL SERVE.' " 11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.)

Resist the devil and he will flee from you:

Draw near to God: Cleanse sins by repentance:

(James 4:6 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "GOD RESISTS THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." 7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.)

Blessed by enduring temptation without sin:

(James 1:12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.)

7. Discuss in class how love is to work in all things.

Do this to understand God who is love.

8. How do we gain the ability to love as God does?

Study obey God. Love as God loves with great patience.

9. Is Faith just an emotion? *No! It is a trust of God's love defined and shown in scripture.*

What kind things are necessary for true faith?

Trust in God's love. A fervent desire to know the meaning of all scripture.

10. List some of the results of true love.

(1) love be without hypocrisy.

(2) any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(3) Let love be without hypocrisy.

(4) Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.

(5) Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another

(6) Not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord

(7) Rejoicing in hope

(8) Patient in tribulation.

(9) Patient in tribulation.

(10) Continuing steadfastly in prayer.

(11) Distributing to the needs of the saints.

(12) Given to hospitality.

(Romans 8:38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.) God's love is constant and perfect.

(Romans 12:9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; 11 not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; 12 rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; 13 distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.) Love involves faith and hope. Love is the greatest of all these.

Lesson 5: The Purpose of Tongues and many other teachings.

Questions and Answers:

Give scriptures with your answers when possible.

1. List the gifts of the spirit you find in scripture.
 - (1). one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit
 - (2). to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit
 - (3). to another faith by the same Spirit
 - (4). to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit
 - (5). to another the working of miracles
 - (6). to another prophecy
 - (7). to another discerning of spirits
 - (8). to another different kinds of tongues
 - (9). to another the interpretation of tongues

(1Corinthians 12:8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.)

2. What were the purposes of these gifts? *To deliver God's word. (the New Testament) The sings and wonders were a witness that God approved their message.*

(Act 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.)

3. Who receive these gifts and why? *The Holy Spirit determined who got what for the benefit of all.*

(1Corinthians 12:6 And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. 7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: --- 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.)

4. How did these gifts help man? *It proved the things they taught was from God.*

(Act 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.)

5. Did the apostles understand how to communicate in the tongues they spoke in Acts 2? *No, the Holy Spirit did this they did not learn to do this. They did not know ahead of time what or how this would happen.*

6. What Covenant was the speaking in tongues under?

The New covenant in the blood of Christ.

(Mathew 26:26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." 27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of

you. **28** or this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.)

(**Heb 12:24** to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than *that of Abel*.)

7. What did Joel prophesy about this?

(**Acts 2:16** But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: **17** 'AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, SAYS GOD, THAT I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL FLESH; YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHECY, YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS. **18** AND ON MY MENSERVANTS AND ON MY MAIDSERVANTS I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT IN THOSE DAYS; AND THEY SHALL PROPHECY. **19** I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN HEAVEN ABOVE AND SIGNS IN THE EARTH BENEATH: BLOOD AND FIRE AND VAPOR OF SMOKE. **20** THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS, AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE COMING OF THE GREAT AND AWESOME DAY OF THE LORD. **21** AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.'))

8. What signs followed those who believed?

(**Mark 16:17** And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; **18** they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.")

9. What defiles a man?

(**Mathew 15:10** When He had called the multitude to *Himself*, He said to them, "Hear and understand: **11** Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man; but what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man.")

10. What brought us the New Covenant from God?

(**Mathew 26:27** Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. **28** *For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.*)

Christ blood brought the New Covenant.

11. Explain why this statement is important. (Tongues were to give revelation, knowledge, prophesying, or by teaching.)

(**1Corinthians 14:4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification. **6** But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching?)

The revelation delivered God's word to become the Bible. Knowledge brought understanding of God's word. Prophesying delivered God's word not known yet. Teaching made it possible to present God's word to others.

12. Is the Bible complete as is? *Yes, it is complete.*

Is there any necessity for further revelation? *No.*

(Acts 20:26 Therefore I testify to you this day that I *am* innocent of the blood of all *men*. 27 For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God. 28 Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.)

13. What did the signs and wonders do for the message preached?

(Act 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.)

(Hebrews 2:4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?)

To prove what they taught was from God.

14. Explain why tongues were important at the time they were given.

(1Corinthians 14:22 Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe.)

15. What was accomplished by the laying on of hands of the apostles?

The giving of the Holy Spirit and spiritual gifts.

(Acts 8:13 Then Simon himself also believed; and when he was baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed, seeing the miracles and signs which were done. 14 Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, 15 who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. 16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. 18 And when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money,)

16. Did anyone give the Holy Spirit other than God or Jesus or the apostles? *No other. Cornelius in Acts 10 received the Holy Spirit from God.*

17. What is lawlessness? *Sin.*

(1John 3:4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.)

Lesson 6 Questions:

Give scriptures with your answers:

1. Can man discern what he needs to do for God by his own opinion?

(Jerimiah 10:23 O LORD, I know the way of man *is* not in himself; *It is* not in man who walks to direct his own steps.) The word of God directs us (Proverbs 11:5 The righteousness of the blameless will direct his way aright, But the wicked will fall by his own wickedness.) (Romans 12:15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. 16 Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.)

2. How do we know if we have the spirit given by God? (1Corinthians 2:10 But God

has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. 11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.) (1 Corinthians 2:13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. 14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.) (John 17:18 As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth. 20 "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; 21 that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.) (John 17:16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. 17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.)

God's word in the Bible is truth.

3. How do we receive the simplicity in Christ? Through the word of God using the simple scriptures to help understand the complicated.

(2 Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted—you may well put up with it!) (1Corinthians 3:2 I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; 3 for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?)
4. How do we learn to understand the complicated scriptures? Through the word of God using the simple scriptures to help understand the complicated.

(2Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.)
5. Does every Christian need to go from the milk of the word to the meat of the word? **Yes!** (1Corinthians 3:2 I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; 3 for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?)
6. Who are deceivers and how do we recognize them? **They don't follow all scripture but deceive by vain words. (2John 1:6 This is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it. 7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.**
7. Can deceivers seem sincere? **Yes, because they believe a lie. Do they know they teach error? Not necessary because they believe a lie. (2Timothy 3:13 But evil**

men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.) (Romans 10:2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. 3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. 4 For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.) (Acts 26:9 "Indeed, I myself thought I must do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.) *Men can be sincerely wrong.*

8. Explain the saying they deceive and are being deceived. *Many religious leaders can be deceived by a religious doctrine and end up deceiving others.*
9. Can Satan enter anyone? Yes! If you mind is not filled with the complete word of God. How do we keep him out? *Study to show yourself approved. (Acts 26:9 Remind them of these things, charging them before the Lord not to strive about words to no profit, to the ruin of the hearers. 15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 16 But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. 17 And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort,)*
10. What makes us wise unto salvation? The Scriptures. (2Timothy 3:13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 *But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.*)
11. How important is faith? (Romans 10:17 So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.) (Hebrews 11:6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.)
12. How does the word of God dwell in us? (Luke 4:4 But Jesus answered him, saying, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE BY BREAD ALONE, BUT BY EVERY WORD OF GOD.' ") (Luke 11:28 But He said, "More than that, blessed *are* those who hear the word of God and keep it!") We must study it and keep it.
13. Does man understand God's way by his own wisdom? (Jeremiah 10:23 O LORD, I know the way of man *is* not in himself; *It is* not in man who walks to direct his own steps.) (Proverbs 16:25 There is a way *that seems* right to a man, But its end *is* the way of death.) No!
14. Explain why adding to or changing God's word so dangerous. (Revelation 22:18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;) *God will hold you accountable for changing or adding to his word.*
15. How will we be judged? By what standard? (James 2:12 So speak and so do as those who will be judged by the law of liberty.) (1Peter 4:6 For this reason the gospel was preached also to those who are dead, that they might be judged

according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. **7** But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.)

16. Why were the signs and wonders necessary? Yes! (**John 4:48** Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you *people* see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe.")

What did they accomplish? *Delivered belief what they said is the word of God*

17. Will man's disbelief make God's word of no effect? *No!* (**Romans 3:3** For what if some did not believe? Will their unbelief make the faithfulness of God without effect? **4** Certainly not! Indeed, let God be true but every man a liar. As it is written: "THAT YOU MAY BE JUSTIFIED IN YOUR WORDS, AND MAY OVERCOME WHEN YOU ARE JUDGED.")

18. Does our confidence come from us? (**Ephesians 3:11** according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, **12** in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.) (**1John 2:28** And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. **29** If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him.)

How do we gain confidence to do the work God wants? (**1John 3:20** For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things. **21** Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God.)

19. How important is studying God's word? (**1John 3:20** Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

Can we do more than we think we can? Yes!

Lesson 7: Christ Church:

Questions

Give scriptures with your answers

1. What was and is the Church built on? *Christ and his word and teaching.*

(**Mathew 16:16** Simon Peter answered and said, "*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.*" **17** Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven. **18** And I also say to you that you are *Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.* **19** And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and *whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.*")

(**2Corinthians 11:3** But I fear, lest by any means, *as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.* **4** For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with *him*.)

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

Stick strictly to scripture and don't add to it or take away from it's teachings.

2. Who is the Rock? *Christ*

(1Corinthians 10:1 Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, **2** all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, **3** all ate the same spiritual food, **4** and all drank the same spiritual drink. ***For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ.***)

(2Samual 22:31 As for God, His way *is* perfect; The word of the LORD *is* proven; He *is* a shield to all who trust in Him. **32** "For who *is* God, except the LORD? And ***who is a rock, except our God?*** **33** God *is* my strength *and* power, And He makes my way perfect.)

3. What price was the Church built on? *Christ blood sacrifice. Obeying Christ words.*

(Luke 22:20 Likewise He also *took* the cup after supper, saying, "This cup *is* the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.)

(Luke 6:47 ***Whoever comes to Me, and hears My sayings and does them,*** I will show you whom he is like: **48** He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock.)

4. What are the Keys of The Kingdom?

The delivering of the first gospel sermon. Which started the Church which Christ built.

(Acts 2:3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and *one* sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. --- **8** And how *is it that* we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? --- **12** So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?" --- **14** But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. --- **16** But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: **17** 'AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, SAYS GOD, THAT I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL FLESH; YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHECY, YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS. **18** AND ON MY MENSERVANTS AND ON MY MAIDSERVANTS I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT IN THOSE DAYS; AND THEY SHALL PROPHECY. --- **22** "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know— **23** Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; **24** whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. --- **32** This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. **33** Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. --- **36** "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this

Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." **37** Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" **38** Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.)

5. When did Christ Church begin? *the Day of Pentecost*

(**Acts 2:1** When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. **2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and *one* sat upon each of them.)

6. How did Christ build his Church? *The word became flesh.*

(**John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was in the beginning with God. **3** All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. **4** In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. **5** And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. **6** There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John. **7** This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. **8** He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light. **9** That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. **10** He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. **11** He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. **12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, 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. **14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. --- **23** And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. **24** Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.")

By God's word delivered through Christ and then by the Holy Spirit to the apostles then taught to man.

7. What was the Holy Kiss for?

A greeting to fellow Christians.

8. Will anything prevail against the Church? *No!* (**Mathew 16:18** And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.)

9. Whose church are we to belong to? *Christ Church.*

A church that does not stick to Christ teachings and doesn't add to scripture is not Christ Church. Don't go beyond what is written.

(**1Corinthians 4:5** Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God. **6** Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be

puffed up on behalf of one against the other.)

(2Corinthians 1:11 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. --- **12** For our boasting is this: the testimony of our conscience that *we conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom but by the grace of God,* and more abundantly toward you.)

(Revelation 22:18 For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: *If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;* **19** *and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.* **20** He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!)

10. Can Satan overcome the Church? *No!*

(Mathew 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and *the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.*) *He may deceive some but there will always be some that stick to the scriptures strictly.*

(Mathew 24:4 And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. **5** For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many.)

11. Is it a problem to say I am of this or that denomination? If so why.

Is it not the same problem saying I am of Catholics or I am of the Baptist or I am of the Methodist etcetera the same problem? We should be of Christ! In his word not man's opinion. There were no denominations in the New Testament times.

(1Corinthians 1:10 Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you, but *that* you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. **11** For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's *household*, that there are contentions among you. **12** Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." **13** Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?)

12. What Church was founded in the New Testament times?

Christ Church!

(Ephesians 3:20 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, **21** to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.)

(Ephesians 5:23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. **24** Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in everything. **25** Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, **26** that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, **27** that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without

blemish.)

(John 5:34 Yet I do not receive testimony from man, but I say these things that you may be saved.)

(Luke 6:46 "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?)

13. How do you explain to people how to be in Christ Church?

Obey God's word, all of it. Don't go beyond what is written.

14. Is Christ Church in New Testament Times a denomination? Explain your answer.

Denominations are man's invention not God's. No there were no denominations in the New Testament times.

Lesson 8: Questions

Give scriptures with your answers:

1. What does the scripture say about the testimony of Jesus?

(Revelation 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.")

2. How was the New Testament gospel delivered? ***By Christ through the Holy Spirit To the apostles then by preaching of the apostles to mankind.***

(John 14:25 "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. 26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.)

(John 16:15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore, I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.)

(Mathew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.)

3. What was the main objective of the apostles? ***To save men from the plague of sin.***

(Mathew 28:19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.) to deliver the gospel to mankind forever.

4. How did the Holy Spirit help them? **(John 14:25 "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. 26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.)**

5. What did Jesus say the Holy Spirit would do for them? **John 14:25-26**

6. What was the purpose of tongues? **(1Corinthians 14:22 Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe.)**

7. For who was prophecies for? (**1Corinthians 14:22** Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe.)
8. How were tongues to be done? Des the Bible speak of schools to learn how to speak in tongues? (**1Corinthians 14:5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification. **6** But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching?) (**1Corinthians 14:39** Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues. **40** Let all things be done decently and in order.) *no chaos, done in order - no rolling in the isles.*

Always in the language to be understood or with an interpreter with understood language. (**1Corinthians 14:26** How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification. **27** If anyone speaks in a tongue, let there be two or at the most three, each in turn, and let one interpret. **28** But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in church, and let him speak to himself and to God.)

Thought today we have the complete Word of God. It is complete. Why would you need tongues? Is not God's word and will able to be understood in scripture?

9. What spiritual gift was considered to be the best? Why was it considered the best? (**1Corinthians 14:5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification. **6** But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching?) What did it accomplish? *It delivered the word of God.*)
10. How was the spiritual gifts to be done? *By the receiving the Holy Spirit by the laying on of hands by the apostles. Only the apostles are shown in scripture were spoken of giving spiritual gifts by the laying on of hands.*
- What ways promoted order and edification? (**1Corinthians 14:3** But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.)
11. In **1Corinthians 14:6** what was tongues to be done for? (**1Corinthians 14:6** But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching?) What did it accomplish? *Revelation, Knowledge, and prophecy which brought us the Bible.*

12. Did Paul deliver the whole counsel of God?

Acts 20:26 Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. **27** For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.

13. What is perfect and complete? (**Romans 12:2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*) (**Luke 1:1** *Inasmuch as many have taken in hand to set in order a narrative of those things which have been fulfilled among us, 2 just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word delivered them to us, 3 it seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus, 4 that you may know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed.*)
14. Explain what is perfect. (**Romans 12:2** And do not be conformed to this world, but *be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*) What will happen to spiritual gifts after that which is perfect came? (**1Corinthians 13:8** Love never fails. But whether *there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. **10** But *when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. 11* When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. **12** For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. **13** And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these *is* love.)*
15. Is the Bible complete? (**Col 4:12** Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a bondservant of Christ, greets you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may *stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.*)
- Is there any need for further revelation? No! (**Revelation 22:18** For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; **19** and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.)

Lesson 9

The Lesson of love. We must love God's word because it teaches us how to love.

Questions and Answers:

1. How do we know love? *By God's word, the example of Christ.*
(**Ephesians 3:16** that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, **17** that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, **18** may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height— **19** to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. **20** Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, **21** to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all

generations, forever and ever. Amen.)

2. What does keeping his commandments do for us?

(Deuteronomy 8:10 When you have eaten and are full, then you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land which He has given you. 11 "Beware that you do not forget the LORD your God by not keeping His commandments, His judgments, and His statutes which I command you today,)

(Mathew 19:16 Now behold, one came and said to Him, "Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" 17 So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.")

(1John 2:3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.)

(1John 3:20 For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things. 21 Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God. 22 And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.)

(1John 5:1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.)

3. Can you know true love without studying his word and keeping his commandments? *No*

(2Timothy 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.)

(1John 5:1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. --- 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.)

4. Where does all love originate from? Who is love? *God gave us the ability to love. (Gen 1:27* So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God gave us the ability to choose so choose love!)

(1John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. 13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. 14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is

love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. 19 We love Him because He first loved us.)

5. Can we say we love God and we don't love people?

(1John 4:20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? 21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.)

6. What are characteristics of love?

(1Corinthians 13:1 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. 2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; 6 does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; 7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. 11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. 13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.)

7. Can we know true love without understanding the Bible? *No!*

(Mark 12:30 AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.' This is the first commandment. 31 And the second, like it, is this: 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.' There is no other commandment greater than these." 32 So the scribe said to Him, "Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He. 33 And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.")

(Colossians 2:2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ,)

8. Can you say you love God and not obey God's word? *No!*

(John 14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments.)

(John 14:24 He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word

which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me.)

(1John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.)

9. How can we stand perfect? Yes!

(Colossians 4:12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a bondservant of Christ, greets you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that you may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.)

10. How do we get the perfect will of God?

(Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.) You renew your mind when you study and practice God's word.)

11. The Spiritual gifts helped to deliver what? *By giving proof of the message was from God. This delivered, the scriptures, the Bible.*

(Mathew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.)

(John 4:48 Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe.")

(Acts 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.)

(Hebrews 2:1 Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. 2 For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, 4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?)

12. How do we show we love God?

(1John 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.)

13. How are we transformed to the perfect will of God? *The renewing of you mind is remembering and studying scripture. Conforming us to his will in liberty. We are trying to follow and to be like the image God has given us to become.*

(Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. 3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.)

(2Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. 18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.)

14. What lead the apostles to all truth?

(John 16:13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.)

15. What must we keep to show we love God?

(John 14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments.)

16. According to John, what does the Spirit give? What did John say about his words?

(John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.)

17. What did the Holy Spirit bring to the apostles to help mankind? *The word of God which brings a spiritual life.*

(John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.)

18. How do we purify our souls?

(Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.)

What is truth? *God's word is truth.*

(John 17:16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. 17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.)

19. How do we get the armor of righteousness? *From studying and using the Word of God to teach all people.*

(Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; 18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—)

20. Every good gift comes from above. What is this gift?

God's word which will help us in time of temptation by the armor of God.

(James 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. **14** But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. **15** Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death. **16** Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. **17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. **18** Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.)

21. Can we do anything pleasing to God without his help? No!

(John 15:3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. **4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. **5** "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.)

22. How can we have boldness?

(Ephesians 3:8 To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, **9** and to make all see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ; **10** to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places, **11** according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, **12** in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through faith in Him.)

23. Study the word "abides". What is this word involved with in scripture? Use all variations of the word.

(John 15:1 "I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. **2** Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. **3** You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. **4** Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. **5** "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. **6** If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. **7** If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. **8** By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples. **9** "As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. **10** If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. **11** "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and *that* your joy may be full. **12** This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. **13** Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends. **14** You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. **15** No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends,

for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. **16** You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you. **17** These things I command you, that you love one another.)

(**1Peter 1:22** Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, **23** having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, *through the word of God which lives and abides forever,*)

(**1John 2:5** But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. **6** He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.)

(**1John 2:10** *He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.* **11** But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.)

(**1John 2:14** I have written to you, fathers, *Because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, Because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, And you have overcome the wicked one.*)

(**1John 2:16** For all that *is* in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. **17** And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but *he who does the will of God abides forever.*)

(**1John 2:23** Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; *he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.* **24** *Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.* **25** And this is the promise that He has promised us—eternal life. **26** These things I have written to you concerning those who *try to* deceive you. **27** *But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.*)

(**1John 3:4** Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness. **5** And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. **6** *Whoever abides in Him does not sin. Whoever sins has neither seen Him nor known Him.* **7** Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. **8** He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil. --- **13** Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you. **14** We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love *his* brother abides in death. **15** Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.)

(**1John 4:10** In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins. **11** Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. **12** No one has seen God at any time. *If we love one*

another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. 13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. *14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16* And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.)

(*2John 1:1* The Elder, To the elect lady and her children, whom I love in truth, and not only I, but also all those who have known the truth, *2 because of the truth which abides in us and will be with us forever: 3* Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. --- *8* Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but *that* we may receive a full reward. *9* Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. *10* If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him; *11* for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds.)

(*John 5:36* But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish—the very works that I do—bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me. *37* And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. *38* But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. *39* You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.)

(*1John 3:15* Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.)

24. How does scripture help us to love as God loves?

It teaches us God's love as a example of how to love.

25. How important is abiding in the doctrine of Christ?

(*2John 1:9* Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son.)

26. What abides forever? (*1Peter 1:22* Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, *23* having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,)

(*1John 2:17* And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.)

Will the gift of tongues or prophecies or the gift of the spiritual gift of Knowledge last forever?

(*1Corinthians 13:8* Love never fails. But whether *there are* prophecies, they will fail; whether *there are* tongues, they will cease; whether *there is* knowledge, it will vanish away.)

27. How do we gain understand and knowledge in the mystery of Christ from Paul?

(*Ephesians 3:2* if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God

which was given to me for you, 3 how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, 4 by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), 5 which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets:)

(Colossians 2:1 For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, **2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words. 5** For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your *good* order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.)

28. How does God's Spirit dwell in us? *By the word of God now. But during the delivery of the complete word of God directly by the Holy Spirit giving the word of God to the apostles and gifts of knowledge.*

(Ephesians 1:11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, **12** that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. **13** *In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.)*

29. How do we gain the bond of perfection?

(Colossians 3:12 Therefore, as *the* elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; **13** bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do. 14 But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. 15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. **16** Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. **17** And *whatever* you do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.)*

30. What caused us to have the Bible? How was it delivered?

The Holy Spirit giving the complete knowledge of the word of God to the apostles then preached to all men.

(John 16:12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now. **13** However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. **14** He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you.)

31. Who will be judged?

(Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and

books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. **13** The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.)

Who first?

(**1Peter 4:17** For the time *has come* for judgment to begin at the house of God; and *if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?* **18** Now *“IF THE RIGHTEOUS ONE IS SCARCELY SAVED, WHERE WILL THE UNGODLY AND THE SINNER APPEAR?”* **19** *Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator.*)

What will judge us?

(**John 12:46** I have come *as a light* into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness. **47** *And if anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.* **48** *He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him— **the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.*** **49** *For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.*)

What will be the result for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

(**2Thessalonians 1:5** which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; **6** since *it is a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you,* **7** and to *give you who are troubled rest with us when **the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,***)

32. Explain what love does for us. Show what is perfect love is.

(**1John 4:16** And *we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.* **17** *Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world.* **18** *There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.* **19** *We love Him because He first loved us.*)

Lesson 10: Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Questions and Answers:

1. List words and scriptures describing the giving of the Holy Spirit.

John the Baptist said:

(**Luke 3:16** John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but

One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing fan *is* in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.")

(Acts 1:1 The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, 2 until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, 3 to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. 4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; 5 for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.")

2. What is the seed usually referring to in parables? *The word of God.*

(Luke 8:11 "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

What is the chaff referring to in parables? *The disobedient sinner.*)

(Mathew 3:12 His winnowing fan *is* in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.")

(Luke 16:24 "Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented.)

3. Does everyone receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit? *No! The Baptism of the Holy Spirit was to deliver God's word under the New Covenant.*

This was given in Acts 2 to the apostles to tell men what they need to be saved. In Acts 10 it was to show the gentiles are granted salvation.

In both cases the word was preached of what God wanted for salvation.

4. In Luke 3:16 explain the Baptism of the Spirit?

(Luke 3:16 John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.)

(Acts 1: 5 for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.")

(Acts 2:2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and *one* sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. 5 And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. 6 And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. 7 Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? 8 And how *is it that* we hear, each in our own language in which we

were born? --- **14** But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. --- **16** But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: **17** 'AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, SAYS GOD, THAT I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL FLESH; YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHECY, YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS. **18** AND ON MY MENSERVANTS AND ON MY MAIDSERVANTS I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT IN THOSE DAYS; AND THEY SHALL PROPHECY. **19** I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN HEAVEN ABOVE AND SIGNS IN THE EARTH BENEATH: BLOOD AND FIRE AND VAPOR OF SMOKE. **20** THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS, AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE COMING OF THE GREAT AND AWESOME DAY OF THE LORD. **21** AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.' **22** "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know— **23** Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death; **24** whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it. **32** This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. **33** Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. --- **36** "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." **37** Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" **38** Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.)

What is the unquenchable fire referring to?

(**Luke 3:16** John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. *He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.* **17** His winnowing fan *is* in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out *His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.*")

5. Explain the lessons from Mathew 13:24-30.

Chaff is the undesirable part to be burned. In Mathew 13:24-30 the enemy is the devil. The wheat is those faithful to God to be gathered into heaven. The fire is Hades where the unquenchable fire burns forever in pain for those who were disobedient to God's commands:

The good seed is the word of God. The enemy is Satan and those disrespecting God's way.

(**Mathew 13:24** Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; **25** but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. **26** But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. **27** So the servants of the owner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good

seed in your field? How then does it have tares?' **28** He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Do you want us then to go and gather them up?' **29** But he said, 'No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. **30** Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn." ' ' ")

6. In Luke 16:22-31 give lessons drawn from them.

1. (Luke 16:20-23) --- *Hades exist now!*
2. (Luke 16:22-24) --- *There will be no relief from the torment in Hades*
3. (Luke 16:20-25) --- *Does this mean because of abundance in the physical life we might be condemned for our lack of Godly use of these blessings?*
4. (Luke 16:26) --- *No person can help the condemned sinner in the next life.*
5. (Luke 16:27-28) --- *No one will be coming back from the dead to warn us if we die unfaithful to the Lord. If someone came back from the dead men still not believe them. Why because they don't believe what is written in scripture.*

(**Luke 16:20** But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, **21** desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. **22** So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. **23** And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. **24** "Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' **25** But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. **26** And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' **27** "Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, **28** for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' **29** Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' **30** And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' **31** But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.' ")

7. Who received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit? *The apostles. Later Cornelius. No others are given in scripture for the baptism with the Holy Spirit.*

The gift of the Holy Spirit was given to those who heard the gospel and obeyed it. This a totally different Greek word from the Baptism of The Holy Spirit.

The apostles were warned to expect this.

(**Acts 1: 5** for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the

Holy Spirit not many days from now.")

The baptism with the Holy Spirit.

(Acts 2:2 *And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.* **3** *Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.* **4** *And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.)*

Acts 10: Peter and Cornelius

(Acts 10:1 *There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian Regiment,* **2** *a devout **man** and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always.* **3** *About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God coming in and saying to him, "Cornelius!"* **4** *And when he observed him, he was afraid, and said, "What is it, lord?"* *So he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have come up for a memorial before God.* **5** *Now send men to Joppa, and send for Simon whose surname is Peter.* **6** *He is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea. He will tell you what you must do.")*

Peter's Vision

(Acts 10:9 *The next day, as they went on their journey and drew near the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray, about the sixth hour.* **10** *Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat; but while they made ready, he fell into a trance* **11** *and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth.* **12** *In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air.* **13** *And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat."* **14** *But Peter said, "Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean."* **15** *And a voice **spoke** to him again the second time, "What God has cleansed you must not call common."* **16** *This was done three times. And the object was taken up into heaven again.* **17** *Now while Peter wondered within himself what this vision which he had seen meant, behold, the men who had been sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate.* **18** *And they called and asked whether Simon, whose surname was Peter, was lodging there.* **19** *While Peter thought about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Behold, three men are seeking you.* **20** *Arise therefore, go down and go with them, doubting nothing; for I have sent them."* **21** *Then Peter went down to the men who had been sent to him from Cornelius, and said, "Yes, I am he whom you seek. For what reason have you come?"* **22** *And they said, "Cornelius **the** centurion, a just man, one who fears God and has a good reputation among all the nation of the Jews, was divinely instructed by a holy angel to summon you to his house, and to hear words from you.")*

The arrival at Cornelius house

(Acts 10:25 *As Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him and fell down at his feet and worshiped **him**.* **26** *But Peter lifted him up, saying, "Stand up; I myself am also a man."* **27** *And as he talked with him, he went in and found many who had come*

together. **28** Then he said to them, "You know how unlawful it is for a Jewish man to keep company with or go to one of another nation. But God has shown me that I should not call any man common or unclean. **29** Therefore I came without objection as soon as I was sent for. I ask, then, for what reason have you sent for me?" **30** So Cornelius said, "Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing, **31** and said, 'Cornelius, your prayer has been heard, and your alms are remembered in the sight of God. **32** Send therefore to Joppa and call Simon here, whose surname is Peter. He is lodging in the house of Simon, a tanner, by the sea. When he comes, he will speak to you.' **33** So I sent to you immediately, and you have done well to come. Now therefore, we are all present before God, to hear all the things commanded you by God.")

Gentiles Hear the Good News

(**Acts 10:34** Then Peter opened *his* mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. **35** But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him. **36** The word which *God* sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all— **37** that word you know, which was proclaimed throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee after the baptism which John preached: **38** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. **39** And we are witnesses of all things which He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem, whom they killed by hanging on a tree. **40** Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, **41** not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, *even* to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead. **42** And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God *to be* Judge of the living and the dead. **43** To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.")

The Holy Spirit Falls on the Gentiles

(**Acts 10:44** While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. **45** And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. **46** For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered, **47** "Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we *have*?" **48** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.)

Peter Reports to the Church

(**Acts 11:1** Now the apostles and brethren who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. **2** And when Peter came up to Jerusalem, those of the circumcision contended with him, **3** saying, "You went in to uncircumcised men and ate with them!" **4** But Peter explained *it* to them in order from the beginning, saying:)

After Peters explanation of the events

(Acts 11:15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them, as upon us at the beginning. **16** Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, '*John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.*' **17** **If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?"** **18** *When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life."*)

8. What was the baptism of the Holy Spirit, to the apostles, do to help mankind? *To deliver God's message of what was to be required under the New Covenant to save mankind.*

9. What was the purpose of Cornelius receiving the Holy Spirit?

To show that the gentiles were granted salvation from God.

10. Does God heal people through power given to man today? *No not through men. Because the perfect word of God has been delivered. Men are to pray to God for this kind of help. If the righteous man asks in prayer. God does the healing not men.*

(Psalms 18:30 *As for God, His way is perfect; The word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.*)

(Romans 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.) *His will is found in the Bible.*

11. Does God heal people through power given to man today? No!

Lesson 11 You cannot separate the Holy Spirit, Christ and God the Father.

Questions and Answers:

1. Explain why it is important to understand that God the Father, Jesus the son, and the Holy Spirit work in unity.

(Ephesians 4:1 I, therefore, *the prisoner of the Lord*, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, **2** with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, **3** endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. **4** *There is* one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; **5** one Lord, one faith, one baptism; **6** one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. **7** But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.)

See how God the Father, the Holy Spirit, and Christ the Lord all work in unity. We are to work in unity with them to spread God's message.

2. Show why teaching depending on only on one of the Godhead can cause misteaching. *Because they work in unity together and do not contradict each other*

3. Explain why it is so necessary to use all scripture without contradicting other scriptures. *God is not the author of confusion. So to understand scripture correctly contradiction between scripture means we do not understand it*

correctly.

(1Corinthians 14:33 For God is not *the author* of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.)

4. Why must we keep men's opinions out of our studies?

This is to help keep out false teachings.

(2Peter 2:1 But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, *and* bring on themselves swift destruction. **2** And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed.)

(2Peter 3:14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; **15** and consider *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, **16** as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures.)

5. Why must we always state things of our own opinion as our opinion publicly? *We must be careful not to go beyond what is written.*

(1Corinthians 4:6 Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.)

6. What happens when someone states this is what the Bible means, when there are scripture that contradict what they are saying?

(1Corinthians 4:6 Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.)

7. If this same person says the Holy Spirit told me this, should you believe them? *No! Only God knows the hearts of men. You can depend they are not inspired.*

8. If you believe this person, are you following men or God? *Men! Only all scripture is reliable not men's opinions.*

9. Why does these scriptures explain why we have emotions?

(Genesis 1:26 Then God said, "*Let Us make man in Our image*, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.") *God has emotions so do we do because we are in his image. The difference is his emotions are just ours are not because of sin.*)

God the Father's emotion

(Psalms 7:11 God *is* a just judge, And God is angry *with the wicked* every day.)

Jesus' emotion

(John 11:33 Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came

with her weeping, He groaned in the spirit and was troubled.)

The Holy Spirit's emotion

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

10.What is the big difference between the emotions of the Godhead and man's emotions? *God's emotions are just and righteous.*

11.Explain why these emotions were to make us closer to God.

It so we can understand the righteousness of God. Love of our children helps us understand the love of God for his children. We are adopted children of his creation. He gave us life.

12.Show why these emotions were not to be contrary to the teaching of the Bible.

True love comes by understanding what our Father in heaven wants. We get this understanding from scripture.

13.God gave these emotions for good. Does this make us understand God?

We understand how much we love our children. In comparison we must realize how much greater is his love for us his saved children.

14.Show why we understand God's love in our relations to our family. God shows us his love by his sacrifices because he loves his children. He sent his faithful son to save us as his children.

15.How are we God's children? *By adoption.*

(Romans 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. **15** For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." **16** The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, **17** and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together.)

Use some ideas from lesson 9.

(Mark 3:35 *For whoever does the will of God is My brother and My sister and mother.*) Our minds must be one with Christ seeking to know how to become his faithful children in love.)

(2Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. *Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. 6 We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God does not hear us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error. 7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. 13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. 14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus*

*is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. 19 We love Him because He first loved us. 20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? 21 And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God *must* love his brother also.)*

16. How does understanding of a loving Father and a loving brother help us to understand how God feels about us who are Christians?

(James 1:16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 18 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.)

Lesson 12: The word draws men to God

Lesson 12 Questions and Answers:

1. How does the word of God draw men to God?

(1Corinthians 1:18 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. 19 For it is written: "I WILL DESTROY THE WISDOM OF THE WISE, AND BRING TO NOTHING THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE PRUDENT." 20 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?)

(1Corinthians 1:21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.)

2. What draws men to God? *The gospel message. See question 1.*

3. How is the message to those being saved?

(1 Corinthians 1:18 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.)

4. How is the message to those rejecting it?

(1 Corinthians 1:18 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.)

5. In **Colossians 3:16**, How do we teach and admonish one another?

(Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.)

6. Show why teaching, of receiving the Holy Spirit, before receiving God's word is against scripture.

All scriptural examples show teaching of scripture comes first.

7. Show with scripture why people are not saved without the teaching of God's word.

(Mathew 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!') You cannot know what God wants you to do without reading and studying scripture.

(1John 3:4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.)

(Colossians 1:27 To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. 28 Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus. 29 To this *end* I also labor, striving according to His working which works in me mightily.)

(2 Timothy 4:1 I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: 2 Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.)

8. Does the Holy Spirit put a desire to follow God before teaching of God's word? *No! Because this would make the Holy Spirit responsible for those not being saved. This is definitely not so. The word preached moves men to obey God. Man is responsible to teach mankind.*

(Acts 13:45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy; and contradicting and blaspheming, they opposed the things spoken by Paul. 46 Then Paul and Barnabas grew bold and said, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken to you first; but since you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles.)

9. What will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?

(2Thessalonians 1:6 since *it is* a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you, 7 and to *give* you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed. 11

Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of *this* calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of *His* goodness and the work of faith with power, 12 that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and

you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(1Peter 4:16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter. **17** For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? **18** Now **"IF THE RIGHTEOUS ONE IS SCARCELY SAVED, WHERE WILL THE UNGODLY AND THE SINNER APPEAR?"** **19** Therefore let those who suffer according to the will of God commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator.)

10. Can you receive faith without the word of God? No.

(Romans 10:16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?" **17** So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. **18** But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed: "THEIR SOUND HAS GONE OUT TO ALL THE EARTH, AND THEIR WORDS TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD.")

11. What foolishness, works to the saving of man?

(1Corinthians 1:18 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.

-- 21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. **22** For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; **23** but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, **24** but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. **25** Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.)

12. What is the calling of God? The gospel message.

(1Corinthians 1:24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. **25** Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. **26** For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. **27** But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty;)

13. Do we have a duty to warn people of sin? Yes.

(Ezekiel 3:20 "Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. **21** Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man that the righteous should not sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live because he took warning; also you will have delivered your soul.")

14. How is not studying and teach God's word quenching the Spirit?

The studying and teaching by the word of God is our weapon to fight sin. We must use it. We can fight sin without it. We can not be faithful to God without it.

(Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any

two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.)

15. What does Test all things and hold fast what is good mean? *That which is good is the word of God. We must use it to determine what is good.*

(2Corinthians 2:9 For to this end I also wrote, that I might put you to the test, whether you are obedient in all things.)

(1Thessalonians 5:19 *Do not quench the Spirit.* 20 Do not despise prophecies. 21 *Test all things; hold fast what is good.* 22 *Abstain from every form of evil.* 23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 He who calls you *is* faithful, who also will do *it*.)

16. What influenced men to be sealed by the Holy Spirit? *The gospel of Christ.*

(Romans 15:27 It pleased them indeed, and they are their debtors. For if the Gentiles have been partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister to them in material things. 28 *Therefore, when I have performed this and have sealed to them this fruit,* I shall go by way of you to Spain. 29 But I know that when I come to you, *I shall come in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.* 30 Now I beg you, brethren, through the Lord Jesus Christ, and through the love of the Spirit, that you strive together with me in prayers to God for me, 31 that I may be delivered from those in Judea who do not believe, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, 32 that I may come to you with joy by the will of God, and may be refreshed together with you. 33 Now the God of peace *be* with you all. Amen.)

17. What lessons do we learn from the teaching of the Ethiopian Eunuch?

18. How do we become wise to salvation? *Study the Bible.*

(2Timothy 3:14 But *you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them,* 15 *and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.* 16 All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.)

19. What draws us near to God? *God's word.*

(James 4:7 Therefore *submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.* 8 *Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.*)

20. How do we draw near to God? *Submit to all God's commands.* Explain the benefits of this.

(Luke 21:27 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 Now when these things begin to happen, *look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.*")

21. How does the spirit dwell in us? *Through the word of God.*

(James 4:4 *Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world*

makes himself an enemy of God. 5 Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, "The Spirit who dwells in us yearns jealously"?)

(Acts 4:29 Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that *with all boldness they may speak Your word*, 30 by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and *they spoke the word of God with boldness.*)

22. What showed as a witness what was taught was from God?

The witness was that the words spoken was from God.

(Acts 14:3 Therefore they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in *the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands.*)

(Hebrews 2:1 Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. 2 For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, 3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by *the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him*, 4 *God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?*)

23. What did Jesus commanded the apostles to do before his ascension?

(Mathew 28:18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 *Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*, 20 *teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*" Amen.)

24. How do we know that we know God?

(1John 2:3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.)

25. Who comes to those who obey God?

(Acts 5:29 But Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men. 30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. 31 Him God has exalted to His right hand *to be* Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. 32 And we are His witnesses to these things, and *so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.*")

26. How do we show we love God?

(Romans 8:27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*. 28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose.)

(1John 5:1 Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, *when we love God and keep His*

commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.)

Lesson 13: What God wants for our salvation:

Questions and Answers:

- 1. List the steps for us to do for salvation.**

Hear and believe in faith:

Receiving the Word of God into our hearts believing it saves us. Don't let Satan take it out of your heart and mind:

(Luke 8:12 Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.)

Hearing the word of God and believing it:

(Acts 15:7 And when there had been much dispute, Peter rose up and said to them: "Men and brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe.)

It is impossible to please God without faith:

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

(Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.)

The only way to get faith is by believing God's Word:

(Romans 10:17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.)

Repentance:

(Acts 17:30 Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, 31 because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead.")

Confess your belief in God and his Word:

(Romans 10:8 But what does it say? "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): 9 that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.)

Obedience in Baptism saves us:

How did water save Noah and his family? This separated Noah and his family from the sinful world and its influences.

(1Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. 21 The like figure whereunto even baptism

doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:) KJV

2. Are all these steps different methods of salvation or the complete method of salvation? ***All are necessary not different methods to salvation.***

(Ephesians 6:13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that ***you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.*** **14** Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **15** and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;)

3. Explain what is the simplicity in Christ. ***Christ did not make salvation complicated only men do that.***

(2Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.)

4. Discuss the armor of God. Show how God's word gives us this armor.

(Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **11** ***Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.*** **12** ***For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*** **13** Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. **14** Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **15** and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; **16** ***above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.*** **17** ***And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;*** **18** ***praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.)***

5. Give other scriptures that show the steps to salvation. ***See my study called Saved.pdf for a complete look at many scriptures.***

Lesson 14 The Godhead and the work of the apostles.

Questions:

1. Can anyone today claim to be an apostle? ***No.***

Why? No one can meet the qualifications.

(Acts 1:12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey. **13** And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James *the son of* Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas *the son of* James. **14** These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers. **15** And in those days Peter stood up

in the midst of the disciples (altogether the number of names was about a hundred and twenty), and said, **16** "Men *and* brethren, this Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus; **17** for he was numbered with us and obtained a part in this ministry." **18** (Now this man purchased a field with the wages of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his entrails gushed out. **19** And it became known to all those dwelling in Jerusalem; so that field is called in their own language, Akel Dama, that is, Field of Blood.) **20** "For it is written in the Book of Psalms: 'LET HIS DWELLING PLACE BE DESOLATE, AND LET NO ONE LIVE IN IT'; and, 'LET ANOTHER TAKE HIS OFFICE.' **21** "Therefore, of these men who have accompanied us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, **22** beginning from the baptism of John to that day when He was taken up from us, one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection.")

Verse 22 gives the only ones capable of being a replacement apostle.

2. Can anyone today give spiritual gifts? *No. Why? Because the apostles were the only ones recorded in laying on of hands to give spiritual gifts.*
3. How do we have the mind of Christ?

(John 14:26 But *the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.*)

(1Corinthians 2:13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. **14** But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. **15** But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is *rightly* judged by no one. **16** For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" *But we have the mind of Christ.*)

4. How do we become one with God? *Obey God and serve him.*

(2Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Become complete. Be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.)

5. What is spiritual discerning? *Using God's word to understand the things of God.*

(1Corinthians 2:6 However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. **7** But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory, **8** which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. **9** But as it is written: "EYE HAS NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NOR HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN THE THINGS WHICH GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM." **10** But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. **11** For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. **12** Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might

*know the things that have been freely given to us by God. 13 These things we also speak, **not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.** 14 **But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.** 15 **But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one.** 16 **For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" But we have the mind of Christ.)** The spiritual things hidden before, have been delivered to the apostles then by them to man by preaching and teaching. We now receive, God's Holy Word, in the Bible.*

6. How have we received the deep things of God? *By the word of God.*

7. How are we sanctified by the Holy Spirit?

(John 17:14 I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. 15 I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. 17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. 18 As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. 19 And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth.

8. How do we gain patience and comfort hope?

(Romans 15:4 For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.)

9. How do we become full of godliness?

(2Peter 1:3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, 4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. 5 But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, 6 to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, 7 to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. 8 For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.)

10. How do we become one with God? *Love God as he loves us and keep his commandments.*

(2Corinthians 13:12 No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us. 13 By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. 14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love; but perfect

love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love. 19 We love Him because He first loved us.)

11. What draws people to God? *The word of God by preaching and teaching.*

(1Corinthians 1:21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.)

(Acts 28:30 Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, 31 preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.)

12. How do we please God? *Increase in faith hope and love.*

(Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.)

(1Corinthians 13:13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.)

(1Thesalonians 1:2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, 3 remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father, 4 knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God.)

Lesson 15: Why teaching different doctrines, not consistent with all scripture is wrong.

Questions and Answers:

1. What is the simplicity in Christ? *The simple teaching of Christ which leads to salvation. Christ does make the teaching complicated man does.*

(2Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or *if* you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted—you may well put up with it!) *Don't put up with error.*

2. What is the problem with denominationalism? *Each denomination has a different doctrine and creed books. There was no denomination in the New Testament. Denominationalism is man's invention not God.*

(2Timothy 4:2 Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.)

3. Can you find any denomination in the New Testament? *No!*

4. Is the present Jewish doctrine a denomination? *Yes!*

5. Is anyone to be under the Old covenant? *No!*

6. How can we know what is spiritual? *God's word teaches us what God knows. His words are spiritual. Christ teaches us.*

(1Corinthians 2:13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. **14** But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. **15** But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is *rightly* judged by no one. **16** For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" But *we have the mind of Christ.*)

7. In Mat 16:18 what can we have confidence in?

(Mathew 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock *I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.*)

Christ Church will always be and Satan or his followers can not stop it. A remnant will always exist.

8. In Romans 8 how do we mortify the deeds of the body? *By Obeying the word of God and controlling ourselves. Praying always asking for God's help.*

(John 15:5 "I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.)

(2Thessalonians 1:11 Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of *this* calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of *His* goodness and the work of faith with power, **12** that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.)

(Romans 8:12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. **13** For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. **14** For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. **15** For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father.")