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## *Spiritual Milk*

*"Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that  
by it you may grow up in your salvation."*

*1 Peter 2:2*

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## PREFACE

Jesus wants his church to be a people with a big front door and a small back door. He commissioned his church to preach the gospel to all the world, but what then? What happens to those who hear and obey the gospel? Do they grow? Do they remain faithful? Or, do they exit through the back door of the church building as quickly as they entered the front?

New Christians are babies. They need care, attention, and healthy food to ensure growth. They must not be left unattended or abandoned following their baptism. Baptism alone does not ensure salvation nor growth. Baptism is the beginning of a new life!

The lessons contained in this booklet are very simple. Nothing new! Nothing profound! These are just a good dose of the milk of the word. (1 Pe. 2:2). It is my prayer that these basic lessons will stimulate growth and diminish the size of the back door in your congregation.

**SUGGESTION:** Select thirteen mature Christians to teach the lessons contained in this book -- one Christian teacher per lesson. "Baby Christian" will go to John Doe's house to study lesson one the first week after baptism. The next week "baby Christian" goes to Joe Blow's for lesson two. The third week "baby Christian" visits with Sam Deacon, who teaches lesson three. This format continues for three months or until all the lessons are completed.

**BENEFITS:** (1) Those who teach benefit from teaching. (2) More people will become involved in teaching and thereby gain confidence. (3) The baby Christian benefits from the study of the word. (4) The baby Christian is somewhat integrated into the congregation after being in thirteen different homes.

Let's close the back door!

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\*Most any reliable translation will suffice for this study. The King James Version and New International Version were used in the preparation of this material.

# WHY STUDY THE BIBLE?

## 1. It is the word of God

- a. All scripture is \_\_\_\_\_ of God. 2 Ti. 3:16
- b. The Thessalonians regarded the scriptures as the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Th. 2:13
- c. The apostles knew what words to speak because the \_\_\_\_\_  
revealed the word of God. 1 Co. 2:12, 13.
- d. For it is not you that speak, but the \_\_\_\_\_ of your Father which speaks in  
you. Mt. 10:19, 20
- e. When the Holy Spirit came, he would guide the apostles to \_\_\_\_\_.  
Jn. 16:13

## 2. It helps us grow spiritually

- a. The word of God's grace is able to \_\_\_\_\_.  
Acts 20:32
- b. New Christians (babes) should desire (crave) \_\_\_\_\_  
so they can grow. 1 Pe. 2:2
- c. Older (mature) Christians feed on \_\_\_\_\_. He. 5:12-14

## 3. It leads us to eternal salvation

- a. Jesus' words are spirit and \_\_\_\_\_. Jn. 6:63
- b. ...you heard the word of \_\_\_\_\_, the gospel of your \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ep. 1:13
- c. Jesus is the author (source) of salvation unto all that \_\_\_\_\_.  
He. 5:9

## 4. It meets all of our spiritual needs

- a. The scripture thoroughly equips (completely furnishes) us for \_\_\_\_\_.  
2 Ti. 3:16,17
- b. The scriptures (knowledge of him) give us all things that \_\_\_\_\_.  
2 Pe. 1:3

c. The word of God is described as a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ps. 119: 105

## 5. It will be God's standard of final judgment

- a. God's judgment will be according to \_\_\_\_\_. Ro. 2:2
- b. Even the secrets of men will be judged by \_\_\_\_\_. Ro. 2:16
- c. The \_\_\_\_\_ shall judge (condemn) men in the last day. Jn. 12:48
- d. We must all appear before the \_\_\_\_\_ to account for our deeds on earth, whether they be \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_. 2 Corinthians 5:10

**TOOLS FOR BIBLE STUDY:** (Teacher: Explain and demonstrate the following.)

1. Use of different translations
2. Concordance
3. Bible Dictionary
4. Commentary
5. Bible Correspondence Course

## TWO COVENANTS

### 1. The old covenant was an agreement between God and Israel.

- a. God made a \_\_\_\_\_ with Israel. Ex. 34:27
- b. God made this covenant when he brought Israel out of \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Kings 8:9, 21.
- c. God revealed the old covenant to Moses on Mount \_\_\_\_\_. Ex. 34:32
- d. The covenant given to Moses is also referred to as the \_\_\_\_\_. Jn. 1:17

### 2. Christians believe the old covenant to be inspired of God but no longer binding upon Christians today.

- a. "Then said he, 'Lo, I come to do thy will, O God.' He taketh away (sets aside) the \_\_\_\_\_, that he may establish the \_\_\_\_\_." He. 10:9
- b. "In that he saith, (by calling this) \_\_\_\_\_ covenant, he hath made the \_\_\_\_\_ old (obsolete) . Now that which decayeth (is obsolete) and waxeth old (aging) is ready to \_\_\_\_\_." He. 8:13 (6-13)
- c. "Blotting out (having cancelled) the handwriting of ordinances (written code) that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way \_\_\_\_\_." Col. 2:14 (cf. 15-17)

### 3. What were/are some of the purposes of the old covenant?

- a. Ro. 15:4 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. 1 Co. 10:11 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Ga. 3:24 \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Jn. 1:45; Mt. 5:17 \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Two mediators for two covenants

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ was mediator of the old covenant. Ex. 20:19
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ is mediator of the new covenant. He. 9:14, 15

# NOTICE A COMPARISON OF THE TWO COVENANTS

## FIRST

He. 10:9

## SECOND

- |                                    |                               |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Given by prophets (He. 1:1,2 )  | Given by Christ (He. 1:1,2)   |
| 2. Written on stone (2 Co. 3:7)    | Written on hearts (2 Co. 3:3) |
| 3. Shadow (He. 10:1)               | Reality (He. 8:1,2)           |
| 4. Blood of animals (He. 10:1-4)   | Christ's blood (He. 9:14)     |
| 5. Dead sacrifices (He. 10:1-4)    | Living sacrifice (Ro. 12:1)   |
| 6. Nothing made perfect (He. 7:19) | Perfect in Christ (Col. 1:28) |
| 7. Levites as priests (He. 7:11)   | Christian priests (1 Pe. 2:5) |
| 8. Sins remembered (He. 10:3)      | Sins forgotten (He. 8:12)     |
| 9. Old covenant (2 Co. 3:14)       | New covenant (2 Co. 3:6)      |
| 10. Blotted out (Col. 2:14)        | Remains (2 Co. 3:11)          |

**AREN'T YOU GLAD WE LIVE UNDER A NEW AND BETTER COVENANT?**

# CHRISTIAN ASSURANCE

## 1. Jesus paid it all (entire price and not a percentage)

- a. We have \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_ blood. Ep. 1:7
- b. Jesus was born in order to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Mt. 1:21
- c. Jesus shed his blood for \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Mt. 26:28
- d. Jesus gave himself for us that he might \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Tit. 2:14
- e. Jesus loved us and \_\_\_\_\_ us in his blood. Re. 1:5

## 2. Jesus continues to make intercession for Christians

- a. Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Ti. 2:5
- b. Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_. He. 7:24, 25
- c. Jesus is our (the one who) \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Jn. 2:1
- d. Jesus is faithful to forgive and cleanse the sins of Christians if \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Jn. 1:9
- e. Christians must \_\_\_\_\_ in the light in order to be continually forgiven.  
1 Jn. 1:7
- f. Christians are more than \_\_\_\_\_ through Christ. Ro. 8:37
- g. Christians have \_\_\_\_\_ through Christ. 1 Co. 15:57

## 3. Christians must avoid over confidence

- a. Let him that thinks he stands \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Co. 10:12
- b. It is possible for one to fall from \_\_\_\_\_. Ga. 5:4



c. Take heed that you do not \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. He. 3:12

d. The apostle Paul had to exercise self control because he might \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Co. 9:27

#### 4. Christians should do their best for the glory of God

a. Whatever the Christian does, it should be done \_\_\_\_\_  
Col. 3:23.

b. "...work out your own \_\_\_\_\_." Phil. 2:12

c. The Christian is to continue in the faith and be not \_\_\_\_\_  
from the hope of the gospel. Col. 1:23

d. The Christian is to \_\_\_\_\_ to make his calling and election sure.  
2 Pe. 1:10

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What about sins committed after baptism? e.g. Acts 8:9-24 Simon, the sorcerer, believed and was baptized and then sinned. What was he told to do? vs. 22
2. Is salvation "earned" or by grace? Can we boast about our salvation? Ep. 2:8,9
3. What does 1 Jn. 5:11-13 say about Christian assurance?

# FOLLOWING JESUS

## 1. Jesus' first command

- a. The first command Jesus gave Peter and Andrew was \_\_\_\_\_ me. Matthew 4:18-20.
- b. Following Jesus means we will \_\_\_\_\_ him. Luke 6:46
- c. Following Jesus means we will \_\_\_\_\_ self. Matthew 16:24. (What specific items of self-denial will challenge you the most?)
- d. Jesus expects a disciple to pay the price and not \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 9:62

## 2. Counting the cost

- a. Jesus gave two examples of counting the cost of discipleship. Luke. 14:28-32
  - (1) Man intending to build a \_\_\_\_\_ must first \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (2) King going to \_\_\_\_\_ must first \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. What costs are involved in following Jesus? Luke 14
  - (1) Unless a person \_\_\_\_\_ he cannot be my disciple (vs. 26).
  - (2) Unless a person \_\_\_\_\_ he cannot be my disciple (vs. 27).
  - (3) Unless a person \_\_\_\_\_ he cannot be my disciple (vs. 33).
  - (4) Jesus intended for his disciples to properly arrange their priorities. The proper arrangement means Jesus will always be \_\_\_\_\_. Matthew 6:33. First, even among relationships, other responsibilities, and possessions.

## 3. Excuses, Excuses, Excuses

- a. Excuses are not acceptable for failing to follow Jesus. Note three excuses given in Luke 14:15-20, 24.
  - (1) I have \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 18)
  - (2) I have \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 19)
  - (3) I have \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 20)
- b. What is the difference between a reason and excuse? Are there good reasons for not following Jesus?

**4. What difference does it make if we follow Jesus?**

- a. John 14:6 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. John 6:68 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Acts 4:12 \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Matthew 16:24-26 \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Romans 5:1 \_\_\_\_\_
- f. 1 Peter 1:8 \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Those who follow Jesus will bear three “distinctive marks”.**

- a. John 8:31 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. John 13:34,35 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. John 15:8 \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW CLOSELY ARE YOU FOLLOWING JESUS?**

# THE CHRISTIAN'S PERSONAL LIFE

## 1. Following baptism, the Christian begins a new life.

a. The Christian's old manner of life is buried with Christ in baptism, and he then begins

\_\_\_\_\_. Ro. 6:4

b. If any man is in Christ he is a \_\_\_\_\_ .  
2 Co. 5:17

c. If one is risen with Christ he will seek (set his heart on) \_\_\_\_\_ .  
Col. 3:1 (Col. 2:12)

## 2. Some things will be "put off" and others "put on."

"Put off" Col. 3:5,8,9

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

"Put on" Col. 3:10,12-14

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 3.

### Characteristics of the Christian's personal life

#### a. Purity

(1) The body is to be a \_\_\_\_\_ . Ro. 12:1,2

(2) The Christian is not to be caught up in the things of the \_\_\_\_\_ . 1 Jn. 2:15-17

(3) God redeemed Christians to be a \_\_\_\_\_ . Tit. 2:14

#### b. Self Control

(1) Not my will but \_\_\_\_\_ . Mt. 26:39

(2) A Christian must control the \_\_\_\_\_ . Jas. 1:26

(3) Christians avoid \_\_\_\_\_ . Mt. 5:28

(4) Christians put away \_\_\_\_\_ . Ep. 4:25,26

c. Faith and Optimism

- (1) All things work together for good for those \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ro. 8:28
- (2) Christians have \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus Christ.  
1 Co. 15:57
- (3) Christians are \_\_\_\_\_ through Jesus Christ.  
Ro. 8:37
- (4) Christians can do \_\_\_\_\_ things through Christ which gives strength. Phil. 4:13 (4:19)

d. New Priorities

- (1) Seek \_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom. Mt. 6:33
- (2) Love the Lord more than \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mt. 10:37-39
- (3) Love the Lord with \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mk. 12:30,31

e. Good Example

- (1) You are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth. Mt. 5:13
- (2) You are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world. Mt. 5:14
- (3) Christians are to \_\_\_\_\_ like lights (stars). Phil. 2:15;  
Mt. 5:16

**THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS A MARATHON AND NOT A HUNDRED-YARD DASH. MATURITY ISN'T ATTAINED OVERNIGHT. KEEP GROWING!**

# CHRIST'S CHURCH

## 1. What is the church of Christ?

- a. God's \_\_\_\_\_ . Ephesians 2:19
- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God. 1 Timothy 3:15
- c. The brothers in Christ at Colosse (Col. 1:2) were part of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's son. Colossians 1:13
- d. Christ is head of the \_\_\_\_\_, the church. Colossians 1:18.

## 2. Why is it Christ's church?

- a. He \_\_\_\_\_ it. Matthew 16:18
- b. He \_\_\_\_\_ it. Acts 20:28
- c. He \_\_\_\_\_ it. Ephesians 5:23
- d. He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of it. Ephesians 2:20
- e. He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of it. Colossians 1:18

## 3. How many churches did Christ establish?

- a. Jesus promised to build his \_\_\_\_\_ . Matthew 16:18
- b. The church has many members but is \_\_\_\_\_ body. Ro. 12:4 So we, being \_\_\_\_\_, are \_\_\_\_\_ body in Christ, and every one members of another. Ro. 12:5
- c. There is \_\_\_\_\_ body (Ep. 4:4). The body is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 1:18). And the church is the \_\_\_\_\_. (Ep. 1:22,23).
- d. One head (Jesus) for one \_\_\_\_\_ (church).

## 4. Who belongs to the church?

- a. Those who believed the good news of Jesus were told to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ . (Acts 2:38)
- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ added these same people to the \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 2:47)

c. Saul persecuted the \_\_\_\_\_. (Acts 8:1) The church was referred to as \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 9:1) and the disciples were called \_\_\_\_\_ first in Antioch. Acts 11:26

**5. Must one be part of the “called out” (church) to be saved?**

- a. Jesus shall save \_\_\_\_\_ people from \_\_\_\_\_ sins. (Matthew 1:21). Who are “his” people?
- b. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ of the body, the church. Ep. 5:23. Christ is the savior, and the church is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the church with his blood. Acts 20:28
- d. The Lord added to the church (their number) those who were \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 2:47
- e. The assembly/church of the firstborn have their \_\_\_\_\_ written in \_\_\_\_\_. Hebrews 12:23

**6. What kind of relationship are church members to maintain?**

- a. 1 Corinthians 1:10 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. John 17:22 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Philippians 1:27 \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Ephesians 4:3 \_\_\_\_\_
- e. God is to be glorified through Christ and his \_\_\_\_\_ throughout all ages. Ep. 3:21

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. What is the difference between the church and the church building?
- 2. Is the church important or essential?
- 3. What relation does the church have to salvation?
- 4. Can one have a proper personal relationship with Jesus without being part of the church?

**AREN'T YOU THANKFUL TO BE PART OF CHRIST'S CHURCH?**

# CHURCH ATTENDANCE

## WHY DOES THE CHURCH COME TOGETHER ON A REGULAR BASIS?

### 1. Because it is God's will that we assemble

- a. He. 10:25 Christians are not to forsake (give up) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Acts 20:7 Christians came together upon the \_\_\_\_\_ in order to  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- c. 1 Co. 16:1,2 Christians met on the \_\_\_\_\_ and  
contributed their money.
- d. When you \_\_\_\_\_ into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's  
Supper. 1 Co. 11:20

### 2. To express our love and gratitude to Christ for his sacrifice

- a. Jn. 14:15 If you love me \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. 1 Jn. 5:2,3 This is the love of God that we keep his \_\_\_\_\_, and they  
are not a burden.
- c. The grateful and thankful return to praise God.
  - (1) Acts 3:8 What did the crippled man do when he was healed? \_\_\_\_\_
  - (2) Lk. 17:15,16 What did the grateful leper do when he realized he was healed? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (3) What will Christians do to express their gratitude? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

### 3. To set a good example

- a. Mt. 5:16 Let your \_\_\_\_\_ shine, so that others will \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.



b. 1 Co. 11:26 When partaking of the Lord's supper the Christian shows (proclaims) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

c. Christians don't go for show, but their going does show. Phil. 2:15

#### 4. To be encouraged by fellow Christians

a. He. 10:24, 25 When Christians gather, they are to encourage (spur) one another to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

b. He. 3:13 "But \_\_\_\_\_ one another \_\_\_\_\_, while it is called today; so that none of you....."

c. Acts 2:42 The early church (devoted themselves) continued steadfastly in the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

d. Ro. 1:12 Paul looked forward to being in Rome so that he might be comforted (encouraged) by  
\_\_\_\_\_.

#### 5. To worship God collectively

a. Acts 20:7 The disciples came together to \_\_\_\_\_.

b. Acts 2:42 The disciples \_\_\_\_\_ in/to the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking bread, and prayer.

c. 1 Co. 16:2 The early Christians worshipped God in giving on what day? \_\_\_\_\_.

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Is church attendance really a test of personal dedication to the Lord? Can you attend all the church assemblies and not be dedicated? Can you be dedicated and not attend?
2. Are there valid reasons for being absent from worship services? (What about jobs, company, travel, sickness, death, etc.)
3. Is it necessary for me to assemble with the saints? Wouldn't it be just as good to have a devotional while on a hunting or fishing trip?
4. Is it necessary to attend on Sunday and Wednesday nights for worship and Bible study?
5. What does it mean to "forsake" the assembly? He. 10:25

# THE MISSION OF JESUS AND HIS CHURCH

## 1. The mission of Jesus

- a. Jn. 1:18 Jesus came to \_\_\_\_\_ the father.
- b. Mt. 1:23 Jesus was to be called Immanuel, which means \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Jn. 9:4 Jesus came to do the works of \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. Jn. 3:16 "For \_\_\_\_\_ so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten \_\_\_\_\_, that whosoever believeth in him should not \_\_\_\_\_, but have \_\_\_\_\_ life."
- e. Jn. 3:17 God did not send his son to \_\_\_\_\_ but to \_\_\_\_\_.
- f. Mt. 1:21 Jesus came to \_\_\_\_\_ his people from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- g. Jn. 10:10 Jesus, unlike the thief, came that we might have \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- h. Lk. 19:10 Jesus came to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the lost.
- i. Jn. 20:30,31 Jesus performed miracles that we might believe he is \_\_\_\_\_, and that by believing we might \_\_\_\_\_.
- j. Mt. 5:17 Jesus did not come to \_\_\_\_\_ the law but to \_\_\_\_\_.
- k. Gal. 4:4,5 Jesus came to \_\_\_\_\_ those who were under the law.
- l. Jn. 1:29 Behold the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, who takes away \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. The mission of His church

- a. Jesus commissioned his disciples to preach the \_\_\_\_\_ to all \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mk. 16:15,16
- b. Peter preached Christ and with other words exhorted (warned/pleaded with) the people to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Acts 2:40

- c. Peter and John did not cease \_\_\_\_\_ in the temple and in every house. Acts 5:42
- d. The early church , scattered by persecution, went everywhere \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Acts 8:4, 25
- e. Paul was determined (resolved) to preach only \_\_\_\_\_ and him  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Co. 2:2
- f. The early church was accused of turning the world (causing trouble) \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 17:6
- g. The early church was charged with filling \_\_\_\_\_ with their \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Acts 5:28
- h. The gospel was preached to \_\_\_\_\_ in the first century. Col. 1:23
- i. Paul taught the gospel \_\_\_\_\_ and from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 20:20
- j. The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto (for) \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone that believes. Ro. 1:16
- k. Go and make \_\_\_\_\_ of all nations \_\_\_\_\_ them... and \_\_\_\_\_ them to observe (obey) all things whatsoever I have \_\_\_\_\_ you: Mt. 28:19,20
- l. Follow me and I will make you \_\_\_\_\_. Mk. 1:17

**LET'S NOT KEEP THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS TO OURSELVES**

# CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

## 1. Three unchanging truths concerning worship

a. The right object is to be worshipped — God

(1) "\_\_\_\_\_ is spirit...they that worship \_\_\_\_\_." Jn. 4:24

(2) "Thou shalt have no other \_\_\_\_\_ before me." Ex. 20:3 (vss. 3-5)

(3) Jesus said, "Thou shalt worship the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ only..." Mt. 4:10

(4) God has always prescribed how he wants to be worshipped. We should seek to please \_\_\_\_\_ and not \_\_\_\_\_. Gal. 1:10

b. The right spirit — spiritual

(1) "God is \_\_\_\_\_: and they that worship him must worship him in \_\_\_\_\_ and truth." Jn. 4:24

(2) Jesus said the Pharisees would honor God with their mouth and lips, but their \_\_\_\_\_ was/were far from God. Mt. 15:8

(3) Our worship is to be spiritual in nature. Example: Paul told the Ephesians to sing psalms, hymns, and \_\_\_\_\_ songs. Ep. 5:19

(4) Christians are like living stones built into a \_\_\_\_\_ house in order to offer \_\_\_\_\_ sacrifices to God. 1 Pe. 2:5

c. The right manner — according to the word of God.

(1) "God is spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and \_\_\_\_\_." Jn. 4:24

(2) "Thy (your) \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_." Jn. 17:17

(3) Therefore, Christians must worship God according to his \_\_\_\_\_, which is truth.

## 2. Not all worship, even though sincere, is acceptable to God.

a. Mt. 15:9 Some were guilty of \_\_\_\_\_ worship

- b. Acts 17:22,23 \_\_\_\_\_ worship (cf. KJV)
- c. 1 Co. 1:20,21 according to \_\_\_\_\_ wisdom
- d. Ro. 10:2 Israel was \_\_\_\_\_ for God but not (based on) according to \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. Christians worship God through Jesus Christ**

- a. "For there is one God, and one \_\_\_\_\_ between God and men, the man \_\_\_\_\_." 1 Ti. 2:5
- b. Jesus said he was the way, truth, and the life: no man can come to God except \_\_\_\_\_ . Jn. 14:6
- c. Christians offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by (through) \_\_\_\_\_ . 1 Pe. 2:5
- d. Christ is able to save to the uttermost (completely) those that come unto God \_\_\_\_\_... He. 7:25
- e. "Let us therefore come (approach with) \_\_\_\_\_ unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain \_\_\_\_\_, and find \_\_\_\_\_ to help in time of need." He. 4:16

**4. A key to Christian worship is the heart**

- a. Ep. 5:19 sing and make melody in your \_\_\_\_\_
- b. 2 Co. 9:7 give as you purpose in your \_\_\_\_\_
- c. 1 Pe. 3:15 sanctify (set apart) the Lord in your \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Mk. 12:30 love the Lord with all your \_\_\_\_\_
- e. 2 Ti. 2:22 call on the Lord with a pure \_\_\_\_\_

**OUR GOD IS WORTHY OF WORSHIP**

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

## 1. What is it? (A memorial feast/supper.)

- a. Jesus instituted it the night he was \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Co. 11:23
- b. The \_\_\_\_\_ feast was being observed the night the Lord's Supper was instituted. Mt. 26:19-21; Lk. 22:15
- c. The bread is \_\_\_\_\_. Mt. 26:26
- d. The fruit of the vine is \_\_\_\_\_. Mt. 26:27,28
- e. The bread and fruit of the vine were in \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus. 1 Co. 11:24,25
- f. As often as you eat and drink the Lord's Supper you \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Co. 11:26
- g. Whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup \_\_\_\_\_ is guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 1 Co. 11:27
- h. Men and women are to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves. 1 Co. 11:28

## 2. Who is it for? (Christians)

- a. Those who are \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 20:7 (cf. KJV) Who came together?
- b. Those who are \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 11:26 The disciples were also called?
- c. Those who were \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 2:42
- d. Those who are in \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord. 1 Co. 10:16
- e. You cannot eat and drink at the Lord's table and the \_\_\_\_\_ table. 1 Co. 10:21
- f. Those who are part of the Father's \_\_\_\_\_. Mt. 26:29

## 3. When is it to be observed? (On Sunday, the first day of the week.)

- a. Christians were not to forsake \_\_\_\_\_. He. 10:25
- b. Upon what day did the early Christians assemble to give? \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Co. 16:2
- c. Upon what day did they assemble regularly to partake of the Lord's Supper? \_\_\_\_\_  
Acts 20:7 (cf. Jn. 20:19)  
  
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d. The early church continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine, fellowship,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and prayer. Acts 2:42

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

1. Should the Lord's Supper be offered to children?
2. Isn't there a danger the Lord's Supper will lose its significance by partaking of it every Sunday?
3. Is the collection of money part of the Lord's Supper?
4. Does the Lord's Supper have mystical/magical power to protect us from evil?

**DON'T FORGET! YOU HAVE A MEMORIAL FEAST TO KEEP EACH SUNDAY !**

# CHRISTIANS AND PRAYER

## 1. The first century church was a praying church

- a. The early disciples continued with one accord (together) in \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 1:14
- b. One important item involved in the selection of a replacement for Judas was \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 1:24
- c. After becoming Christians, the church continued steadfastly in \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Acts 2:42
- d. Rather than wait on tables, the apostles wanted to devote themselves to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Acts 6:4
- e. When "servants" were chosen, the selection was also accompanied by \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 6:6
- f. Peter and John came to Samaria and \_\_\_\_\_ that the Samaritans might receive the Holy Ghost. Acts 8:15
- g. Before Peter resurrected Tabitha, he \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 9:40
- h. Why did Peter go to the housetop at noon? \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 10:9
- i. What did the church do while Peter was in prison? \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 12:5, 12
- j. What did Paul and Silas do at midnight while in prison? \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 16:25
- k. What did Paul do before tearfully departing from the Ephesian elders? \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 20:36,37

## 2. To whom do we pray?

- a. According to Matthew 6:6, to whom do we pray? \_\_\_\_\_ (also Mt. 6:9)
- b. To whom did Jesus pray? \_\_\_\_\_ Mt. 26:42
- c. What did Peter tell Simon the sorcerer about prayer? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Acts 8:22
- d. To whom did Paul and his associates pray? \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Co. 13:7
- e. Paul and Silas prayed to whom? \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 16:25



### 3. Through whom do we pray?

- a. Jesus Christ is our \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Ti. 2:5; He. 9:24
- b. Jesus Christ is our \_\_\_\_\_. He. 4:14-16; 7:24-28
- c. Jesus Christ is our \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Jn. 2:1,2
- d. We therefore pray in \_\_\_\_\_. Ep. 5:20; Col. 3:17

### 4. How should we pray?

- a. Lk. 18:9-14 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Mt. 6:5-8 \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Jas. 1:6; (cf. Mt. 7:11) \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Mt. 6:10 \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. Conditions of Prayer

- a. Jn. 9:31 God heareth not \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. 1 Pe. 3:12 God's ears are open to \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. Is. 59:1,2 Our \_\_\_\_\_ cause God not to hear.
- d. Pro. 15:29 The Lord heareth \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. 1 Jn. 5:14 If we ask according \_\_\_\_\_ then he hears us.

**WE SHOULD ALWAYS PRAY AND NOT GIVE UP !  
LUKE 18:1**

# THE CHRISTIAN'S MONEY AND GIVING

## 1. Jesus and giving

- a. Jesus said it is more blessed to \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_. Acts 20:35
- b. Jesus taught that our giving is to be in secret and not to be \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mt. 6:1-4
- c. Lay up treasures in \_\_\_\_\_ and not on this \_\_\_\_\_. Why? Mt. 6:19-21
- d. If the Christian gives with the proper motives, then what can be expected? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Lk. 6:38
- e. Jesus also taught that man is not to be controlled by his possessions.
- (1) Lk. 12:15, 16-21 A man's life does not consist of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) Mk. 12:42-44 Why was the widow praised above those who were wealthy? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- f. For what does it profit a man if he \_\_\_\_\_ the whole \_\_\_\_\_ and loses his \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mt. 16:26

## 2. The apostle Paul and giving

- a. Christians are to give regularly. . . How often should a Christian set aside a sum of money to be given to the Lord's work? \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Co. 16:2
- b. Christians are to give cheerfully. . . "Every man according as he \_\_\_\_\_ in his heart, so let him give; not \_\_\_\_\_, or of necessity (compulsion): for God loveth a \_\_\_\_\_ giver." 2 Co. 9:7
- c. Christians are to give liberally. . . The Macedonian churches, even in severe trial, were very \_\_\_\_\_ in their giving. 2 Co. 8:1,2
- d. Christians are to do good to \_\_\_\_\_ and especially to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Gal. 6:10

e. Christians are to be hard workers and earn money so they may be able to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Ep. 4:28

### 3. Look what God has given

a. God so loved the world that he \_\_\_\_\_. Jn. 3:16

b. Every good gift comes from \_\_\_\_\_. Jas. 1:17

c. God gives to all men \_\_\_\_\_  
Acts 17:25

d. God gives \_\_\_\_\_ to the sower, and \_\_\_\_\_ for food... 2 Co. 9:10

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Read Matthew 19:16-26. What was the rich man's problem? Is it a sin to be rich?
2. What will the love of money cause people to do? 1 Timothy 6:10
3. Those who are rich are tempted to put their trust (hope) in \_\_\_\_\_  
and not in \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Timothy 6:17      What does this mean?
4. Does the New Testament specify a certain percentage to be given each Sunday? 10%    20%    30% .....

# THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE

## 1. God's description of love

a. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7. List the things love will and will not do (is and is not)...

**WILL (IS)**

**WILL NOT (IS NOT)**

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b. Without love I am...

(1) 1 Co. 13:1 \_\_\_\_\_

(2) 1 Co.13:2 \_\_\_\_\_

(3) 1 Co.13:3 \_\_\_\_\_

c. According to 1 Corinthians 13:13, three things remain \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
and \_\_\_\_\_. The greatest of these is \_\_\_\_\_. Why?

d. The greatest motivating force in all the world is \_\_\_\_\_. Love never  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 Co. 13:8

## 2. How are we to love God?

a. Four ways are stated in Mark 12:30. With all our \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

b. If we love God, his commandments will not be \_\_\_\_\_.  
1 John 5:3

c. We love him because \_\_\_\_\_.  
1 John 4:19

d. Whoever does not love does not \_\_\_\_\_ God, because God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
1 John 4:8

e. If we love Jesus, we will \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. John 14:15

### 3. How are we to love our fellowman?

a. The second great commandment is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Mark 12:31

b. If any man says he loves God and hates his brother, he is \_\_\_\_\_.  
1 John 4:20

c. One characteristic of Jesus' disciples is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. John 13:35

d. How are we to love one another?

(1) John 13:34 \_\_\_\_\_

(2) 1 Peter 1:22 \_\_\_\_\_

(3) 1 John 3:18 \_\_\_\_\_

e. Love covers \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Peter 4:8

f. We also are to love \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. Matthew 5:44

g. Christians are not to love \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. 1 John 2:15

h. Love does no harm (ill) to his \_\_\_\_\_: Love is the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the law. Romans 13:9, 10

### CAN GOD'S LOVE BE SEEN IN YOU?

**JENKS AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**Prospect Survey**

Matthew 28:18-20

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone numbers: \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work)

Work place \_\_\_\_\_ work schedule \_\_\_\_\_

Retired from what line of work? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person: \_\_\_ family? \_\_\_ acquaintance? \_\_\_ friend?

Do you want to notify your prospect that someone will be contacting them in the near future?  
\_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Would you like to be paired with an experienced soulwinner in teaching your prospect?  
\_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

If the soulwinner makes a "cold" contact with your prospect, may they use your name?  
\_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Do you know where this person has attended church in the past?

Name of church \_\_\_\_\_

City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Are they married:

Single?

Divorced?

# of children?  yes  no \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages  yes  no \_\_\_\_\_,

yes  no \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_

Since you know this person, what type of approach might be helpful? Check all that apply.

\_\_\_telephone

\_\_\_outside home meeting

\_\_\_Bible study (group)

\_\_\_personal visit to home

\_\_\_one on one

\_\_\_Bible study (team)

Additional comments

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Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

To *Howard and Ann Reece*,  
who gave me life,  
and taught me of eternal life.

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