

Bible Study # 1

SALVATION

One of the most important habits to get into that will help you grow as a new Christian is memorizing Bible verses. In Psalm 119:11, the Bible says, "Your word I have hidden in my heart that I might not sin against You." Memorizing Bible verses and doing what they say will help you to fight against temptation and instruct you to do what is right. We encourage you to memorize the verse below to give you a better understanding of the topic of salvation.

Memory verse

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only
Begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not
perish, but have everlasting life".
- John 3:16

When looking up a Bible verse, for example John 3:16: the book of the Bible is John, third chapter, verse 16.

John 3:3,7 — "Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God....Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again'".

Our Lord Jesus Christ commanded us, saying: "You must be born again." In this lesson, you should learn:

- A. Why we need to be saved
- B. How God has provided for our salvation
- C. How we can have that salvation personally

Before you start, PRAY. Ask God's Holy Spirit to open your heart to receive His Word and to show you how to apply it in your life. Do not copy the scriptures, but answer the questions briefly and in your own words.

SIN is the failure to obey any of God's commandments or laws.

1. How does the Bible describe Sin?
1John 3:4 According to 1 John 3:4 sin is lawlessness

2. What is the result of sin?
Romans 6:23 The wages of sin is death.

James 1:15 Sin brings forth death.

To better understand the effects of sin, think of death as **Separation**.

A. Spiritual Death: Your sins have separated you from God.

B. Physical Death: It separates spirit and soul from the body.

C. Eternal Death: If you remain lost in your sins, they will separate you from the mercy of God forever.
(this is the greatest punishment of Hell)

To be **RIGHTEOUS** means "to do right; to be totally innocent before God in regards to obeying His commandments".

3. How many of us are righteous?
Romans 3:10 There is none righteous.

4. How many of us have sinned?
Romans 3:23 All have sinned.

5. What word explains why God would send His only Son to die for us?
John 3:16 Love.

6. Does he love us while we are sinners or do we have to become good enough for God to love us?
Romans 5:8 he died for us while we were still sinners. He loves us while we are still sinners.

7. Read each of the verses below and indicate if we are saved by Jesus or if God allows another way for salvation.
1 Timothy 2:5 One God and one mediator so we are Saved by Jesus only.

Acts 4:2 Salvation in no one else speaking of Jesus so saved by Jesus only.

John 14:6 No one comes to the Father except through Jesus so saved by Jesus only.

God's Word says sin causes death. Jesus took that penalty upon Himself in our place.

8. How did Jesus take the penalty of sin for us?

I Corinthians 15:3 Christ died for our sins.

9. What must we do to have Him save us from the penalty of sin

Romans 10:9 We must confess with our mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe that God raised Jesus from the dead.

Acts 16:30-31 We must believe in the Lord Jesus.

BELIEVE means to “cling to, trust in and rely on.”

CONFESS means “to admit guilt or acknowledge one's sin.”

10. The Bible uses several words to show the contrast between “works” and “faith.” Next to each of the following scriptures write the words that describe how we are saved.

Ephesians 2:8 Saved by “grace” through “faith.”

Titus 3:5 He saved us according to His “mercy.”

11. Why does the Bible say we are not saved by our works?

Ephesians 2:9 So that no one may boast.

12. What is the problem with boasting?

James 4:16 God is opposed to the proud.

JUSTICE is getting what we deserve. If God were only a **JUST** God, we would all perish

MERCY is not getting what we deserve. It is by His mercy He can forgive us.

GRACE is getting something we don't deserve at all. By God's grace (not our own merit) He sent us His Son.

FAITH is accepting as truth things which cannot be proved by the senses. Faith is trusting GOD.

13. What should be the result of God's goodness and kindness to us?

Romans 2:4 His kindness lead to repentance

REPENTANCE means “a change of mind.” **REPENTANCE** is turning toward God and away from sin. it includes;

- A. A genuine sorrow of our sins.
- B. Cleansing from continual sinning.
- C. A desire to submit to God.

14. When we repent, what happens in Heaven?

Luke 15:10 There is joy in the presence of the Angels – The Angels rejoice in heaven.

Have the Angels rejoiced over you? All you have to do is pray this simple prayer and mean it in your heart: “Jesus, I know I am a sinner. Forgive my sins and take control of my life. Amen.”

From memory, write out your memory verse from the beginning of the Bible study.

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