

THEME I
GOD'S RIGHTEOUS RIGHT HAND

**Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed;
for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea,
I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.
Isaiah 41:10**

LESSONS 1 - 12

LESSON 1

AUGUST 4, 2024

FAMILY SUNDAY
MARRIAGE IS HONORABLE

MOTTO TEXT: Hebrews 13:4 Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

ENTIRE LESSON: John 2:1-11

1. And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:
2. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
3. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
4. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.
5. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.
6. And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.
7. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.
8. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare
9. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew; the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,
10. And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now.
11. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

PURPOSE - To show that we are to remain faithful in marriage. Both fornication and adultery are sins.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Should we continue in sin? God forbid. If a man be found lying with a woman married to a husband, then they shall both of them die, both the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel. Deuteronomy 22:22

COMMENTARY

We must do all we can to strengthen the bonds of love between a man and his wife. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife; And they twain shall be one flesh: so, then they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man pull apart. Mark 10:7-9

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands. Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are. Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered. Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing, knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. 1 Peter 3:1, 6-9

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Marriage was instituted in the Garden of Eden.
- 2. God is opposed to divorce except for one cause.
- 3. Follow peace and holiness with your spouse and children.
- 4. We believe in Christians marrying Christians and saints marrying saints, and sinners and unbelievers marrying.
- 5. The Bible is right.
- 6. Let God be true, but every man a liar. Romans 3:4

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Genesis 2:18, And the LORD God said, it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a help meet for him.
Tuesday	Matthew 5:28, Whosoever looks on a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her in his heart.
Wednesday	Matthew 5:32, Whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causes her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.
Thursday	Ephesians 5:22, Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
Friday	Ephesians 5:23, For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the savior of the body.
Saturday	1 Peter 4:8, And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.
Sunday	Colossians 4:6, Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

THERE IS NO GOD LIKE OUR GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Isaiah 45:21-23 Tell ye, and bring *them* near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not I the LORD? and *there is* no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; *there is* none beside me. Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else.

ENTIRE LESSON 1 Samuel 2:1-10

1. And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.
2. *There is* none holy as the LORD: for *there is* none beside thee: neither *is there* any rock like our God.
3. Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let *not* arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD *is* a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.
4. The bows of the mighty men *are* broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.
5. *They that were* full have hired out themselves for bread; and *they that were* hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.
6. The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.
7. The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.
8. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set *them* among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth *are* the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them.
9. He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.
10. The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.

PURPOSE - To declare to the entire world that it is God who made the earth, and created man upon it: God, *by his* hands, who have stretched out the heavens, and there is none other like Him.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Remember the former things of old: for He is God, and *there is* none else; *He is* God, and *there is* none like Him. Isaiah 46:9

COMMENTARY

How great is our God? His love never ceases. His mercy endureth forever. It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23 When it seems as if everything is going wrong, have faith in God. He said, I will never leave you nor forsake you. It is written: Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Because our God is faithful, we also must be faithful. Unless we are faithful, we will not enter into the kingdom of God. To be faithful in Christ we must be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 15:58

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth. 3 John 1:4
2. A faithful man shall abound with blessings. Proverbs 28:20
3. Without faith *it is* impossible to please God. Hebrews 11:6
4. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. 1 Corinthians 4:2
5. Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. 1 Timothy 3:12

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	1 John 1:9, If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us <i>our</i> sins.
Tuesday	Luke 16:10, He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much.
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 1:9, God <i>is</i> faithful, by whom you were called.
Thursday	Hebrews 11:1, Faith is the substance of things hoped for.
Friday	Hebrews 13:4, Marriage <i>is</i> honourable in all, and the bed undefiled.
Saturday	1 Thessalonians 5:24, Faithful <i>is</i> he that calleth you.
Sunday	Revelation 2:10, Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give you a crown of life.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Thessalonians 3:3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep *you* from evil.

LESSON 3

AUGUST 18, 2024

GOD IS FAITHFUL

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.

ENTIRE LESSON Hebrews 10:22-39

22. Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.
23. Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)
24. And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:
25. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

26. For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
27. But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.
28. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:
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?
30. For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.
31. *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.
32. But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions;
33. Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.
34. For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.
35. Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.
36. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.
37. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.
38. Now the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.
39. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

PURPOSE - To demonstrate the faithfulness of God. There is no greater love than God's love.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Trust and obey. The eyes of the LORD *are* in every place, beholding the evil and the good. Proverbs 15:3 Our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name. Psalm 32:21

COMMENTARY

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LESSON 4

AUGUST 25, 2024

GOD IS SPEAKING TO HIS PEOPLE

MOTTO TEXT: 2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

ENTIRE LESSON: Isaiah 55:3-13

3. Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.
4. Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.
5. Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.
6. Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:
7. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
8. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

9. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.
10. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:
11. So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.
12. For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
13. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

PURPOSE - To know without a doubt that if we would listen unto the voice of God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in his holy book, that we will live: and the Lord God shall bless us with health and prosperity.

PRACTICAL POINT - Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

COMMENTARY

Exodus 20:1-17; is a perfect example of God speaking to His people: And God spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say come unto Me and rest.
2. They heard the voice of the Lord walking in the garden in the cool of the day.
Genesis 3:8

3. Jesus said my sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. John 10:27
4. All scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2 Timothy 3:16
5. God, in time past, spoke unto the fathers by the prophets. In these last days, He has spoken unto us by his Son. Hebrews 1:1-2
6. My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass. Deuteronomy 32:2

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Hebrews 4:7, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
Tuesday	Hebrews 6:14, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.
Wednesday	Philippians 2:14, Do all things without murmurings and disputings.
Thursday	1 Corinthians 3:2, I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able.
Friday	Revelation 3:15, I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot.
Saturday	Revelation 3:19, As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
Sunday	Revelation 3:20, Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

MEMORY VERSE: James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

LESSON 5

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

EVANGELISM SUNDAY ARE YOU SAVED THE BIBLE WAY?

MOTTO TEXT: 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.

ENTIRE LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

1. And when the day of Pentecost was 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 all the house where they were sitting.
3. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
4. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
5. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.
7. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?
8. And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?
9. Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,
10. Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,
11. Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.
12. And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?
13. Others mocking said, these men are full of new wine.
14. But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:
15. For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.
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.

PURPOSE - To let the world know that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners and that except you are born again you cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - He which converts the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death and shall hide a multitude of sins. James 5:20

COMMENTARY

The subject asks the question, Are You Saved the Bible Way? Why do we have such a hard time believing what we read in the Bible? Why do we read some scriptures and believe, and read others and do not believe? Who then can be saved? The same Bible that says, whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved, is the same Bible that says: If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Are you saved the Bible way?

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. He that hearth my

word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Are you saved the Bible way? Are you washed in the blood? Why tarriest thou? What are you waiting for? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? Acts 19:2
2. If you say that you are saved, but do not have the Holy Ghost, what are you saved from?
3. It is written: She shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21
4. If you say you have the Holy Ghost, but have never spoke in tongues, where is the Bible evidence?

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Acts 16:31, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.
Tuesday	John 3:16, For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
Wednesday	Mark 16:16, He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
Thursday	Matthew 7:21, Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
Friday	Romans 6:23, For the wages of sin <i>is</i> death; but the gift of God <i>is</i> eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Saturday	Acts 22:16, And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.
Sunday	2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man <i>be</i> in Christ, <i>he is</i> a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

MOTTO TEXT: **Matthew 5:16** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 5:13-16

13. Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and to be trodden under the foot of men.
14. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.
15. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick, and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.
16. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

PURPOSE - To explore Jesus' metaphor of believers as the salt of the earth and the light of the world, emphasizing the call to let their light shine through good works for the glory of God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to live in a way that reflects God's light, making a positive impact on the world through acts of kindness, love, and righteousness.

COMMENTARY

Salt flavors and preserves. Light provides clarity and shuns darkness. In Matthew 5, Jesus uses the metaphors of salt and light to convey the influence believers should have in the world. The call for believers to be the salt of the earth requires us to preserve ourselves as well as the beauty of God's creation on earth. The call to be the light of the world requires believers to illuminate the truth and righteousness while shunning darkness and evil.

The imagery of a city on a hill and a candle on a stand emphasizes visibility and the inherent nature of light to shine forth. Jesus urges believers not to hide their light but to let it shine through their actions, resulting in God being glorified by others. Believers are called to actively engage in acts of kindness, love, and righteousness, allowing their lives to reflect God's light. God said, with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Matthew Chapter 5

1. Believers are the salt of the earth and the light of the world (vv. 13-16)
2. The church should be a city on a hill (vv. 14-15)
3. Let your light shine through good works (v. 16)
4. Glorify the Father in heaven through righteousness (v. 16)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday

Matthew 5:1-12, The Beatitudes and the character of a disciple

Tuesday	Matthew 5:13-16, Believers as the salt of the earth and the light of the world
Wednesday	Matthew 5:17-20, Jesus fulfilling the Law and the Prophets
Thursday	Matthew 5:21-26, Dealing with anger and reconciliation
Friday	Matthew 5:27-32, The sanctity of marriage and faithfulness
Saturday	Matthew 5:33-37, Honesty and integrity
Sunday	Matthew 5:13-16, Let your light shine before men

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

LESSON 7

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

ENOCH WALKED WITH GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Hebrews 11:5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

ENTIRE LESSON: Genesis 5:1-5; Genesis 5:15-24

Genesis 5:1-5

1. This *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;
2. Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.
3. And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:
4. And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:
5. And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

Genesis 5:15-24

15. And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared:
16. And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:
17. And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.
18. And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch:
19. And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
20. And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.
21. And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah:
22. And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
23. And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:
24. And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him.

PURPOSE - To show that if we are obedient and faithful to God's command and do the things that are pleasing to God, we can also find favor with God.

PRACTICAL POINT - We walk by faith and not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

COMMENTARY

God has shown us what *is* good; and that the LORD requires of man to love mercy and to walk humbly before Him. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God has before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. Romans 13:13

Enoch walked by faith with God 300 years. Enoch lived 365 years. He did not taste death. God simply took him.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Proverbs 16:7, When a man's ways please the LORD, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.
2. O for a closer walk with God.
3. Your testimony should please God.
4. As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, *so* walk ye in him. Colossians 2:6
5. After we have received the Holy Ghost, we must walk in the newness of life.
6. We must follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Genesis 5:21, And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah.
Tuesday	Genesis 5:22, And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.
Wednesday	Hebrews 11:1, Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
Thursday	Romans 12:2, And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind.
Friday	Amos 3:3, Can two walk together, except they be agreed?
Saturday	Galatians 5:16, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
Sunday	1 John 1:7, But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

MEMORY VERSE: **Psalm 1:1** Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

GOD IS ANGRY WITH THE WICKED EVERY DAY

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 7:11 God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry *with the wicked* every day.

ENTIRE LESSON: Isaiah 1:10-20

10. Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.
11. To what purpose *is* the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.
12. When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?
13. Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; *it is* iniquity, even the solemn meeting.
14. Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear *them*.
15. And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.
16. Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;
17. Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
18. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.
19. If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:
20. But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

PURPOSE – To show that the wrath of God is revealed upon the children of disobedience and to let all ungodly sinners know that on that day, God’s righteous judgement will be revealed.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – Be angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Ephesians 4:26-27

COMMENTARY

The works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. Galatians 5:19

The wrath of God will remain on the wicked and upon all ungodly and unrighteous men who continue to disobey him. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Ephesians 5:6

Those who have been justified by his blood, shall be saved from the wrath of God. We must mortify our bodies against all uncleanness and unrighteousness, and fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Matthew 10:28

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. One of the great evils of today is anger.
- 2. God will turn your anger around.
- 3. Anger that is passed down from generation to generation is called generational anger.
- 4. The fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.
- 5. Jesus will deliver us from the wrath to come.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Isaiah 1:4, They have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger.
Tuesday	John 3:36, He that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.
Wednesday	Psalms 37:8, Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
Thursday	Proverbs 19:11, The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and <i>it is</i> his glory to pass over a transgression.
Friday	Revelation 14:19, The angel gathered the vine of the earth, and cast <i>it</i> into the great winepress of the wrath of God.
Saturday	Revelation 16:1, Pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.
Sunday	Revelation 6:17, The great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 10:31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

LESSON 9

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

GOD IS FOR YOU, NOT AGAINST YOU

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 8:31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 8:26-39

- 26. Likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.
- 27. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

28. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.
29. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.
30. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.
31. What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?
32. He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?
33. Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
34. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
35. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
36. As it is written, for thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.
37. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
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 creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PURPOSE - To show that God loves and cares about every one of us. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man. Psalm 118:8

COMMENTARY

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us: then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us. Psalm 124:2-3

The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do unto me? Psalm 118:6
 God is for you, not against you. It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not fail you, neither forsake you. Be strong and courageous, fear not, neither be dismayed, God is with you wherever you go. Deuteronomy 31:8

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me. Hebrews 13:6
2. When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me. Psalm 56:9
3. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13
4. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us. Ephesians 2:4
5. But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth. Psalm 86:15

6. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. 1 John 4:16

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Joshua 1:5, As I was with Moses, so I will be with thee.
Tuesday	Psalm 116:12, What shall I render unto the LORD for all his benefits toward me?
Wednesday	Psalm 116:13, I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the LORD.
Thursday	Philippians 4:13, I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
Friday	Philippians 4:19, But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
Saturday	1 John 3:1, Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God.
Sunday	Zephaniah 3:17, The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Peter 5:6-7 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

LESSON 10

OCTOBER 6, 2024

HE IS A GOD OF A SECOND CHANCE

MOTTO TEXT: Judges 16:28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

ENTIRE LESSON: Judges 16:6-30

6. And Delilah said to Samson, tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.
7. And Samson said unto her, if they bind me with seven green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
8. Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.
9. Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he break the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So, his strength was not known.
10. And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.
11. And he said unto her, if they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.

12. Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he break them from off his arms like a thread.
13. And Delilah said unto Samson, hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.
14. And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.
15. And she said unto him, how canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*.
16. And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, *so* that his soul was vexed unto death;
17. That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, there hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man.
18. And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her and brought money in their hand.
19. And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.
20. And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.
21. But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.
22. Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.
23. Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand.
24. And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us.
25. And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him between the pillars.
26. And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.
27. Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines *were* there; and *there were* upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.
28. And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

29. And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.
30. And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with *all his* might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that *were* therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than *they* which he slew in his life.

PURPOSE - To show that even when we break our covenant and promises to GOD, He gives us a second chance to do His will.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Sampson asked for one more chance. Sometimes if in trouble, we may have to pray; please God, forgive me once again.

COMMENTARY

A second chance simply means a second opportunity to make self-corrections and get right with God. We get that second chance when God grants us forgiveness for our transgressions. I thank God for a second chance; a second chance to get my life right with him. When I did wrong, God gave me several chances. God is able to restore you, no matter what you have done. There is nothing too hard or impossible for God.

God does not punish us for everything that we do wrong. Sometimes he gives us a second chance. When you have been hurt by someone you love, sometimes you have to find a way to give that person a second chance.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. God continues to give us many chances, third, fourth, fifth.
2. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23
3. There is none righteous, no, not one. Romans 3:10
4. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation. Psalm 51:12
5. When we become born-again believers, God has given us a second chance.
6. The spirit of the Lord shall not always strive with man.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Jonah 3:1, And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time.
Tuesday	1 John 1:9, If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us <i>our</i> sins.
Wednesday	2 Peter 3:9, The Lord is longsuffering towards us, not wanting any to perish.
Thursday	Romans 5:8, While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
Friday	Matthew 6:12, And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Saturday	Matthew 6:15, If ye forgive not, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.
Sunday	Romans 6:1-2, Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

I AM SORRY GOD, AGAIN

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 38:18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 38:1-19

1. O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.
2. For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.
3. *There is* no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither *is there any* rest in my bones because of my sin.
4. For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.
5. My wounds stink *and* are corrupt because of my foolishness.
6. I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.
7. For my loins are filled with a loathsome *disease*: and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.
8. I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.
9. Lord, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.
10. My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.
11. My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.
12. They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me*: and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.
13. But I, as a deaf *man*, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.
14. Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.
15. For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.
16. For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify *themselves* against me.
17. For I *am* ready to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.
18. For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.
19. But mine enemies *are* lively, *and* they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

PURPOSE - To say to God that we are sorry, to confess our sins; to ask God for forgiveness.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - We must be like God; swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath. James 1:19

COMMENTARY

Have mercy upon me O God. I am so sorry, again. I have done wrong, again. I have completely messed up, again. As David said, I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin *is* ever before me. Please Jesus, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly

from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:1-3,10

Sin, deceived me, and by it slew *me*. I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. I delight in the law of God, but I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin. Romans 7:11,18-25

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more. Hebrews 8:12
2. Ask for forgiveness; and it shall be given you.
3. God is displeased with the sins of man. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. Genesis 6:6
4. Confess *your* faults one to another and pray one for another. James 5:16
5. Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Matthew 3:2
6. Hatred stirs up strife: but love covers all sins. Proverbs 10:12

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Mark 11:25, When ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any.
Tuesday	Proverbs 28:13, Whoso confess and forsake his sins shall have mercy.
Wednesday	1 John 1:9, He is faithful and just to forgive us <i>our</i> sins.
Thursday	Luke 17:4, If he trespass against you and repent; thou shalt forgive him.
Friday	Ephesians 4:32, Be kind forgiving one another, even as God has forgiven you.
Saturday	Psalm 86:5, God is ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all.
Sunday	Micah 7:18, Who <i>is</i> a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger forever, because he delighteth <i>in</i> mercy.

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

LESSON 12

OCTOBER 20, 2024

COME AND SEE THE MARVELOUS WORKS OF GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 111:2 The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

ENTIRE LESSON: Exodus 14:21-31

21. And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the Lord caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.
22. And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry ground, and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand and on their left.
23. And the Egyptians pursued and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.
24. And it came to pass that in the morning watch the Lord looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud and troubled the host of the Egyptians,
25. And took off their chariot wheels that they drave them heavily, so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel, for the Lord fighteth for them against the Egyptians.
26. And the Lord said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and upon their horsemen.
27. And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its strength when the morning appeared, and the Egyptians fled against it, and the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.
28. And the waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.
29. But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand and on their left.
30. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the seashore.
31. And Israel saw that great work which the Lord did upon the Egyptians, and the people feared the Lord and believed the Lord and his servant Moses.

PURPOSE - To examine the marvelous works of God displayed at the parting of the Red Sea, emphasizing his deliverance and the response of awe and belief from the Israelites.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to reflect on the great works of God in their lives, fostering a deep sense of awe, gratitude, and unwavering belief in his power to deliver. If God delivered his people before he can do it again and again and again. He is all powerful. He is the almighty God.

COMMENTARY

The miraculous parting of the Red Sea, as recounted in Exodus 14, unveils the extraordinary works of God. As Moses stretched out his hand, the Lord caused the sea to recede, creating a path of dry land for the Israelites. The pillar of fire and cloud provided divine guidance and protection throughout the night.

The pursuing Egyptians faced the consequences of challenging the Lord's deliverance. The Lord troubled the Egyptian host, taking off their chariot wheels and causing chaos. In the morning, as Moses stretched out his hand again, the waters returned, engulfing the Egyptian army. The Israelites, witnessing this incredible deliverance, walked on dry land, and the sea became a powerful testimony of God's saving power.

The response of the Israelites was one of awe, fear, and belief in the Lord and His servant Moses. This historical event serves as an enduring reminder for believers to "Come

and see the marvelous works of God." Reflecting on His great works, both in biblical accounts and personal experiences, promotes a deep sense of gratitude and belief in God's ability to deliver and save His people.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Exodus Chapter 14

- 1. Moses stretched out his hand, and the sea was divided (vv. 21-22)
- 2. The Egyptians pursued the Israelites into the sea (vv. 23-25)
- 3. Moses stretched out his hand again, and the sea returned to its strength (vv. 26-29)
- 4. Israel witnessed the great work of the Lord (vv. 30-31)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Exodus 13:17-22, The pillar of cloud and fire leads the Israelites
Tuesday	Exodus 14:1-9, Pharaoh pursues the Israelites at the Red Sea
Wednesday	Exodus 14:10-20, The Israelites' fear and Moses' reassurance
Thursday	Exodus 14:21-25, Moses stretches out his hand, and the sea is divided
Friday	Exodus 14:26-31, The Egyptians defeated as the sea returns
Saturday	Psalm 66:1-7, Shout for joy to God, all the earth
Sunday	Exodus 14:1-31, Come and see the marvelous works of God

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 111:2 The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.



Theme II THE GOOD SHEPHERD

I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and
am known of mine...And other sheep I have, which
are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall
hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.
John 10:14, 16

LESSONS 13 - 27

LESSON 13

OCTOBER 27, 2024

TEMPERANCE SUNDAY LEARNING TO HAVE SELF CONTROL

MOTTO TEXT: Proverbs 25:28 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

ENTIRE LESSON: Galatians 5:22-23; Proverbs 16:32; Titus 2:11-12
Galatians 5:22-23

22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23. Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Proverbs 16:32

32. He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

Titus 2:11-12

11. For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
12. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world.

PURPOSE - To highlight the importance of developing self-control as a fruit of the Spirit. There are many benefits of temperance in one's life.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to seek God's divine help in cultivating self-control, embracing the transformation that comes from denying ungodliness and living a life marked by Godly virtues.

COMMENTARY

Today is "Temperance Sunday." Learning to have self-control emphasizes the significance of this virtue and how essential it is for a Christian's growth and maturity.

Galatians 5:22-23 lists self-control as a fruit of the Spirit, highlighting its pivotal role among other virtues. Proverbs 16:32 contrasts the value of ruling one's spirit with the mightiness of taking a city, emphasizing the inner strength derived from self-control. Titus 2:11-12 connects the grace of God with the teaching of self-control, guiding believers to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world.

Believers are encouraged to recognize self-control as an important aspect of Christian character and to seek God's guidance in our development. This lesson serves as

a call for believers to embrace the transformation that comes from denying ungodliness, learning to have self-control, and living a life marked by the virtues bestowed by the Holy Ghost.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Galatians 5:22-23 - The fruit of the Spirit, including self-control, are essential for Christian living
- 2. Proverbs 16:32 – There is great value of ruling one's spirit, emphasizing the inner strength derived from self-control
- 3. Titus 2:11-12 - The grace of God teaches us to live soberly, righteously, and godly

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Galatians 5:22-23, The fruit of the Spirit, including self-control, is essential for Christian living
Tuesday	Proverbs 16:32, The value of ruling one's spirit, emphasizing the inner strength derived from self-control
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 9:24-27, The athlete's analogy of self-control in the Christian race
Thursday	James 3:2, The call for believers to bridle their tongues, showcasing the importance of self-control
Friday	Titus 2:11-12, The grace of God teaching us to live soberly, righteously, and godly, emphasizing the importance of self-control
Saturday	Proverbs 25:28, The lack of self-control compared to a city without walls
Sunday	Galatians 5:22-23; Proverbs 16:32; Titus 2:11-12, The fruit of the Spirit, the value of ruling one's spirit, and the grace of God teaching us to live with self-control.

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 25:28 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

LESSON 14

NOVEMBER 3, 2024

THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH

MOTTO TEXT: 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 and truth.

ENTIRE LESSON: John 1:1-23

- 1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- 2. The same was in the beginning with God.
- 3. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.
- 4. In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
- 5. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

6. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.
7. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men 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 lighteth every man that cometh into the world.
10. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.
11. He came unto his own, and his own received him not.
12. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:
13. Which 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 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 and truth.
15. John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, this was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me.
16. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.
17. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.
18. No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.
19. And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?
20. And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ.
21. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.
22. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?
23. He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.

PURPOSE - To declare that in the beginning the Word was with God and the Word was God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - There are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. 1 John 5:7

COMMENTARY

It is written: Hebrews 4:12; The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 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 and truth. John 1:14 Great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory. 1 Timothy 3:16

What the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. Romans 8:3-4 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. We believe in God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.
2. We preach and do firmly believe that Jesus Christ is this son of the living God
3. We believe that Jesus took upon himself the likeness of sinful flesh, and that the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.
4. We believe that Jesus condemned sin in the flesh.
5. We believe that we walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit.
6. We believe that human flesh can live in this world free from sin and condemnation.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Colossians 1:15, Jesus is the image of God, the firstborn of every creature.
Tuesday	Ephesians 6:12, For we wrestle not against flesh and blood.
Wednesday	Romans 8:8, So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
Thursday	Romans 1:3, Jesus was made of the seed of David according to the flesh.
Friday	Philippians 2:7, He took upon him the form of a servant.
Saturday	Romans 7:18, For I know that in my flesh dwells no good thing.
Sunday	Revelation 19:13, And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 John 1:2 For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us.

LESSON 15

NOVEMBER 10, 2024

A MAN NAMED JESUS

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 1:18-25

18. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.
19. Then Joseph, her husband, being a just man and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.
20. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS, for he shall save his people from their sins.
22. Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23. Behold, a virgin shall be with child and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.
24. Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him and took unto him his wife,
25. And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son, and he called his name JESUS.

PURPOSE - To understand the significance of the birth of Jesus, exploring the divine message conveyed through His name and the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to recognize and embrace the message of Jesus, understanding its purpose in bringing salvation to humanity.

COMMENTARY

The angelic message to Joseph unveils the purpose of the name, "JESUS," signifying the Savior who would rescue humanity from the bondage of sin. The wages of sin is death so Jesus came to save us from the consequence of our sins. The fulfillment of the prophecy about a virgin giving birth to Emmanuel emphasizes the divine nature of this momentous occasion.

The obedience of Joseph and Mary in naming the child Jesus underscores their alignment with God's divine plan. Jesus (*the son of God*) is the way, the truth and the life. Today's lesson shows the redemptive mission of Jesus, demonstrating God's intentional involvement in human history. The name "JESUS" resonates with the power to save, offering hope and transformation to all who believe. As believers reflect on the birth of Jesus we are invited to embrace the reality of God's presence with us. There is healing, blessings, power, deliverance, restoration, freedom, joy, liberty, peace, love and salvation in the name, Jesus. There is no other name whereby men and women can be saved. When in trouble and when we are not in trouble we should always call upon the name, Jesus. What would be the plight of humanity without Jesus?

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Matthew Chapter 1

1. Jesus was born in human flesh of the Holy Ghost (vv. 18-20)
2. The divine message of hope is conveyed through the name JESUS (vv. 21-23)
3. Old Testament prophecy was fulfilled (vv. 22-23)
4. Joseph and Mary were obedient to God's plan (vv. 24-25)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Isaiah 7:10-14, The prophecy of a virgin giving birth
Tuesday	Isaiah 9:6-7, The promise of a child named Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God
Wednesday	Micah 5:2, The prophecy of Bethlehem as His birthplace
Thursday	Luke 1:26-38, The angelic announcement to Mary
Friday	Luke 2:1-7, The birth of Jesus in Bethlehem
Saturday	John 1:1-14, The Word became flesh
Sunday	Matthew 1:18-25, A man named Jesus, the Savior from the consequence of our sins

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

LESSON 16

NOVEMBER 17, 2024

JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 16:13-20

13. When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
14. And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias, and others, Jeremias or one of the prophets.
15. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?
16. And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
17. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona, for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.
18. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
19. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
20. Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

PURPOSE - To affirm the divine identity of Jesus Christ as the Son of the living God, emphasizing Peter's confession and Jesus' declaration of building his church upon a solid foundation.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to make a personal confession of Jesus as the Son of the living God.

COMMENTARY

Jesus is the only begotten Son of God. Matthew 16 records a critical moment when Peter confesses Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus acknowledges the divine revelation behind Peter's confession. Jesus also declares that he must build His church upon a solid rock or else the foundation and building will not stand. Jesus is the Son of the Living God. Do you know Him? Is the foundation of your heart built on a rock or

sand? Is the foundation of your life built on a rock or sand? If you do not know Jesus, get to know Him. He is a solid rock that will never fail.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Matthew Chapter 16

- 1. There are many opinions about Jesus' identity. (vv. 13-14)
- 2. Peter's confession: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" is a confession every believer must make. (v. 16)
- 3. Jesus responded to Peter's confession. Jesus will respond to our confession. (vv. 17-20)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	John 1:41-42, Peter's initial encounter with Jesus
Tuesday	John 6:66-69, Peter's confession of faith
Wednesday	John 20:24-29, Thomas' confession of Jesus as Lord and God
Thursday	Acts 4:8-12, Peter's bold testimony about Jesus
Friday	Colossians 1:15-20, The superiority of Christ
Saturday	Hebrews 1:1-4, God's revelation
Sunday	1 John 4:14-15, Confessing Jesus as the Son of God

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

LESSON 17

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

**THANKSGIVING LESSON
REAL JOY IN THE HOLY GHOST**

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 15:4-24

- 4. What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?
- 5. And when he hath found *it*, he layeth *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.
- 6. And when he cometh home, he calleth together *his* friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.
- 7. I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.
- 8. Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it*?
- 9. And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

10. Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.
11. And he said, A certain man had two sons:
12. And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living.
13. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
14. And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.
15. And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.
16. And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.
17. And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
18. I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,
19. And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.
20. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.
21. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.
22. But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:
23. And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry:
24. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.

PURPOSE - To find real joy by continuing to love one another, even our enemies, in spite of hardships that are a part of our daily lives.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

COMMENTARY

Joy is the emotions we show when we are delighted or happy. Sometimes we sing about it: “This Joy I Have the World Didn’t Give It to Me.” Sometimes we speak it into existence: “I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

The joy of the Lord is my strength. This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks *himself* with ornaments, and as a bride adorns *herself* with her jewels. I will praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole

heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High. Psalm 9:1-2

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Rejoice in the Lord always. Philippians 4:4
2. Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer. Romans 12:12
3. God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7
4. But the fruit of the Spirit includes love, joy, and peace. Galatians 5:22
5. A merry heart doeth good *like* medicine. Proverbs 17:22
6. The joy of the LORD is your strength. Nehemiah 8:10

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	John 16:24, Ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.
Tuesday	Zephaniah 3:17, The LORD, will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy.
Wednesday	Acts 2:4, They were all filled with the Holy Ghost.
Thursday	Romans 15:13, The God of hope fill you with joy and peace in the Holy Ghost.
Friday	James 1:2, My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations.
Saturday	Psalm 30:5, Weeping may endure for a night, but joy <i>cometh</i> in the morning.
Sunday	2 Corinthians 12:10, Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake.

MEMEROY VERSE: 1 Peter 1:8-9 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: Receiving the end of your faith, *even* the salvation of *your* souls.

LESSON 18

DECEMBER 1, 2024

JESUS IS THE WAY OUT OF YOUR DILEMMA

MOTTO TEXT: John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

ENTIRE LESSON: John 14:1-21

1. Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
2. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.
4. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.
5. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6. Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
7. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him and have seen him.
8. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
9. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?
10. Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.
11. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.
12. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.
13. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
14. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.
15. If ye love me, keep my commandments.
16. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever;
17. Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you and shall be in you.
18. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.
19. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.
20. At that day ye shall know that I am in my father, and ye in me, and I in you.
21. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

PURPOSE - To show that Jesus is the way out of all our troubles. He is the answer for all our dilemmas.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Be of good cheer; because Jesus have overcome the world, we can also overcome the world.

COMMENTARY

Your sins will never be forgiven without Jesus. Jesus has power on earth to forgive sins. He is our escape route; he is the way out of all our troubles. God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*. 1 Corinthians 10:13

You will never see God without first knowing Jesus. Jesus said, verily, verily, I say unto you, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Jesus said I have come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly. John 3:3, 10:10

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. A dilemma can be any difficult or perplexing choice, situation, or problem.
2. The righteous cry, and the LORD hear, and delivers them out of all their troubles.
Psalm 34:17
3. Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all. Psalm 34:19
4. I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better. Philippians 1:23
5. How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? *how* shall I deliver thee, Israel? Hosea 11:8
6. How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD *be* God, follow him: but if Baal, *then* follow him. And the people answered him not a word. 1 Kings 18:21

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Matthew 6:24, No man can serve two masters.
Tuesday	Matthew 27:22, What shall I do then with Jesus? <i>They</i> said, crucify Him!
Wednesday	John 3:16, Whosoever believes in Jesus should not perish but have life.
Thursday	John 8:12, Jesus said, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in darkness.
Friday	Jeremiah 6:16, Ask for the old paths, where <i>is</i> the good way, and walk therein.
Saturday	Matthew 7:14, Strait <i>is</i> the gate, and narrow <i>is</i> the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.
Sunday	Proverbs 14:12, There is a way which seems right unto man, but the end thereof <i>are</i> the ways of death.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it *shall be* for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err *therein*.

LESSON 19

DECEMBER 8, 2024

READY OR NOT JESUS IS COMING BACK

MOTTO TEXT: Revelation 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 24:36-51

36. But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.
37. But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
38. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark,
39. And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
40. Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
42. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.
43. But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.
44. Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.
45. Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?
46. Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.
47. Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.
48. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;
49. And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;
50. The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,
51. And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

PURPOSE - To instill a sense of urgency and preparedness for the Second Coming of Jesus, emphasizing the unpredictability of his return. No man knows the day or hour.

PRACTICAL POINT - Encourage believers to live with vigilance, maintaining a faithful and wise servant's mindset, and actively serving others while eagerly awaiting the return of Christ.

COMMENTARY

No man knows the day nor hour that Christ will return but he shall return because he promised he would. Matthew 24 provides insights into Jesus' teachings about his Second Coming, emphasizing the need for readiness and watchfulness. The parables illustrate the unpredictability of his return and stress the importance of living with a sense of urgency and faithfulness. "If the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matthew 24:40-45

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Matthew Chapter 24

1. The Second Coming cannot be predicted because no one knows (vv. 36-44)
2. There is a reward for the faithful and wise servant (vv. 45-51)
3. God wants believers to be watchful and ready (vv. 42, 44)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Mark 13:32-37, The Day and Hour Unknown
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, The Day of the Lord
Wednesday	2 Peter 3:8-15a, The Day of the Lord Will Come
Thursday	Revelation 16:15, Behold, I come as a thief
Friday	Revelation 22:7, Behold, I come quickly
Saturday	Revelation 22:14, Blessed are they that do his commandments

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

LESSON 20**DECEMBER 15, 2024****LIVING FOR JESUS**

MOTTO TEXT: Joshua 24:15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

1. Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.
2. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
3. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:
4. That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;
5. Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:
6. That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.
7. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.
8. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.
9. But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.
10. And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;
11. And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;
12. That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

PURPOSE - To show that we shall worship Jesus, for He is Lord to the glory of God the Father, and him only shall we serve.

PRACTICAL POINT - If we are to live for Jesus, we must study to show ourselves approved unto God, workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

COMMENTARY

We *are* fools for Christ's sake. 1 Corinthians 4:10 We *are* the followers of Jesus, we preach Christ crucified, we are chosen to serve and live for Jesus. It is not about us, but it is about Jesus. We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves as servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, and that the excellency of His power may be of God, and not of us. Paul said, I am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified, and that his speech and his preaching *was* not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. 1 Corinthians 2:2-4

For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living. Romans 14:8-9

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. We are disciples of Jesus. Acts 19:1
2. Jesus said, If I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto me. John 12:32
3. To live for Jesus is to obey and honor Him. Acts 5:29; 1 Timothy 1:17
4. He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 1:31
5. When living for Jesus, prayer is essential. Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17
6. If you will live for Jesus, if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. Matthew 19:17

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	1 Corinthians 1:31, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.
Tuesday	Matthew 4:10, You shall worship the Lord God, and him only shall you serve.
Wednesday	Matthew 16:24, If any <i>man</i> will come after me, let him deny himself, and follow me.
Thursday	Philippians 1:21, For to me to live <i>is</i> Christ, and to die <i>is</i> gain.
Friday	1 Corinthians 6:18, If you live for Jesus, you must flee fornication.
Saturday	Matthew 5:14, Ye are the light of the world.
Sunday	Matthew 5:16, Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

MEMORY VERSE: John 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

LESSON 21

DECEMBER 22, 2024

CHRISTMAS LESSON OUT OF EGYPT HAVE I CALLED MY SON

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 2:14-15 When he arose, he took the young child and his

mother by night and departed into Egypt: And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 2:1-15

1. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
2. Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
3. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
4. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.
5. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,
6. And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.
7. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.
8. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.
9. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.
10. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.
11. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.
12. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.
13. And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.
14. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:
15. And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

PURPOSE - To remind us that God the Father called his son, Jesus, out of Egypt to be the Savior of the world.

PRACTICAL POINT - Israel broke her covenant with God. Words matter. Keep your vows and promises to God.

COMMENTARY

Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt. God fulfills the scripture by calling his own son out of Egypt. However, the more God called Israel the more it seemed that Israel, his people, turned away, by worshipping idols and burning incense to false gods.

In Matthew 2:13-15 The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, and instructed him to take his family and flee into Egypt because Herod will seek the young child to kill him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: Joseph remained in Egypt until the death of Herod: that the scripture might be fulfilled: "Out of Egypt have I called my son."

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Hosea is the first of the twelve Minor Prophets.
- 2. Hosea accused Israel of breaking their covenant with God.
- 3. The house of Israel was full of deceit and lies. Hosea 11:12
- 4. God's compassion is expressed in Hosea 11:8-9
- 5. The world needed a Savior.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 2:2, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? We have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
Tuesday	Matthew 2:1, Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea.
Wednesday	John 8:12, Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Thursday	John 1:5, The light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.
Friday	John 1:14, And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.
Saturday	John 10:10, The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.
Sunday	1 Timothy 3:16, And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

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

LESSON 22

DECEMBER 29, 2024

THE POWER OF THE HOLY GHOST

MOTTO TEXT: Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

ENTIRE LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

1. And when the day of Pentecost was 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 all the house where they were sitting.
3. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
4. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
5. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.
6. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.
7. And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans?
8. And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?
9. Parthians and Medes and Elamites and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea and Cappadocia, in Pontus and Asia,
10. Phrygia and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,
11. Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.
12. And they were all amazed and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?
13. Others, mocking, said, These men are full of new wine.
14. But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words.
15. For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.
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 show 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.

PURPOSE - To explore the amazing power of the Holy Ghost as experienced on the day of Pentecost, emphasizing its role in equipping believers for witness and spiritual works.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to seek and embrace the power of the Holy Ghost in their lives, enabling them to be effective witnesses. Encourage non-believers to “try Jesus.” He’s alright!

COMMENTARY

Our founder, Mother Tate, received the Holy Ghost on her bed of affliction. Jesus breathed on his disciples and told them to receive the Holy Ghost (John 20:22). In the House of God, we fully believe and preach you shall receive power after the Holy Ghost comes upon you.

Acts 2 tells of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the Day of Pentecost, empowering the disciples and launching the New Testament church. This event marked the beginning of the church's powerful witness and was a fulfillment of Joel's prophecy regarding the pouring out of the Spirit (Joel 2:28).

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Acts Chapter 2

1. Pentecost was a miracle (vv. 1-4)
2. Pentecost was an amazing display of God's power (vv. 5-13)
3. Peter explained Joel's prophecy (vv. 14-21)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	John 14:15-17, The Promise of the Holy Ghost
Tuesday	John 16:7-15, The Role of the Holy Ghost
Wednesday	Acts 1:4-5, The Promise Fulfilled at Pentecost
Thursday	Romans 8:9-17, Life in the Spirit
Friday	1 Corinthians 12:1-11, Spiritual Gifts
Saturday	Galatians 5:16-26, Walking in the Spirit
Sunday	Ephesians 5:15-21, Being Filled with the Spirit

MEMORY VERSE: Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

LESSON 23

JANUARY 5, 2025

NEW YEAR'S LESSON GOD'S BLESSINGS ARE COMING

MOTTO TEXT: Malachi 3:10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

ENTIRE LESSON: Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Malachi 3:6-12; Psalm 1:1-3

Deuteronomy 28:1-14

1. And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

2. And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God.
3. Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.
4. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
5. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.
6. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.
7. The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.
8. The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
9. The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways.
10. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee.
11. And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
12. The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.
13. And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:
14. And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

Malachi 3:6-12

6. For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
7. Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return?
8. Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.
9. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.
10. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
11. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.
12. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.

Psalm 1:1-3

1. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
2. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
3. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

PURPOSE - To explore the biblical promises of God's blessings for obedience, focusing on key passages that highlight the relationship between faithfulness, tithing, and divine blessings.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to trust in God's promises, express faithfulness in tithing, and align their lives with His principles to receive abundant blessings.

COMMENTARY

Deuteronomy 28:1-14 outlines the blessings of obedience within the covenant with God, illustrating the prosperity that follows faithfulness. Malachi 3:6-12 communicates God's promise to open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings for those who bring tithes into his storehouse. Psalm 1:1-3 depicts the prosperous state of the righteous, comparing it to a tree planted by rivers of water.

Jesus endorsed tithing, but expects his followers to exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees whom he encouraged to continue tithing (Matthew 23:23). True followers of Jesus are willing to surrender all (not just a tenth) for the cause of Christ.

Believers are encouraged to trust in God's promises, express faithfulness in tithing, and align their lives with his principles to receive the abundance of blessings that he generously bestows. This lesson serves as a reminder that God's blessings are indeed coming for those who walk in obedience and faithfulness.

For many people tithing is controversial but in the Church of the Living God we believe and firmly preach tithing as a way to partner with God in the furtherance of his work on earth. "Let your kingdom come. Let your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

There is no business partner that will do all the work and allow you to keep 90% of the proceeds. God says, bring the tithe to the church and allow me to prove to you that I will bless you in a way that you could not imagine. Try Jesus and allow him to prove his promise. God keeps his promises.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Deuteronomy 28:1-14, The blessings of obedience are outlined in the covenant with God
2. Malachi 3:6-12, God's promise to open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings for those who bring tithes is not an empty promise
3. Psalm 1:1-3, The prosperity of the righteous can be compared to a tree planted by rivers of water

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Deuteronomy 28:1-6, The blessings of obedience, including being blessed in the city and in the field
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Tuesday	Deuteronomy 28:7-10, Further blessings, such as victory over enemies and prosperity in all undertakings
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 28:11-14, Abundance of goods and blessings in the land, emphasizing obedience
Thursday	Malachi 3:6-9, God's call to return to him and bring tithes, testing his faithfulness in opening the windows of heaven
Friday	Malachi 3:10-12, God's promise to pour out blessings when bringing tithes, resulting in overflowing abundance
Saturday	Psalm 1:1-3, The prosperity of the righteous compared to a tree planted by rivers of water
Sunday	Deuteronomy 28:1-14; Malachi 3:6-12; Psalm 1:1-3, The blessings of obedience, tithing, and the prosperity of the righteous.

MEMORY VERSE: Malachi 3:10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

LESSON 24

JANUARY 12, 2025

WE ARE QUICKENED BY THE HOLY GHOST

MOTTO TEXT: Ephesians 2:1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 2:1-10

1. And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;
2. Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:
3. Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.
4. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
5. Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)
6. And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:
7. That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.
8. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
9. Not of works, lest any man should boast.
10. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

PURPOSE - To show that through the powers of Jesus Christ we receive life. It is the Holy Ghost that quickens. John 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Being born again; put off the old man. Being made free from sin, walk in the newness of life.

COMMENTARY

The Holy Ghost is a quickening power. Quicken means to give life or to make alive. The Bible says you are a lively stone. If the spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his spirit that dwelleth in you. Romans 8:11. It is the spirit that quickens; the flesh profits nothing: Jesus said, the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. It is through the power of the Holy Ghost that our body quickens and new life enters.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. The letter kills, but the spirit gives life. 2 Corinthians 3:6
2. The Word of God is quick and powerful. Hebrews 4:12
3. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me. Luke 4:18
4. Stir up the gift of God which is in you. 2 Timothy 1:6
5. We are buried with him by baptism into death. Romans 6:4
6. The Holy Ghost quickens us through God's word. Ephesians 2:1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Ephesians 2:1, And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.
Tuesday	Psalms 71:20, Thou, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.
Wednesday	Psalms 80:18, Quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.
Thursday	Romans 4:17, God, who quickens the dead, and calls those things which be not as though they were.
Friday	John 5:21, For as the Father raises up the dead, and quickens them; even so the Son quickens whom he will.
Saturday	Colossians 2:13, And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses.
Sunday	1 Timothy 6:13, I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickens all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

A HOLY GHOST FILLED CHURCH: LORD FILL THIS HOUSE

MOTTO TEXT: Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

ENTIRE LESSON: Acts 2:36-47

36. 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.
39. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.
40. And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.
41. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.
42. And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.
43. And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.
44. And all that believed were together, and had all things common;
45. And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need
46. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,
47. Praising God, and having favors with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

PURPOSE - To pray that the Lord would anoint his people with the Holy Ghost and that his Holy Spirit will fill the House of God everywhere.

PRACTICAL POINT - Acts 2:38 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.

COMMENTARY

A Holy Ghost filled church must be a praying church. The Bible says that men ought to always pray and not faint, and to pray without ceasing. It is written, Isaiah 35:8-9 An highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there.

Every church that is spirit filled ought to be a growing church steadfast, unmovable, abounding in the work of the Lord, and should not be tossed to and fro nor carried about with every wind of doctrine but rather, must be making preparations to meet

the soon coming King.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. God is not through blessing you.
2. Repent and turn to God.
3. The Kingdom of heaven is at hand.
4. Stay in fellowship with Jesus.
5. A Holy Ghost filled church is spiritually alive!
6. Go, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Luke 5:32, I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.
Tuesday	Matthew 5:6, Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
Wednesday	Haggai 2:3, Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? And how do ye see it now?
Thursday	Luke 14:23, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.
Friday	2 Peter 1:8, For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Saturday	1 Corinthians 3:6, I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.
Sunday	Ephesians 5:27, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

MEMORY VERSE: Mark 16:17-18 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

LESSON 26

JANUARY 26, 2025

THE LORD ADDED TO THE CHURCH DAILY

MOTTO TEXT: Acts 2:47 Praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

ENTIRE LESSON: Acts 2:41-47

41. Then they that gladly received his word were baptized, and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.
42. And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayers.

43. And fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.
44. And all that believed were together and had all things common,
45. And sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men, as every man had need.
46. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,
47. Praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

PURPOSE - To explore the early Christian community in Acts 2, highlighting the Lord's role in adding to the church daily and the key aspects of their fellowship and devotion.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to prioritize fellowship, the apostles' doctrine, breaking of bread, and prayers, which fosters a spirit of unity and devotion in the Church.

COMMENTARY

Acts 2 provides a glimpse into the growing early Christian community. The Church grew as believers were baptized, devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and engaged in activities as a community. We cannot expect our churches to grow if there is not unity amongst the Saints. Each church must line up behind the vision of the pastor and Chief Overseer in order for the church of the living God to see the growth that was birthed from the Day of Pentecost. When we get on one accord (just as the apostles did on the Day of Pentecost) we will see miracles signs and wonders.

The Lord's role in adding people to the church illustrates God's divinity. Only a divine God can save sinners by using flawed people to preach his perfect will. The believer's daily devotion to fellowship, teaching, and prayer contributed to a spirit of unity and shared blessings, creating a compelling witness to those around them. Today's lesson encourages a devoted and unified church to not only experience the favor of God but also become an attractive testimony, drawing others into the family of believers.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Acts Chapter 2

1. The Word was preached with clarity, leading to baptism and the addition of about three thousand souls (vv. 41-42)
2. There was a steadfast commitment to the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayers (vv. 42-43)
3. The unity and communal life of believers, sharing possessions and meeting each other's needs was important for the churches growth (vv. 44-45)
4. Daily devotion, unity, and praise resulted in the Lord adding to the Church daily (vv. 46-47)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Acts 2:41-42, Reception of the Word, baptism, and commitment to the apostles' doctrine
Tuesday	Acts 2:42-43, Steadfast devotion to fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayers

Wednesday	Acts 2:44-45, Unity and communal life among believers, sharing possessions
Thursday	Acts 2:46-47, Daily devotion, unity, and praise, resulting in the Lord adding to the Church
Friday	Acts 2:1-13, The Day of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Ghost
Saturday	Acts 2:14-40, Peter's sermon and the response of the crowd
Sunday	Acts 2:41-47, The Lord added to the Church daily; the early Christian community.

MEMORY VERSE: Acts 2:47 Praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

LESSON 27

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

IF A MAN DIES SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN?

MOTTO TEXT: Job 14:14 If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

ENTIRE LESSON: Job 14:1-15

1. Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble.
2. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not.
3. And doth thou open thine eyes upon such a one and bringest me into judgment with thee?
4. Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? Not one.
5. Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee; thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass.
6. Turn from him, that he may rest till he shall accomplish, as a hireling, his day.
7. For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.
8. Though the root thereof wax old in the earth and the stock thereof die in the ground,
9. Yet through the scent of water it will bud and bring forth boughs like a plant.
10. But man dieth and wasteth away; yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?
11. As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up,
12. So man lieth down and riseth not; till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake nor be raised out of their sleep.
13. O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time and remember me!
14. If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.
15. Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee; thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.

PURPOSE - To explore Job's life, death, and the hope of resurrection.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to ponder the mystery of life after death and find comfort in the hope of resurrection through Jesus Christ.

COMMENTARY

In today’s lesson Job reflects on the challenges of human life. He compares life to a fleeting flower and acknowledges the inevitability of death. However, amidst the uncertainty, Job asks a profound question: "If a man dies, shall he live again?"

The imagery of a tree, which, when cut down, can sprout again through the scent of water, contrasts with the finality of human death. Job expresses a longing for rest in the grave but the anticipation of the resurrection.

This passage resonates with the Christian hope of life after death, especially through the resurrecting power of Jesus Christ. It does not appear what we shall be: but when Christ returns we shall be like him. That will be a glorious day. On that day all of our cares, troubles and disappointments will be over. On that day we won’t have to cry anymore.

Just as Job reflected on life after death, we are encouraged to reflect on the hope of resurrection, find comfort in the promise of life beyond the grave, and await the appointed time when God will call his children home.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Job Chapter 14

- 1. Life is challenging but believers shall overcome (vv. 1-2)
- 2. Death is inevitable and should be embraced as the path towards eternal life (vv. 3-12)
- 3. Reflect on the hope of resurrection (vv. 13-15)
- 4. If a man dies he can live again (v. 14)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Job 14:1-6, Man's brief and troubled life
Tuesday	Job 14:7-12, The inevitability of death
Wednesday	Job 14:13-15, Job's longing for rest and the hope of resurrection
Thursday	1 Corinthians 15:35-49, The hope of resurrection and the imperishable body
Friday	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, The resurrection and the coming of the Lord
Saturday	Job 14:1-15, If a man dies, shall he live again?
Sunday	Job 14:1-15, All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

MEMORY VERSE: **Job 14:14** If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

Theme III
LET US MAKE PROGRESS THROUGH EVANGELISM
And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways
and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.
Luke 14:23

LESSONS 28 - 44

LESSON 28

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

FISHERS OF MEN

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 4:18-19 And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 4:12-25

12. Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;
13. And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:
14. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,
15. The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;
16. The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
17. From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
18. And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
19. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.
20. And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.
21. And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.
22. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.
23. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
24. And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.
25. And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judaea, and *from* beyond Jordan.

PURPOSE - To call disciples to follow him. These fishermen would no longer catch fish but rather would win souls for the kingdom of God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - I am determined to follow Jesus. Luke 9:62 Jesus said, no man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

COMMENTARY

When Jesus said, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men to his new disciples, he was actually saying, follow me there is work for you to do. Jesus was to be about his Father’s business, ministering to the needs of sinful and hurting men. Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. Matthew 4:23

Fishers of men must be those who are ready to launch out into the deep. Fishers of men must be ready to go. Jesus said, Go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world. Matthew 28:19-20

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. My disciples will speak as one having authority.
- 2. If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciple.
- 3. If ye have love one to another, all men shall know that you are my disciples.
- 4. No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. 1 Corinthians 12:3
- 5. My sheep will hear my voice and they will follow me.
- 6. My sheep will not follow a stranger, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. John 10:5

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Luke 5:10, Jesus said to Simon, fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.
Tuesday	Titus 2:11, The grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.
Wednesday	Romans 10:15, And how shall they preach, except they be sent?
Thursday	John 21:3, Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.
Friday	John 21:6, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.
Saturday	John 21:10-11, Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught. Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.
Sunday	Luke 5:4, Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 10:7-8 And as you go, preach, saying, the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely you have received, freely give.

LESSON 29

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

EXCEPT YE REPENT YOU SHALL ALL PERISH

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 13:1-35

1. There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.
2. And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things?
3. I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
4. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?
5. I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
6. He spake also this parable; A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.
7. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?
8. And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung *it*:
9. And if it bear fruit, *well*: and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down.
10. And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.
11. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself*.
12. And when Jesus saw her, he called *her to him*, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.
13. And he laid *his* hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.
14. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.
15. The Lord then answered him, and said, *Thou* hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or *his* ass from the stall, and lead *him* away to watering?
16. And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

17. And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.
18. Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?
19. It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.
20. And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?
21. It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.
22. And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.
23. Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,
24. Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.
25. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:
26. Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.
27. But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.
28. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you *yourselves* thrust out.
29. And they shall come from the east, and *from* the west, and from the north, and *from* the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.
30. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.
31. The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.
32. And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* I shall be perfected.
33. Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the *day* following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.
34. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen *doth* gather her brood under *her* wings, and ye would not!
35. Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until *the time* come when ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

COMMENTARY

Get right with God and do it now. Repentance involves acknowledging our sins and all the transgressions we have committed. If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness. Psalm 51:1
2. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Psalm 51:2
3. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin *is* ever before me. Psalm 51:3
4. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Psalm 51:9
5. Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10
6. Cast me not away from thy presence; take not thy holy spirit from me.
Psalm 51:11

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Acts 3:19 Repent and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.
Tuesday	Matthew 4:17 Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Wednesday	Acts 17:30 God command all men everywhere to repent.
Thursday	1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he will forgive us <i>our</i> sins.
Friday	Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations.
Saturday	Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.
Sunday	Acts 2:38 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.

MEMORY VERSE: Zechariah 1:3 Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.

LESSON 30

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

THE HEART OF MAN

MOTTO TEXT: Mark 7:21-23 For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

ENTIRE LESSON: Mark 7:1-23

1. Then came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem.
2. And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault.
3. For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders.
4. And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, as the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables.

5. Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?
6. He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.
7. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.
8. For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.
9. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.
10. For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:
11. But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free.
12. And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;
13. Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.
14. And when he had called all the people unto him, he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one of you, and understand:
15. There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.
16. If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.
17. And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.
18. And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him;
19. Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?
20. And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.
21. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,
22. Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:
23. All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

PURPOSE - To make clear that it takes a clean heart to know God. It is God, who gives us a new heart and takes away the stony heart out of our flesh,

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - As a man thinks in his heart, so is he. Proverbs 23:7

COMMENTARY

The heart is a muscular organ which keeps the blood in circulation throughout the body. It is the center of the total personality with reference to intuition, feeling or emotion, affection, sympathy, enthusiasm, and courage. The heart is the innermost, vital, or center part of our body. The life of the flesh is in the blood.

Spiritually, it is the blood that makes atonement (*a reparation or satisfaction of a wrong*) for the soul. Without the shedding of Jesus blood there would be no remission or forgiveness of our sins. Verse fifteen states that there is nothing from without a man, which

entering him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man. The evil deeds of man come from within the heart of man. The heart is defiled from within.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. God knows our heart.
- 2. God knows the heart of all men.
- 3. God searches the heart and knows what is in the mind.
- 4. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes.
- 5. Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps? Job 31:4
- 6. The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? Jeremiah 17:9

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	1 Kings 11:4, His heart was not perfect with the Lord his God.
Tuesday	1 Kings 11:9, His heart was turned from the Lord God of Israel.
Wednesday	1 Samuel 16:7, The Lord looks on the heart.
Thursday	Acts 5:3, Why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Ghost?
Friday	Acts 8:20-23, Thy heart is not right in the sight of God.
Saturday	Isaiah 1:5, The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.
Sunday	Ecclesiastes 8:11, The heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 20:9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

LESSON 31

MARCH 2, 2025

YOUTH DAY
UNDERSTANDING THE POWER OF GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Jeremiah 32:17 Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 139:1-16

- 1. O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me.
- 2. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.
- 3. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways.
- 4. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether.
- 5. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.
- 6. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it.
- 7. Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?

8. If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
9. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
10. Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.
11. If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.
12. Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.
13. For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
14. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.
15. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
16. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.

PURPOSE - To explore the biblical examples of God's power in creation, deliverance, emphasizing the limitless nature of his power.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to trust in the power of God, acknowledging his ability to create, deliver, and sustain life in every circumstance.

COMMENTARY

Genesis 1:1-3 unfolds the narrative of God's creation, underscoring his power to bring everything into existence. Exodus 14:21-31 reveals God's mighty hand in the miraculous parting of the Red Sea, delivering his people from their enemies. Psalm 139 celebrates the detailed formation of individuals in the womb, showcasing God's power to create and sustain life.

Believers are encouraged to understand the limitless power of God, trusting in his ability to create, deliver, and sustain life in every circumstance. This lesson serves as a reminder that nothing is too hard for the Almighty, and acknowledging his power brings confidence and assurance in every aspect of life.

Do you really believe there is nothing too hard for God? If you believe that, allow God to do the impossible in your life this week. Allow God to do the impossible in your church this week. If you ask anything in his name he will do it. Have faith in God. Never doubt.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Genesis 1:1-3, God created everything with his power
2. Exodus 14:21-31, The parting of the Red Sea showcased God's power to deliver his people
3. Psalm 139:13-16, The formation of individuals in the womb is a testament to God's creative power

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Genesis 1:1-5, God's power in the creation of light and darkness
Tuesday	Genesis 1:6-13, The power of God displayed in the creation of the sky, land, and vegetation

Wednesday	Genesis 1:14-23, God's power in forming the sun, moon, stars, and sea creatures
Thursday	Exodus 14:21-25, The demonstration of God's power in the parting of the Red Sea
Friday	Exodus 14:26-31, God's complete deliverance as the sea returns and the enemies are defeated
Saturday	Psalms 139:13-16, The intricate formation of individuals in the womb, a testament to God's creative power
Sunday	Genesis 1:1-3, Understanding the power of God in creation

MEMORY VERSE: Jeremiah 32:17 Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee.

LESSON 32

MARCH 9, 2025

GO

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 20:3-4 And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 14:12-24

12. Then said he also to him that bade him, when thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor *thy* rich neighbors; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.
13. But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:
14. And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.
15. And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.
16. Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:
17. And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.
18. And they all with one *consent* began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.
19. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.
20. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.
21. So that servant came and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.
22. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.
24. For I say unto you, that none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

PURPOSE – To evangelize and fill God’s house.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – Do not stand around idle all day. Go into the vineyard and work. Whatsoever is right, God will give you.

COMMENTARY

The Lord said in Isaiah 6:8, “Whom shall I send and who will go for us?” Isaiah answered the call, “Here *am* I; send me.”

Jesus is saying, “Go ye also into the vineyard and whatsoever is right, I will give you.” We are instructed to “go.” The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are so few. God wants to work through you. He needs your feet, your hands, your mouth, but most of all he needs your heart along with a willing and ready mind. Are you willing to go? Will you be his witness? Are you standing idle in the marketplace? Look out on the fields. Look out on the harvest of lost souls.

Let us awake out of sleep and lay aside all excuses. It is time to be about our Father’s business and go wherever he sends us. It is time to speak whatever he commands. When we go, do not be afraid of their faces. Go and the Lord will be with you.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Go and witness to the lost sheep of the House of God.
2. I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves.
3. Go ye therefore and teach all nations.
4. Take nothing for your journey. Mark 6:8
5. Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.
6. Go and make disciples of all nations.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Luke 22:35-36, Without purse
Tuesday	Matthew 13:24-30, Go and gather them
Wednesday	Matthew 22:9-10, Go into the highways
Thursday	Mark 6:7, Send them forth
Friday	Matthew 18:15, Go and tell him
Saturday	1 Kings 20:22, Go strengthen thyself
Sunday	Psalm 43:4, Go unto the altar of God

MEMORY VERSE: **Isaiah 6:8** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, here *am* I; send me.

THE END IS NEAR

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 24:36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 24:1-14

1. And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.
2. And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.
3. And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?
4. And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.
5. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.
6. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.
7. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.
8. All these are the beginning of sorrows.
9. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.
10. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.
11. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.
12. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
13. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
14. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

PURPOSE - To give warning to everyone that the end of all things is at hand: be therefore sober and watch unto prayer. 1 Peter 4:7

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Set your house in order. Be sober, and let brotherly love continue.

COMMENTARY

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. Matthew 24:29-31

When ye shall see all these things, know that the end is near, even at the door. This generation shall not pass, til all these things be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. Watch therefore: for you do not know what hour

your Lord will come. Therefore, you must stay ready: for at an hour you are not watching, the Son of man will come. Matthew 24:33-35,42,44

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Jesus is coming soon.
- 2. The day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.
- 3. Except God shortened the days, no flesh shall be saved.
- 4. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.
- 5. And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Luke 21:20
- 6. This world is coming to an end real soon.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Daniel 12:4, But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
Tuesday	2 Peter 3:3-4, There shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming?
Wednesday	Luke 21:25, And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; a upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring.
Thursday	Revelation 3:11, Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.
Friday	Revelation 22:12, And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
Saturday	Mark 9:1, Some standing here, shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power.
Sunday	Matthew 24:27, For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Timothy 3:1-5 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

LESSON 34

MARCH 23, 2025

I GAVE YOU SPACE TO REPENT, BUT YOU REPENTED NOT

MOTTO TEXT: Revelation 2:21-23 And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. And I will kill her children with

death, and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

ENTIRE LESSON: Revelation 22:6-21

6. And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.
7. Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.
8. And I John saw these things and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.
9. Then saith he unto me, see thou do it not: for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.
10. And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.
11. He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.
12. And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
13. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning, and the end, the first and the last.
14. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
15. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.
16. I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.
17. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that hearth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.
18. For I testify unto every man that hearth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:
19. And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.
20. He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.
21. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

PURPOSE - To show that God has given us time to repent and that the Spirit of the Lord shall not always strive with man.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Except we repent of our evil deeds, we shall perish.

COMMENTARY

God has given us a space to repent of all our sins, but we repented not. We continue to turn to God over and over for the same sin. Saying, "Here I am Lord, again,

and again, and again." It is written Genesis 6:3 the LORD said, my spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

It is time to clean up and get right with God. Do it now. Today, tomorrow may be too late. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 1 John 1:8-10

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Repentance and remission of sins must be preached in Jesus' name.
 - 2. The saints of God have a charge to warn the wicked man of his wicked ways.
 - 3. The angels rejoice, even when one sinner repents.
 - 4. In times past, God winked at our ignorance, but now commands all men everywhere to repent.
 - 5. Cast away all your transgressions, whereby you have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit.
 - 6. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 1 John 1:8

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 4:17, Jesus preached, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Tuesday	2 Peter 3:9, The Lord wants all to come to repentance.
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 7:10, For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation.
Thursday	Proverbs 28:13, He that covereth his sins shall not prosper.
Friday	Luke 17:3, If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.
Saturday	Mark 1:15, Repent ye: and believe the gospel.
Sunday	Acts 2:38, 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.

MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 6:5 And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

LESSON 35

MARCH 30, 2025

BOUGHT WITH A PRICE

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 6:1-20

1. Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?
2. Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
3. Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?
4. If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.
5. I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?
6. But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.
7. Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?
8. Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that your brethren.
9. Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
10. Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.
11. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.
12. All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.
13. Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.
14. And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.
15. Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid.
16. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.
17. But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.
18. Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.
19. What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
20. For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

PURPOSE - To show that Christ loved the church and gave himself for it.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Ephesians 5:1-2 Be followers of God, and walk in love, as Christ also has loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savor.

COMMENTARY

The blood of Jesus was shed for us. Jesus was crucified on the cross. He died and he rose again. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16 The Son so loved that he laid down his life. Jesus said no man take my life, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father. John 10:18

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing. Revelation 5:12

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world. John 1:29
- 2. We are saved by the blood of Jesus.
- 3. We are washed in the blood of Jesus.
- 4. I have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb.
- 5. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Revelation 12:11
- 6. How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Hebrews 9:14

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	John 19:33, But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs.
Tuesday	John 19:34, But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.
Wednesday	Revelation 13:8b, The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
Thursday	Isaiah 53:7, He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter.
Friday	Revelation 7:17a, For the Lamb shall fee them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters.
Saturday	I Corinthians 5:7a, Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened.
Sunday	1 Peter 1:18-19, Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

MEMORY VERSE: Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

LET THE WHEAT AND TARES GROW TOGETHER

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43**Matthew 13:24-30**

24. Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which 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 blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.
27. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?
28. He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?
29. But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.
30. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Matthew 13:36-43

36. Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.
37. He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;
38. The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;
39. The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.
40. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
41. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;
42. And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.
43. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

PURPOSE - To let the world know that Jesus will return to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him. We can accept him and be saved or reject him and be lost. Jude 1:15

PRACTICAL POINT - There will be a mixture of wheat and tares until Jesus returns.

COMMENTARY

In a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honor, and some to dishonor. 2 Timothy 2:20 In a great church you will find those who live righteous and unrighteous, those who try to do good and those determined to do evil. Jesus warns in our lesson that harvest time is coming. There is a judgement day when both Saints and sinners will be judged.

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels. These shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. Matthew 25:31-46

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Be careful because the enemy will sow tares among the wheat.
2. Let the wheat and the tares grow together until the harvest.
3. The enemy that sowed the tares is the devil.
4. God will separate the wheat from the tares.
5. The wheat and the tares will coexist until Judgment Day
6. There was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord. Job 1:6

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 25:32, And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:
Tuesday	Matthew 25:34, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.
Wednesday	Matthew 25:46, And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.
Thursday	Matthew 3:12, Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.
Friday	Matthew 13:43, Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
Saturday	Matthew 13:40, As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
Sunday	Matthew 13:41, The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity.

MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 9:27-28 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

LESSON 37

APRIL 13, 2025

PALM SUNDAY
BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 21:9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 21:1-11

1. And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples,
2. Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me.
3. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them.
4. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,
5. Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.
6. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,
7. And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon.
8. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way.
9. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.
10. And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?
11. And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.

PURPOSE - To explore the significance of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, fulfilling prophecy and receiving acclamation as the promised Messiah.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to acknowledge Jesus as the King who brings salvation and to express praise and gratitude for his redemptive work.

COMMENTARY

The triumphal entry centers on Matthew 21:1-11, describing Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Today's lesson captures the fulfillment of prophecy and the enthusiastic acclamation of the crowds, recognizing Jesus as the promised Messiah.

Matthew 21:1-11 tells of the events of Jesus instructing his disciples to fetch a donkey and colt, entering Jerusalem to the shouts of Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" The crowd's response signifies the acknowledgment of Jesus as the long-awaited King.

Believers are encouraged to reflect on the significance of Palm Sunday, recognizing Jesus as the promised Messiah who brings salvation. This lesson serves as a call to express heartfelt praise and gratitude, echoing the crowds who proclaimed Hosanna as Jesus entered Jerusalem.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Jesus isn't just a king, he is King of Kings
- 2. Many in the crowd that shouted Hosanna later shouted "crucify Him"
- 3. Jesus was born to die so that we might live an eternal life

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 21:1-3, Jesus instructs his disciples to fetch a donkey and colt for his entry
Tuesday	Matthew 21:4-5, Fulfillment of the prophecy as Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a donkey
Wednesday	Matthew 21:6-9, The joyful response of the crowd, shouting "Hosanna to the Son of David!"
Thursday	Matthew 21:10-11, The city's reaction to Jesus' entry, questioning who he is
Friday	Zechariah 9:9, The Old Testament prophecy foretelling the humble entry of the King
Saturday	Psalm 118:19-29, A psalm of thanksgiving and praise
Sunday	Matthew 21:1-11, The triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem; reflecting on the fulfillment of prophecy

MEMORY VERSE: **Matthew 21:9** And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

LESSON 38

APRIL 20, 2025

**EASTER SUNDAY
RISEN INDEED**

MOTTO TEXT: **John 20:15-16** Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

ENTIRE LESSON: John 20:1-18

1. The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.
2. Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.
3. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.
4. So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.
5. And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.
6. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,
7. And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.
8. Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.
9. For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.
10. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.
11. But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,
12. And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.
13. And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.
14. And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.
15. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.
16. Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.
17. Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.
18. Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

PURPOSE - To explore the encounter between Mary Magdalene and the risen Jesus, emphasizing the powerful nature of the resurrection.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to seek a personal encounter with the risen Jesus, recognizing the power of His resurrection in their lives.

COMMENTARY

Mary, who was the first witness to the resurrection of Jesus, did not actually recognize Jesus. Mary looked up on that first Easter morning and saw Jesus there, but she mistakenly thought he was someone else. Mary Magdalene visited the tomb, finding it empty, and encountering Jesus whom she initially mistakes for the gardener. The moment

Jesus speaks her name, Mary recognizes him as her Rabboni, her Master. This encounter marks a pivotal moment in the unfolding resurrection narrative.

Believers are invited to reflect on the power of the resurrection. This lesson serves as a reminder that the resurrection brings joy, hope, and a relationship with the living Savior. It also reminds us that females have just as much of a responsibility to share the gospel of Jesus as men do. Our great church, The Church of the Living God was established because a woman named Mother Mary Magdalena L. Tate shared the gospel of Jesus Christ.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Jesus is not dead but alive
- 2. Jesus conquered death and the grave
- 3. Some things in our lives need to be resurrected
- 4. Bring back the Love

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	John 20:1-2, Mary Magdalene discovers the empty tomb and runs to tell Peter and John
Tuesday	John 20:3-10, Peter and John's visit to the empty tomb and their initial confusion
Wednesday	John 20:11-13, Mary Magdalene's encounter with angels at the tomb
Thursday	John 20:14-16, Jesus reveals himself to Mary Magdalene, calling her by name
Friday	John 20:17-18, Jesus instructs Mary not to cling to him and commissions her to share the news
Saturday	Mark 16:1-8, A parallel account in Mark, emphasizing the angelic message
Sunday	John 20:1-18, The centerpiece of Easter Sunday; Mary Magdalene's encounter with the risen Jesus at the empty tomb.

MEMORY VERSE: John 20:11-12 But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

LESSON 39

APRIL 27, 2025

TRUST IN THE LORD

MOTTO TEXT: Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

ENTIRE LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-16

- 1. Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- 2. For by it the elders obtained a good report.

3. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.
4. By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.
5. By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.
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.
7. By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.
8. By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
9. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:
10. For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.
11. Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.
12. Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.
13. These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.
14. For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.
15. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.
16. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.

PURPOSE - To look unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith and to have complete confidence, trust and faith in God. To believe in his words and on his commandments.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Jesus said, let not your heart be troubled: if you believe in God, believe also in me. John 14:1

COMMENTARY

To trust the Lord is to have faith in God. He that cometh to God must first believe that God is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. Hebrews 11:6 God will keep us in perfect peace, all whose mind is stayed on him. Isaiah 26:3 The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knows them that trust in him Nahum 1:7. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God Psalm 20:7. Trust in him at all times; pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us Psalm 62:8.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Trust in the Lord; and he shall bring forth righteousness.
2. They that know your name, O God, will put their trust in you.
3. The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him. Psalm 28:7
4. He is not afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD. Psalm 112:7
5. The fear of man brings a snare: but whoso puts his trust in the LORD shall be safe. Proverbs 29:25
6. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. Jeremiah 17:7

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Psalm 56:3, What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.
Tuesday	Psalm 118:8, It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.
Wednesday	Isaiah 26:4, Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:
Thursday	Isaiah 12:2, Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid.
Friday	Job 13:15, Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him.
Saturday	Jeremiah 17:5, Cursed be the man that trusteth in man.
Sunday	Galatians 6:9, And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

MEMORY VERSE: Jeremiah 17:7-8 Blessed is the man that trusts in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreads out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat comes, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

LESSON 40

MAY 4, 2025

NATIONAL PRAYER DAY YES AND AMEN

MOTTO TEXT: 2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

ENTIRE LESSON: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

18. But as God is true, our word toward you was not yea and nay.
19. For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, even by me and Silvanus and Timotheus, was not yea and nay, but in him was yea.
20. For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.
21. Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God;
22. Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

PURPOSE - To understand the assurance and faithfulness of God's promises, drawing insights from Paul's teachings in 2 Corinthians.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to trust in the faithfulness of God's promises, understanding that every promise finds its fulfillment in Christ.

COMMENTARY

Today is National Prayer Day. Today’s lesson reveals Paul's unwavering confidence in the faithfulness of God. Calling on God in prayer is always the right thing to do. 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 highlights the consistency of God's promises. Paul states that all of God's promises find their "Yes" and "Amen" in Christ, bringing glory to God.

Believers are encouraged to anchor their faith in the reliability of God's promises, recognizing that every assurance God gives is fulfilled in Christ. This lesson serves as a reminder that, in Christ, God's promises are not only affirmed but also fulfilled, bringing glory to him through the lives of those who trust in his faithfulness.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. God is reliable
- 2. God always answers prayer
- 3. God knows how to bless his children
- 4. Sometimes in prayer we ask amiss because we do not ask according to God’s will

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	2 Corinthians 1:18-19, Paul's declaration of the faithfulness of God in keeping his promises
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 1:20, The assurance that all the promises of God find their "Yes" and "Amen" in Christ
Wednesday	Numbers 23:19, A reminder of God's faithfulness: He is not a man that he should lie
Thursday	Isaiah 55:11, The power of God's word to accomplish what he purposes
Friday	Romans 4:20-21, Abraham's unwavering faith in God's promises, being fully persuaded that God is able
Saturday	Hebrews 10:23, Holding fast the confession of hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful
Sunday	2 Corinthians 1:18-22, Reflecting on the reliability and certainty of God's promises as affirmed by Paul.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 1:20 For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

MOTHER'S DAY THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A MOTHER'S LOVE

MOTTO TEXT: Proverbs 31:28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.

ENTIRE LESSON: Proverbs 6:20-23

20. My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother.
21. Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.
22. When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.
23. For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is light, and reproofs of instruction are the way of life.

PURPOSE - To highlight the wisdom and guidance found in a mother's teachings, emphasizing the importance of honoring parental instructions.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to reflect on the valuable lessons learned from their mothers (*and motherly figures*) and how these teachings have been a source of guidance throughout our lives.

COMMENTARY

Today is Mother's Day. On Mother's Day, we celebrate not only the mothers in our lives but also the motherly figures and the love they have shown us throughout the years. Proverbs 6:20-23 beautifully captures the essence of a mother's role in imparting wisdom and guidance to her children. The text emphasizes the enduring impact of a mother's teachings, portraying them as a guiding light in various aspects of life. The metaphor of the commandment being a lamp and the law a light signifies the influence of a mother's instructions, providing direction and clarity to her children.

In today's fast-paced world, where values are often challenged, today's lesson shares the timeless significance of a mother's love and guidance. We should recognize the profound influence mothers have in shaping the character and choices of children.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Proverbs Chapter 6

1. Keep the Commandments (v. 20)
2. Bind instructions on the heart (v. 21)
3. Be guided by God (v. 22)
4. The lamp of commandment and light of the law is for your good (v. 23)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Proverbs 1:8-9, Listen to your Father and Mother
Tuesday	Proverbs 15:20, A wise son makes a glad father
Wednesday	Proverbs 23:22-25, Give attention to your father and mother
Thursday	Ephesians 6:2-3, Honor your father and mother
Friday	Colossians 3:20, Children, obey your parents
Saturday	1 Timothy 5:4, Repay your parents by caring for them

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 6:23 For the commandment is a lamp, and the law is light, and reproofs of instruction are the way of life.

LESSON 42**MAY 18, 2025****GET READY FOR THE INCREASE**

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 67:6 Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

ENTIRE LESSON: Isaiah 54:1-17

1. Sing, O barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child: for more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the Lord.
2. Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;
3. For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.
4. Fear not, for thou shalt not be ashamed; neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.
5. For thy Maker is thine husband; the Lord of hosts is his name, and thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; the God of the whole earth shall he be called.
6. For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth when thou wast refused, saith thy God.
7. For a small moment have I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee.
8. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment, but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord, thy Redeemer.
9. For this is as the waters of Noah unto me, for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee nor rebuke thee.
10. For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.
11. O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest and not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colors and lay thy foundations with sapphires.
12. And I will make thy windows of agates and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.
13. And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of thy children.
14. In righteousness shalt thou be established; thou shalt be far from oppression, for thou shalt not fear, and from terror, for it shall not come near thee.
15. Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me; whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

16. Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work, and I have created the waster to destroy.
17. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

PURPOSE - To explore the promise of increase and prosperity in Isaiah 54, emphasizing God's faithfulness to his people and the removal of shame through his redemptive work.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to prepare for God's increase in their lives by enlarging their faith, trusting in God's promises, praying big bold prayers and embracing his covenant of peace.

COMMENTARY

Isaiah 54 presents a powerful message of hope and increase. The barren and desolate are called to rejoice, for God promises an abundant harvest of children. The imagery of enlarging tents, stretching curtains, and strengthening stakes signifies a preparation for the prosperity that God is bringing.

The relationship between God and his people is depicted as a marital covenant, where God, as the faithful husband, removes shame and reproach. The imagery of beautiful stones, agates, and carbuncles conveys the richness and beauty that God intends for his people.

The promise extends beyond material prosperity to spiritual well-being. God assures that no weapon formed against his people will prosper, emphasizing divine protection and victory over adversaries. This chapter serves as a reminder of God's enduring kindness, faithfulness, and covenant of peace that brings about an increase beyond human comprehension.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Isaiah Chapter 54

1. Rejoice in the promise of increase (vv. 1-3)
2. God is the faithful husband, removing shame and reproach (vv. 4-5)
3. Prepare for prosperity by enlarging your faith and embracing God's covenant (vv. 2, 6-10)
4. The assurance of divine protection includes victory over God's adversaries (vv. 11-17)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Isaiah 53:1-12, The suffering servant and the promise of redemption
Tuesday	Isaiah 54:1-5, Rejoicing in the promise of increase
Wednesday	Isaiah 54:6-10, God as the faithful husband, removing shame
Thursday	Isaiah 54:11-14, Enlarging faith and establishing righteousness
Friday	Isaiah 54:15-17, Assurance of divine protection and victory
Saturday	Psalms 67:1-7, God's blessings and increase
Sunday	Isaiah 54:1-17, Get ready for the increase

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 54:10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

THE HARVEST IS RIPE

MOTTO TEXT: Joel 3:13 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down, for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great.

ENTIRE LESSONS: Revelation 14:14-20

14. And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.
15. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle and reap, for the time is come for thee to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.
16. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.
17. And another angel came out of the temple, which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.
18. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire, and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe.
19. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.
20. And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

PURPOSE - To explore the biblical imagery of the ripe harvest in Revelation 14, emphasizing the urgency and significance of the final harvest associated with the end times.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to understand the times and engage in activities that contribute to the spiritual harvest, recognizing the urgency of sharing the gospel and leading people to Christ.

COMMENTARY

A sickle is a metal, curved agricultural instrument used to trim grass and harvest crops. Revelation 14 vividly portrays the symbolic harvest of the earth. Jesus will use a sickle to separate the good from the evil. The image of the Son of man with a sharp sickle signifies divine authority over the final harvest. The readiness of the harvest indicates the appointed time for God's judgment and redemption.

The grapes of the earth being fully ripe represent the culmination of humanity's choices, with the winepress symbolizing the judgment of God. This passage underscores the urgency for believers to engage in the spiritual harvest, recognizing the seriousness of the times. As the ripe harvest awaits, believers are called to actively participate in sharing the gospel, leading people to Christ, and contributing to the Kingdom's growth. The imagery serves as a reminder of the responsibility and privilege to be laborers in God's harvest before the final reaping and judgment. Christ is soon to return. Are you ready?

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Revelation Chapter 14

1. The Son of man has a golden crown and a sharp sickle (v. 14)
2. The farmer uses his sickle at the time of harvest. Jesus is coming. (vv. 15-16)
3. The gathering of the clusters of the vine and the winepress is God's wrath and reward (vv. 18-20)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 9:35-38, Praying for laborers in the harvest
Tuesday	John 4:35-38, The fields are white unto harvest
Wednesday	Luke 10:1-11, Sending laborers into the harvest
Thursday	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, The parable of the wheat and tares
Friday	Matthew 24:36-44, Be ready, for the Son of man comes at an unexpected hour
Saturday	1 Corinthians 15:50-58, The victory in Christ and the harvest of the righteous
Sunday	Revelation 14:14-20, The harvest is ripe

MEMORY VERSE **Revelation 14:15** And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle and reap, for the time is come for thee to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.

LESSON 44

JUNE 1, 2025

HE THAT ENDURES TO THE END THE SAME SHALL BE SAVED

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 24:13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 24:1-14

1. And Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and his disciples came to him to show him the buildings of the temple.
2. And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another that shall not be thrown down.
3. And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be, and what shall be the sign of thy coming and of the end of the world?
4. And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.
5. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ, and shall deceive many.
6. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled, for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.
7. For nation shall rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places.
8. All these are the beginning of sorrows.
9. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted and shall kill you, and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

10. And then shall many be offended and shall betray one another and shall hate one another.
11. And many false prophets shall rise and shall deceive many.
12. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
13. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
14. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.

PURPOSE - To explore Jesus' teachings on the signs of the end times and the endurance required of believers, emphasizing the promise of salvation for those who endure to the end.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to stand firm in faith despite challenges and difficulties, understanding that enduring to the end is a key aspect of securing salvation.

COMMENTARY

In Matthew 24, Jesus provides insights into the signs preceding the end times, including false prophets, wars, and natural disasters. Amidst these challenges, he emphasizes the need for endurance, cautioning against deception and persecution. The phrase "he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved," underscores the enduring faith required of believers facing tribulations. Endurance is more than just surviving. Endurance signifies a steadfast faith that withstands trials and remains faithful to Christ. This endurance is not a self-generated effort but a reliance on the sustaining power of the Holy Ghost. In him we live and move and have our being.

BLACKBOARD EMPAHSIS

Matthew Chapter 24

1. There are signs of the end times. Watch and pray. (vv. 1-2)
2. Be aware of deception and false prophets (vv. 4-5)
3. Endurance is required amid persecution and trials (vv. 9-13)
4. The global proclamation of the gospel is before the end of time (v. 14)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 24:3-8, Signs of the beginning of sorrows
Tuesday	Matthew 24:9-13, Persecution and the call to endure
Wednesday	Matthew 24:14, The global proclamation of the gospel
Thursday	Mark 13:5-13, Jesus' discourse on the end times
Friday	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Children of the day, not of the night
Saturday	Revelation 2:10, Be faithful unto death
Sunday	Matthew 24:1-14, He that endures to the end shall be saved

MEMORY VERSE: **Matthew 24:13** - But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

THEME IV
THE RIGHTEOUS ONES:
HOLDING FAST TO GOD'S PROMISES WITHOUT WAVERING

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth
is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.
For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.
A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways.

James 1:6-8

LESSONS 45 – 54

LESSON 45

JUNE 8, 2025

WE HAVE A LAW

MOTTO TEXT: John 19:7 The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.

ENTIRE LESSON: John 19:1-19

1. Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him*.
2. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,
3. And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.
4. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.
5. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, Behold the man!
6. When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify *him*. *Pilate* saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify *him*: for I find no fault in him.
7. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.
8. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;
9. And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.
10. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?
11. Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.
12. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.
13. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King!
15. But they cried out, Away with *him*, away with *him*, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.
16. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led *him* away.
17. And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called *the place* of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:
18. Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.
19. And Pilate wrote a title, and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.

PURPOSE - To settle the dispute by the Jewish leaders that was demanding the death of Jesus. Pilate new that Jesus was not guilty but had to find a way to satisfy the crowd that wanted to kill him by making him a public example and letting him go.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - What the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. Romans 8:3-4

COMMENTARY

When Jesus was revealed to be the son of God, Pilate tried to set him free without execution, even admitting, “I find no fault in him.” The Jewish leaders were upset stating, “We have a law” and by our law he ought to die because he made himself the Son of God. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar. John 19:12

When Jesus was unjustly executed along with two others by crucifixion, Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. We must obey God rather than man.
2. A man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ. Galatians 2:16
3. The just shall live by faith. Galatians 3:11
4. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows. Isaiah 53:4
5. The law *is* holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good. Romans 7:12
6. We know that the law *is* good, if a man use it lawfully.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Romans 6:14, You are not under the law, but under grace.
Tuesday	Galatians 3:21, <i>Is</i> the law then against the promises of God? God forbid.
Wednesday	Ecclesiastes 12:13, Fear God, and keep his commandments.
Thursday	Galatians 5:18, But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

Friday	1 Corinthians 10:23, All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient.
Saturday	Psalms 19:7, The law of the LORD <i>is</i> perfect, converting the soul.
Sunday	Romans 7:6, But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not <i>in</i> the oldness of the letter.

MEMORY VERSE: Romans 2:14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves.

LESSON 46

JUNE 15, 2025

FATHER'S DAY FATHERS MUST PROVIDE FOR THEIR CHILDREN

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Timothy 5:8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 6:4; Proverbs 22:6; 1 Timothy 5:8
Ephesians 6:4

4. And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Proverbs 22:6

6. Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

1 Timothy 5:8

8. But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the biblical responsibility of fathers to provide for and nurture their children, exploring key passages that highlight this role.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage fathers to take an active role in providing for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of their children, fostering a nurturing environment that aligns with biblical principles.

COMMENTARY

Today's lesson draws attention to the biblical mandate for fathers to fulfill their responsibilities in providing for and nurturing their children. Ephesians 6:4 directs fathers to avoid provoking their children to wrath but instead to bring them up in the admonition of the Lord. Proverbs 22:6 emphasizes the long-term impact of training children in the right way, guiding them on a path that aligns with godly principles. 1 Timothy 5:8 sternly asserts the responsibility of providing for one's own household, highlighting that neglecting this duty is tantamount to denying the faith.

Believers are encouraged to reflect on these biblical principles, recognizing the vital role fathers play in shaping the lives of their children. This lesson serves as a call to

fathers to actively engage in providing for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of their children, creating an environment that fosters growth, love, and adherence to biblical values.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Ephesians 6:4 - Fathers (*and father figures*) should raise their children in the admonition of the Lord
2. Proverbs 22:6 - Train up a child in the way they should go for lasting impact
3. 1 Timothy 5:8 - There is a biblical responsibility of providing for one's own household

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Ephesians 6:4, Fathers bringing up children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord
Tuesday	Proverbs 22:6, Training up a child in the way they should go for lasting impact
Wednesday	Genesis 18:19, God's commendation of Abraham's role in guiding his children
Thursday	Deuteronomy 6:6-9, God's instructions to parents in teaching his commandments to their children
Friday	Malachi 4:6, The prophetic role of turning the hearts of fathers to their children and vice versa
Saturday	1 Timothy 5:8, The biblical responsibility of providing for one's own household
Sunday	Ephesians 6:4, Proverbs 22:6; 1 Timothy 5:8: Fathers training up children in the way they should go

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Timothy 5:8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

LESSON 47

JUNE 22, 2025

EVERYBODY IS NOT GOING TO LOVE YOU

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 6:26 Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Peter 3:8-18

8. Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, *be pitiful, be courteous*:
9. Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.
10. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:
11. Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.

12. For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* against them that do evil.
13. And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?
14. But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye*: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;
15. But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:
16. Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.
17. For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.
18. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.

PURPOSE - To let the true saints of God know that they will be hated and not loved by many for standing up for righteousness, Jesus and for the kingdom of God.

PRACTICAL POINT - Love those who hate you. Do good no matter what.

COMMENTARY

Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets. Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets. Luke 6:22-26

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you. Luke 6:27
2. Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. Luke 6:28
3. Unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other. Luke 6:29
4. Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4
5. Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:10
6. If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone. Matthew 18:15

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Matthew 5:44, Bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you.
Tuesday	2 Timothy 3:12, All that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
Wednesday	Proverbs 10:12, Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins
Thursday	1 John 4:20, If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar.
Friday	1 Kings 22:8, <i>There is</i> yet one man, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him.
Saturday	Galatians 3:1, O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you?
Sunday	John 15:19, Because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 5:11-12 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

LESSON 48

JUNE 29, 2025

**LOVE NOT THE WORLD NEITHER
THE THINGS THAT ARE IN THE WORLD**

MOTTO TEXT: 1 John 2:15-17 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 John 2:4-17

4. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
5. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
6. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.
7. Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning.
8. Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.
9. He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.
10. He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.
11. But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.
12. I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.
13. I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father.
14. I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.
15. Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
16. For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

17. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

PURPOSE - To remind us to not love the world nor the secular things of the world: the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life are not of the Father but are of the world.

PRACTICAL POINT - It is written, Isaiah 45:5 *I am* the LORD, and *there is* none else, *there is* no God beside me. Exodus 20:3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

COMMENTARY

They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. 1 John 4:5-6

You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain. These things I command you, that you love one another. If you were of the world, the world would love his own: but because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. John 15:16-20

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. In the world you shall have tribulation. John 16:33
2. Jesus said, I am not of this world. John 17:14
3. Abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul. 1 Peter 2:11
4. Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. John 12:31
5. Be not conformed to this world: but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12:2
6. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. Colossians 3:2

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	1 John 4:20, If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar.
Tuesday	1 John 4:8, He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.
Wednesday	James 4:4, Whosoever will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.
Thursday	1 John 3:1, The world does not know us, because it does not know him.
Friday	Matthew 6:24, No man can serve two masters. Ye cannot serve God and material wealth.
Saturday	Romans 8:5, For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh.
Sunday	Psalms 1:1, Blessed <i>is</i> the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen *are* temporal; but the things which are not seen *are* eternal.

ASK WHAT YOU WILL

MOTTO TEXT: John 14:13-14 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 7:7-11 and Matthew 6:5-13**Matthew 7:7-11**

7. Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you:
8. For everyone that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
9. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?
10. Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?
11. If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

Matthew 6:5-13

5. And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites *are*: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.
6. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.
7. But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.
8. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.
9. After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
10. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven.
11. Give us this day our daily bread.
12. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
13. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

PURPOSE – To acknowledge the confidence that we have in God that if we ask anything according to his will, he will hear and answer us.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

COMMENTARY

In the Motto Text of our lesson Jesus promised to answer the prayers of the disciples. “Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.” Whatever the disciples asked, had to be asked in the name of Jesus. When we follow the examples and the pattern for prayer set forth by Jesus, our prayers will be answered.

In the entire lesson Jesus encourages his disciples to pray in three stages (1) Ask. God will answer if we simply ask. (2) Seek. Search for the spiritual blessings and hidden treasures of God. (3) Knock. Put your faith in action.

Prayer is communicating with God. God knows our needs before we ask but prayer puts us in direct contact with God. If our prayers are sincere, God will respond accordingly.

The Lord's Prayer is our model prayer. It has all the right spiritual ingredients to reach God. It is not full of vain repetitions, but it includes everything that we need to ask God. It includes prayers for others as well as for ourselves. Remember God hears and listens to the words of our prayer and he knows the intent of our hearts.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. God will give you your hearts desire according to his will.
2. He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him even length of days. Psalm 21:4
Pray, believe, and receive.
3. Make your prayer request known unto God.
4. What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. Mark 11:24
5. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. James 4:3

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	John 15:7, Ask what ye will.
Tuesday	Ephesians 3:20, God is able to do more than we ask.
Wednesday	John 11:21-22, Even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask.
Thursday	James 1:5-6, If any lack wisdom, ask God.
Friday	Matthew 6:33, Seek ye first the kingdom of God.
Saturday	2 Chronicles 1:7, Ask what I shall give thee.
Sunday	2 Chronicles 20:4, Ask help of the Lord.

MEMORY VERSE: Job 6:8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant *me* the thing that I long for!

LESSON 50

JULY 13, 2025

JOY COMES IN THE MORNING

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 30:5 For his anger *endureth* but a moment; in his favor *is* life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy *cometh* in the morning.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 30:1-12

1. I will extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.
2. O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.
3. O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

4. Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.
5. For his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy *cometh* in the morning.
6. And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.
7. LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, *and* I was troubled.
8. I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.
9. What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?
10. Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.
11. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;
12. To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

PURPOSE - To show that even in our darkest hour, the sun will shine afterwhile. Sorrow and sadness will not last always.

PRACTICAL POINT - Stay positive today and leave off all negative thoughts. Smile, laugh and be happy.

COMMENTARY

Unlike man, God's anger endures but a moment. God does not stay angry forever. No matter what we are going through, God continues to bring joy and comforts our soul. The joy of the Lord is our strength. Nehemiah 8:10 His name shall be exalted with Holy Ghost joy. Serve the Lord with gladness. The God of hope will fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. Romans 15:13 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer. Romans 12:12

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Rejoice in the Lord always: *and* again, I say, Rejoice. Philippians 4:4
2. God will rejoice over you with gladness.
3. Ask, and you shall receive, that your joy may be full. John 16:24
4. A cheerful heart is good medicine: but a broken spirit dries up the bones.
5. This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24
6. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and *that* your joy might be full. John 15:11

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Psalm 16:11, In God's presence is fulness of joy.
Tuesday	Psalm 51:12, Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation.
Wednesday	Galatians 5:22, The fruit of the Spirit includes love, joy, and peace.
Thursday	1 Peter 1:8, Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see <i>him</i> not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory.
Friday	Proverbs 10:28, The hope of the righteous <i>shall be</i> gladness.

Saturday	James 1:2, Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations.
Sunday	1 Chronicles 16:27, Glory and honor <i>are</i> in his presence; strength and gladness <i>are</i> in his place.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 55:12 For ye shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands.

LESSON 51

JULY 20, 2025

CONTROLLING YOUR ANGER

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 37:8-9 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 4:22-32

22. That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;
23. And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
24. And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.
25. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.
26. Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:
27. Neither give place to the devil.
28. Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.
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 unto the hearers.
30. And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
31. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:
32. And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

PURPOSE - To learn to respond in a positive way to those who may cause you to become angry, enraged or overly excited.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Try to remain calm in heated conversations.

COMMENTARY

We must learn to control our anger before it controls us. He that is slow to anger *is* better than the mighty. Proverbs 16:32 Whosoever is angry with his brother without a

cause shall be in danger of the judgment. Matthew 5:22 Also put off anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, and filthy communication out of your mouth. Colossians 3:8 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye. Colossians 3:12-13

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Cease from anger, forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. Psalm 37:8
2. If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; if he repents, forgive him. Luke 17:3
3. The wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.
4. A fool utters all his mind: but a wise *man* keeps it in till afterwards. Proverbs 29:11
5. It is normal to get angry. Do not let your anger bring harm to others.
6. When anger turns into rage or violence, it is time to seek help.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Proverbs 15:1, A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.
Tuesday	Romans 12:21, Be not overcome of evil but overcome evil with good.
Wednesday	Proverbs 10:12, Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.
Thursday	Proverbs 15:18, A wrathful man stirreth up strife.
Friday	James 1:19, Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.
Saturday	Proverbs 14:17, <i>He that is</i> soon angry dealeth foolishly.
Sunday	Proverbs 22:24, Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go.

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 14:29 He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

LESSON 52

JULY 27, 2025

HEADED IN THE WRONG DIRECTION

MOTTO TEXT: Leviticus 20:13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them. Leviticus 18:22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 1:1-6 and Psalm 119:1-8

Psalm 1:1-6

1. Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
2. But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

3. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.
4. The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* like the chaff which the wind driveth away.
5. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
6. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Psalm 119:1-8

1. Blessed *are* the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.
2. Blessed *are* they that keep his testimonies, *and that* seek him with the whole heart.
3. They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.
4. Thou hast commanded *us* to keep thy precepts diligently.
5. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!
6. Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.
7. I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.
8. I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

PURPOSE - To make it plain to all, that after you have known God, or rather are known of God, that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto you desire again to be in bondage, you are headed in the wrong direction. Galatians 4:9

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Psalm 119:133

COMMENTARY

When we turn our back on God. We are headed in the wrong direction. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. 1 John 1:6-10

Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where *is* the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk *therein*. You are headed in the wrong direction. Also, God said, I set a watchmen over you, *saying*, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But you said, We will not hearken. You are headed in the wrong direction. Jeremiah 6:16-17

For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame. They are headed in the wrong direction. Hebrews 6:4-6

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. There is a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death. Proverbs 14:12

2. Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Isaiah 5:20
3. Woe unto *them that are* wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Isaiah 5:21
4. Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 1 John 2:15
5. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. 1 Corinthians 15:33
6. The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. James 3:17

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Proverbs 4:26, Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.
Tuesday	Galatians 5:25, If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
Wednesday	Psalms 119:105, Thy word <i>is</i> a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
Thursday	Romans 3:23, For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.
Friday	Romans 1:26, For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature.
Saturday	Romans 1:27, And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly.
Sunday	Acts 2:38, 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.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 5:14-15 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it. And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled:

LESSON 53

AUGUST 3, 2025

FAMILY SUNDAY INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

MOTTO TEXT: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

ENTIRE LESSON: Titus 2:1-15

1. But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:

2. That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.
3. The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers,
not given to much wine, teachers of good things;
4. That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,
5. *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of
God be not blasphemed.
6. Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
7. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine *shewing*
uncorruptness,
gravity, sincerity,
8. Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may
be ashamed,
having no evil thing to say of you.
9. *Exhort* servants to be obedient unto their own masters, *and* to please *them* well in
all *things*;
not answering again;
10. Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of
God our
Saviour in all things.
11. For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
12. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly,
righteously,
and godly, in this present world;
13. Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and
our Saviour
Jesus Christ;
14. Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify
unto himself a
peculiar people, zealous of good works.
15. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise
thee.

PURPOSE - To make it known that parents and grandparents have a responsibility to train up, instruct and teach members of the family the way of true holiness.

PRACTICAL POINT - The instructions given to members of the family must be profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

COMMENTARY

Lo, children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* the fruit of the womb *is* *his* reward. As arrows *are* in the hand of a mighty man; so *are* children of the youth. Happy *is* the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate. Psalm 127:3-5

God wants your family to be happy everyday. It is written: 3 John 1:2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

God is concerned about the total man. He desires that you walk in the light and put on the whole armor of God that they may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. We must be able to forbear one another, and forgive one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do ye*. Colossians 3:13

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Let there be no divisions in your family; but *that* you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 1 Corinthians 1:10
- 2. Fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4
- 3. A wise son makes a glad father: but a foolish son *is* the heaviness of his mother. Proverbs 10:1
- 4. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved, and your house. Acts 16:31
- 5. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it. Ephesians 5:25
- 6. The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction. Proverbs 1:7

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Proverbs 6:20, Keep thy father's commandment, forsake not the law of thy mother.
Tuesday	Proverbs 22:6, Train up a child in the way he should go.
Wednesday	Exodus 20:12, Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long.
Thursday	Proverbs 17:6, Children's children <i>are</i> the crown of old men.
Friday	Proverbs 15:5, A fool despises his father's instruction: but he that regards reproof is prudent.
Saturday	Mark 3:25, And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.
Sunday	Romans 12:10, <i>Be</i> kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love.

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 133:1 Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity!

LESSON 54

AUGUST 10, 2025

LET NOT YOUR GOOD BE EVIL SPOKEN OF

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 14:16-17 Let not then your good be evil spoken of: For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 37:1-11

- 1. Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.
- 2. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

3. Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
4. Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.
5. Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.
6. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.
7. Rest in the LORD and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.
8. Cease from anger and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
9. For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.
10. For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.
11. But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

PURPOSE - To teach that we should walk in the newness of Christ, love more, uplift each other and judge less.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. Romans 16:17

COMMENTARY

When you use spiritual things in an unspiritual way, your good can be evil spoken of. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. Ephesians 4:29, Even the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison, therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceeds blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Let not then your good be evil spoken of.

Be careful how you spiritually feed new saints in Christ, Hebrews 5:14 strong meat belong to them that are of full age, who can spiritually discern both good and evil. Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another. Romans 14:19

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. James 3:11, Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?
2. James 3:12, Can the fig tree bear olive berries? Can a fountain yield salt water and fresh?
3. Follow peace with all men and allow the real Son to shine in your life.
4. Let God be true, but every man a liar. Romans 3:4
5. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. Psalm 1:1
6. Let not your good be evil spoken of by thinking positive and keeping your mind on things that are true, honest, lovely and just.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday James 3:14, But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

Tuesday	Romans 3:12, There is none that doth good, no, not one.
Wednesday	1 John 4:18, There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear.
Thursday	Proverbs 24, Do not be envious of evil men, neither desire to be with them.
Friday	1 Corinthians 10:23, All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.
Saturday	Romans 7:19, For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.
Sunday	Romans 14:3, Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.

MEMORY VERSE: Galatians 6:10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

THEME V

WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS

In all these things we are more than conquerors through him
that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor any other creature,
shall be able to separate us from the love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:37-39

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LESSON 55

AUGUST 17, 2025

IT IS GOING TO TAKE THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Ephesians 6:11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 6:10-24

10. Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
12. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
13. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
14. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;
15. And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
16. Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
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, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;
19. And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,
20. For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.
21. But that ye also may know my affairs, and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:
22. Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts.
23. Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
24. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.

PURPOSE - To warn us against the attacks of Satan and let us know that we must be spiritually covered with the blood of Jesus in order to be divinely protected and saved.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour. 1 Peter 5:8

COMMENTARY

The armor of God is God's divine protection and is symbolic of the weapons of God. The weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds 2 Corinthians 10:4. The weapons of God includes, but is not limited to, the breastplate of righteousness, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. It will take the latter and more for the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

Because we are constantly wrestling against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places, we need Almighty God to build a divine fence of protection around us every day. We must put on the whole armor of God that we may be able to withstand in the evil day.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. We must depend on God, we can do nothing without him.
2. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13
3. I will wait for the God of my salvation.
4. Slow down you are moving too fast, wait on the Lord.
5. While waiting, do not forget to watch and pray.
6. Through patience and comfort of the scriptures we might have hope. Romans 15:4

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Micah 7:7, I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.
Tuesday	Psalm 130:5, I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.
Wednesday	Psalm 130:6, My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning.
Thursday	Proverbs 3:5, Trust in the LORD, acknowledge him, he shall direct your paths.
Friday	Romans 12:12, Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; instant in prayer;
Saturday	Romans 15:5, The God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded.
Sunday	Psalm 27:13, I had fainted unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

WALK IN THE NEWNESS OF LIFE

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 8:1-14

1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
2. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
3. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
4. That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
5. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.
6. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.
7. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
8. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
9. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.
10. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.
11. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.
12. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.
13. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.
14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

PURPOSE - To walk in the newness of life by laying aside our thoughts and our ways, knowing perfectly well, that they are not the Lord's thoughts nor his ways, and surrendering ourselves totally and completely over to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Lay aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speaking, As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby. 1 Peter 2:1-2

COMMENTARY

We must not be children anymore, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love; bring back the love, by walking, in the newness

of life. Ephesians 4:14-15 To walk in the newness of life, is to walk in the spirit. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all sin. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. You cannot live a godly life, without the power of the Holy Ghost.
2. You cannot serve the Lord adequately, without the power of the Holy Ghost.
3. You cannot walk in the newness of life, without the power of the Holy Ghost.
4. You cannot interpret the word of God effectively, without the power of the Holy Ghost.
5. I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. Philippians 4:13
6. The Holy Ghost and the Holy Spirit are one and the same.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	John 10:10, I am come that they might have life.
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature.
Wednesday	John 3:3, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
Thursday	Galatians 5:16, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
Friday	John 8:12, He that follow me shall not walk in darkness.
Saturday	Matthew 28:19, Go ye therefore, and teach all nations.
Sunday	2 John 1:4, I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 3:14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

LESSON 57

AUGUST 31, 2025

GOD SENT HIS WORD TO HEAL THEM

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 8:1-15

1. When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him.
2. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.
3. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.
4. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.
5. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,

6. And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.
7. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him.
8. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
9. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.
10. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.
11. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.
12. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
13. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.
14. And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.
15. And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

PURPOSE - To acknowledge that Jesus went about all Galilee healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease and there was nothing too hard for God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - When you are sick, call for the elders of the church; and let them pray and anoint with oil in the name of the Lord Jesus. James 5:14

COMMENTARY

The best medicine is God's word. God's word has the power to heal you. For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

When Jesus entered into a certain village, he met ten men, they all had leprosy. Leprosy was a mean disease. It is a slow growing bacteria that can affect the nerves, the skin and the eyes. All ten lepers cried aloud Jesus! Master! have mercy on us. Jesus said to the ten lepers, Go show yourselves unto the priest. And it came to pass, that as they went, they were cleansed, and they were healed.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved. Jeremiah 17:14
2. A merry heart does good like medicine: but a broken spirit dries up the bones. Proverbs 17:22
3. God's word will bring health and cure.
4. Jesus, after being anointed by God with the Holy Ghost, went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil. Acts 10:38
5. God promised to take sickness away from among us.

6. When he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Exodus 15:26, I will put none of these diseases upon you, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee.
Tuesday	Isaiah 53:5, But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.
Wednesday	3 John 1:2, Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.
Thursday	Deuteronomy 30:19, I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life.
Friday	Revelation 22:2, The leaves of the tree (<i>the tree of life</i>) were for the healing of the nations.
Saturday	Psalms 89:34, My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
Sunday	John 15:7, If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

MEMORY VERSE: Luke 8:43-44 And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any, Came behind him, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stancheth.

LESSON 58

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

GRANDPARENTS' DAY CHILDREN OBEY YOUR PARENTS IN THE LORD FOR THIS IS RIGHT

MOTTO TEXT: Ephesians 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 6:1-11

1. Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
2. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;
3. That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
4. And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.
5. Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;
6. Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;
7. With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:
8. Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive

of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

9. And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.
10. Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

PURPOSE - To instruct children that they must obey both parents. Whatsoever you do, do all to the glory of God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - With the ancient is wisdom; and in length of days understanding. Job 12:12

COMMENTARY

Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Ephesians 5:6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. A disobedient child will despise his father's instructions. Cursed be he that setteth light by his father or his mother. Deuteronomy 27:16 Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will show you; the elders, and they will tell you. Little children beware of "crack houses" in your neighborhood. The mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children.

Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell. Proverbs 23:13-14 If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and that, when they have chastened him, will not hearken unto them: Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place; And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a drunkard. And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear. Deuteronomy 21:18-21

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Children are a heritage from the Lord.
2. We are called the children of God because God loves us.
3. A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just. Proverbs 13:22
4. Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth. Psalm 71:9
5. The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head. Proverbs 20:29
6. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing. Psalm 92:14

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Proverbs 17:6a, Children's children are the crown of old men.
Tuesday	Proverbs 22:6a, Train up a child in the way he should go.
Wednesday	Matthew 19:14, But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not,

Thursday	to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.
Friday	Proverbs 13:24a, He that spareth his rod hateth his son.
	Psalm 71:18, Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.
Saturday	Titus 2:2, That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.
Sunday	Isaiah 46:4, And even to your old age I am he; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you.

MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 12:11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

LESSON 59

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

EVANGELISM SUNDAY LORD, SEND ME

MOTTO TEXT: Isaiah 6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 10:1-20

1. After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.
2. Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.
3. Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.
4. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.
5. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house.
6. And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.
7. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.
8. And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:
9. And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.
10. But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say,
11. Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God

- is come nigh unto you.
12. But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city.
 13. Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.
 14. But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.
 15. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.
 16. He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.
 17. And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.
 18. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.
 19. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
 20. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

PURPOSE - To show that even today, God need messengers to warn his people.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - If we are going to be a witness for Jesus, we should have the Holy Ghost that we may also live for him. No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. *1 Corinthians 12:3b*

COMMENTARY

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. Malachi 3:1

God sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh. God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. John 3:17

Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: Hebrews 10:5

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Jesus said, Yet a little while am I with you, then I go unto him that sent me. John 7:33
2. Jesus said, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. John 20:21
3. Jesus said, I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am, there ye may be also. John 14:2-3
4. Jesus said, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not. Matthew 10:5
5. The Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world. 1 John 4:14
6. God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. 1 John 4:9

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 22:9, Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.
Tuesday	Luke 4:18, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted.
Wednesday	Matthew 10:16, Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.
Thursday	Mark 6:7, And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits.
Friday	Galatians 4:4, But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law.
Saturday	Matthew 28:19, Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Sunday	Matthew 10:1, And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

MEMORY VERSE: Acts 16:10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.

LESSON 60

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

I WILL PAY MY VOW

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 22:25 My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 116:1-19

1. I love the Lord because he hath heard my voice and my supplications.
2. Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
3. The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.
4. Then called I upon the name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
5. Gracious is the Lord and righteous; yea, our God is merciful.
6. The Lord preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.
7. Return unto thy rest, O my soul, for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee.
8. For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
9. I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.
10. I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted.
11. I said in my haste, All men are liars.
12. What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?

13. I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord.
14. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people.
15. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.
16. O Lord, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant and the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.
17. I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call upon the name of the Lord.
18. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people,
19. In the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the Lord.

PURPOSE - To explore the Psalmist's gratitude and commitment to paying vows in response to God's deliverance, emphasizing the act of worship and thanksgiving.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to express gratitude for God's deliverance by fulfilling vows and commitments made in moments of distress. Honoring a vow supports a lifestyle of worship and trust in God's faithfulness.

COMMENTARY

A vow is a solemn promise. Psalm 116 beautifully captures the Psalmist's deep gratitude and commitment to the Lord for answered prayers and deliverance from distress. The Psalmist acknowledges the Lord's graciousness, expressing a heartfelt desire to "pay vows unto the Lord." This vow is not merely a transaction but a declaration of ongoing commitment, highlighting the importance of worship and thanksgiving as integral parts of the believer's response to God's faithfulness.

In the face of trials and afflictions, the Psalmist turns to the Lord, acknowledging the simplicity of those preserved by God. The Psalmist's declaration, "I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people," signifies a public testimony of God's deliverance. The act of fulfilling vows becomes worship to God, recognizing the preciousness of life and the Lord's sustaining power. This psalm serves as a reminder for believers to express gratitude through fulfilling commitments, leading a life of worship, and trusting in the Lord's unwavering faithfulness.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Psalm 116

1. The Psalmist's declares his love for the Lord (vv. 1-2)
2. God's deliverance from sorrows and pains is available (vv. 3-8)
3. The Psalmist's commitment to pay vows and offer thanksgiving should be practiced by all believers (vv. 12-19)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Psalm 116:1-4, Love for the Lord who hears our supplications
Tuesday	Psalm 116:5-9, God's graciousness in preserving the simple
Wednesday	Psalm 116:10-14, Trust and thanksgiving in the midst of affliction
Thursday	Psalm 116:15-16, Recognizing the preciousness of the death of God's saints
Friday	Psalm 116:17-18, Offering the sacrifice of thanksgiving and paying vows
Saturday	Psalm 116:19, Praising the Lord in His courts

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 116:14 I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all his people.

LESSON 61

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

THERE IS HOPE FOR TOMORROW

MOTTO TEXT: Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 8:14-25

14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.
15. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.
16. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:
17. And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.
18. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
19. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.
20. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,
21. Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.
22. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.
23. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.
24. For we are saved by hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?
25. But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

PURPOSE - To convey the message that hope is an essential element of salvation, emphasizing the unseen nature of hope and the patient expectation of future promises.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to anchor their lives in the hope offered by God, recognizing that it is through hope that they experience salvation and patiently await the fulfillment of God's promises.

COMMENTARY

In Romans 8, Paul highlights the role of hope in salvation, asserting, there is hope for tomorrow. This profound truth rests on the understanding that hope is anchored in the unseen, prompting believers to patiently wait for the fulfillment of God's promises.

The salvation we experience is linked to hope, a hope that transcends what is visible. This perspective challenges believers to place their trust in the promises of God, recognizing that hope is not contingent on immediate sight but is a steadfast assurance in the unseen future.

Today's message resonates with the divine assurance expressed in Jeremiah 29:11, where God's thoughts toward his people are characterized by peace and a promising future. This lesson serves as a reminder that, in the face of uncertainty, believers can find hope in the assurance of God's good thoughts and the expectation of a positive outcome.

As believers navigate the challenges of life, the anchoring hope in God's promises becomes a source of strength, perseverance, and anticipation for a better tomorrow. This lesson encourages believers to live with the confident expectation that God's plans for them are filled with hope and a positive future.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Romans Chapter 8

1. Hope is not seen (vv. 24-25)
2. Be patient and wait for the fulfillment of hope (v. 25)
3. Anchor your life in the hope offered by God

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Romans 8:24, Salvation by hope and the unseen nature of hope
Tuesday	Romans 8:25, Patiently waiting for the fulfillment of hope
Wednesday	Jeremiah 29:11, God's thoughts of peace and hope for the future
Thursday	Psalms 33:20-22, Waiting for the Lord and finding hope in his steadfast love
Friday	Romans 5:1-5, Hope that does not disappoint, grounded in God's love
Saturday	Romans 15:13, The God of hope filling believers with joy and peace in believing
Sunday	Romans 8:24-25, Salvation by hope, the unseen nature of hope, and patiently waiting for its fulfillment.

MEMORY VERSE: Romans 8:24 For we are saved by hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

LESSON 62

OCTOBER 5, 2025

MY PAST IS FINALLY BEHIND ME

MOTTO TEXT: Philippians 3:13-14 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

ENTIRE LESSON: Philippians 3:1-21

1. Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed *is* not grievous, but for you *it is* safe.
2. Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision.
3. For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.
4. Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:
5. Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;
6. Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.
7. But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.
8. Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,
9. And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
10. That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;
11. If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.
12. Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.
13. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
14. I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.
15. Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.
16. Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.
17. Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.
18. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ:
19. Whose end *is* destruction, whose God *is* *their* belly, and *whose* glory *is* in their shame, who mind earthly things.)
20. For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
21. Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

PURPOSE - To forget the past, let it go, and put it behind you forever.

PRACTICAL POINT - No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. Luke 9:62

COMMENTARY

My past is finally behind me. It is written: Psalm 32:1 Blessed *is he whose* transgression *is* forgiven, *whose* sin *is* covered. I can't turn around. I will not go back to living in sin. It is written 2 Peter 2:21-22 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, the dog *is* turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Because we have humbled ourselves, prayed, called on the name of Jesus, turned from our wicked ways; we can truly say our past is finally behind us. Even when we were children, we were in bondage under the elements of the world: But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem us that we might receive the adoption of sons. Galatians 4:3-5

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. I am not looking back, I am pressing forward.
- 2. And their sins and iniquities, I will remember no more.
- 3. Stand up for the word of God and for the Bible as being infallible.
- 4. Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6
- 5. If any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 6. Look toward the future.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Acts 13:38, Forgiveness of sins is preached through Jesus Christ.
Tuesday	Matthew 6:14, If you forgive men, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.
Wednesday	Matthew 6:15, If you do not forgive men, neither will your Father forgive you.
Thursday	Galatians 2:20, The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith in Jesus.
Friday	Hebrews 6:1, Let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God.
Saturday	Colossians 3:2, Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
Sunday	1 Thessalonians 5:8, But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 43:18-19 Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.

I HATE THE SINS THAT MAKE THEE MOURN

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 7:23-24 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 7:7-25

7. What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.
8. But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin *was* dead.
9. For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.
10. And the commandment, which *was ordained* to life, I found *to be* unto death.
11. For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew *me*.
12. Wherefore the law *is* holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.
13. Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.
14. For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.
15. For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.
16. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that *it is* good.
17. Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
18. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.
19. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.
20. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
21. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.
22. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:
23. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
24. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
25. I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

PURPOSE - To let us know that we must hate the evil, and love the good.

PRACTICAL POINT - God will deliver his saints out of the hand of the wicked.

COMMENTARY

It has been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy. But Jesus said, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; for I hate the sins that made you mourn. For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23

There are so many sins that anger God: fornication, adultery, covetousness, drunkards, extortioners, so much so that it repented God that he had made man seeing that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually that it grieved God in his heart. The LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Jesus said, If the world hate you, know that it hated me before *it hated* you. John 15:18
2. Your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear. Isaiah 59:2
3. Blessed are you, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Luke 6:22
4. The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. Proverbs 8:13
5. You are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. John 8:44
6. If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*. Psalm 66:18

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Psalm 5:5, The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.
Tuesday	Matthew 6:24, No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other.
Wednesday	Psalm 119:104, Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.
Thursday	Hosea 9:15, All their wickedness <i>is</i> in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house.
Friday	1 John 3:9, Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
Saturday	Job 34:22, There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide.
Sunday	Proverbs 10:12, Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 6:16-19 These six *things* doth the LORD hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

THEME VI

GREAT FAITH DISARMING THE WEAPONS OF FEAR AND EVIL

Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear:
though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after;
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Psalm 27:3-4

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LESSON 64

OCTOBER 19, 2025

GIVING UP YOUR FLESHLY DESIRES

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 8:13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

ENTIRE LESSON: Galatians 5:16-26

16. This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
17. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
18. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.
19. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20. Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21. Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23. Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.
24. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
26. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

PURPOSE - To warn the believers not to waste time following after the deeds of the flesh but ask our heavenly Father for guidance in dealing with the sins of the flesh.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Delight yourself in the LORD; and he shall give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4

COMMENTARY

All that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passes away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abides forever. 1 John 2:16-17 We must give up fleshly desires. Flee fornication, do not commit adultery. Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth

forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. James 1:14-15 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Colossians 3:5

Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul. They that are in the flesh cannot please God. Romans 8:8 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof*. Romans 13:14 While we were living in the flesh, our passions aroused, and our mind became hostile to the laws of God. Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak. Matthew 26:41

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Lord, help me to kill my flesh daily.
- 2. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.
- 3. He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.
- 4. He that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Galatians 6:7-8
- 5. You are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit.
- 6. If any man has not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. Romans 8:9

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	1 Corinthians 15:31, I die daily.
Tuesday	Romans 6:6, Our old man is crucified with him, that we should not serve sin.
Wednesday	Proverbs 6:27, Can a man take fire in his bosom, and not be burned?
Thursday	Galatians 5:13, You have liberty; only use not liberty for the flesh.
Friday	Romans 8:5, They that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh.
Saturday	John 3:6, That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
Sunday	1 Corinthians 10:13, God will not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able.

MEMORY VERSE: Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless, I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

LESSON 65

OCTOBER 26, 2025

**TEMPERANCE SUNDAY
SIN CANNOT ENTER HERE**

MOTTO TEXT: Romans 6:12-13 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 6:1-23

- 1. What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2. God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?
3. Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?
4. Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
5. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:
6. Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.
7. For he that is dead is freed from sin.
8. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:
9. Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.
10. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.
11. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
12. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.
13. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.
14. For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.
15. What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.
16. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?
17. But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.
18. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.
19. speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.
20. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.
21. What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.
22. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.
23. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PURPOSE - To make known to all that we are made free from sin and have become the servants of righteousness.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near. Isaiah 55:6

COMMENTARY

It is written: Revelation 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into the Kingdom of God any thing that is unclean, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie. Just as sin cannot enter Heaven, don't let sin enter your body. Lock sin out.

Be not deceived, the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God. Let no man deceive you: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but you are washed, but you are sanctified, but you are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God. I Corinthians 6:9-11

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. 2 Corinthians 5:17
2. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. 1 John 1:9
3. Fornication, witchcraft, and hatred are all works of the flesh. Galatians 5:19
4. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23
5. Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. John 3:3
6. Except you are converted, and become as little children, you shall not enter the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 18:3

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	1 Peter 5:8, Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3:2, A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach.
Wednesday	Romans 6:23, For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life.
Thursday	Matthew 7:21, Not everyone that says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven.
Friday	Revelation 21:8, All liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire.
Saturday	1 Corinthians 6:9, Do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?
Sunday	Ephesians 2:8, For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 9:27 But I keep under my body and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

GOD CANCELED MY DEBT

MOTTO TEXT: 2 Kings 4:7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

ENTIRE LESSON: 2 Kings 4:1-7 and Deuteronomy 15:1-6**2 Kings 4:1-7**

1. Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.
2. And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.
3. Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, *even* empty vessels; borrow not a few.
4. And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.
5. So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought *the vessels* to her; and she poured out.
6. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, *There is* not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.
7. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

Deuteronomy 15:1-6

1. At the end of *every* seven years thou shalt make a release.
2. And this *is* the manner of the release: Every creditor that lendeth *ought* unto his neighbour shall release *it*; he shall not exact *it* of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the LORD'S release.
3. Of a foreigner thou mayest exact *it again*: but *that* which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall release;
4. Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it:
5. Only if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day.
6. For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.

PURPOSE - To teach the principles of the forgiveness of debt, which includes giving bread to those who are hungry.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Deuteronomy 15:1 At the end of *every* seven years thou shalt make a release, grant a forgiveness of debt.

COMMENTARY

We were dead in our sins, deeply in debt, but God quickened us together with him and forgave all our trespasses; blotting out the record of debt that was against us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross. Colossians 2:13-14 Now, do as Christ did, learn to forgive others. All of God’s children should learn how to work with a budget and live within your means. Once you have created your budget, ask God to forgive you for your debts and to make you a good steward of all that he has blessed you with.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Owe no man any thing, but to love one another. Romans 13:8
2. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Matthew 6:12
3. When they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Luke 7:42
4. Sell the oil, pay the debt.
5. God blotted out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us. Colossians 2:14

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Proverbs 22:7, The rich rules over the poor, the borrower <i>is</i> slave to the lender.
Tuesday	Psalms 37:21, The wicked borrows, and pays not again.
Wednesday	Philemon 1:18, If he has wronged you, or owe <i>you</i> , put that on my account.
Thursday	Matthew 18:27, Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.
Friday	Philippians 4:19, But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
Saturday	Leviticus 25:39, And if thy brother that dwelleth by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant.
Sunday	Colossians 3:13, If any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also <i>do</i> ye.

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 6:14 - 15 If ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

LESSON 67

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

BEFORE I BACKSLIDE, LET ME THINK

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 9:62 And Jesus said unto him, no man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

ENTIRE LESSON: Hosea 4:1-19

1. Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

2. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.
3. Therefore shall the land mourn, and everyone that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.
4. Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are as they that strive with the priest.
5. Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.
6. My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.
7. As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore, will I change their glory into shame.
8. They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.
9. And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings.
10. For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.
11. Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.
12. My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declared unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused them to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.
13. They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks, poplars, and elms, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore, your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.
14. I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore, the people that doth not understand shall fall.
15. Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, yet let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Bethaven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.
16. For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.
17. Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.
18. Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.
19. The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

PURPOSE - To warn everyone that backsliding is not good. To remind all that we are but flesh and have been in constant rebellion against God, and that we have tested Him over and over again and provoked the Holy One of Israel.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Lord help me to see myself, seek your face, and turn from my wicked ways.

COMMENTARY

For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the

latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, the dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire 2 Peter 2:20-22. Before I backslide, let me think.

Before I look back, let me think. Genesis 19:15 And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city. Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven. But Lot's wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Before I turn back:

1. Let me think. Who will I hurt? Will I hurt my family, my church, myself?
2. Let me think. How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. Acts 10:38
3. I want to thank him for food, for raiment and for shelter.
4. I want to remember how good God is to me and my family.
5. I want to remember how God protected me from dangers seen and unseen.
6. I want to remember that I don't have to stumble; I don't have to fall. It is written Jude vs.24, Unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Proverbs 14:14, The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.
Tuesday	Proverbs 24:16, For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again.
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 13:5, Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith.
Thursday	Jeremiah 8:5, Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit; they refuse to return.
Friday	Galatians 6:1, Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such a one in the spirit of meekness.
Saturday	1 Corinthians 10:12, Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.
Sunday	Hebrews 10:26, For if we sin willfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins.

MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 6:4-6 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

DECEIVED BY THE DEVIL

MOTTO TEXT: John 8:44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

ENTIRE LESSON: Genesis 3:1-24

1. Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?
2. And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:
3. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.
4. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
5. For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.
6. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.
7. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.
8. And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.
9. And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?
10. And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.
11. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?
12. And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.
13. And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.
14. And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days
15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.
16. Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.
17. And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat

of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life.

18. Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;
19. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.
20. And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.
21. Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.
22. And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:
23. Therefore, the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.
24. So, he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

PURPOSE - To prove that the Devil is a liar and a deceiver.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. Galatians 6:7

COMMENTARY

Do not be deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but you are washed, but you are sanctified, but you are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. The Devil is called Satan, the deceiver of the entire world.
2. The Devil is also called the great dragon, that old serpent.
3. The Devil was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
4. Do not be deceived, the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God
5. Not everyone that says, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven.
6. We ourselves were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. Titus 3:3

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	2 Timothy 3:13, But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
Tuesday	Matthew 24:24, For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.
Wednesday	1 Timothy 4:1, Now the Spirit speaks expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.

Thursday	Ephesians 5:6, Let no man deceive you with vain words.
Friday	2 Thessalonians 2:3, Let no man deceive you by any means.
Saturday	Jeremiah 17:9, The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?
Sunday	Colossians 2:8, Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

MEMORY VERSE: Romans 16:17-18 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

LESSON 69

NOVEMBER 23, 2025

THANKSGIVING LESSON GIVING ALL PRAISE AND HONOR TO GOD

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 150:6 Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

ENTIRE LESSON: Psalm 95:1-7; Revelation 4:8-11; Psalm 103:1-5

Psalm 95:1-7

1. O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
2. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
3. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
4. In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also.
5. The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.
6. O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker.
7. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice,

Revelation 4:8-11

8. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him, and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.
9. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth forever and ever,
10. The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,
11. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure, they are and were created.

Psalm 103:1-5

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

2. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
3. Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
4. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
5. Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the importance of giving all praise and honor to God

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to offer sincere praise and honor to God in their daily lives, acknowledging his greatness, mercy, and power.

COMMENTARY

Today's lesson discusses the significance of offering sincere praise and honor to the Almighty.

Psalm 95:1-7 calls believers to make a joyful noise, worship, and bow down before the Lord, acknowledging his greatness and creative power. Revelation 4:8-11 provides a glimpse of heavenly worship, with angelic beings proclaiming the holiness and worthiness of God. Psalm 103:1-5 expresses the psalmist's gratitude, recognizing God's forgiveness, healing, redemption, and lovingkindness.

Believers are encouraged to adopt a lifestyle of praise and honor, reflecting both earthly and heavenly worship. This lesson serves as a call to acknowledge and appreciate God's greatness, mercy, and creative power, giving him the praise and honor he deserves.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Psalm 95:1-7, Earthly expressions of worship is important to God
2. Revelation 4:8-11, Heavenly expressions of worship proclaim his holiness
3. Psalm 103:1-5, Acknowledge God's forgiveness, healing, redemption, and lovingkindness

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Psalm 95:1-7, Expressions of worship
Tuesday	Psalm 100:1-5, Shouting joyfully to the Lord, serving with gladness, and entering his gates with thanksgiving
Wednesday	Revelation 4:8-11, Heavenly expressions of worship, proclaiming the holiness and worthiness of God
Thursday	1 Chronicles 16:23-31, David's song of thanksgiving, praising God's strength
Friday	Psalm 103:1-5, God's forgiveness, healing, redemption, and lovingkindness
Saturday	Exodus 15:1-21, Israel's song of praise after crossing the Red Sea, celebrating God's victory
Sunday	Revelation 4:8-11; Psalm 103:1-5, Gratitude, and acknowledgment of God's greatness.

MEMORY VERSE: **Psalm 150:6** Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

WHO MADE ME A JUDGE OVER YOU?

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 12:14 And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 7:1-5 and Romans 2:1-3

Matthew 7:1-5

1. Judge not, that ye be not judged.
2. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.
3. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?
4. Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?
5. Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

Romans 2:1-3

1. Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.
2. But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.
3. And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and dost the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?

PURPOSE - To admonish us not to judge unrighteous, nor condemn or we also will be judged. To show that Jesus' judgement is just and righteous.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Hear *the causes* between your brethren, and judge righteously between *every* man and his brother, and the stranger *that is* with him. Deuteronomy 1:16.

COMMENTARY

Do not speak evil against one another. He that speaks evil of *his* brother, and judges his brother, speaks evil of the law, and judges the law. If you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law, but a judge. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judges another? James 4:11-12

Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven. Luke 6:37 Speak evil of no man, do not be a brawler, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men. For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another. But after that the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the power of the Holy Ghost. Titus 3:2-5

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. God judges the righteous, and God is angry *with the wicked* every day. Psalm 7:11
2. Do you not know that the saints shall judge the world? 1 Corinthians 6:2
3. Do you not know that the saints shall judge angels? 1 Corinthians 6:3
4. Open your mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.
5. Judge not according to the appearance but judge righteously. John 7:24
6. In righteousness shalt you judge your neighbor. Leviticus 19:15

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	John 7:24, Stop Judging by appearance only.
Tuesday	Matthew 7:1, Judge not, that you be not judged.
Wednesday	John 8:7, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone.
Thursday	1 Corinthians 2:15, He that is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.
Friday	Matthew 7:5, Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."
Saturday	John 5:30, I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."
Sunday	Romans 14:10, Why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. "

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that everyone may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.

LESSON 71

DECEMBER 7, 2025

SATAN DECEIVED EVE BUT CAUSED BOTH ADAM AND EVE TO SIN

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Timothy 2:14-15 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

ENTIRE LESSON: Genesis 3:1-24

1. Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?
2. And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:
3. But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

4. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
5. For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.
6. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.
7. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.
8. And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.
9. And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?
10. And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.
11. And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?
12. And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.
13. And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.
14. And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:
15. And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.
16. Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.
17. And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;
18. Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;
19. In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.
20. And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.
21. Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.
22. And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:
23. Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.
24. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

PURPOSE – To tell the bible story of the temptation of man, the first human sin and how man became separated from God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – James 1:22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

COMMENTARY

God made a beautiful garden, in a place called Eden. This garden was to be the home of Adam and Eve. Adam's job was to take care of the garden. God gave them only one rule: of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God said, they shall not eat of it, neither shall they touch it, lest they die.

Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Satan, the father of all lies. There is no truth in him. John 8:44
2. Satan was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth.
3. In later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons. 1 Timothy 4:1
4. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition. 2 Thessalonians 2:3
5. There shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Matthew 24:24
6. Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: many false prophets are gone out into the world. 1 John 4:1

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Revelation 12:9, The great dragon, called the Devil, was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 11:3, The serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, and he is out to destroy you.
Wednesday	2 Timothy 3:13, But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
Thursday	Revelation 21:8, But the fearful, unbelieving, and all liars, shall have their part in the fiery lake.
Friday	Mark 3:26, And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.

Saturday	2 Thessalonians 2:11, And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.
Sunday	Revelation 16:13-14, And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs <i>come</i> out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, <i>which</i> go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 13:13-14 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

LESSON 72

DECEMBER 14, 2025

THE WISDOM OF THE WISE

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Corinthians 1:19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:11-31

11. For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.
12. Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.
13. Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?
14. I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;
15. Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.
16. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.
17. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.
18. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.
19. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.
20. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?
21. For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.
22. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:

23. But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;
24. But unto them which 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 ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called:
27. But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;
28. And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:
29. That no flesh should glory in his presence.
30. But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:
31. That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

PURPOSE - To show that the wisdom of the wise and the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God and that God will destroy the wisdom of the wise and bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

PRACTICAL POINT - Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from the words of my mouth. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding. Proverbs 4:5-7

COMMENTARY

It is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. 1 Corinthians 1:19 The prudent are those who are wise, discreet, and sober in practical affairs. However, the natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 1 Corinthians 2:14

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Proverbs 29:11, A fool utters all his mind: but a wise man keeps it in till afterwards.
2. Proverbs 18:2, A fool hath no interest in understanding.
3. Proverbs 1:5, A wise man will hear and will increase learning.
4. Proverbs 12:15, The way of a fool is right in his own eyes.
5. Proverbs 14:7, Stay away from a foolish man.
6. 1 Corinthians 3:18-19, Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seems to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	James 1:5, If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God.
Tuesday	Proverbs 1:7, Fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Wednesday	Proverbs 4:5, Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not.
Thursday	Proverbs 14:8, The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way
Friday	Ephesians 5:15, See that you walk not as fools, but as wise.
Saturday	Colossians 3:16, Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.
Sunday	Jeremiah 9:23, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches.

MEMORY VERSE: James 3:17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

LESSON 73

DECEMBER 21, 2025

CHRISTMAS LESSON THE GREATEST BIRTHDAY EVER

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 2:10-11 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 1:18-25

18. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.
19. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily.
20. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.
22. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,
23. Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.
24. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:
25. And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

PURPOSE - To celebrate Jesus as King and to prove that there is no greater birthday under heaven, given among men, that we can celebrate than Jesus.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - We rejoice today as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. The actual date of his birth remains unknown, but our purpose and our praise are real. Therefore, in everything we give thanks, as we celebrate Jesus.

COMMENTARY

Birthdays are a time of celebration. Who is there better to celebrate, than Jesus? He is our only savior, our only healer, and our only deliverer. He is our ultimate provider. He provides our every need. He rescues us from danger, seen and unseen. We need to draw closer to him every day. "O for a closer walk with God." We are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God has before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10 We will praise you O God; for we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14

We thank you our Heavenly Father, as we celebrate Jesus and recognize him as the Light of the World. We know that every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and comes down from the Father of lights. James 1:17 Father, we thank you for all you have done for we realize that; Happy is the man that finds wisdom, and the man that gets understanding. For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold. Wisdom is more precious than rubies: and all the things you can desire are not to be compared unto her. Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand, riches and honor. Proverbs 3:13-16 Jesus, yours is the greatest birthday ever!

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Matthew 1:23
2. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore, also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. Luke 1:35
3. The true birthdate of Jesus is unknown.
4. Many Christians recognize December 25th as the birthdate of Jesus.
5. And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ. Matthew 1:16
6. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 2:11, They fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts.
Tuesday	Matthew 2:1, Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king.
Wednesday	Luke 2:7, And she brought forth her first-born son.
Thursday	John 1:14, And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.
Friday	Matthew 2:2, Where is he that is born King of the Jews?
Saturday	Luke 2:21, His name was called JESUS, which was so named by the angels.
Sunday	Isaiah 7:14, Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

PRAISE HIM

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 134:1-3 Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD. The Lord that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

ENTIRE LESSON: Revelation 5:1-14

1. And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.
2. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?
3. And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.
4. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.
5. And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.
6. And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.
7. And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.
8. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.
9. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;
10. And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.
11. And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;
12. Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.
13. And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.
14. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

PURPOSE - To show that we must give God all praise, glory and honor.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways. Psalm 128:1

COMMENTARY

Praise ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp. For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation. Psalm 149:1-4

Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp. Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals. Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 150:1-6

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Bless that powerful name of Jesus.
2. God is worthy of all praises.
3. I will Bless the Lord at all times,
4. I will praise you forever.
5. When praises goes up the glory of the Lord come down.
6. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Judges 16:24, And when the people saw him, they praised their god.
Tuesday	Psalm 22:23, Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; glorify him; and fear him.
Wednesday	Psalm 22:25, My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation.
Thursday	Psalm 22:26, The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live forever.
Friday	1 Peter 4:13, But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings.
Saturday	Daniel 4:37, I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honor the King of heaven.
Sunday	Exodus 15:1, Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Samuel 6:14 And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod.

LESSON 75

JANUARY 4, 2026

NEW YEAR'S LESSON BEGIN BY BEING FAITHFUL

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Corinthians 4:2 Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 25:14-30; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 16:10-12

Matthew 25:14-30

14. For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.
15. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.
16. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.
17. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two.
18. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.
19. After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.
20. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.
21. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
22. He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.
23. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.
24. Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:
25. And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.
26. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:
27. Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.
28. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.
29. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.
30. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

1. Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.
2. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.
3. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.
4. For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.
5. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

Luke 16:10-12

10. He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.
11. If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?
12. And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?

PURPOSE - To highlight the importance of beginning the Christian journey by being faithful.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to start their Christian journey by being faithful in the little things, recognizing that faithfulness leads to greater responsibilities in God's kingdom.

COMMENTARY

How will you begin the New Year? Faithfulness is one of the key ingredients to a successful Christian journey. Matthew 25:14-30 uses the parable of the talents to teach the importance of being faithful with what God entrusts us with. 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 addresses the role of stewards and emphasizes the requirement of faithfulness in handling God's mysteries. Luke 16:10-12 presents the principle that being faithful in little things leads to greater responsibilities in God's kingdom.

As we begin a brand new year, let us answer the call to be faithful in stewardship and responsibility, understanding that faithfulness in small matters prepares the way for greater responsibilities in God's kingdom.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Matthew 25:14-30 – Be faithful stewards over whatever God entrusts to you.
2. 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 – God will unfold his mysteries. Be faithful.
3. Luke 16:10-12 - Being faithful in little things leads to greater responsibilities.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 25:14-30, The Parable of the Talents, illustrating faithfulness in stewardship
Tuesday	Proverbs 3:5-6, Trusting in the Lord and acknowledging him in all our ways
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 4:1-5, Stewardship and the requirement of faithfulness in handling God's mysteries
Thursday	1 Samuel 12:24, Serving the Lord with all your heart and considering what great things he has done for you
Friday	Luke 16:10-12, The principle of being faithful in little things
Saturday	Psalms 37:3-6, Trusting in the Lord and committing your way to him for greater responsibilities
Sunday	1 Corinthians 4:1-5, The importance of stewardship of the mysteries of God

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 4:2 Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

THEME VII
THE JOY OF LIVING HOLY

For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but
righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.
For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God,
and approved of men.
Romans 14:17-18

LESSONS 76 – 84

LESSON 76

JANUARY 11, 2026

DO NOT LIE TO ONE ANOTHER

MOTTO TEXT: Colossians 3:9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds.

ENTIRE LESSON: Colossians 3:1-17

1. If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.
2. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
3. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.
4. When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.
5. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
6. For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:
7. In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.
8. But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.
9. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;
10. And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:
11. Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all.
12. Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;
13. Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye.
14. And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
15. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye 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 whatsoever ye do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

PURPOSE - To pray that the Lord will deliver our soul, from lying lips, *and* keep our mouth from a deceitful tongue. Psalm 120:2

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Put away lying. All liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone. Revelation 21:8

COMMENTARY

To lie is to cover up the truth. Telling a lie is not the best way out. Lying is never the answer. When we tell a lie we are being dishonest. Leviticus 19:11 says, you shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. 1 Peter 3:10-11 Lying lips *are* an abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight. Proverbs 12:22

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:32
2. It is impossible for God to lie. Hebrews 6:18
3. A false witness will not go unpunished. Proverbs 19:9
4. The Lord hates a lying tongue. Proverbs 6:17
5. We lie when we make false statements.
6. Blessed are you, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Matthew 5:11

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Proverbs 12:2, Lying lips <i>are</i> abomination to the LORD.
Tuesday	Ephesians 4:25, Put away lying, speak truth with your neighbor.
Wednesday	Proverbs 12:19, A lying tongue <i>is</i> but for a moment.
Thursday	Titus 1:2, God cannot lie.
Friday	Psalm 58:3, The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.
Saturday	Exodus 20:16, Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
Sunday	1 John 2:4, He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

MEMORY VERSE: John 8:44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

**BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL
FOR THEY SHALL RECEIVE MERCY**

MOTTO TEXT: **Matthew 5:1-2, 7** And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 18:23-35

23. Therefore, is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.
24. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.
25. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.
26. The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
27. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.
28. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.
29. And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
30. And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.
31. So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.
32. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:
33. Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?
34. And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.
35. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

PURPOSE - To show that if we are merciful to others, God will be merciful to us. If we are to be truly blessed, we must show mercy to all.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - By showing mercy to others, we are doing the will of God and keeping his commandments.

COMMENTARY

The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. Psalm 145:8 God's kingdom is everlasting and His rule endures throughout all generations. The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

Mercy is an act of kindness and compassion shown toward others. Have mercy and be kind to everyone. You have heard of the patience of Job and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy. James 5:11 Divine favor and blessings comes from above. God is merciful and blesses us in spite of our short comings.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Our God is merciful.
2. According to God's great mercy, he has caused us to be born again.
3. God's mercy never ends.
4. It is God who crowns us with steadfast love and mercy.
5. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. Psalm 23:6
6. Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Hebrews 4:16, Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy.
Tuesday	Luke 6:36, Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.
Wednesday	Titus 3:5, According to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration renewing of the Holy Ghost.
Thursday	Psalm 25:6, Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies, and thy loving kindnesses; for they have been ever of old.
Friday	Psalm 25:7, Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.
Saturday	Proverbs 28:13, He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.
Sunday	Psalm 103:8, The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 2:4-6 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

LESSON 78

JANUARY 25, 2026

GOD IS

MOTTO TEXT: 2 Samuel 22:32-34 For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God? God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect. He maketh my feet like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high places.

ENTIRE LESSON: Isaiah 25:1-12

1. LORD, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth.

2. For thou hast made of a city an heap; of a defenced city a ruin: a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.
3. Therefore shall the strong people glorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear thee.
4. For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.
5. Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a dry place; even the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.
6. And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.
7. And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.
8. He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it.
9. And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.
10. For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be trodden down under him, even as straw is trodden down for the dunghill.
11. And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth his hands to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the spoils of their hands.
12. And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, and bring to the ground, even to the dust.

PURPOSE - To give God praise. To recognize that he alone is God and there is none else, there is no God beside him.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him. 1 Corinthians 8:6

COMMENTARY

God is a refuge for us. Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. Psalm 73:25 We have known and believed the love that God has to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. 1 John 4:16 In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God. Trust in him at all times, pour out your heart before him. Psalm 62:7-

He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he. Deuteronomy 32:4 Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Exodus 15:11

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. God is love. 1 John 4:8

2. God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able. 1 Corinthians 10:13
3. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24
4. God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5
5. God is the promisor of eternal life.
6. Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. Isaiah 40:28

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Zephaniah 3:17, God is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy.
Tuesday	John 1:1, In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
Wednesday	Joshua 1:9, God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.
Thursday	Genesis 1:1, In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
Friday	Revelation 22:13, I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
Saturday	Psalms 54:4, God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
Sunday	Titus 1:2, In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Timothy 1:17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

LESSON 79

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

IN THE BEGINNING

MOTTO TEXT: Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

ENTIRE LESSON: Genesis 1:1-31

1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
2. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
3. And God said, let there be light: and there was light.
4. And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.
5. And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.
6. And God said, let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.
7. And God made the firmament and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so.

8. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.
9. And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.
10. And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was* good.
11. And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.
12. And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
13. And the evening and the morning were the third day.
14. And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:
15. And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.
16. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.
17. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,
18. And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that *it was* good.
19. And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.
20. And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.
21. And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
22. And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.
23. And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.
24. And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.
25. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
26. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.
27. So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.
28. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.
29. And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

30. And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.
31. And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

PURPOSE - Genesis is the first book of the Hebrew Bible. It tells the story of the creation and how the world was made.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - In six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day, and hallowed it. Exodus 20:11

COMMENTARY

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. John 1:1-5

Jesus (*the Word*) was in the beginning with God. John 1:2 The Holy Ghost (*the Spirit of God*) was from the beginning. It-is-written, the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. Genesis 1:2

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work. Exodus 20:9
2. The Lord rested on the seventh day. Exodus 20:11
3. The first three words of the Bible: "In the beginning."
4. My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. Psalm 121:2
5. The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Mark 1:1
6. For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 1 John 3:11

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Ezekiel 36:26, A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit.
Tuesday	Exodus 12:2, The beginning of months. The first month of the year.
Wednesday	John 1:2, The same was in the beginning with God.
Thursday	Isaiah 65:17, I create new heavens and a new earth.
Friday	2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore if any man <i>be</i> in Christ, <i>he is</i> a new creature.
Saturday	Ecclesiastes 3:11, He hath made <i>everything</i> beautiful in his time.
Sunday	Revelation 22:13, I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

MEMORY VERSE: Lamentations 3:22-24 *It is of* the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. *They are* new every morning: great *is* thy faithfulness. The LORD *is* my portion, saith my soul; therefore, will I hope in him.

ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN THE FAITH

MOTTO TEXT: Colossians 2:6-7 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

ENTIRE LESSON: Ephesians 3:14-19

14. For this cause, I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
15. Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,
16. That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
17. That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
18. May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
19. And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the importance of being rooted and grounded in the faith, exploring the imagery of a Christian's foundation in Christ, and the depth of understanding God's love.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to strengthen their foundation in Christ through prayer, faith, and a deep understanding of God's love, enabling them to live a life filled with the fulness of God.

COMMENTARY

In Ephesians 3, the apostle Paul expresses his desire for believers to be rooted and grounded in the faith. The lesson unfolds as Paul emphasizes the strength derived from being rooted in Christ, and the profound understanding of God's love.

This lesson highlights the divine connection between a believer's spiritual strength, faith, and deep-rooted foundation in Christ. Believers are urged to cultivate a life that is rooted and grounded in the faith. Strengthening their inner selves through the power of the Holy Ghost. We must understand and experience the love of Christ, leading to a life filled with the fulness of God.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS**Ephesians Chapter 3**

1. Receive power (vv. 14-16)
2. Christ dwells in hearts by faith (vv. 17)
3. Comprehend the breadth, length, depth, and height of God's love (vv. 18)
4. Know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, being filled with the fulness of God (vv. 19)
5. Cultivate a life rooted and grounded in the Mother Tate doctrine which is the doctrine of Jesus Christ

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Ephesians 3:16, Strengthened by the Spirit
Tuesday	Psalm 1:2-3, The blessedness of the one who delights in the law of the Lord and is like a tree planted by rivers of water
Wednesday	Ephesians 3:17, Christ dwelling in hearts by faith, rooted and grounded in love
Thursday	Colossians 2:6-7, Walking in Christ, being rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith
Friday	Ephesians 3:18, Comprehending the breadth, length, depth, and height of God's love
Saturday	Romans 8:35-39, The assurance of God's love that nothing can separate us from
Sunday	Ephesians 3:19, Encouragement for believers to cultivate a life rooted and grounded in the faith

MEMORY VERSE: Colossians 2:6-7 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

LESSON 81

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD

MOTTO TEXT: James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

ENTIRE LESSON: James 2:14-26

14. What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith and hath not works? Can faith save him?
15. If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food,
16. And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body, what doth it profit?
17. Even so, faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
18. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works.
19. Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe and tremble.
20. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
21. Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?
22. Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?
23. And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness, and he was called the Friend of God.
24. Ye see, then, how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

25. Likewise also, was not Rahab the harlot justified by works when she had received the messengers and had sent them out another way?
26. For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

PURPOSE - To convey the essential principle that faith without works is dead, exploring the relationship between faith and action in the Christian life.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to demonstrate their faith through actions, recognizing that a vibrant faith is evidenced by corresponding works of love, compassion, and obedience.

COMMENTARY

James, in addressing the inseparable link between faith and works, declares that faith without works is dead. Today's lesson unfolds as James challenges the notion of a faith that is void of practical expression and demonstrates the impact of a faith that is alive with corresponding works.

James uses the examples of providing for those in need and the actions of Abraham and Rahab to emphasize the divine connection between faith and works. Abraham's willingness to offer Isaac and Rahab's hospitality to the messengers showcased the living nature of their faith.

Believers are urged to examine the vitality of their faith by assessing the actions it produces. James contends that genuine faith is validated and made complete by corresponding works. This lesson challenges believers to activate their faith and then let their faith be alive, vibrant, and evidenced by tangible expressions of love, obedience, and compassion.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

James Chapter 2

1. There is a link between faith and works (vv. 14-17)
2. Demonstrate faith through actions (vv. 18-20)
3. Abraham and Rahab showcased their faith with works (vv. 21-26)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	James 2:14-17, The connection between faith and works
Tuesday	Matthew 25:31-46, Jesus' teaching on the connection between faith and practical actions
Wednesday	James 2:18-20, Demonstrating faith through actions and the inadequacy of faith without works
Thursday	Matthew 7:21-27, Jesus' illustration of building on a solid foundation through obedience
Friday	James 2:21-26, Examples of Abraham and Rahab showcasing faith made perfect by works
Saturday	Galatians 5:6, Faith working through love and the importance of active Christianity
Sunday	James 2:14-26, The inseparable link between faith and works,

MEMORY VERSE: **James 2:26** For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

WE WALK BY FAITH AND NOT BY SIGHT

MOTTO TEXT: 2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight:

ENTIRE LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-3, 6

Hebrews 11:1-3

1. Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
2. For by it the elders obtained a good report.
3. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:6

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.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the fundamental principle of walking by faith, exploring its substance, evidence, and the pleasing nature of faith to God.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to embrace a lifestyle of walking by faith, trusting in the unseen, and diligently seeking God with the assurance of his reward.

COMMENTARY

In Hebrews 11, the writer poetically defines faith as the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen. Faith, according to today's lesson, enables an understanding of the creation of the world by God's word, emphasizing that the visible is a result of the unseen. The concept of walking by faith is further reinforced by the assertion that without faith, it is impossible to please God.

Believers are challenged to cultivate a faith-based lifestyle, trusting in the substance of their hopes and finding evidence in the unseen. This lesson encourages believers to please God by approaching him with the unwavering belief that he exists and is a rewarder of everyone who diligently seeks him.

Walking by faith guides a believer's perspective on life, circumstances, and our relationship with God. The divine call for every believer is to trust in the unseen, understanding that faith is the key to pleasing God and receiving his rewarding presence.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Hebrews Chapter 11

1. Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen (vv. 1-3)
2. Elders obtained a good report through faith (v. 2)
3. Pleasing God through faith is rewarding (v. 6)
4. Walking by faith and diligently seeking God pleases God

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Hebrews 11:1, Faith is the substance of things hoped for
Tuesday	Hebrews 11:2, The elders obtained a good report through faith
Wednesday	Genesis 15:1-6, Abram's faith in God's promise
Thursday	Hebrews 11:3, Understanding the creation of the world through faith
Friday	Hebrews 11:6, Pleasing God through faith, believing in his existence

Saturday
Sunday

Matthew 6:25-34, Jesus' teaching on faith, not worrying about tomorrow
Hebrews 11:1-3, 6, Faith is the substance of things hoped for

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

LESSON 83

MARCH 1, 2026

YOUTH DAY A PROMISE TO FOLLOW JESUS

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 4:18-22

18. And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
19. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.
20. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.
21. And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.
22. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the call to follow Jesus.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to respond to the call of Jesus, deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow him in a life of discipleship.

COMMENTARY

In Matthew 4:18-22, Jesus calls Peter and Andrew to follow him, promising to make them fishers of men. Mark 1:16-20 highlights the immediate response of James and John, who leave their nets to follow Jesus. Luke 5:27-32 portrays the call of Levi (Matthew), a tax collector, and the subsequent invitation from Jesus to follow him.

Believers are encouraged to heed the promise to follow Jesus, recognizing the transformative nature of discipleship. This lesson serves as a reminder that following Jesus requires a willingness to deny oneself, take up the cross, and embark on a journey of faith and obedience.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Matthew 4:18-22, Jesus called Peter and Andrew to follow him as fishers of men
2. Mark 1:16-20, Jesus called James and John, who immediately left their nets to follow him
3. Luke 5:27-32, Jesus called Levi (Matthew), a tax collector, to follow him
4. Jesus is calling you to follow him.
5. Jesus is calling your friends, family members and co-workers to follow him.
6. Jesus is calling your enemies to follow him.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 4:18-22, The call of Peter and Andrew to follow Jesus as fishers of men
Tuesday	Mark 1:16-20, The immediate response of James and John to leave their nets
Wednesday	Luke 5:27-32, The call of Levi (Matthew), a tax collector
Thursday	Matthew 8:18-22, The cost of discipleship
Friday	Matthew 16:24-27, Jesus emphasizes the need to deny oneself, and follow him
Saturday	John 1:35-42, The call of the first disciples by John the Baptist
Sunday	Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:27-32, The call to follow Jesus and examples of immediate responses

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

LESSON 84

MARCH 8, 2026

HEAVEN IS EVERLASTING

MOTTO TEXT: John 11:25-26 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

ENTIRE LESSON: Revelation 21:1-14

1. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.
2. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
3. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.
4. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
5. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.
6. And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
7. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.
8. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

9. And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.
10. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,
11. Having the glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;
12. And had a wall great and high, *and* had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:
13. On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.
14. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

PURPOSE - To give biblical proof that the dead shall live again in a place called heaven.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

COMMENTARY

Heaven is everlasting. Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens *is* the LORD'S thy God, the earth *also*, with all that therein *is*. Deuteronomy 10:14 We have an incorruptible inheritance, one that is undefiled, and that fades not away, reserved in heaven for us. The believers that make it to heaven will live with God forever. It is written Psalm 23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Jesus said, I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also. John 14:3 If we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. We which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17. Heaven is everlasting.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. Genesis 1:1
2. Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. Isaiah 66:1
3. There is everlasting life after this life. John 11:25
4. God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he has prepared for them a city. Hebrews 11:16
5. The wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. Matthew 25:46
6. I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. Revelation 21:3

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	John 10:28, I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish.
Tuesday	John 10:29, No <i>man</i> is able to pluck <i>them</i> out of my Father's hand.
Wednesday	Proverbs 8:35, Whoso finds me finds life and shall find favor of the LORD.
Thursday	Colossians 3:2, Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
Friday	Revelation 22:2, The leaves of the tree <i>were</i> for the healing of the nations.
Saturday	2 Peter 3:13, We look for new heavens and a new earth.
Sunday	John 3:13, And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, <i>even</i> the Son of man which is in heaven.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Timothy 4:7-8 I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

THEME VIII

SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.

And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

I Peter 5:2-4

LESSONS 85 – 104

LESSON 85

MARCH 15, 2026

LEADERSHIP RULING ACCORDING TO GOD'S LAW

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 72:2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.

ENTIRE LESSON: Romans 13:1-14

1. Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.
2. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.
3. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:
4. For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.
5. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake.
6. For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.
7. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.
8. Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.
9. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
10. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.
11. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.
12. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

13. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.
14. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

PURPOSE – To show that we must keep the charge of the LORD, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that we may prosper in all that we do. 1 Kings 2:3

PRACTICAL APPLICATION – Do not turn aside from the word of God.

COMMENTARY

God makes the leader long before any committee can select them. Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou came forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, *and* I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. Matthew 7:12 Jesus was asked this question by one of the Pharisees, which was a lawyer: Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. Matthew 22:36-40

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak. Jeremiah 1:7
2. All the prophets and the law prophesied until John. Matthew 11:13
3. Bear one another's burdens, and you will fulfil the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2
4. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Philippians 2:3
5. Look for able men from all the people, men who fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens. Exodus 18:21
6. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Galatians 6:9

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Psalm 72:4, He shall judge the poor, he shall save the children.
Tuesday	Isaiah 45:3, I, the LORD, which call <i>thee</i> by thy name, <i>am</i> the God of Israel.
Wednesday	Romans 6:15, Shall we sin, because we are not under the law? God forbid.
Thursday	1 Corinthians 10:23, All things are lawful, but all things are not expedient.
Friday	Joshua 1:8, This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth.
Saturday	Romans 13:8, He that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.
Sunday	2 Corinthians 6:14, Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers.

MEMORY VERSE: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

LESSON 86

MARCH 22, 2026

CAN YOU LOSE YOUR ANOINTING?

MOTTO TEXT: Judges 16:20-21 And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

ENTIRE LESSON: Judges 16:1-20

1. Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in unto her.
2. *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed *him* in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.
3. And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar, and all, and put *them* upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that *is* before Hebron.
4. And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah.
5. And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred *pieces* of silver.
6. And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.
7. And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
8. Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.
9. Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known.
10. And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.
11. And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.
12. Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liars in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread.

13. And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.
14. And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.
15. And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*.
16. And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, *so* that his soul was vexed unto death;
17. That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man.
18. And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her and brought money in their hand.
19. And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.
20. And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

PURPOSE - To prove that you can lose your anointing. You must obey God, live a holy life, and do that which is right in the sight of God, to walk in God's anointing.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - No man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. 1 Corinthians 12:3 Follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. Hebrews 12:14

COMMENTARY

Many theologians believe "once in Christ never out." This theory does not pass the sanctified test. 1 John 2:20 let us that we have an unction from the Holy One, but you can lose your anointing? GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil, continually. The LORD said in Genesis 6:3,5. My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh: yet his days shall be a hundred and twenty years. Seeing that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually, he will absolutely lose his anointing. God's spirit cannot live in an unclean place.

Every Christian must know how to behave themselves in the House of God and be filled with the Holy Ghost when Jesus returns. Jesus said that which you have *already* hold fast till I come. He that overcome, and keep my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations. Revelation 2:25-26 It is written: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with

mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. Psalm 24:3-4

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Samson lost his anointing. Read Judges 16:20-21
2. Romans 11:29 For the gifts and calling of God *are* without repentance.
3. Matthew 5:10 Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4. John 3:3 Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God, therefore he would lose his anointing.
5. John 3:5 Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God therefore he would lose his anointing.
6. Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	2 Corinthians 13:5, Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith.
Tuesday	Jeremiah 8:5, The people of Jerusalem are slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? They hold fast deceit; they refuse to return.
Wednesday	Luke 9:62, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.
Thursday	Hosea 11:7, My people are bent to backsliding from me.
Friday	Revelation 3:11, Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man takes thy crown.
Saturday	John 3:3, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
Sunday	John 3:5, Except a man be born of water and <i>of</i> the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

MEMORY VERSE: 2 Peter 2:20-23 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog *is* turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

PALM SUNDAY VICTORY IS MINE

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 118:24 This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 19:28-44

28. And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.
29. And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,
30. Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him hither.
31. And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.
32. And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.
33. And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?
34. And they said, The Lord hath need of him.
35. And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.
36. And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.
37. And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;
38. Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.
39. And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.
40. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.
41. And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,
42. Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.
43. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,
44. And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

PURPOSE - To center the lesson around the victorious entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, emphasizing the significance of his triumph.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to recognize Jesus as the victorious King who brings salvation, and to celebrate the triumphal entry with joy and gratitude.

COMMENTARY

Today’s Palm Sunday lesson focuses on the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, as described in Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-19. This event marks a pivotal moment, symbolizing the victory and salvation Jesus brings.

Matthew 21:1-11 narrates Jesus' entry with the crowd spreading palm branches, acknowledging him as the prophesied King. Mark 11:1-11 and Luke 19:28-44 provide perspectives on this significant event, illustrating the people's recognition of Jesus' authority. John 12:12-19 depicts the crowds welcoming Jesus with palm branches and proclaiming him as the King of Israel.

Believers are encouraged to grasp the spiritual victory symbolized by Palm Sunday, acknowledging Jesus as the triumphant King who brings salvation. This lesson serves as a reminder that victory is indeed ours through Christ, and we can rejoice and be glad in the day the Lord has made.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Matthew 21:1-11 - Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday
- 2. Mark 11:1-11 - Jesus' entry into Jerusalem was marked by the crowd spreading palm branches
- 3. Luke 19:28-44 - Jesus approached Jerusalem as the crowds praised him
- 4. John 12:12-19 - The people welcomed Jesus with palm branches but would soon shout, “CRUCIFY HIM!”

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 21:1-5, Jesus' instructions for obtaining a colt for his triumphal entry
Tuesday	Matthew 21:6-9, The joyful response of the crowd as Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey
Wednesday	Mark 11:1-6, Jesus instructs his disciples to fetch a colt for his entry into Jerusalem
Thursday	Mark 11:7-11, The crowd welcomes Jesus, spreading their garments and palm branches
Friday	Luke 19:28-34, Jesus instructs his disciples to fetch a colt, at the beginning of his entry
Saturday	Luke 19:35-44, The crowds praising Jesus and his response to the city of Jerusalem
Sunday	John 12:12-19, The people welcoming Jesus with palm branches, acknowledging him as the King

MEMORY VERSE: Psalm 118:24 This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

EASTER SUNDAY UNSPEAKABLE JOY

MOTTO TEXT: **Luke 24:5b-6a** Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 24:1-12

1. Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.
2. And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.
3. And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.
4. And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:
5. And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?
6. He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,
7. Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.
8. And they remembered his words,
9. And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.
10. It was Mary Magdalene and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.
11. And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.
12. Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

PURPOSE - To celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday, focusing on the joy and significance of his victory over death.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to embrace the joy of Easter, recognizing the transformative power of Christ's resurrection in their lives.

COMMENTARY

Luke 24:1-12 tells of the events of the women discovering the empty tomb, encountering angels who declare, "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen." The disciples, initially perplexed, come to understand the fulfillment of Jesus' words regarding his resurrection.

Believers are invited to embrace the joy of Easter, recognizing the profound significance of Christ's victory over death. This lesson serves as a celebration of the power of the resurrection and the eternal hope it brings to all who believe.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life

2. Jesus is the resurrection
3. Jesus is our example-giver
4. Jesus conquered death
5. We shall also conquer death through the power of the Holy Ghost

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Luke 24:1-3, The women discover the empty tomb on Easter morning
Tuesday	Luke 24:4-6, The angelic proclamation to the women: "Why seek ye the living among the dead?"
Wednesday	Luke 24:7-8, The angel reminds the women of Jesus' words about his resurrection
Thursday	Luke 24:9-11, The women report the empty tomb and angelic encounter to the disciples
Friday	Matthew 28:1-10, The resurrection account in Matthew's Gospel, focusing on the angel's message
Saturday	Mark 16:1-8, The resurrection in Mark's Gospel, emphasizing the women's response
Sunday	Luke 24:1-12, The centerpiece of Easter Sunday; the resurrection of Jesus and the angelic proclamation.

MEMORY VERSE: Luke 24:5b-6a Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.

LESSON 89

APRIL 12, 2026

DRINK FROM THE CUP

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 116:13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 26:36-46

36. Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.
37. And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.
38. Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.
39. And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*.
40. And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?
41. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.

42. He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.
43. And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.
44. And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.
45. Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.
46. Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me.

PURPOSE - To instruct us in the way that we should go. Drinking from our spiritual cup will lead us to eternal life.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - The life is in the blood.

COMMENTARY

But Whosoever drink of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. John 4:14. We praise God today that everlasting life was in the cup. The cup represented the blood of Jesus Christ. Luke 22:20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup *is* the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. This do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. There is suffering in the cup.
2. There is healing in the cup.
3. Blessing was in the cup.
4. It is the cup of salvation.
5. Love was in the cup.
6. Faith was in the cup.

DAILY HOME READING

Monday	Matthew 10:42, Whosoever shall give a cup of cold <i>water</i> shall not lose his reward.
Tuesday	Matthew 20:22, Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of?
Wednesday	Matthew 23:26, Cleanse first that <i>which is</i> within the cup and platter.
Thursday	Matthew 26:27, And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave <i>it</i> to them.
Friday	Romans 5:8, While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
Saturday	John 18:11, The cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?
Sunday	Matthew 23:25, You make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 20:23 And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.

SOUND DOCTRINE THAT CANNOT BE DISPUTED

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 7:24-25 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

ENTIRE LESSON: Titus 2:1-15

1. But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:
2. That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.
3. The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;
4. That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,
5. To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.
6. Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
7. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,
8. Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.
9. Exhort servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;
10. Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.
11. For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
12. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;
13. Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
14. Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
15. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

PURPOSE - Preach the word; to be instant in season, and out of season; to reprove, rebuke, and exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. 2 Timothy 4:2

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

COMMENTARY

Doctrine is the foundation on which the principle of the church stands. Christ is the head of the church. On Christ the solid rock I stand all other ground is sinking sand. Doctrine is what we teach. Faith is what we believe. Therefore, the Doctrine is the teaching of the church. Sound, doctrine is the foundation of unity in the church. For the time will

come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Jesus said, upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:18. The teachings of Jesus Christ are the teachings that lay the foundation for the House of God church. If there is anything outside the doctrine of Jesus Christ, it is not sound doctrine.

Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for men stealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine. 1 Timothy 1:9-10

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. You cannot take out one block of foundation on which the church of the Living God the Pillar and Ground of the truth is built.
2. On Christ the solid rock I stand. All other ground is sinking sand.
3. John 7:16, Jesus said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.
4. John 7:17, If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.
5. John 7:18, He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.
6. Ephesians 4:14, I admonish the church to hold onto the faith and doctrine which we have been taught and that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	1 Corinthians 3:11, There is no other foundation can any man lay than that which is already laid, which is Jesus Christ.
Tuesday	1 Timothy 4:1, In the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.
Wednesday	1 John 4:1, Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.
Thursday	Proverbs 4:2, For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.
Friday	Deuteronomy 32:2, My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass.
Saturday	Titus 1:9, Holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.
Sunday	1 Corinthians 14:33, For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 7:26-27 And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

THE BEHAVIOR OF A BISHOP

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Timothy 3:2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Timothy 3:1-16

1. This is a true saying, if a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.
2. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach.
3. Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;
4. One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;
5. (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)
6. Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.
7. Moreover, he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.
8. Likewise, must the deacons be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;
9. Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.
10. And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless.
11. Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.
12. Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.
13. For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.
14. These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:
15. But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.
16. And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

PURPOSE - To set forth the correct biblical pattern for understanding what the Bible teaches about holding certain office or positions in the church.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - To avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. 1 Corinthians 7:2

COMMENTARY

There are seventeen qualities of a Bishop listed in first Timothy 3, the husband of one wife is only one of them. All seventeen qualities listed are important to qualify as a

Bishop. They are: blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that rules well his own house, having his children in subjection, not a novice, must have a good report of them which are without.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. Mark 10:7-9
- 2. Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife. 1 Corinthians 7:27
- 3. And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him. 1 Corinthians 7:13
- 4. Polygamy - having more than one spouse.
- 5. Monogamy - having only one spouse.
- 6. Fornication-To engage in sex outside of marriage.
- 7. Adultery-voluntary sexual intercourse with a married person which is not your spouse.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Ephesians 5:31, The two shall be one flesh.
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 6:14, Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers.
Wednesday	Titus 1:7, The bishop must be blameless as the steward of God.
Thursday	1 Corinthians 7:15, If the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases.
Friday	Romans 7:3, So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.
Saturday	Proverbs 18:22, Whoso findeth a wife findeth a treasure, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.
Sunday	Matthew 5:32, Whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causes her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced commits adultery.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 7:10-11 And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband: But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.

LESSON 92

MAY 3, 2026

**NATIONAL PRAYER DAY
PRAY AS IF YOUR LIFE DEPENDED ON IT**

MOTTO TEXT: James 5:16b The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

ENTIRE LESSON: James 5:13-18

13. Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.
14. Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
15. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
16. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
17. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.
18. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the transformative power and effectiveness of fervent and righteous prayer, drawing insights from the teachings in the book of James.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to pray without ceasing because God answers prayers.

COMMENTARY

Today's lesson focuses on James 5:13-18, highlighting the significance of fervent and effective prayer. Our lesson discusses the power of prayer, emphasizing righteousness and persistence in seeking God.

James 5:13-18 addresses various aspects of prayer, including praying in times of trouble, sickness, and joy. Today's lesson stresses the importance of fervent and righteous prayer, illustrating how the earnest supplication of the righteous avails much before God.

Believers are encouraged to approach prayer with a sense of urgency, and the assurance that God hears and responds to the earnest prayers of the righteous. This lesson serves as a reminder that, in our prayer life, we should pray with sincerity, conviction, and the belief that our prayers can make a significant impact.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Prayer is communication between man and God
2. God wants us to pray consistently and constantly
3. Righteous prayers have a significant impact on God
4. There is nothing we cannot ask God and there is nothing too hard for God to accomplish
5. Pray, pray, pray and when you are tired of praying, pray some more until God responds

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	James 5:13-14, The call to pray in times of trouble and to sing praises in times of joy
Tuesday	James 5:15, The promise of healing through the prayer of faith for the sick
Wednesday	James 5:16a, The encouragement to confess sins and pray for one another

Thursday	James 5:16b, The affirmation that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous person avails much
Friday	James 5:17-18, The example of Elijah, a man of prayer, and the power of his prayers
Saturday	Philippians 4:6-7, Encouragement from Paul to pray with thanksgiving and experience God's peace
Sunday	James 5:13-18, Reflecting on the importance of fervent and effective prayer as highlighted in the book of James.

MEMORY VERSE: James 5:16b The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

LESSON 93

MAY 10, 2026

MOTHER'S DAY A MOTHER'S LOVE CELEBRATED

MOTTO TEXT: Proverbs 31:30 Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 1:26-33, 46-55

Luke 1:26-33

26. And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
27. To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
28. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.
29. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.
30. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.
31. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.
32. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:
33. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Luke 1:46-55

46. And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,
47. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
48. For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
49. For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name.
50. And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

51. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
52. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree.
53. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.
54. He hath helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy;
55. As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.

PURPOSE - To celebrate and honor mothers by exploring the divine significance of Mary's role in the birth of Jesus, emphasizing the virtues of humility and faith.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage everyone to reflect on the qualities of humility and faith exemplified by Mary and how these virtues can inspire and guide mothers in their journey.

COMMENTARY

Luke 1:26-33, 46-55 paints a beautiful picture of Mary, a young woman chosen by God to play a crucial role in the unfolding of his divine plan. Mary's humility and unwavering faith shine through as she willingly accepts the angel's message and embraces her calling to be the mother of Jesus. Her response, known as the Magnificat, reflects a deep understanding of God's mercy and the profound impact of his promises.

On Mother's Day, we celebrate not only the mothers in our lives but also the motherly figures and the love they have shown us throughout the years. Mary's story serves as a timeless example of a mother's trust in God's plan and the power of humility. Let us honor and appreciate the mothers around us, recognizing the sacred and influential role they play in shaping lives and nurturing faith.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Luke Chapter 1

1. An angel announced Mary's baby (vv. 26-33)
2. Mary's Magnificat of Praise (vv. 46-55)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Psalm 127:3, Children are an heritage from the Lord
Tuesday	Proverbs 22:6, Train up a child in the way they should go
Wednesday	1 Samuel 1:27-28, Dedication of children to the Lord
Thursday	Proverbs 31:10-31, The virtuous woman
Friday	Isaiah 66:13, God comforts like a mother
Saturday	1 Corinthians 13:4-7, Love is patient and kind
Sunday	Proverbs 31:30, Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised

MEMORY VERSE: **Luke 1:46-47** And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

I HATE PUTTING AWAY SAITH THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL

MOTTO TEXT: Malachi 2:16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore, take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 19:1-12

1. And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan;
2. And great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.
3. The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?
4. And he answered and said unto them, have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,
5. And said, for this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?
6. Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.
7. They say unto him, why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?
8. He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.
9. And I say unto you, whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.
10. His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with his wife, it is not good to marry.
11. But he said unto them, all men cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given.
12. For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from their mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it.

PURPOSE - To show that when man sinned, he broke the covenant with God for which man was made, which was to multiply and replenish the earth, and to have dominion over every living thing that move upon the earth.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - The man who puts away his wife let him give her a writing of divorcement. The man who puts away his wife except for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced commits adultery. Matthew 5:31-32

COMMENTARY

When a man finds a wife, he finds what is good and obtains favor from the LORD. Proverbs 18:22. It is not good that man should live alone. Genesis 2:24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth. Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love. Proverbs 5: 18-19

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. Ephesians 5:22
2. The husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church. Ephesians 5:23
3. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church. Ephesians 5:25
4. So, ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. Ephesians 5:28
5. From the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. Mark 10:6
6. Unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, let not the wife depart from her husband: But and if she departs, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife. 1 Corinthians 7:10-11

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Mark 10:11 Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.
Tuesday	Mark 10:12 If a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.
Wednesday	Romans 7:2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.
Thursday	Romans 7:3 So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.
Friday	1 Corinthians 7:39 The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.
Saturday	Matthew 5:31 It hath been said, whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement.
Sunday	Matthew 5:32 But I say unto you, that whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

MEMORY VERSE: Galatians 5:15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

I WILL SHOW YOU THE BRIDE, THE LAMB'S WIFE

MOTTO TEXT: Revelation 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

ENTIRE LESSON: Revelation 21:1-27

1. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.
2. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
3. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God.
4. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.
5. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.
6. And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
7. He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.
8. But the fearful and unbelieving and the abominable and murderers and whoremongers and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.
9. And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.
10. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,
11. Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;
12. And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel.
13. On the east, three gates; on the north, three gates; on the south, three gates; and on the west, three gates.
14. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.
15. And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city and the gates thereof and the wall thereof.
16. And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

17. And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.
18. And the building of the wall of it was of jasper, and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.
19. And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper, the second, sapphire, the third, a chalcedony, the fourth, an emerald,
20. The fifth, sardonyx, the sixth, sardius, the seventh, chrysolite, the eighth, beryl, the ninth, a topaz, the tenth, a chrysoprasus, the eleventh, a jacinth, the twelfth, an amethyst.
21. And the twelve gates were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.
22. And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.
23. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.
24. And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.
25. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.
26. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.
27. And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

PURPOSE - To unveil the heavenly vision of “New Jerusalem” as the bride, the Lamb's wife, emphasizing the glorious and eternal nature of the dwelling place of God's people.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to be a part of the bride, the Lamb's wife, by living a life of faithfulness and obedience to God. The promise is eternal life.

COMMENTARY

The church is the bride of Christ. Christ is the bridegroom (also known as the Lamb of God). Revelation 21 paints a vivid picture of “New Jerusalem,” the bride adorned for her husband, symbolizing the eternal union between Christ and his redeemed people (the Church).

These verses offer a glimpse into the glorious and perfect dwelling place prepared by God for those who overcome. Every day the bride should be getting ready (which means to live a life of faithfulness and obedience to the bridegroom). When the bridegroom (Jesus) arrives to receive His bride (the Church) it will be time for the wedding feast called, the marriage supper of the Lamb.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Revelation Chapter 21

1. The new heaven and earth and the holy city, New Jerusalem is being prepared (vv. 1-2)
2. The description of the heavenly city's glory and beauty was revealed to John (vv. 10-27)
3. The promise for overcomers is to have their name in the Lamb's book of life (vv. 7, 27)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Revelation 19:6-9, The marriage supper of the Lamb
Tuesday	Matthew 5:8, Blessed are the pure in heart
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 2:9, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard
Thursday	1 Peter 1:3-5, An inheritance incorruptible and undefiled
Friday	Revelation 22:1-5, The river and tree of life
Saturday	1 John 3:2, We shall be like him
Sunday	Revelation 21:9-27, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 21:9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

LESSON 96

MAY 31, 2026

TRUST AND TRANSPARENCY AND THE IMPACT OF CHANGE IN THE CHURCH

MOTTO TEXT: Psalm 91:2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.

ENTIRE LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:1-5; Acts 16:1-5 and Romans 10:17-21

2 Timothy 4:1-5

1. I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
2. Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
3. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
4. And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
5. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

Acts 16:1-5

1. Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek:
2. Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.
3. Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.
4. And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.
5. And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

Romans 10:17-21

17. So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
18. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.
19. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you.
20. But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me.
21. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

PURPOSE - To understand that to have faith in God we must trust in God. So, then faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. Romans 10:17

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Proverbs 3:5-6

COMMENTARY

Because Jesus said, you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free, we must have transparency in the church above all else. In Paul's final instructions to Timothy, Paul was very transparent and very clear with his instructions. We do not like change, especially in the church but change is inevitable. God does not change. His word does not change. However, people and time changes. Computers replaced typewriters; the old 8 track tape player was replaced by the cassette player which was replaced by the CD player etc. As a result, we must learn to make adjustments. Never expect babies born in the age of computers to accept what our grandparents did doing the horse and buggy years. They speak a different language. Children today are building robots, driving electric cars and exploring the planet Mars. This is a long way from grandmother's 6th grade education.

We must respect and embrace our young people while being emphatically clear with them that even in the church positive change is necessary and is sure to occur. Watch your company, keep a positive attitude and focus on Jesus Christ. Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. John 14:23 Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. 2 Corinthians 5:17

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1. Transform means to change.
2. To be honest, people do not like change.
3. To be transparent means to see through, to be truthful, honest and trustworthy.
4. Man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart. 1 Samuel 16:7
5. To be transparent, don't cover up major details about the changes that will occur.
6. When the Pastor is transparent, the members will trust and believe in the vision God has given.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 24:35, My words shall not pass away.
Tuesday	Psalms 20:7, Some trust in chariots, and horses: but we will trust in God.
Wednesday	Jeremiah 17:7, Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD.
Thursday	Psalms 56:3, In God I have put my trust; I will not fear man.
Friday	Psalms 13:5, But I have trusted in thy mercy.
Saturday	Hebrews 13:8, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.
Sunday	Malachi 3:6, For I am the LORD, I change not.

MEMORY VERSE: Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

LESSON 97

JUNE 7, 2026

ANointed TO PREACH, HEAL, AND SET FREE

MOTTO TEXT: Luke 4:18-19 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

ENTIRE LESSON: Luke 4:14-21

14. And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee, and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.
15. And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.
16. And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read.
17. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,
18. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,
19. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.
20. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.
21. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

PURPOSE - To examine Jesus' proclamation of his anointing and mission as recorded in Luke 4, emphasizing his role to preach, heal, and set free.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to embrace Jesus' anointing and engage in preaching the gospel, bringing healing to the brokenhearted, and participating in the work of setting captives free.

COMMENTARY

In Luke 4, Jesus declares His anointing and mission by quoting Isaiah 61 in the synagogue at Nazareth. Today's lesson reveals Jesus' ministry: preaching the gospel, healing the brokenhearted, delivering captives, restoring sight to the blind, and setting at liberty those who are bruised.

The beginning of Jesus' public ministry was marked when he read the prophetic words in Isaiah, highlighting the power of the Spirit upon him. The Church of the Living God must pray for that anointing to be in each of our churches. Saints of God, youth and ministers of every rank and file must be inspired to engage in ministry—preaching the life-transforming gospel, bringing healing to emotional wounds, participating in the liberation of those in captivity, and contributing to the restoration of individuals in need.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Luke Chapter 4

1. Jesus returned to Galilee with the power of the Holy Ghost (vv. 14-15)
2. Jesus' custom of teaching in synagogues was impactful (vv. 16-21)
3. Jesus was anointed to preach, heal, and set free (vv. 18-19)
4. Isaiah's prophecy was fulfilled in Jesus' ministry (v. 21)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Luke 4:14-15, Jesus returns with power
Tuesday	Luke 4:16-17, Jesus reads the book of Isaiah in the synagogue
Wednesday	Luke 4:18-19, Jesus proclaims his anointing to preach, heal, and set free
Thursday	Isaiah 61:1-4, The prophecy of the anointed one bringing good news and freedom
Friday	Luke 4:20-21, Jesus declares the fulfillment of scripture in their hearing
Saturday	Luke 4:19, Anointed to preach the acceptable year of the Lord
Sunday	Luke 4:14-21, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; this scripture is fulfilled in your ears

MEMORY VERSE: Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.

LESSON 98

JUNE 14, 2026

WE PREACH CHRIST AND HIM CRUCIFIED

MOTTO TEXT: 1 Corinthians 1:23-24 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block and unto the Greeks foolishness, but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:17-31

17. For Christ sent me not to baptize but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

18. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness, but unto us which are saved, it is the power of God.
19. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.
20. Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?
21. For after that, in the wisdom of God, the world by wisdom knew not God; it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.
22. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom,
23. But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block and unto the Greeks foolishness,
24. But unto them which 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 ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called,
27. But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty,
28. And base things of the world and things which are despised hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are,
29. That no flesh should glory in his presence.
30. But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption,
31. That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

PURPOSE - To explore Paul's emphasis on preaching Christ crucified and the transformative power of the gospel, highlighting that "we preach Christ and him crucified."

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to center their preaching and proclamation on the crucified Christ, recognizing the profound impact and wisdom embedded in the gospel message.

COMMENTARY

In 1 Corinthians 1, Paul emphasizes that the central message of everyone sharing the gospel of Jesus is that we preach Christ and him crucified. That challenges conventional wisdom because the cross may be perceived as foolishness (or worthless) to some but is, in fact, the power and wisdom of God.

The message of the cross transcends human understanding and stands as a testament to God's wisdom. It humbles the wise and confounds the powerful, revealing that God chooses the foolish and weak to confound the wise and mighty. The wisdom of the world is no match for the creator of the world. In today's lesson we are reminded that the essence of our calling is rooted in the wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption found in Christ. The call to "*Preach Christ and him Crucified*" serves as the job description, roles and responsibility for every disciple of Christ.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1 Corinthians Chapter 1

1. The preaching of the cross is the power of God (vv. 17-18)
2. God's wisdom surpassing human wisdom (vv. 19-21)
3. The message of Christ crucified is the power of God (vv. 22-24)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	1 Corinthians 1:17-18, The preaching of the cross is the power of God
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 1:19-21, God's wisdom surpasses human wisdom
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 1:22-24, Christ crucified, a stumbling block and the power of God
Thursday	Isaiah 53:1-5, The prophetic foreshadowing of Christ's crucifixion
Friday	1 Corinthians 1:26-28, God chooses the foolish to confound the wise and mighty
Saturday	1 Corinthians 1:29-31, Boasting in the Lord and acknowledging Christ's role in wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption
Sunday	1 Corinthians 1:17-31, We preach Christ and him crucified

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 1:23-24 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block and unto the Greeks foolishness, but unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

LESSON 99

JUNE 21, 2026

FATHER'S DAY FATHERS LEADING BY EXAMPLE

MOTTO TEXT: Proverbs 20:7 The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

ENTIRE LESSON: Joshua 24:15; Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 5:1-2

Joshua 24:15

15. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood or the gods of the Amorites in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Proverbs 22:6

6. Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Ephesians 5:1-2

1. Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
2. And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the influential role fathers play in leading by example, exploring key scriptures that discuss the importance of righteous living for the benefit of their children.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage fathers to lead by example, walking in integrity, love, and devotion to the Lord, Fathers should generate a Godly environment for their children to grow in.

COMMENTARY

Today’s lesson highlights the influential role fathers play in shaping the lives of their children through righteous living. Joshua's declaration, as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord, sets a powerful example of a father's commitment to Godly leadership. Proverbs 22:6 emphasizes the enduring impact of training children in the right way, ensuring they continue in righteousness as they grow older. Ephesians 5:1-2 encourages fathers to follow God's example, walking in love and sacrificial devotion, thereby setting an example for their children.

This lesson serves as a call for fathers to recognize the weight of their influence and actively lead by example. Fathers should love God and show love to their child’s mother. This is a Godly example, walking in integrity, love, and devotion to the Lord. Fathers must create a Godly environment where their children can learn and follow in Christ’s footsteps.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

- 1. Joshua 24:15 - The commitment of Joshua to serve the Lord is an influence every father should embrace
- 2. Proverbs 22:6 - Training up a child in the way they should go starts with the father
- 3. Ephesians 5:1-2 - Follow God's example, walking in love and sacrificial devotion

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Joshua 24:15, Joshua's commitment to serving the Lord and influencing his household
Tuesday	Deuteronomy 6:4-9, God's instructions to Israel on teaching their children diligently
Wednesday	Proverbs 22:6, Training up a child in the way they should go for lasting impact
Thursday	1 Samuel 2:12-26, Eli's example of failing to restrain and guide his children
Friday	Psalms 78:1-8, The importance of passing on God's truths from generation to generation
Saturday	Ephesians 5:1-2, Following God's example in walking in love and sacrificial devotion
Sunday	Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 5:1-2, The commitment to serve the Lord, training up children, and following God's example in love and devotion.

MEMORY VERSE: Proverbs 20:7 The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

MOTTO TEXT: **John 8:12** Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life.

ENTIRE LESSON: **John 1:4-5, 9; 3:19-21**

John 1:4-5

4. In him was life, and the life was the light of men.
5. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.

John 1:9

9. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

John 3:19-21

19. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil.
20. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd.
21. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

PURPOSE - To affirm Jesus is the Light of the World, exploring the transformative power of his light in dispelling darkness and revealing truth.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to follow Jesus, the Light of the World, embracing his light to dispel darkness in their lives and manifest deeds wrought in God.

COMMENTARY

In John's Gospel, Jesus declares, "I am the light of the world," affirming his role as the source of life and illumination. The depiction of Jesus as the Light emphasizes his role in dispelling darkness and revealing truth. The light of Jesus exposes the contrast between those who embrace the light, coming to the truth, and those who prefer darkness due to their evil doings.

We are called to follow Jesus, embracing his light that illuminates our path and dispels the darkness of sin. Today's lesson underscores the nature of Jesus' light, challenging believers to align their deeds with the light of the world.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

John Chapter 1 and 3

1. Jesus is the source of life and the light of men (John 1:4-5)
2. Jesus is the true Light that lights every person coming into the world (John 1:9)
3. What is your response? (John 3:19-21)
4. Follow Jesus, the Light of the World, to dispel darkness and manifest deeds in God.

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday John 1:4-5, In Him was life, and the life was the light of men

Tuesday John 1:9, The true Light that lights every person coming into the world

Wednesday	Psalm 27:1, The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear?
Thursday	John 3:19-20, Condemnation for those who love darkness rather than light
Friday	John 3:21, Coming to the light to manifest deeds wrought in God
Saturday	Matthew 5:14-16, Believers as the light of the world, letting their light shine
Sunday	John 1:4-5; 3:19-21, Jesus as the source of life and light, contrasting responses to the Light

MEMORY VERSE: **John 8:12** Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life.

LESSON 101

JULY 5, 2026

JESUS IS THE ONLY MEDIATOR BETWEEN MAN AND GOD

MOTTO TEXT: **1 Timothy 2:5-6** For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

ENTIRE LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

1. I exhort, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men,
2. For kings and for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.
3. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour,
4. Who will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.
5. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,
6. Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.
7. Whereunto I am ordained a preacher and an apostle (I speak the truth in Christ and lie not), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

PURPOSE - To emphasize the uniqueness of Jesus as the only mediator between God and humanity, highlighting his sacrificial role as the ransom for all.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to approach God through Jesus, acknowledging him as the exclusive mediator, and to pray for all people, aligning with God's desire for salvation.

COMMENTARY

In 1 Timothy 2, Paul underscores the significance of prayer, intercession, and thanksgiving for all people, aligning with God's desire for salvation. That pivotal message

declares Jesus as the exclusive mediator between God and humanity, serving as the one who gave himself as a ransom for all.

Jesus is the only mediator between man and God. That fact reinforces the uniqueness of Christ's role in bridging the gap between God and humanity. His sacrificial act is highlighted as the means of redemption and testimony to God's plan for salvation.

As believers consider this truth, they are invited to approach God through Jesus, recognizing his unparalleled role as the mediator. Today's lesson challenges believers to pray for all people, aligning with God's overarching desire for salvation to reach every individual.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

1 Timothy Chapter 2

- 1. Make supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving for all people (vv. 1-2)
- 2. God's desire is for all to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth (vv. 3-4)
- 3. The unique role of Jesus is as the only mediator between God and humanity (vv. 5-6)
- 4. Paul had an ordained role as a preacher, apostle, and teacher in faith and truth (v. 7)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	1 Timothy 2:1-2, Supplications, prayers, and intercessions for all people
Tuesday	1 Timothy 2:3-4, God's desire for all to be saved
Wednesday	1 Timothy 2:5-6, Jesus as the only mediator between God and humanity
Thursday	Isaiah 53:4-6, The suffering servant as a mediator for our sins
Friday	1 Timothy 2:7, Paul's ordained role as a preacher, apostle, and teacher
Saturday	1 Timothy 2:1-7, Jesus as the exclusive mediator and the universal call to prayer
Sunday	1 Timothy 2:5-6, For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Timothy 2:5-6 For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

LESSON 102

JULY 12, 2026

**JESUS CHRIST IS LORD
TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER**

MOTTO TEXT: Philippians 2:9-11 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things on earth and things under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

ENTIRE LESSON: Philippians 2:1-11

- 1. If there be, therefore, any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

2. Fulfill ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.
3. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.
4. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.
5. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus,
6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God,
7. But made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men.
8. And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.
9. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name,
10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven and things on earth and things under the earth,
11. And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PURPOSE - To explore the humility and exaltation of Jesus Christ as outlined in Philippians 2, emphasizing the confession that "Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to adopt the humble mindset of Christ and confess him as Lord, recognizing his exaltation and bringing glory to God the Father through our lives.

COMMENTARY

Philippians 2 shows the humility of Christ, who, though equal with God, willingly became a servant and obediently embraced the cross. Today's lesson illustrates the exaltation of Jesus Christ, with every knee bowing and every tongue confessing His lordship to the glory of God the Father.

The call for believers to have the same mindset as Christ, prioritizing humility and selflessness, is a powerful exhortation. Recognizing Jesus as Lord brings about a transformation in perspective and behavior, aligning believers with the divine purpose of glorifying God.

We are encouraged to embrace the humble nature of Christ, confess his lordship, and live in a way that brings glory to God.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Philippians Chapter 2

1. Live in harmony (vv. 1-4)
2. Have the mindset of Christ: Humility and obedience (vv. 5-8)
3. Jesus was exalted because he lived a life of humility (vv. 9-11)
4. Confess "Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (v. 11)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Philippians 2:1-4, Unity, humility, and mutual love among believers
Tuesday	Philippians 2:5-8, The mindset of Christ: Humility and obedience
Wednesday	Philippians 2:9-11, The exaltation of Jesus and his lordship

Thursday	Colossians 1:15-20, Christ's preeminence and reconciliation through his blood
Friday	Romans 14:7-12, Every knee shall bow before God
Saturday	Philippians 2:1-11, Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father
Sunday	Philippians 2:1-11, Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 2:11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

LESSON 103

JULY 19, 2026

GO INTO THE VINEYARD AND WORK

MOTTO TEXT: Matthew 20:7 They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.

ENTIRE LESSON: Matthew 20:1-16

1. For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is a householder, which went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard.
2. And when he had agreed with the laborers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.
3. And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the marketplace
4. And said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.
5. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour and did likewise.
6. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?
7. They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive.
8. So when evening was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the laborers and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first.
9. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.
10. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more, and they likewise received every man a penny.
11. And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house,
12. Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.
13. But he answered one of them and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong. Didst not thou agree with me for a penny?
14. Take that thine is and go thy way. I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.
15. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil because I am good?

16. So the last shall be first, and the first last, for many be called, but few chosen.

PURPOSE - To understand the parable of the laborers in the vineyard in Matthew 20, emphasizing the generosity of the landowner and the principle of divine justice.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Appointments are not needed to do good work. Believers should actively engage in the work of the kingdom, recognizing that God's generosity and justice transcend human understanding. Whatever you find your hands to do, do it with all your might.

COMMENTARY

The parable in Matthew 20 depicts an owner hiring laborers throughout the day, illustrating the kingdom of heaven's principles. The generosity of the landowner, who pays all laborers the same wage regardless of their hours worked, challenges human notions of fairness.

The call to go and work extends beyond the physical vineyard to the labor of the kingdom. The landowner's response to those standing idle, inviting them to work and promising a just reward, signifies God's call to serve. Although everyone does not have the same job responsibility and God promotes people according to his timing, everyone that is spiritually healthy and physically able should serve. There is something for everyone to do in God's kingdom.

No one should be envious or jealous of another person's responsibilities because there is enough work for all. The murmuring of the laborers in today's lesson echoes the temptation to compare and question God's ways. The landowner's response emphasizes the principle of the first being last and the last being first.

As believers reflect on today's lesson, we should be encouraged to actively engage in the work of the kingdom, finding something to do to further the cause of Christ without murmuring and complaining. Our ultimate reward is in Heaven. There is no reward on earth greater than our Heavenly reward. The Heavenly reward is promised to every believer, regardless of our earthly assignment.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Matthew Chapter 20

1. The owner and workers are responsible for the vineyard (vv. 1-3)
2. We are all invited to work (vv. 4-7)
3. We work different jobs but will receive equal pay (vv. 8-16)
4. The first shall be last and the last shall be first (v. 16)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Matthew 19:16-30, The rich young man and the rewards of discipleship
Tuesday	Matthew 20:1-7, The owner hiring laborers into the vineyard
Wednesday	Matthew 20:8-12, The equal payment and human reactions
Thursday	Matthew 20:13-16, The principle of the first being last
Friday	Isaiah 55:1-7, God's invitation to abundant life
Saturday	Matthew 20:1-16, Go into the vineyard and work
Sunday	Matthew 20:1-16, Many are called, but few are chosen

MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last, for many be called, but few chosen.

WHEN IT'S ALL OVER I WANT TO SEE JESUS

MOTTO TEXT: **Revelation 22:4** And they shall see his face, and his name shall be on their foreheads.

ENTIRE LESSON: Revelation 21:1-7

1. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no more sea.
2. And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
3. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God.
4. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things have passed away.
5. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write, for these words are true and faithful.
6. And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is thirsty of the fountain of the water of life freely.
7. He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

PURPOSE - To explore the vision of the new heaven and earth in Revelation 21, emphasizing the promise of God's presence, the removal of sorrow, and an eternal fellowship with Him.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION - Encourage believers to look forward to the ultimate joy of seeing Jesus in the new heaven by living in anticipation of that glorious promise.

COMMENTARY

Revelation 21 paints a breathtaking picture of the new heaven and earth, a realm where God's dwelling is among His people. The imagery of the holy city, the new Jerusalem, symbolizes the perfected and redeemed community prepared as a bride for her husband.

The removal of tears, death, sorrow, and pain underscores the transformative nature of this new reality. God's declaration of making all things new, being Alpha and Omega, and offering the water of life freely emphasizes the completeness and abundance found in him. The promise to overcomers inheriting all things and becoming God's children solidifies the eternal fellowship and inheritance with God.

Every time we gather at The House of God it should inspire a deep yearning for a glorious future when we will see his face, experience the fulfillment of his promises, and dwell in eternal joy forever.

BLACKBOARD EMPHASIS

Revelation Chapter 21

- 1. There will be a new heaven and earth (vv. 1-2)
- 2. God will dwell with humanity and remove sorrow and pain (vv. 3-4)
- 3. God will make all things new, offering the water of life (vv. 5-6)
- 4. There is an inheritance for overcomers which is the eternal fellowship with God (vv. 7)

DAILY HOME READINGS

Monday	Revelation 20:11-15, The great white throne judgment
Tuesday	Revelation 21:1-4, The vision of the new heaven and earth
Wednesday	Revelation 21:5-8, Making all things new and the fate of the unfaithful
Thursday	Revelation 21:9-14, The description of the new Jerusalem
Friday	Revelation 21:15-21, The dimensions and beauty of the new Jerusalem
Saturday	Revelation 21:22-27, The glory and presence of God in the New Jerusalem
Sunday	Revelation 21:1-7, When it's all over, I want to see Jesus

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 22:4 And they shall see his face, and his name shall be on their foreheads.

