

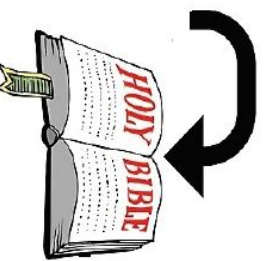
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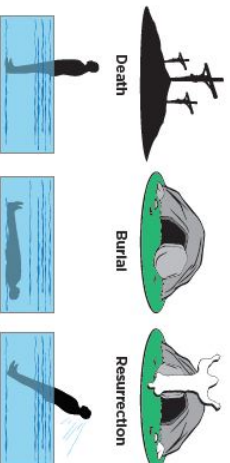
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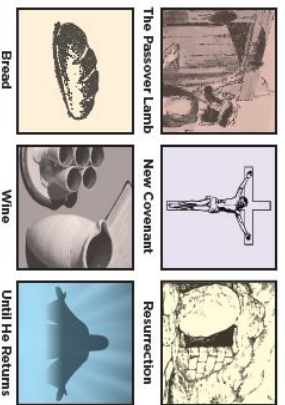
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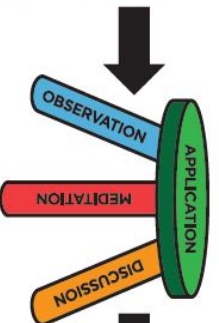
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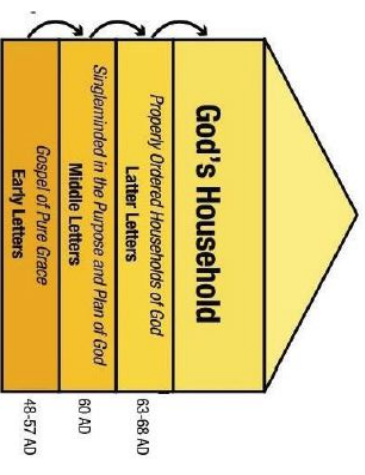
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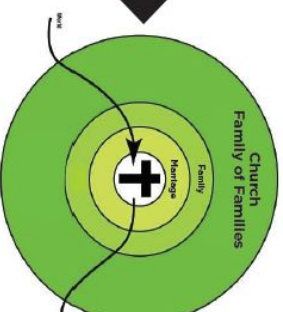
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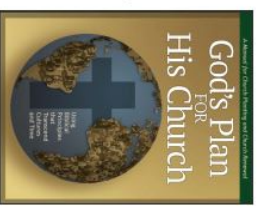
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INTRODUCTION

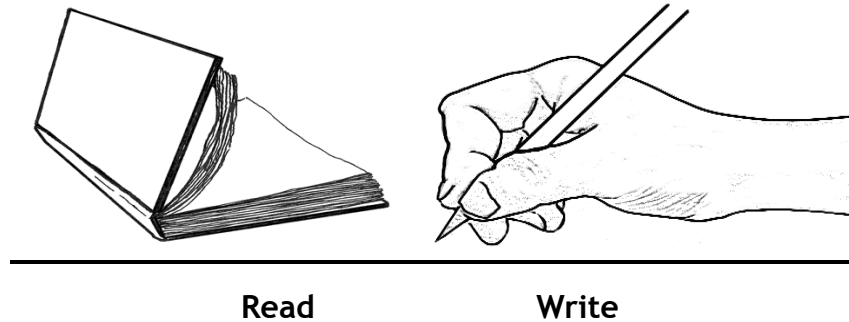
After Jesus was crucified and resurrected from the dead, He gave His followers, or disciples, a clear command called the **Great Commission**: “*Go therefore and **make** disciples of all nations, **baptizing** them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching** them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age*” (Matthew 28:19-20). Becoming a disciple is at the heart of Jesus’ message and mission. The Apostle Paul followed this command and was called to go and make disciples in the Gentile world. Let us observe how he practiced the Great Commission. Paul was **going**, being sent out by the Holy Spirit and the Antioch Church (Acts 13:1-3). Paul **made** disciples by preaching the gospel (Acts 14:6-7) and the disciples were **baptized** (Acts 16:31-34). Paul was teaching and establishing believers by returning to the churches where he had previously preached the gospel in order to strengthen the souls of the disciples there (Acts 14:21-22), who responded to the gospel by following Christ.

In God’s Plan for His Disciples, we have attempted to follow a biblical model and a pattern found in the Early Church and recorded in the Book of Acts that resulted in the greatest expansion and explosion of the church ever recorded. This expansion went from Jerusalem to Rome in just 25 years enabling the Apostle Paul to complete his three missionary journeys in just ten years. We might also note that these early disciples literally turned their world upside down (Acts 17:6) and many of them gave their lives for the sake of the gospel.

This training course, God’s Plan for His Disciples, is designed for you to be able to search the Scriptures for yourself and learn what it means to be a true disciple of Jesus Christ. As you become a mature follower of Christ, some of you might want to continue to follow Christ into leadership. If this is your heart and desire, please continue with the book called God’s Plan for His Church (download free at www.newfoundationsinternational.org/training-resources) or email newfoundationsinternational@gmail.com for a hard copy. Let us now begin the process of becoming an established and mature disciple or follower of Christ.

Pre-Work Instructions

We are very thankful God is leading you to work through *God's Plan for His Disciples* (GPHD). Below are some instructions we would highly recommend that you use as you work through this material, either personally or with a mentor if possible. After you have completed this manual, we also suggest that you meet face-to-face with the person who introduced you to GPHD for deeper personal application. If such a person is not available, please contact us at newfoundationsinternational@gmail.com if you have any questions or need follow-up.



When you have completed reading the Scriptures and answering the questions, place the completion date in blank beside Lesson on page vi (6). (Note: See Lesson 6-7, How to Study the Bible, pages 20-22). Discussion blanks can be filled in later if you do not have someone else or a small group to work with you.

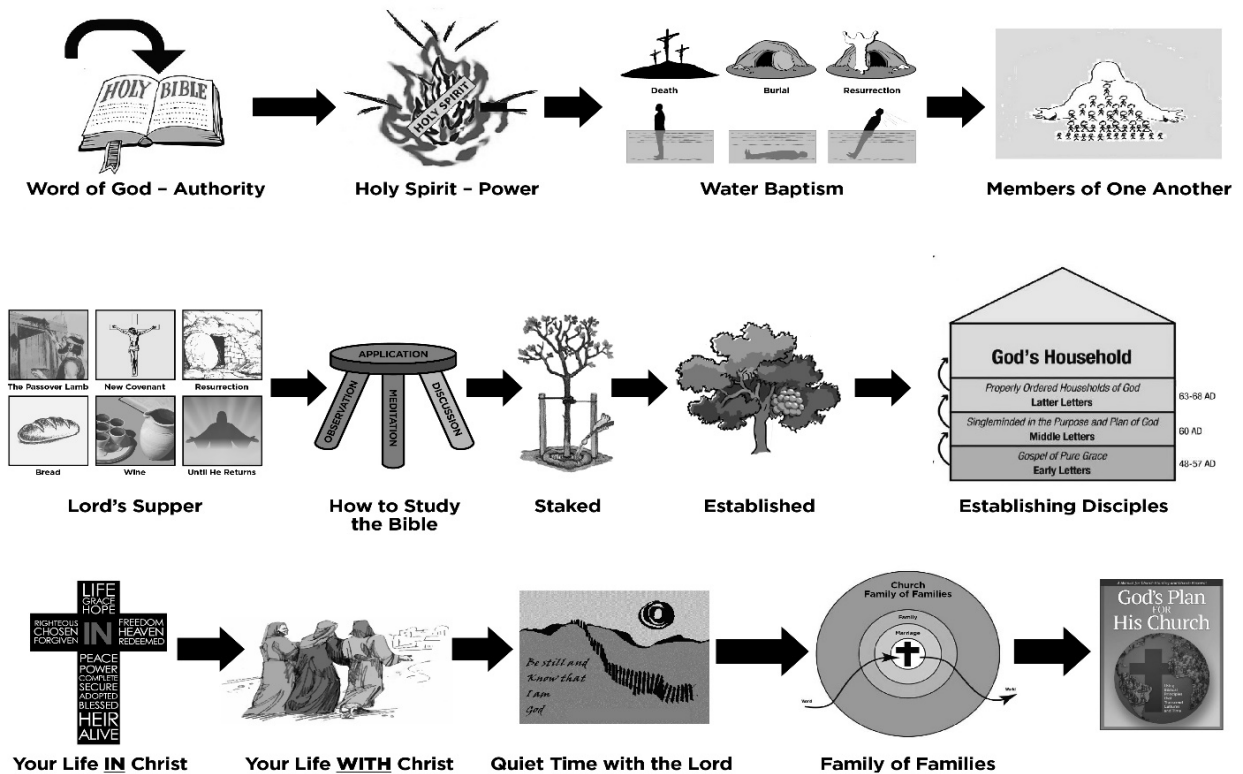
Help for Training Oral and Visual Learners

There are an estimated 5.7 billion people in the world who are oral and visual learners or below basic literacy skills. Most oral and visual learners belong to cultures that do not teach with books but with conversations, narratives, music, and visual arts. Therefore, oral learners may struggle to understand the written word and most prefer to learn by listening and seeing. On a more positive note, most oral and visual learners will remember up to 75% of what they hear, say and see. Most of the unreached people groups in the world today are oral and visual learners.

Therefore, don't rely too heavily on reading for information only without including discussion, questions, and visuals. Allow plenty of time for discussions, both one-on-one and in groups. Oral learners make connections when they can talk through concepts with others. Do not rely wholly on visuals to explain a concept or assume that visuals alone are helpful to them. They will most likely need extra help in understanding visuals. Here is a basic format you can use in helping to establish oral learners in understanding Scripture. This format is from the story of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch in Acts 8:26-38. You can tell this story with the oral learner after you have prayed and asked the Holy Spirit to teach you. Then follow the steps on the next page. (NOTE: See page v and the inside front cover for diagrams to help with oral and visual learners).

1. Read the Word of God together and have them recite or say out loud their **observations**. Use the visuals to support what you have read and what they have observed. (See Acts 8:28).
2. Ask the oral learner to **meditate** or **think** about and to explain what they have observed from the Word of God and the visuals. (See Acts 8:30).
3. **Discuss** together by asking and answering questions about what God is saying and what the visuals mean. What are the key principles and how are they relevant today to you? (See Acts 8:31-35).
4. Now what? How and when will you make **application** to your life? (See Acts 8:36-38).

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(See the inside front cover for a color version of this chart).

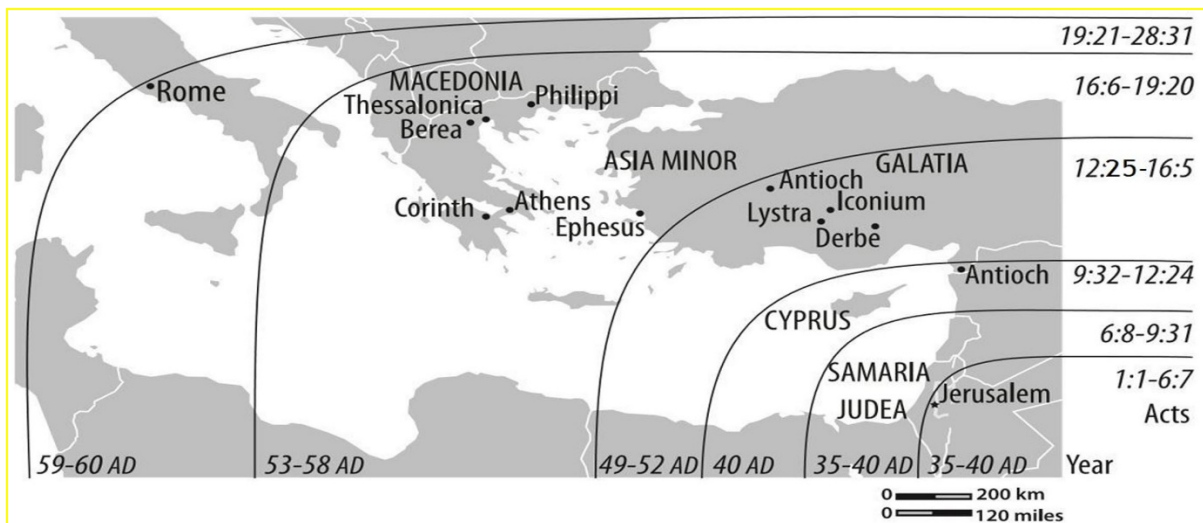
We are praying for you as you begin this timely opportunity to strengthen and establish your faith in the Lord Jesus and to start you on a path of continual growth as a disciple of our Savior.

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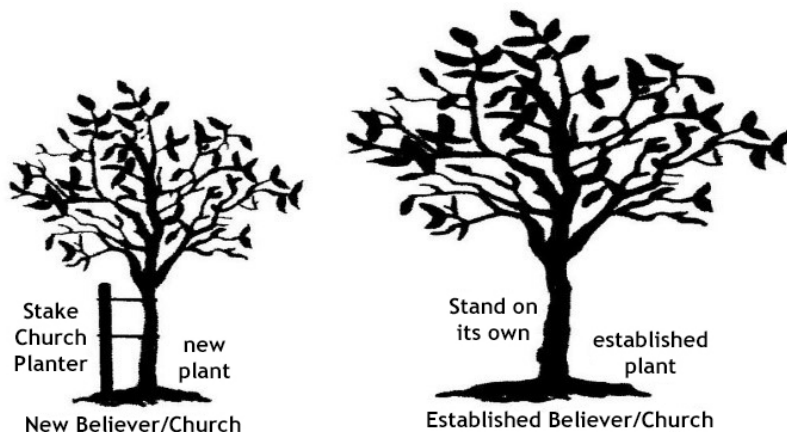
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God's Plan for His Disciples - Part One

The purpose of this course is to set forth supra-cultural and timeless principles (Biblical principles which transcend culture and time) used by the Early Church, that produced such powerful disciples who turned their world upside down for Christ (Acts 17:6). Looking at the map below, how many years did it take the gospel to spread from Jerusalem to Rome? _____ Yes, only 25 years. Let me ask you; do you know of any church in the world that is making that kind of progress and impact today? Keep in mind that they had none of the modern-day travel, technology and training institutions we have today. It would be difficult to find a better model than the Early Church in the work of establishing and growing disciples.



The intent of this manual is to bridge these principles into today's disciples so that we may see amazing results in our world. We see one of these key principles in Acts 14:21-22 and many other references to "establishing" or "strengthening" new disciples. The literal meaning of this word "establish" or "strengthen" is to "fix" or "fasten" them in their faith as to a stake. Our objective is to come alongside (stake up) new disciples so they can stand on their own (See diagram at left).



How can you stand strong on your own and help other disciples do the same? First, you must recognize the Bible as the source of these key principles that will establish and strengthen a disciple. You want to lay a solid

foundation in the authority and sufficiency of Scripture (Acts 18:24-28) Lesson 1, and in the Holy Spirit (Acts 19:1-7) Lesson 2. Having a strong foundation in the Word and the Spirit will enable disciples to grow and become fruitful.

I. Disciples' Authority and Sufficiency

Lesson 1

The Authority and Sufficiency of the Word



The Word of God or “Scripture alone” is your foundation. Building on anything else is doomed to collapse sooner or later. As you hear God speak concerning His own Word, you will observe that the living Word of God is enough and provides you with *everything* you need to fulfill your calling (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

What is the Word of God?

1. How does David describe the words of the Lord in Psalm 12:6? _____

2. In Psalm 18:30, what does the Word of the Lord prove to be? _____
3. What has God exalted above all things according to Psalm 138:2? _____
4. According to Matthew 24:35, what will not pass away? _____
5. What is the Word of God according to John 17:17? _____
6. In 1 Thessalonians 2:13, how did they accept the Word of God? “Not _____
_____, but as what it really is, the _____.”
7. According to 2 Timothy 3:16, how much of Scripture is breathed out by God? _____
8. According to Hebrews 4:12, name 5 characteristics of the Word of God:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____

9. If Scripture did not come from the interpretation or the will of man, how did they speak from God according to 2 Peter 1:19-21? _____
_____ (See diagram at the top of page 11).

What does the Word of God do?

10. Read Psalm 19:7-14 and list at least six benefits of God's Word:

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

11. How can a young man keep himself pure according to Psalm 119:9-11? _____

12. In Psalm 119:105, what is God's Word to your feet? _____ To your path? _____

13. Isaiah 55:11 says God's Word will not return _____ and shall _____, and that which God purposed and shall _____ in the thing for which it was sent.

14. According to Jeremiah 23:29, what is God's Word like? _____ and _____
Therefore, what can the Word do? _____

15. According to Matthew 4:4, complete the following verse: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by _____."

16. What did Jesus use to defeat the devil in Luke 4:4, 8, 12? _____
How do you know this defeated the devil? (4:13-14) _____

17. What are four things you can profit from in Scripture according to 2 Timothy 3:16-17?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____

Is Scripture alone enough to completely equip the man of God (2 Timothy 3:17)? _____

18. According to 2 Peter 1:3-4, how has God's divine power been granted to you? _____

How can you share in God's divine nature? _____

Who is the Word of God?

- 19. According to John 1:1, what was in the beginning? _____ Who is the Word? _____
What did the Word become (verse 14)? _____ Where did He live? _____
- 20. Who does Scripture bear witness about according to John 5:39? _____
- 21. According to John 6:63, what are the words of Jesus? _____ and _____
- 22. According to John 14:6, who is the Truth? _____

Be Doers of the Word

- 23. Name three things Ezra set his heart to do according to Ezra 7:8-10:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
- 24. In Matthew 7:24-29, both the wise man and the foolish man heard the Word and built houses. What made one wise and the other foolish? _____

- 25. From Acts 17:11, give two reasons why the Berean Jews were more noble? _____
_____ and _____
Why did they examine the Scriptures? _____
- 26. According to James 1:22, we should not only be hearers, but _____ of the Word.

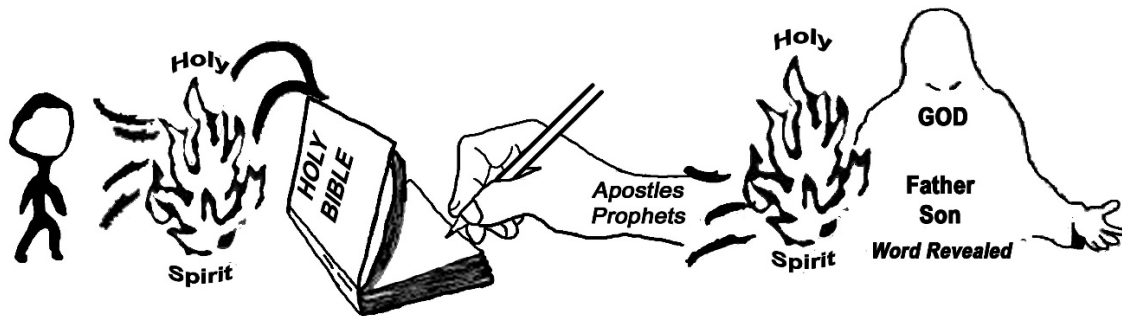
Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning the Word of God? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Lesson 2

The Authority and Sufficiency of the Spirit



Much of life and ministry that is going on in the church today acts like it is before Pentecost (before the Holy Spirit came). In Acts 19:1-7 they had not even heard of the Holy Spirit. Here we want to be sure you understand the after Pentecost role and function of the Holy Spirit in your life and the church. Many teach about the incarnation, death, burial and resurrection of Christ, but neglect His ascension and Pentecost. **Without Pentecost there would be no resurrection power, no transformation, no significant witness and no fruit.**

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. Why do you think the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the earth in Genesis 1:1-2? _____
2. Why could Elisha's servant not see the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around them according to 2 Kings 6:13-18? (Read Ephesians 1:16-19) _____

3. What did God promise Ezekiel in Ezekiel 37:14? _____

4. According to John 1:32-33, how did John describe the Spirit when he saw Him descend from heaven? _____
John baptized with water, but how would Jesus baptize? _____
5. What did Nicodemus need to be in order to enter the kingdom of God according to John 3:3-8? _____ What does it mean to be born again of the Spirit? _____

6. What does John 7:37-39 mean, "Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water"? _____

How can your heart flow rivers of living water? _____

Why had the Spirit not been given? _____

7. Why do you think the Holy Spirit is called the Helper in John 14:25-26? _____

8. According to John 16:7-12, why do you think it is to our advantage that Jesus goes away to the Father? _____
 What will the Holy Spirit do when He comes (13-14)? _____

9. What will the disciples receive when the Holy Spirit comes upon them according to Acts 1:8? _____ What will they become? _____
 Where will they be witnesses? _____
10. In Acts 2:1-4, on what day were the disciples filled with the Holy Spirit? _____
 Describe this event? _____

11. According to Acts 5:3, who did Ananias lie to? _____ The Holy Spirit is not only a person, but according to Acts 5:4, who is He? _____
12. Why had the disciples in Acts 19:1-6 not received the Holy Spirit? _____

13. Who are disciples baptized into according to 1 Corinthians 12:13? _____
 When does this take place (See question "5." and John 3:3-8)? _____
14. According to Ephesians 1:13-14, when is a disciple sealed with the Holy Spirit? _____

 What does the Holy Spirit guarantee a disciple? _____
15. According to Ephesians 3:20, where does the power of the Holy Spirit work? _____
 What is He able to do in and through you? _____
16. How many times does Romans 7 use the words "I" and "me"? _____ According to verses 7:17-24, what does this tell you about yourself ("I" and "me")? _____

17. How many times does Romans 8 mention the Spirit? _____ According to verses 8:37-39, what does this tell you about the indwelling Spirit compared to "I" and "me"? _____

18. In Galatians 3:2-3, how did they receive the Spirit? _____
 How did they begin? _____ What are they trying to do? _____

19. Read Galatians 5:16-25 and answer the following questions:

If you walk in the Spirit, what will you not gratify? _____

What are you not under if you are led by the Spirit? _____

What are the works of the flesh? _____

What is the fruit of the Spirit? _____

If we live by the Spirit, what are we also to do (5:25)? _____

20. In Ephesians 4:30, what are you told not to do? _____

How would you define "grieve"? _____

21. In Ephesians 5:18, what are you told to be filled with? _____

What do you think the word "filled" means? _____

22. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to according to Acts 5:32? _____

23. According to Acts 7:51, what does it mean to resist the Holy Spirit? _____

How do you resist Him? _____

24. What are you told not to do in 1 Thessalonians 5:19? _____

What do you think it means to "quench"? _____

25. The Bible begins with the Spirit in Genesis 1:2 and ends with an invitation in

Revelation 22:17. The one who hears and is thirsty is to _____, and those

who desire are to take the _____

Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning the Holy Spirit? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

II. Disciples' Obedience, Membership and Memorial

Lesson 3

Water Baptism (Acts 2:41 and 10:43-48)



Death



Burial



Resurrection



Baptism is an outward rite instituted by Christ to be administered by the church. It shows a visual picture of one's spiritual baptism at the time of salvation, but also allows them to symbolically experience the gospel. Baptism is an act of obedience to the Lord's command and no special grace is granted through it, although obedience to this command is evidence of one's growth in the love, grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. According to Matthew 3:13-17, why was Jesus baptized by John the Baptist? _____

- What was the reaction of heaven and the Father? _____

2. According to Luke 3:16, John baptized with water. Who is mightier than John? _____
What will He baptize you with? _____ and _____
3. What did Peter remember in Acts 11:16? _____
4. As we are going to the nations, what 3 things are we commanded to do according to the "Great Commission" in Matthew 28:19-20? _____,
_____, and _____
5. In Acts 2:41, what did those who received the Word do next? _____
6. What did the men and women do in Acts 8:12-13 after they believed? _____
_____ When? _____

7. In Acts 8:36, what did the eunuch see? _____
8. In Acts 8:38-39, what did Philip and the eunuch go into? _____
 After the eunuch's baptism, what did they come out of? _____
 What did the eunuch do when he went on his way? _____
9. When were the jailer and his family baptized in Acts 16:30-34? _____

 What did the jailer and his family do after being baptized? _____
10. In Acts 18:8, what did the Corinthians do after they believed? _____
11. What does water baptism symbolize according to Romans 6:3-11? _____

 _____ (See the diagram at the top of page 14)
12. According to Colossians 2:12, who were you buried with? _____ Who were you raised with? _____ Whose powerful work accomplished this? _____
13. According to Ephesians 4:4-5, how many baptisms are there? _____
14. In 1 Corinthians 12:12-13, we are all baptized into _____ body and in _____ Spirit.
15. What did these believers receive before water baptism according to Acts 10:47-48? _____
 _____ What name were they baptized in? _____

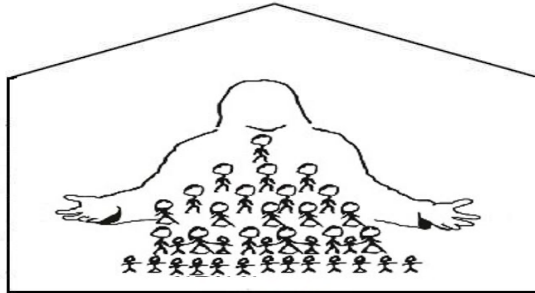
Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning water baptism? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Lesson 4

Members of One Another (1 Corinthians 12:13)



Membership in a church today is often confused with a person's salvation and baptism. As you hear from God's Word, you will observe a membership based on each person's commitment to one another in the Body of Christ, the Household of God, under the Headship of Christ and direction of the Holy Spirit. You are no longer an orphan; rather, you have been adopted into God's family and baptized into the Church which is the body of Christ.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. According to 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27, who is the Body of Christ? _____
Fill in these blanks from verse 12: For just as the body is _____ and has _____ members...so it is with the body of Christ.
Who baptized you into the body of Christ (13)? _____
According to verses 25-27, members "have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all _____ . If one member is honored, all _____ . Now you are the _____ of _____ ."
2. According to Galatians 5:13, members of Christ's body are to _____ one another.
3. According to Galatians 6:2, members of Christ's body are to _____ one another's burdens.
4. According to 1 Thessalonians 4:18, members of the body of Christ are to _____ one another and in 5:11, members of Christ's body are to _____ and _____ one another.
5. According to Romans 12:5-8, members of the body of Christ are individually _____ of one another. What are some of the functions and gifts the members of the body of Christ have? _____

6. According to Romans 13:8, members of Christ's body are to _____ one another.
7. According to Romans 15:5, members of the body of Christ are to live in such _____ with one another, (verse 7) _____ one another as Christ has welcomed you, and (verse 14) are able to _____ one another.
8. According to Ephesians 4:2, members of the body of Christ are to _____ with one another in love.
9. According to Ephesians 5:21, members of the body of Christ are to _____ one another.
10. In the body of Christ, what members are more important in Philippians 2:3-4? _____
 _____ Whose interest should we also look at (4)? _____
11. What example did Jesus give you in John 13:14-15? _____
 Should you follow His example and wash one another's feet? _____
 Why or why not? _____
12. How do members of the body of Christ forgive one another according to Colossians 3:13? _____
 Is forgiving one another an option? _____
13. What are the 2 "one another's" in James 5:16? _____ and

14. How should members of the body of Christ clothe themselves toward one another according to 1 Peter 5:5? _____ Why? _____

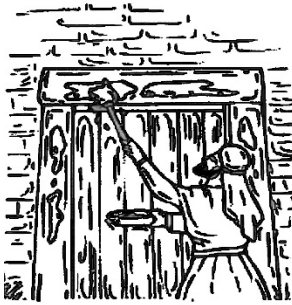
Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learned from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning being members in the body of Christ? _____

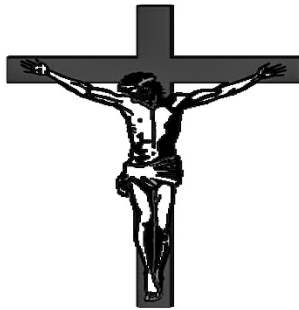
Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Lesson 5

Lord's Supper (Acts 2:42)



The Passover Lamb



New Covenant



Resurrection



Bread



Wine



Until He Returns

Tradition and routine often suck the life and heart out of the celebration of the Lord's Supper. In this memorial observance, we are instructed to partake of the bread (symbolically His body - who He is) and the cup (symbolically His blood - what He did) in remembrance with sincere thankfulness, serious self-examination, and brotherly love until He comes. This memorial observance allows us to taste the gospel.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. According to Exodus 12:12-14, what would God do when He saw the blood? _____

What would God do if the blood was not on the door? _____

What was this day to be for God's people? _____

Who is our Passover Lamb according to 1 Corinthians 5:7? _____

2. According to Matthew 26:26-28, what did Jesus say the bread represented? _____

What did the cup represent? _____

3. Why did Jesus institute the Lord's Supper according to Luke 22:19? _____

4. Who is Jesus according to John 6:33-35 and 48-51? _____

5. What did Jesus do according to Isaiah 53:5 and 1 Peter 3:18? _____

6. What did the Early Church do in Acts 2:42? _____

7. What did the Early Church do on the first day of the week when they gathered according to Acts 20:7, 11? _____

8. In 1 Corinthians 11:23-30, why do disciples practice the Lord's Supper (24-25)? _____

What do you proclaim when you eat the bread and drink the cup (26)? _____

How can you eat the bread and drink the cup in an unworthy manner (27-29)? _____

Is there any way you can make yourself worthy (27-29)? _____

What must disciples do when they eat and drink the Lord's Supper (28)? _____

Therefore, whose body do you discern (29)? _____ Who is worthy? _____

9. Why were many of the people weak and ill, and some had even died (29-30)? _____

Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

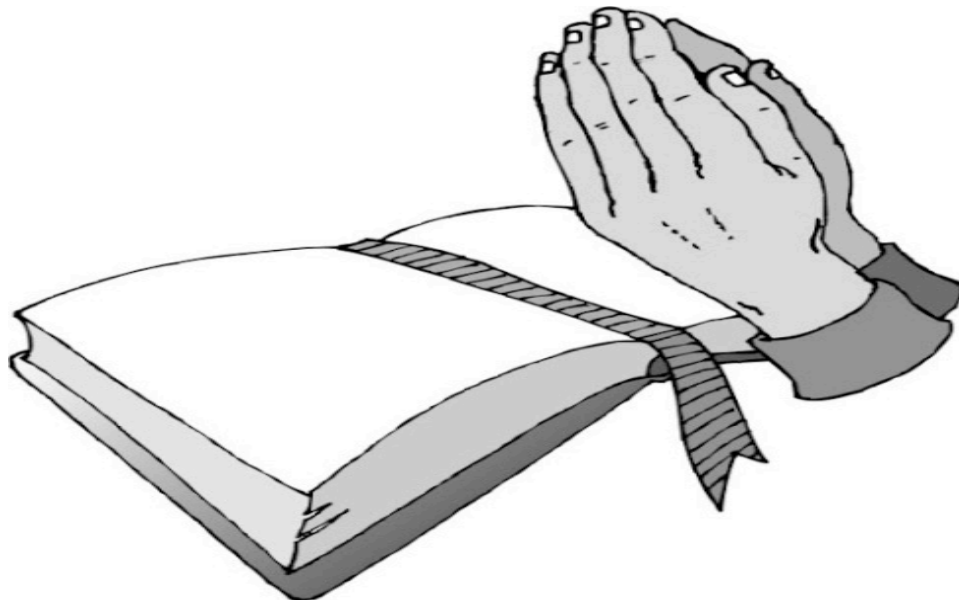
What changes do you need to make in your life concerning the Lord's Supper? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Personal Testimony: Since becoming a believer in the Lord Jesus as your Savior, how has your understanding of the Lord's Supper changed and grown? _____

Lesson 5a

Prayer (Acts 2:42)



As with the Lord's Supper and with so many other traditions, routine can often asperate the life and heart out of prayer. Our relationship with God is at the heart of prayer; prayer consists merely of speaking to God our Father and subjecting our will to His will. Prayer is the means for the followers of Jesus Christ to communicate to God their requests, worship, praise, emotions, and desires. It may be audible or silent, private or public, official or casual. I like this definition of prayer by J. C. Lambert, "Christian prayer in its full New Testament meaning is prayer addressed to God as Father, in the name of Christ as Mediator, and through the enabling grace of the indwelling Spirit". Since we are following this powerful and effective pattern of the Early Church in Lessons 1-5, let us discover how Luke records the acts of prayer in the book of Acts in Lesson 5a. You will clearly see the connection between prayer and the power of the Holy Spirit. Additional Biblical references and helps concerning prayer can be found in Lesson 14 "Practical Helps for Prayer and Worship" on page 52.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. Describe the Early Church prayer meeting recorded in Acts 1:14? _____

What happened according to 2:1-4? _____

2. When we pray, what does the Lord know according to 1:24? _____

What did the Lord reveal to the disciples? _____

3. In 2:42, the Early Church was devoted to the apostle's teaching, fellowship, the breaking of bread, and the _____. What happened after they prayed (43)? _____

4. What were Peter and John (3:1) and Paul (22:17) doing in the temple? _____
5. How did the believers address God according to 4:24? _____
_____ According to 4:29, what was their request? _____ What was the result of their prayers according to 4:31? _____
6. How did the apostles commit the deacons (6:6) and elders (14:23) to the Lord? _____

7. As they were stoning Stephen, what did he ask the Lord Jesus to do for him according to 7:59? _____ In 7:60, what did he ask the Lord to do to his persecutors? _____
8. Why did the Jerusalem apostles send Peter and John to Samaria according to 8:15? _____

9. What happened to Tabitha in Acts 9:40-41 when Peter knelt down and prayed for her? _____

10. Who prayed continually to God in 10:1-2? _____ What happened to his prayers according to 10:4? _____
How do you know that Cornelius' prayers were heard (30-31)? _____

11. While Peter was in prison, what was the church earnestly doing according to 12:5, 12. _____
_____ What happened to Peter according to 12:7-10? _____

- Since James was previously killed (12:2), do you think the church was expecting Peter to be released (See 12:14,15)? _____
12. How did the Antioch Church send Barnabas and Paul off according to 13:3? _____

13. Why did Paul and Silas go to the riverside according to 16:13? _____
_____ What was the place called (16:13, 16)? _____
Why did the Lord open up Lydia's heart (14)? _____

14. What were Paul and Silas doing after being beaten with many blows and thrown into the inner prison according to 16:25? _____ and _____
What happened to the Philippian Jailer and his household according to 33-34? _____

15. What was the occasion for prayer in 20:36-38 and 21:5-6? _____
Why do you think they prayed? _____

16. Describe Paul's prayer in 27:35. _____
What was the result of giving thanks (36)? _____

17. What happened to Publius' father when Paul prayed in 28:8? _____

18. Now we see why this Early Church carried the gospel from Jerusalem to Rome in just 25 years and turned their world upside down. As you continue in GPHD, you will see in context many more prayers. In closing this Lesson on prayer, read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 and fill in the blanks. What is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you?
_____ always (16), _____ without ceasing (17), and _____
_____ in all circumstances (18).

Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned from the Early Church with other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning Prayer? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

III. Disciples' Established in Bible Study

Lesson 6

Instructions on How to Study the Bible (Acts 8:26-38)

(See page iv; Help for Training Oral Learners)

Before you get started in learning how to study the Bible, read the story of Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch in Acts 8:26-38 and see if you can pick out the four key principles of Bible Study in this story: OBSERVATION (Verse 28), MEDITATION (Verse 30), DISCUSSION (Verses 31-35) and APPLICATION (Verses 36-38).

1 - OBSERVATION - "LOOK AT IT" - What does it say?

- Information - Discover what the Bible says.
- Pray the Holy Spirit will help you see it.

Observation is the basic key to understanding God's Word; it is focusing your heart, mind and undivided attention on a passage of Scripture and the context around that Scripture in order to discover what God is saying. It may be helpful to read the passage several times and ask yourself what is happening, who is involved, where is this taking place and when is it taking place. After you read the passage and context, summarize your observations.

As an example, let's discover what the Bible says in Matthew 6:33. In order to understand the context for verse 33, you should first read verse 24-34. After reading the context, write down some of your observations of what Jesus is saying in verse 33. The following is an example to get you started. You will probably want to add many more observations.

You cannot serve both God and money. Do not be anxious about what you will eat or drink or wear. God feeds the birds and clothes the flowers and knows what we need. Seek Him first and all your needs or things will be added to you. Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow or things.

2 - MEDITATION - "THINK ABOUT IT" - What does it mean?

- Illumination - Discover what the Bible means.
- Pray the Holy Spirit will help you understand it.

Meditating or thinking about your observations helps you to understand or interpret the meaning of a passage in the Bible. One way to understand its meaning is to think about what the author intends the readers to know from what he has written or said. Remember that context can help answer many of your questions concerning a particular passage. Another valuable resource to help you understand is other passages in the Bible. Now look at the observations above in step 1 and ask yourself, "What does Jesus want us to know about verse 6:33?" What does this verse mean? Summarize your thoughts and key principles on the next page:

You cannot serve both God and things like money, food or clothes. It is either one or the other. When you attempt to serve two masters, you will be anxious because your mind and heart will be divided. You must seek and serve only one Master who is God. Put Him first and only Him. You can trust God with confidence because He knows what you need, and certainly if He can feed the birds and clothe the flowers, He will take care of your needs.

3 - DISCUSSION - “TALK ABOUT IT” - What do others say?

Note: This step will most likely blend in with the Meditation Step 2. You will not use this discussion step if you are doing your own personal quiet time study. See page 55.

- Conversation - Discover what others are saying.
- Pray the Holy Spirit will help you learn from others.

Discussion among individuals is the oldest and still one of the most effective teaching tactics used to draw out ideas and challenge presumptions by asking and answering questions. Discussion was used by the Early Church (Acts 17:2; 17:17; 18:4; 18:19; 19:8-9; 24:25) to challenge and encourage each other’s life and ministry. Discuss with others your thoughts and the key principles that you discovered in your meditation, step 2.

Discussion: Contrast the principles you learned from Matthew 6:33 with your life experience today. Today we attempt to serve and invest our lives and resources into the world and the Lord. Our culture and traditions say we can have both money, pleasure and self-fulfillment, and the Lord.

What changes do you need to make in your life? Stop trying to serve two masters and seek to serve Christ only. I no longer need to be anxious about things since God knows all my needs and will supply them, if I seek Him first.

4 - APPLICATION - “DO IT” - How can I apply it to my life?

- Transformation - Discover how the Bible works.
- Pray the Holy Spirit will help you do it.

Application should be the result of studying the Bible. We want our lives transformed into the image of Jesus Christ and to grow deeper in our relationship with God. The application step is not completed by simply answering these questions but by putting into practice what the Holy Spirit has revealed to you. As you listen to God and obey His Word, you will be amazed at the results and the joy in your life as your relationship with Him deepens in Christ.

Application: How and when will you make changes in your life?

I will invest my time and resources in the Lord’s kingdom and serving Him first, not for my personal pleasure and benefit. I will start today to make choices to serve and obey one Master, my Savior, the Living Word and stop trying to serve Christ and the world, myself, money, things and pleasure.

Lesson 7

Practicing How to Study the Bible

(Try It) Study Mark 1:35 by using these 4 steps below:

1 - OBSERVATION - “LOOK AT IT” - What does it say?

- Information - Discover what the Bible says and pray the Holy Spirit will help you see it.

Observation: Read Mark 1:35 and write down what is happening, who is involved, where is it taking place and when is it taking place. Now, summarize your answers and observations.

2 - MEDITATION - “THINK ABOUT IT” - What does it mean?

- Illumination - Discover what the Bible means and pray the Holy Spirit will help you understand it. Remember, if doing this with others, step 2 will blend with step 3.

Meditation: Based on your observations from Mark 1:35, what do you think the author intended the readers to know from what he has written. Why is this written in God’s Word? Now summarize your thoughts and illuminations. _____

3 - DISCUSSION - “TALK ABOUT IT” - What do others say?

- Conversation - Discover what others are saying and pray the Holy Spirit will help you learn from others. Remember, if this is your personal study, you will not use step 3.

Discussion: Contrast these principles you learned from Mark 1:35 with your life experience today. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life? _____

4 - APPLICATION - “DO IT” - How can I apply it to my life?

- Transformation - Discover how the Bible works and pray the Holy Spirit will help you do it.

Application: How can you use these principles to make these changes in your life? When will you make these changes in your life? _____

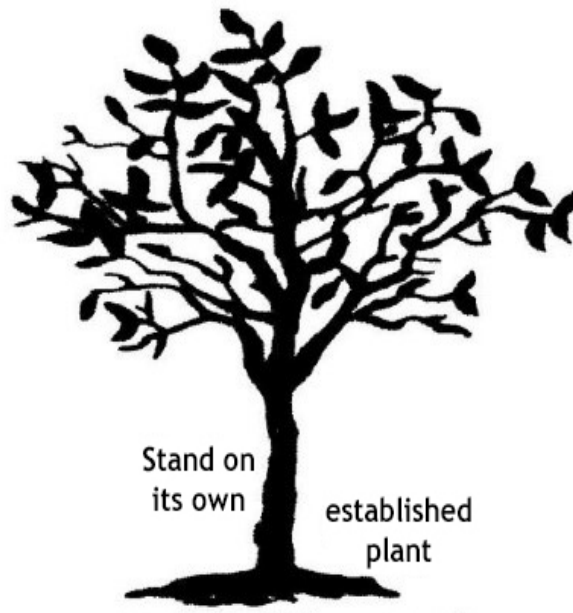
God's Plan for His Disciples - Part Two

The Apostle Paul's "ambition [was] to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest [he] builds on someone else's foundation...[so] those who have never been told of [Christ] will see and those who have never heard will understand" (Romans 15:20-21). After Paul had preached the gospel which made disciples, we read in Acts 14:21-22 that Paul returned to *establish* or *strengthen* those new disciples or learners "to continue in the faith."

Paul was not just concerned with making disciples, but he wanted the disciples to be established or strengthened. The word "strengthen" or "establish" is translated from the original Greek word "stērizō" which means to "make stronger, fix or to fasten in place." Its usage gives us a key insight into what Paul wanted new disciples to become. He wanted



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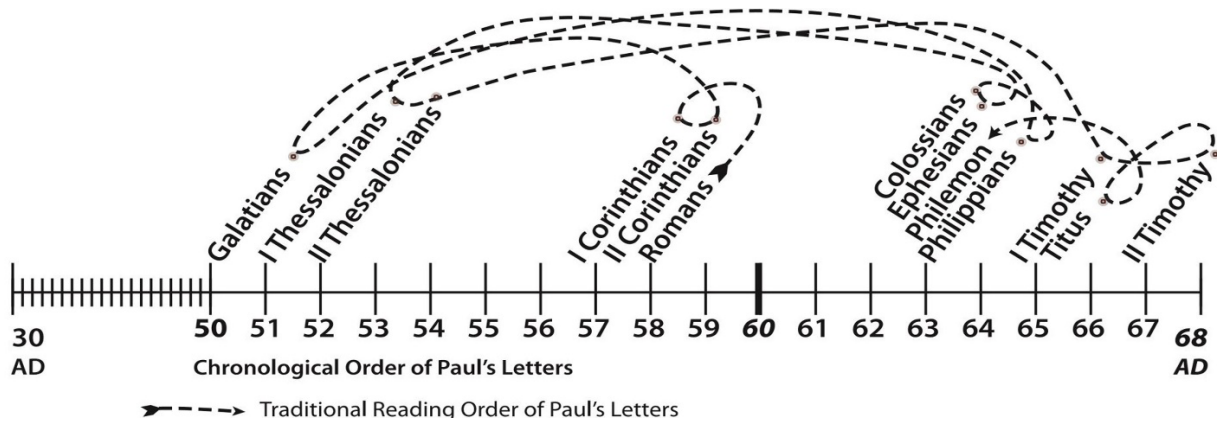
Established Believer/Church

them to be "fixed" or "fastened" in their faith. Literally, this word means to "support or to fix something so that it stands upright by itself or becomes immovable until it stands on its own."

For example, the original word literally was used to describe a stake that supports a vine (See above diagram). Therefore, Paul wanted new and older disciples to be stable and self-sustaining, not easily moved or shaken by false doctrine or teaching.

In order to strengthen the new disciples, Paul not only visited these churches, but he wrote letters explaining how to establish new and existing disciples. As we read in Lesson One and Two, God has graciously and sufficiently provided all that we need through His Word to completely establish any disciple. Do you know how many letters Paul wrote in the New Testament? Yes, 13 letters. Can you name the 13 letters in the order they are placed in the Bible? To help you better understand Paul's establishing process, let us put his thirteen letters into chronological order as they were written, not the order in the Bible, which is from the longest letter (Romans) to the shortest letter (Philemon).

His letters will then look like this in their chronological order they were written.



You are thinking, why do this? By dividing his letters chronologically, they practically and systematically divide into three simple theological categories as follows:

Paul's Early Letters (Used to establish and defend the Gospel of Grace)

Galatians: Returning to the Spirit, faith and the pure gospel

1 and 2 Thessalonians: Standing firm in the gospel

1 Corinthians: Divisions solved by the implications of the gospel

2 Corinthians: Defense of the ministry and minister of the gospel

Romans: Preaching a complete discourse and work of the gospel

Paul's Middle Letters (Used for churches to be single-minded in the Plan of God)

Ephesians: Grasping the mystery of the church and revealing the plan of Christ

Philippians: Being of one mind in the church and in the progress of the gospel

Colossians: Keeping the focus on the Head of the Church

Philemon: Relational implications of being one-minded in the progress of the gospel

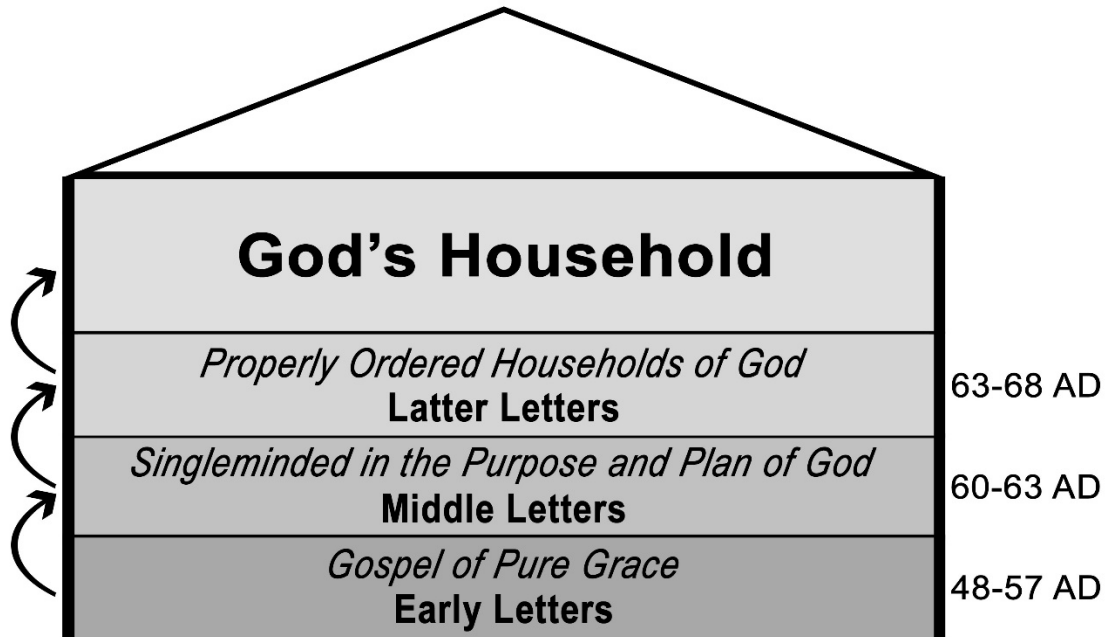
Paul's Latter Letters (Used to put in proper order the Household of God)

1 Timothy: Properly ordering the community life of the Household of God, His Church

Titus: Setting in order what remains by fully establishing the churches in sound doctrine

2 Timothy: Passing the baton on to well-trained, faithful leaders for the next generation

Paul was “*like a skilled master builder*” (1 Corinthians 3:10). You might describe his letters as building blocks which were laid chronologically for the foundation of God’s family and household. For example, you can see below, Paul’s first letters or the **Early Letters** were written to establish new disciples in the Gospel of Pure Grace which is Jesus Christ. Maybe this diagram will help explain the chronological and theological order of Paul’s letters:



Since Paul was a skilled master church planter, let us consider his letters like “tools of the trade,” so to speak. Just as a master carpenter or mechanic must know what tools to use on a particular job, so a disciple must learn what tools to use to make a disciple strong and established in the Word of God. See the tools below and identify how each one is used:



While this seems so simple, it is amazing the lack of understanding and ability to use God’s Word as tools. Just like carpenters and mechanics know the tools of their trade, so should every disciple learn and know how to use God’s Word. God has graciously given us every tool we need to deal with any problem we might face in following Christ (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Now we will take one letter or tool from each of these three categories to help establish and make you a strong disciple. For example, in Lesson 8 we will use Galatians from the Early Letters to establish you in the “Gospel of Pure Grace.” Next in Lesson 9, we will use Ephesians from the Middle Letters to establish you to be “Single-minded in the Purpose and Eternal Plan of God.” Finally, in Lesson 10, we will use 1 Timothy from the Latter Letters to establish you in the “Properly Ordered Household of God.” We will start with one of the most important foundational doctrines of the Christian Faith, the “Gospel of Pure Grace.”

IV. Disciples Established in the Gospel of Pure Grace

Lesson 8

Gospel of Pure Grace
Early Letters

48-57 AD

Galatians is one of Paul's first letters written to establish believers in the Gospel of Pure Grace. This letter teaches that a disciple is set free and justified by grace alone through faith, not by works or by keeping the law. This letter also exposes the flesh as a popular substitute for the Holy Spirit among many disciples. **NOTE: The study of Galatians is also found in our training manual, *God's Plan for His Church*, Lesson 13, page 98.**

Observation and Meditation: Read the following questions and the Scripture and fill in the blanks with your answers. Then you will meditate and summarize what you think each chapter means. At the end of your study, you will discuss with others and apply all that you have learned into your own life.

Chapter 1:1-24 - Paul and the Gospel of Pure Grace

1. Who did Paul's apostleship not come from (1)? _____ Who did it come through?

2. Where does grace and peace come from (3)? _____
How does Paul describe the Lord Jesus Christ (4)? _____

3. Why was Paul astonished (6)? _____

4. How should you handle someone who distorts the gospel (8-9)? _____
_____ How many times did Paul say this? _____
5. How do you know he was seeking God's approval (10)? _____

Was Paul seeking the approval of man or God? _____
6. How did Paul receive the gospel (11-12)? _____
7. What was Paul extremely zealous for (13-14)? _____
8. When was Paul set apart (15-16)? _____
What was he called by? _____
What was God pleased to do for Paul? _____

Why did God reveal His Son to Paul? _____

9. What did the people say about Paul's conversion (23)? _____

10. Who was glorified through Paul (24)? _____ Why? _____

Meditation: How was the Pure Gospel of Grace revealed through Paul? Summarize your answer: _____

Chapter 2:1-21 - Grace and the Law

1. Why did Paul go to Jerusalem (1-3)? _____

2. What were false brothers secretly brought in to do (4-5)? _____

Why did they spy on them? _____

Why did Paul not yield to them? _____

3. Why did James, Cephas and John give the right hand of fellowship to Paul (6-9)? _____

Who did Paul go to? _____

4. Why did Paul oppose Peter (11-13)? _____

5. What was wrong with their conduct (14)? _____

6. How is a guilty person justified before God (15-16)? _____

Can someone be justified by the works of the Law? _____ Why not? _____

7. If you have been crucified with Christ, who now lives in you (19-21)? _____

How can you still live your life in the flesh? _____

What would cancel out the grace of God? _____

Meditation: What is the difference between the Pure Gospel of Grace and the Law?

Summarize your answer: _____

Chapter 3:1-29 - Grace and Works

1. How did the Galatians receive the Spirit (1-3)? _____
Having begun in the Spirit, how were they now trying to be perfected? _____
2. How does God supply the Spirit and works of miracles (5)? _____
3. How was Abraham counted as righteous? (6) _____
4. Who are blessed as sons of Abraham (7-9)? _____
5. If you rely on works of the law, what are you under (10)? _____
6. How are the righteous to live (11)? _____
7. Who became a curse for you (13)? _____
8. How did the blessing of Abraham come to the Gentiles (14)? _____
What do you receive through this blessing? _____
9. Who was Abraham's offspring (15-19) _____ How did God give the inheritance to Abraham -- by the law or by a promise? _____ If by a promise, then why did God give the law? _____
10. How is the promise given to those imprisoned by sin (22)? _____
Who is the promise given to? _____
11. Why was the law given (24-25)? _____
Why are you no longer under the guardian of the law? _____

Meditation: How is a guilty person declared not guilty and made righteous before God?

Summarize your answer: _____

Chapter 4:1-31 - Grace and Salvation

1. In the fullness of time, who did God send (4-5)? _____
Why? _____
2. Who has God sent into your heart (6)? _____
3. (7) So, you are no longer a _____, but a _____ and then an _____.
4. What were you before being made a son (8-9)? _____
What is your new relationship with God? _____
5. Who did Paul want formed in the Galatians (19)? _____

6. Abraham had 2 sons (22-26). What type of woman had each son? _____ and _____ How was each son born (23)? _____ and _____ What 2 covenants do these 2 sons represent (25-26)? _____ and _____
7. Contrast and compare the two sons in verses 28-30. _____
8. So, you are not the children of the (31) _____ but of the _____ woman.

Meditation: How does the Apostle Paul prove that salvation is by the Gospel of Pure Grace and not the Law? Summarize your answer: _____

Chapter 5:1-26 - Grace and the Holy Spirit

1. Why has Christ set you free (1)? _____
Therefore, why should you stand firm in that freedom? _____
2. What would cause you to fall away from grace (4)? _____
3. What is the only thing that counts according to verse 6? _____
4. Who might hinder you from obeying the gospel truth (7)? _____
Why? _____
5. How can the offense of the cross be removed (11)? _____
6. How is the whole law fulfilled in one word (14)? _____
7. How can we not gratify the desires of the flesh (16)? _____
What does it mean to walk in the Spirit? _____
8. What are opposed to each other (17)? _____
Why are they opposed? _____
9. How can you not be under the law (18)? _____
10. What are the works of the flesh (19-21)? _____

11. What is the fruit of the Spirit (22-23)? _____

12. What has happened to those who belong to Christ (24)? _____

13. If we live by the Spirit, what should we also do (25)? _____

Meditation: What is the difference between walking in the Spirit and walking in the flesh? Summarize your answer: _____

Chapter 6:1-18 - Grace and the Glory of God

1. If anyone is caught in a sin, who should restore him or her (1)? _____

What does it mean to be “spiritual”? _____

Why is being “spiritual” important? _____

How should they be restored? _____

But, who should you keep watching? _____ Why? _____

2. How can you deceive yourself (3)? _____

3. What must you do with your life (4)? _____

4. If you sow to your own flesh, what will you reap (7-9)? _____

If you sow to the Spirit, what will you reap? _____

Why should you not give up (9)? _____

Therefore, do not grow weary of doing _____ (9).

5. Why are people circumcised (12-13)? _____

6. What is the only thing you can boast about (14)? _____

7. What is the only thing that really counts (15)? _____ What do you think it means to be a “new creation”? _____

8. What should be upon those who walk by this rule (16)? _____

Meditation: How does the Gospel of Pure Grace bring glory to God and not to man or self?

Summarize your answer: _____

Discussion: Contrast the Gospel of Pure Grace with law and works. _____

Compare the Gospel of Grace in Galatians with your life. Write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

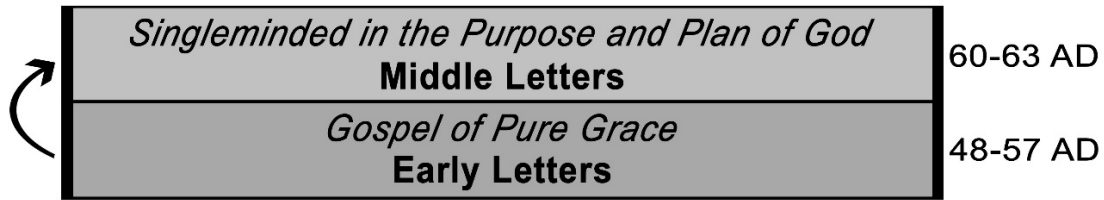
What changes do you need to make in your life to be better established in the Gospel of Pure Grace? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

There are five more letters in Paul's Early Letters (1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Corinthians, and Romans). The study of these letters is optional and can be found in our training manual, *God's Plan for His Church*; pages 100-107.

V. Disciples Established in the Eternal Plan of God

Lesson 9



Ephesians was Paul's first letter of his Middle Letters, written from prison, to establish and unify believers in the Person and the eternal plan of Christ which was hidden in ages past, but now revealed. Paul explains how the gospel of grace impacts individuals, families and His Church in displaying God's glorious plan by His power at work in us. **NOTE: The study of *Ephesians* is also found in our training manual, *God's Plan for His Church*, Lesson 18, page 108.**

Observation and Meditation: Read the following questions and the Scripture and fill in the blanks with your answers. Then you will meditate and summarize what you think each chapter means. At the end of your study, you will discuss with others and apply all that you have learned into your own life.

Ephesians 1:1-23 - Blessings and Possessions in the Plan of Christ

1. Who has blessed you in Christ (3)? _____ With what has He blessed you? _____
2. When did God choose you in Christ (4)? _____
Why did He choose you? _____ and _____
3. What did God predestine you for (5)? _____ Why did he adopt you (6)? _____
4. What do you have through the blood of Christ (7)? _____ What does redemption mean? _____
5. What is the mystery made known to you in Christ (9-10)? _____
6. What have you obtained in Christ (11)? _____
7. Why did God predestine you (11-12)? _____
8. What were you sealed with in Christ (13)? _____
What does the Holy Spirit guarantee (14)? _____
9. How did Paul react to the Ephesians' faith and love (16)? _____

10. What did Paul want the Ephesians to know (18-19)? _____

11. What position did God give to His Son in the Church (22)? _____

What is the Church (23)? _____

Meditation: What are the blessings or possessions you have in Christ? Summarize your answer: _____

Ephesians 2:1-22 - Your New Position in the Plan of Christ

1. According to 2:1-21 describe your condition before salvation: _____

2. Now describe your condition in Christ (2:1-21): _____

3. What are you being built into (2:22)? _____

Meditation: What is your individual and corporate new position in Christ? Summarize your answer: _____

Ephesians 3:1-21 - Prayer for the Eternal Plan of God

1. How was the mystery made known to Paul (3)? _____

2. Who has the mystery now been revealed to (5)? _____

3. What is the mystery (6)? _____

4. Why was God's grace given to Paul (8)? _____
and (9) _____

5. What is God going to make known through the church (10)? _____

6. Who was God's eternal purpose realized in (11)? _____

7. What do we have in Christ (12)? _____

8. What does the Spirit grant you according to the riches of His glory (16)? _____
_____ Where? _____

9. What does Paul want you to comprehend (18-19)? _____

What does he want you to be filled with? _____

10. What is God able to do within you (20)? _____
_____ How will He do this? _____

For whose glory in the church (21)? _____

Meditation: What is the Apostle Paul's prayer for the church which is the eternal plan of God? Summarize your answer: _____

Ephesians 4-6 - Walking in God's Eternal Plan and Purpose

Walk in Unity (4:1-16)

1. What manner should you walk in (1)? _____

2. What should you walk with (2)? _____

3. What should you be eager to maintain (3)? _____

4. According to 4-6, there is one _____, one _____, one _____,
one _____, one _____, one _____, and one _____.

5. Why were gifts given to the Church (12-14)? _____

6. What are you to grow up into (15)? _____

7. What should the whole body or church be built up in (16)? _____

Walk in Purity (4:17-32)

8. Describe the old self (17-22). _____

9. Now what should you do (22-32)? _____

Walk in Love (5:1-16)

10. Who should you imitate (1)? _____ What are you to walk in (2)? _____

11. Describe Christ's love for you (2). _____

12. Describe what it was like to be in darkness (3-8). _____

13. What comes upon those who walk in darkness (6)? _____

Walk in the Light (5:7-14)

14. For at one time you were (8) _____ but now you are _____.

Therefore, how should you walk? _____

15. Instead of participating with darkness, what should you do (11)? _____

16. What happens when something is exposed to the light (13)? _____

Walk Carefully (5:15-17)

17. How should you not walk (15)? _____ How should you walk? _____

18. Because the days are evil, how should you handle your time (16)? _____

Walk in Harmony (5:18-6:9)

19. What should you be filled with (18)? _____

20. Why should you submit to one another (21)? _____

21. What is the role of the wife (22)? _____

22. What is the role of the husband (25)? _____

23. How should a husband love his wife (33)? _____

What should be the wife's attitude toward her husband? _____

24. What is the responsibility of children to their parents (6:1-4)? _____

What should fathers not do (4)? _____

What must fathers do (4)? _____

25. What is the role of servants or employees (5)? _____

26. What is the role of masters or employers (9)? _____

Walk in Victory (6:10-24)

27. Who are you to be strong in (10)? _____

In whose strength? _____

28. Why are you to put on the whole armor of God (11)? _____

29. Since you do not wrestle or fight against flesh and blood, what do you wrestle against (12)? _____

30. Name the 6 pieces of armor (13-18). _____

31. What should you do at all times in the Spirit (18)? _____

Meditation: How does the Apostle Paul instruct believers to walk in the Church, which is the eternal plan of God? Summarize your answer: _____

Discussion: How does the letter to the Ephesians contribute to unity and single-mindedness in the purpose and eternal plan of God? _____

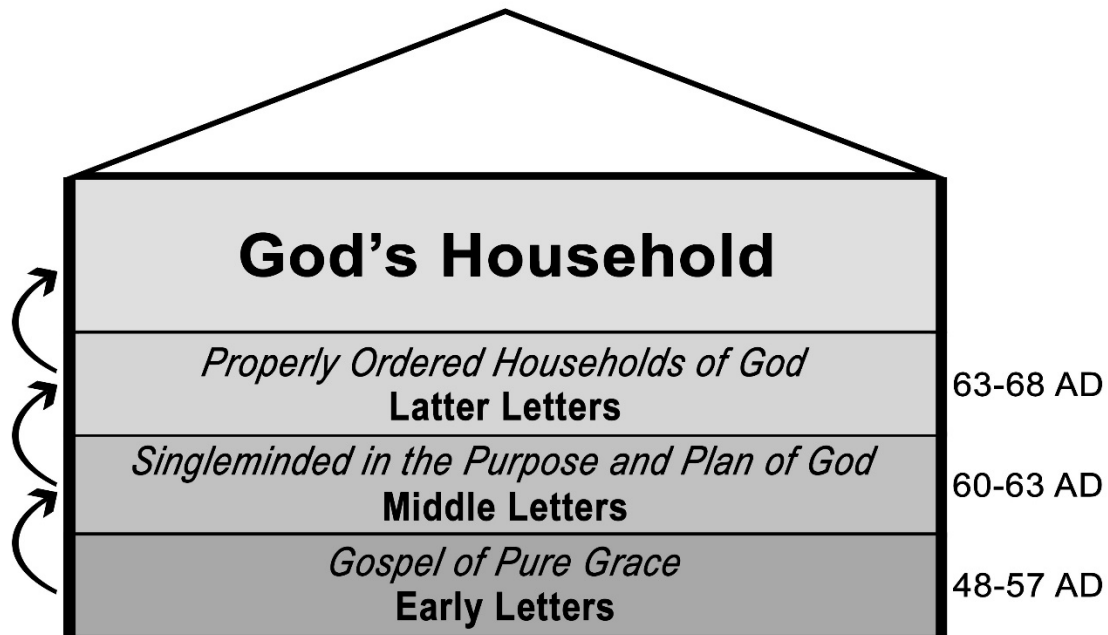
What changes do you need to make in your life, family and church to better establish them in the purpose and eternal plan of God? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life, family and church?

There are three more letters in Paul's Middle Letters (Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon). The study of these letters is optional and can be found in our training manual, *God's Plan for His Church*; pages 110-115.

VI. Disciples Established in the Household of God

Lesson 10



First Timothy was Paul's first letter of the latter letters, written to establish churches into a properly ordered Household of God. Paul is passing on to his spiritual son Timothy, the pattern needed for him to continue Paul's work after his departure. The pattern is sound teaching, godliness with contentment, and the appointment of qualified spiritual overseers. **NOTE:** The study on First Timothy is also found in our training manual, *God's Plan for His Church*, Lesson 22, page 116.

Observation and Meditation: Read the following questions and the Scripture and fill in the blanks with your answers. Then you will meditate and summarize what you think each chapter means. At the end of your study, you will discuss with others and apply all that you have learned into your own life.

1 Timothy 1:1-20 - Sound Doctrine and Good Conscience in God's Household

1. What is the aim of Paul's charge (5)? _____ Where does love come from? _____
2. Who is the law laid down for (9-11)? _____

3. What did Paul receive (13)? _____ What overflowed for Paul (14)? _____
4. Where did his faith and love come from (14)? _____

5. Why did Paul receive mercy (16)? _____

6. What was Paul's charge to Timothy (18-19a)? _____

Meditation: Why is doctrine and a good conscience so important in properly ordering the Household of God? Summarize your answer: _____

1 Timothy 2:1-15 - Prayer and Conduct of Men and Women in God's Household

1. Who does Paul want you to pray for (1-2)? _____

Why (2-4)? _____

2. Who is the "one" mediator between God and man (5)? _____

3. What is Paul's desire (8-11)? _____

and _____

Meditation: What instructions does the Apostle Paul give on prayer and the conduct of men and women in the Church to properly order the Household of God? Summarize your answer: _____

1 Timothy 3:1-16 - Importance of Leadership in the Household of God

1. If you aspire to the office of overseer, what do you desire (1)? _____

2. What are the qualifications for an overseer (2-7)? _____

3. What are the qualifications for a deacon (8-13)? _____

4. Why was Paul writing these things (14-15)? _____

Meditation: Why is leadership so important in properly ordering the Church or the Household of God? Summarize your answer: _____

1 Timothy 4:1-16 - Training for Godliness in the Household of God

1. What does the Spirit say will happen in later times (1-3)? _____

2. How should everything good from God be received (4)? _____

3. Why should you train yourself for godliness (7-8)? _____

4. Why do you continue to toil and strive (10)? _____

5. How should you be an example to other believers (12-16)? _____

6. What should you keep a close watch on (16)? _____

Meditation: How does a disciple train for godliness, and what does godliness look like in the properly ordered Household of God? Summarize your answer: _____

1 Timothy 5:1-25 - Roles of Men, Women, Widows & Elders in God's Household

1. (1-3) You should treat an older man as you would a _____, younger men like _____, older women like _____, younger women like _____, and _____ widows.

2. How should you handle a charge against an elder (19)? _____

3. Can you hide your sins (24)? _____ What happens sooner or later? _____
4. Can your good works remain hidden (25)? _____

Meditation: What instructions does the Apostle Paul give to older men and women, widows, and elders in properly ordering the Household of God? Summarize your answer:

Older Men _____

Older Women _____

Widows _____

Elders _____

1 Timothy 6:1-21 - Exhortation in Properly Ordering God’s Household

1. (3) Your teaching should agree with _____ and be in accord with _____
2. What is there great gain in (6)? _____ with _____
3. Why contentment (7)? _____
4. What should you be content with (8)? _____
5. What happens to those who desire to be rich (9)? _____
6. What is the love of money the root of (10)? _____ What has the love of money caused some to do? _____
7. What should the man of God flee (11)? _____ What should the man of God pursue (11)? _____
8. What should he fight (12)? _____ What should he take hold of? _____
9. What is the Lord Jesus called at His blessed appearing (15)? _____
10. What does He have (16)? _____ Where does He dwell? _____
 _____ “To Him be _____”
11. What is Paul’s charge to the rich (17-19)? _____

Meditation: What are some of the Apostle Paul’s final exhortations in properly ordering the Household of God? Summarize your answer: _____

Discussion: The Apostle Paul wrote 1 Timothy so that you may know how one ought to behave in the Household of God, the Church of the living God. What are some key principles that tell you how to live your life, and live in your family and church? _____

What changes do you need to make in your life, family and church to properly order them in the Household of God? _____

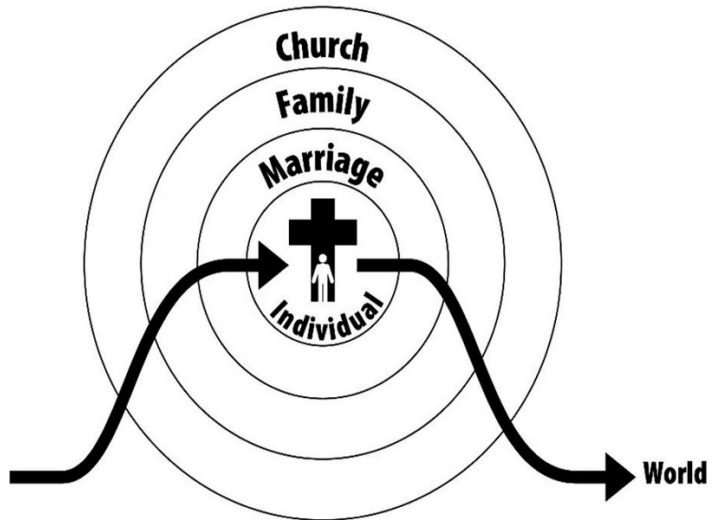
Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life, family and church?

There are two more letters in Paul’s Latter Letters (Titus and 2 Timothy). The study of these letters is optional and can be found in our training manual, *God’s Plan for His Church*; pages 118-121.

VII. Disciples Established In and With Christ

Lesson 11

Your Life in Christ



There is nothing more important and foundational to the Christian life than a believer knowing his/her rich inheritance in Christ. These riches in Christ do not grow but are perfect and complete the instant they are possessed at salvation. They are in no way related to human merit (work), but stand on the merit of the Son of God. They are known only through divine illumination and most often experienced in our weakness and suffering.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. In Ephesians 3:8, how does Paul describe your riches in Christ? _____
2. In 2 Corinthians 6:10, we are sorrowful, yet _____, as poor, yet _____, as having nothing, yet _____
3. In Colossians 1:27, what are the riches and hope of His glory? “_____ in you.”
4. What does Paul want those in Laodicea to reach in Colossians 2:2? _____

5. According to Colossians 2:3, what is hidden in Christ? _____

6. In Galatians 2:16, how is a person justified in Christ? _____
 Can someone be justified by the works of the law? _____ What does it mean for you to be justified in Christ? _____

7. According to Galatians 2:19-20, what did you die to? _____ Why did you die to the law? _____ Who lives in you now? _____
8. According to Galatians 3:14, what blessing did you receive in Christ? _____
9. According to Galatians 3:26, you are all _____ of _____ through faith.
10. In 1 Corinthians 1:2, those in the church were _____ in Christ.
11. In 1 Corinthians 1:30, because we are in Christ, what is He to us? _____

12. According to 1 Corinthians 15:22, you died in Adam but were made _____ in Christ.
13. According to 2 Corinthians 2:14, how does God always lead those who are in Christ?

14. According to Romans 3:24, a disciple is justified by God's grace as a gift through the _____ in Christ Jesus. What does redemption mean (Ephesians 1:7)? _____

15. Romans 5:17 says that death reigned through Adam, but through Christ much more the abundance of _____ and the free gift of _____ reigned in life through Jesus Christ.
16. In Romans 6:3, what are those in Christ baptized into? _____
17. In Romans 6:4, disciples are _____ with Christ by baptism into His death. Why? _____

18. According to Romans 6:5, disciples are united with Christ in death and in _____
19. According to Romans 6:11, disciples died to sin and made alive to _____ in Christ.
20. According to Romans 6:23, what kind of life does a disciple have in Christ? _____
21. According to Romans 8:1, for disciples in Christ, they have no _____ .
22. According to Romans 8:37-39, disciples in Christ Jesus our Lord are more than _____ and nothing can _____ them from the love of God.
23. Where did Apelles get his approval from according to Romans 16:10? _____

24. In Paul's letter to the Ephesians, he lists many of the riches you have in Christ Jesus.

See if you can pick some of these riches out in the following verses: 1:3 _____,
1:4 _____, 1:5 _____ and _____, 1:7 _____
and _____, 1:11 _____, 1:13 _____, 1:19 _____,
2:5 _____, 2:6 _____ and _____, 2:7 _____,
2:10 _____, 2:13 _____, 2:14 _____,
2:16 _____, 2:18 _____, 2:19 _____,
and _____, 2:22 _____,
3:6 _____, 3:19 _____, 5:2 _____

25. According to Colossians 2:9-10, what does it mean to have Christ living in you? _____

26. According to 2 Thessalonians 2:16, what did our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father
give us? _____ and _____

27. According to 2 Timothy 2:1, a disciple is _____ by the grace that is in Christ.

28. What does the elect obtain in Christ Jesus according to 2 Timothy 2:10? _____

29. In Hebrews 10:14, what did Christ's single offering do for you? _____

30. In Philippians 4:19, what has God promised to those who are in Christ Jesus? _____
_____ According to what? _____

Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned with other disciples and write
down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning Christ living in you? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Lesson 12

Your Life with Christ



One of the greatest privileges a believer has is to walk personally in the presence of the living God. Spending time daily in the presence of God is essential and vital to your spiritual life and walk with Christ. When you spend time alone with the Lord, you are in contact with what matters most. The most important thing we can do is something we all can do and that is spend time with Christ in the Word and in prayer.

Observation and Meditation: Read and answer the following questions by filling in the blanks:

1. According to Genesis 3:8-9, what did Adam and Eve do after they disobeyed God? _____
What did God do? _____ If God is all knowing, why did He ask Adam and Eve, “where are you”? _____
2. According to Hebrews 11:5, Enoch pleased God. How do you think Enoch pleased God according to Genesis 5:24? _____
3. According to 2 Corinthians 5:7, we are to walk by _____ not by _____.
4. According to Galatians 5:16, who are we to walk by? _____
5. According to Colossians 2:6, who should we walk in? _____
6. According to Romans 6:4, what kind of life should you walk in? _____
7. According to Ephesians 5:2, what should we walk in? _____
8. Like all of us, Jacob had his successes and failures in life. Yet, in Genesis 48:15, he could look back and say, “God has been my _____ all my life long to this day!”
9. According to Joshua 1:8, how often should you meditate on the Word of God? _____ and _____ Why? _____
10. According to 1 Chronicles 23:30, what should you do every morning and evening? _____ and _____ the Lord.
11. When did God hear the voice of David according to Psalm 5:3? _____

12. What did David experience in the presence of God according to Psalm 16:11? _____
13. According to Jeremiah 15:16, what did he do when he found the words of God? _____
 What do you think the words “I ate them” mean? _____
 What did these words become to Jeremiah? “_____ and _____ of my heart.”
14. Can a disciple live by bread alone according to Matthew 4:4? _____
15. According to Matthew 6:6, where should a disciple pray? _____
16. How often should you feed on the Bread of Life according to Matthew 6:11? _____
17. What should a disciple seek first in life according to Matthew 6:33? _____
 and _____ What will be added to you? _____
18. According to Mark 1:35, when did Jesus spend time with His Father? _____
 Where did He spend time with His Father? _____ What did He do? _____
19. In one accord the early church was devoted to _____ according to Acts 1:14.
20. In Ephesians 1:16, what did Paul always remember to do for them? _____
21. In Ephesians 3:19, what did Paul pray for them to be filled with? _____
22. In Ephesians 6:18, when should we pray? _____ In what did he pray? _____
23. What did Paul pray with in Philippians 1:4? _____ Why (5)? _____

24. In Colossians 4:2-3, we should continue _____ in prayer being _____
 in it with _____. Why did Paul request prayer (3)? _____
25. In 1 Thessalonians 5:17 and Romans 1:9-10, what does it mean to pray without ceasing? _____
26. According to Mark 3:14, why did Jesus appoint the twelve disciples? “So that they might be _____ Him and He might send them _____ to preach.”
27. According to Luke 10:41, Martha was anxious and troubled about many things. What was the “one thing necessary” that Martha had neglected (39)? _____
 (42) Mary has chosen the _____ portion which will not be _____ from her.
28. How do you know that Jesus desires a relationship with you according to Luke 15:4? _____
 _____ 15:8 _____ and
 15:20-32 _____

29. In John 6:35 Jesus says, “I am the _____ of Life”. “Whoever comes to me shall not _____ and whoever believes in me shall never _____.”

30. How many times are the words “abide” or “abides” used in John 15:4-10? _____

What do you think it means to abide in Christ, who is the True Vine? _____

31. According to John 21:15-17, how many times did Jesus ask Peter if he loved Him? _____

Why do you think it is important to love Jesus if you are going to feed and tend His sheep? _____

32. In Acts 4:13, what did they recognize about Peter and John? _____

33. In Acts 20:28, who were the elders to pay careful attention to? _____

34. According to 2 Corinthians 4:16, although the outer nature is wasting away, why do you not lose heart? _____ When is our inner nature renewed? _____

35. According to 1 Timothy 4:16, who and what are you to keep a close watch on? _____ and the _____. If you persist in this, who will you save? _____ and _____

36. According to Hebrews 5:11-14, describe someone who needs milk not solid food? _____

Who is the solid food for? _____

By what can you discern between good and evil? _____

37. According to 1 John 1:3-4, who do you have fellowship with? _____ and _____

Why did John write these things? _____

38. According to Revelation 3:20, who is knocking on the door of your heart? _____

What will He do if you open your heart to Him? _____

Discussion: Contrast and compare what you have learned from other disciples and write down any additional principles you learn from others. _____

What changes do you need to make in your life concerning walking with Christ? _____

Application: How and when will you make these changes in your life? _____

Lesson 13

Daily Quiet Time with the Lord



This is one of the most important aspects of your life with Christ. Several years ago, I was with Henry Blackaby who wrote “Experiencing God” and I asked him how his relationship with Christ remained so fresh and consistent. He told me that many years ago when he was 17 years old, he decided that if he was going to walk with Christ, it meant that he would have to make time to spend time daily in the morning with the Word of God. Having a daily quiet time with the Lord is not just a commendable practice, it is vital to experiencing an abundant, full, and joyful life in Christ. Observe Jeremiah 15:16; what did he do when he found the words of God? _____ What did they become to him? “A _____ and the _____ to his heart.” Like eating food, we taste it (**Observation**), chew it (**Meditation**) and swallow it (**Application**). Jeremiah read the Word, meditated on the Word and obeyed the Word. Now let us briefly define from the Word what it means to spend time in His Word and prayer; we will call this time of communion a “quiet time”.

1. **What** is a “quiet time”?

According to Exodus 16:15, what was the manna from heaven? _____

Who is the true bread of life from heaven (John 6:35)? _____ If you come to Jesus, the Bread of Life, you shall not _____ and you shall never _____

2. **Why** should you have a “quiet time”?

According to Matthew 4:4, what do you need in order to live spiritually? _____

In order to grow spiritually, what do you need according to 1 Peter 2:2? _____

3. **When** should you have a “quiet time”?

According to Exodus 16:21, when did they get the manna? _____

How often did Jesus say we needed bread according to Matthew 6:11? _____

According to Mark 1:35, when did Jesus spend time with His Father? _____

4. **Where** should you have a “quiet time”?

Where did Jesus say was a good place to pray according to Matthew 6:6? _____

Where did Jesus spend time with His Father according to Mark 1:35? _____

5. How do you have a “quiet time”? See quiet time helps on pages 49-59.

Lesson 14

Practical Helps for Prayer and Worship

To help you get started with your quiet time and to walk and live in Christ consistently, I want to suggest journaling or taking a daily journey with Christ in His Word. It is essential that you not only develop your time in His Word, but develop your prayer life both in your quiet time and in your life. Prayer is very important in the Bible. It records about 650 prayers and 450 answers to those prayers. The New Testament records Jesus praying 25 times and Paul mentioning prayer 41 times. Many of these prayers are recorded or referenced in *God's Plan for His Disciples*: Page 11, 2., Page 17, 12., Pages 20-22, Pages 33-34, 1-10., Page 36, 31., Page 38, 1-3., Pages 45-47, Pages 48-49, Pages 55-56. Here are some practical ways that can help you get started praying at all times in the Spirit. Here is an acrostic of **ACTS** that will guide you in four biblical aspects of prayer and worship.

A - ADORATION (Revelation 5:12-13) To reflect on the power, majesty and glory of God.

C - CONFESSION (1 John 1:8-10) To agree with God to have our sins forgiven and cleansed.

T - THANKSGIVING (Psalm 95:2-3) To accept the will of God in all things concerning you.

S - SUPPLICATION (Philippians 4:6) To making our requests and petitions known to God.

Here is a Supplication or Request list which will help you be more effective in your prayer life. I suggest the following daily prayer guide or you can develop your own.

1. Personal _____

2. Family _____

3. Church Family _____

4. Missions _____

5. Work or school _____

6. Those in authority and high places _____

7. For God to be glorified and honored in all I do and say _____

If you are a new disciple or if you have never had a consistent and meaningful daily meeting with God, let me help you get started with this 5 minute a day, 30-day Bible reading schedule. This daily reading schedule will help you discover and grasp who God is from His *Names* and *Attributes* and what He can mean to you. It will help you get started on your lifelong daily journey with your Heavenly Father and your personal Savior. After this 30-day plan, there is **A 31-Day Encounter with Jesus** on page 56 which will enhance your relationship with the Lord. Also, we have provided several complete Bible reading plans on pages 57-59 where you can develop your own methodology or schedule. Remember, we are all different and unique, so please choose what suits you and foremost, do not bite off more than you can chew and digest.

Day 1 - “JEHOVAH” Read and Observe Exodus 3:13-15 and John 8:58-59

The name of the independent, self-complete being, I AM WHO I AM, Jehovah God!

Application: What effect or change does this Name have on your personal life? _____

Day 2 - “JEHOVAH-M’KADDESH” Read and Observe Leviticus 20:7-8 and 2 Corinthians 5:21

The name means the God who sanctifies. The God who is separate from all that is evil.

Application: What effect or change does this Name have on your personal life? _____

Day 3 - “INFINITE” Read and Observe Romans 11:33 and Colossians 1:16

God is beyond measurement. He cannot be defined by size or amount or limitations.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 4 - “OMNIPOTENT” Read and Observe Jeremiah 32:17-18 and John 1:3

God is all-powerful. He spoke all things into existence and nothing is too difficult for Him.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 5 - "GOOD" Read and Observe Psalm 119:65-72 and John 10:11

God is the embodiment of perfect goodness. He is full of good will toward all creation.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 6 - "LOVE" Read and Observe 1 John 4:7-10 and Romans 8:35

God's love is so great He gave His only Son to embrace us personally and intimately.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 7 - "JEHOVAH-JIREH" Read and Observe Genesis 22:9-14 and Luke 9:12-17

The Name of the God who always provides everything His people need or will ever need.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 8 - "JEHOVAH-SHALOM" Read and Observe Judges 6:16-24 and Ephesians 2:14

The Name of the God of peace who sustains us and surpasses our understanding.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 9 - "IMMUTABLE" Read and Observe Psalm 102:25-28 and Hebrews 13:8

All that God is and has always been, who is and will ever be - perfect and unchanging.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 10 - "TRANSCENDENT" Read and Observe Psalm 113:4-5 and Colossians 1:16-18

God is not merely the highest in order, but He is beyond and above all of creation.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 11 - "JUST" Read and Observe Psalm 75:1-7 and Romans 3:26

God is righteous and holy and fair and equitable in all things.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 12 - "HOLY" Read and Observe Revelation 4:8-11 and Hebrews 4:15

God's holiness is not a better version of the best, but He is supremely untainted.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 13 - "JEHOVAH-ROPHÉ" Read and Observe Exodus 15:22-26 and Isaiah 61:1

Jehovah heals. God alone provides the remedy for humanity's brokenness.

Application: What effect or change does this Name have on your personal life? _____

Day 14 - "SELF-SUFFICIENT" Read and Observe Acts 17:24-28 and Colossians 2:9-10

All things are God's to give, and He provides all that you need; He needs absolutely nothing.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 15 - "OMNISCIENT" Read and Observe Psalm 139:1-6 and John 21:17

God is all-knowing. His knowledge encompasses everything that exists or will ever exist.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 16 - "OMNIPRESENT" Read and Observe Psalm 139:7-12 and John 3:13

God is everywhere, in and around everything. He fills the heavens and the earth.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 17 - “MERCIFUL” Read and Observe Deuteronomy 4:29-31 and Matthew 14:13-14

God’s merciful compassion is infinite and inexhaustible. He desires all people to turn to Him.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 18 - “SOVEREIGN” Read and Observe 1 Chronicles 29:11-13 and Revelation 19:16

God presides over every event, great or small. He is in control and rules over all creation.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 19 - “JEHOVAH-NISSI” Read and Observe Exodus 17:8-16 and 1 Corinthians 15:57

God is our Banner who leads us triumphantly and gives us the victory in Christ Jesus.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 20 - “WISE” Read and Observe Proverbs 3:19-20 and 1 Corinthians 1:30

God always acts through His infinite wisdom and accomplishes all things for our good and His glory.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 21 - “FAITHFUL” Read and Observe Psalm 89:1-8 and Revelation 3:14

Out of His faithfulness, God honors His covenants and fulfills all His promises.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 22 - “WRATHFUL” Read and Observe Nahum 1:2-8 and Matthew 21:12-13

Unlike human anger, God’s wrath is never self-indulgent or irritable; it is always right.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 23 - "FULL OF GRACE" Read and Observe Ephesians 1:5-8 and 2 Corinthians 12:9

Grace is God's good pleasure that moves Him to grant us undeserved merit and favor.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 24 - "OUR COMFORTER" Read and Observe 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 and Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus called the Holy Spirit the "Comforter." The Lord is called the God of all comfort.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 25 - "EL-SHADDAI" Read and Observe Genesis 49:22-26 and Isaiah 9:6

God is Almighty, the God who is all-sufficient and all-bountiful, the source of all blessings.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 26 - "FATHER" Read and Observe Romans 8:15-17 and Matthew 6:9

Jesus taught us to pray, "Our Father." The Spirit taught us to cry "Abba (Intimate Father)."

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 27 - "THE CHURCH'S HEAD" Read and Observe Ephesians 1:22-23 and Colossians 1:18

Christ is the head of the Church who sees, hears, thinks and decides all things.

Therefore, who should the church be looking to for leadership and direction? _____

Day 28 - "OUR INTERCESSOR" Read and Observe Hebrews 4:14-16 and 1 Timothy 2:5

God the Son intercedes for us. He opens the door for us to ask God the Father.

Application: What effect or change does this attribute have on your personal life? _____

Day 29 - *“ADONAI”* Read and Observe 2 Samuel 7:18-22 and Philippians 2:7-11

God is Master or Lord over His people and His servants.

Application: What effect or change does this Name have on your personal life? _____

Day 30 - *“ELOHIM”* Read and Observe Genesis 17:7-8 and Revelation 1:8

God is mighty and strong, displaying His supreme sovereignty.

Application: What effect or change does this Name have on your personal life? _____

Additional Helps in Your Day-by-Day Journey with the Lord

First, go back and review Lessons 6 and 7 (Pages 20-22), **“Instructions on How to Study the Bible.”** To help enhance your daily quiet time (Lesson 13, page 48), get a lined notebook and label the pages into 3 steps to record your journey with the Bread of Life. See the example below. Remember, this does not include the discussion step in Lesson 6 and 7 since this is your personal quiet time in the Word. Discussion can be done later by sharing your quiet time insights with others. To help you get started, take Psalm 23:1, like you did with Matthew 6:33 in Lesson 6 (pages 20-21) and Mark 1:35 in Lesson 7 (page 22). Here you might want to also read Psalm 23:1-9 for the context in step 1 - **Observation** and step 2 - **Meditation**. Then complete step 3 - **Application**. You will obviously need more lines in your notebook than we have below. Remember to pray. Someone told me years ago that the Lord’s phone number is Jeremiah 33:3.

1 - **OBSERVATION** - **“LOOK AT IT”** - What does it say? (Information)

_____ (This is just a guide, so use a notebook with more spaces).

2 - **MEDITATION** - **“THINK ABOUT IT”** - What does it mean? (Illumination)

_____ (This is just a guide, so use a notebook with more spaces).

3 - **APPLICATION** - **“LIVE IT - DO IT”** - Now what? (Transformation)

_____ (This is just a guide, so use a notebook with more spaces).

To help you get started on your journey with the Living Word, I would suggest the **“31-day Encounter with Jesus”** on the next page. You can take each theme and Scripture and use the above 3-step method. After the **“31-day Encounter with Jesus”**, you can start reading the whole Bible (see pages 57-59) or certain Bible books or letters as the Spirit leads you.

A 31 Day Encounter with Jesus

<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
Day 1	Jesus is Predicted	Isaiah 53
Day 2	The Birth of Jesus	Matthew 1:18-25
Day 3	John the Baptist Prepares the Way	Matthew 3:1–4:11
Day 4	Jesus Meets the Samaritan Woman	John 4:1-26
Day 5	Jesus is Rejected at Home	Luke 4:14-30
Day 6	Jesus Calls His Disciples	Luke 5:1-11
Day 7	The Sermon on the Plain	Luke 6:17-46
Day 8	The Widow’s Son and a Sinful Woman	Luke 7:11-17; 7:36-50
Day 9	Jesus Encounters the Pharisees	Matthew 12:1-13; 22-45
Day 10	Parable of the Sower	Matthew 13:1-43
Day 11	Jesus Calms the Storm	Luke 8:22-25
Day 12	Jesus Heals a Man, Woman and Girl	Mark 5:1-43
Day 13	Jesus Feeds the 5000	John 6:1-14
Day 14	Peter Knows Jesus Christ	Luke 9:18-27
Day 15	Healing by Faith	Mark 9:14-32
Day 16	More Teachings and Parables	Matthew 17:24–18:20
Day 17	More Teachings and Parables	Matthew 18:21–19:15
Day 18	The Rich Young Ruler	Mark 10:17-31
Day 19	The Disciples Sent Out	Luke 10:1-24
Day 20	The Great Commandment	Mark 12:28-44
Day 21	The Parable of the Good Samaritan	Luke 10:25-37
Day 22	The Lord’s Prayer	Luke 11:1-13
Day 23	Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead	John 11:1-44
Day 24	The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem	Matthew 21:1-27
Day 25	The Last Supper	John 13:1-17
Day 26	The Love of Jesus for the Disciples	John 14-15
Day 27	Jesus Arrested and Betrayed	Matthew 26:36-75
Day 28	Jesus’ Unfair Trial	John 18:19–19:16
Day 29	Jesus’ Crucifixion and Death	John 19:17-42
Day 30	Jesus’ Resurrection and Appearances	John 20-21
Day 31	The Great Commission of Jesus	Matthew 28:16-20

Now that you have a good solid foundation in the Word of God, the role of the Holy Spirit, the Gospel of Pure Grace, God’s Purpose and Eternal Plan and God’s Order in His Household or Family. I would suggest reading through the whole Bible. There is a Bible reading schedule on the next three pages that breaks down reading the whole Bible into 365 days; if that is too much reading for you to understand or comprehend, you can adjust the schedule to what is best for you. I have found that I can read through the New Testament in one year and the Old Testament the next year. You can take the following Bible reading schedule and make it into a one, two, three, four or five-year plan. A word of caution: do not read just for information. Have a scheduled Quiet Time that will deepen your relationship with God and transform your life. A Bible reading schedule is provided on pages 57-59.

Remember, as you read through the Word of God, that it is Truth. Truth is a Person, Jesus Christ, the Living Word of God and all Scripture points to Christ. Note that this is your personal quiet time, so you will not be discussing it with others at that particular moment. You might later want to discuss with others what you have learned by chewing on the meat of the Word.

BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

DATE	SCRIPTURE	READ	DATE	SCRIPTURE	READ
Jan 1	Gen 1-2, Matt 1		Feb 1	Ex 27-28, Matt 21:23-46	
Jan 2	Gen 3-5, Matt 2		Feb 2	Ex 29-30, Matt 22:1-22	
Jan 3	Gen 6-8, Matt 3		Feb 3	Ex 31-33, Matt 22:23-46	
Jan 4	Gen 9-11, Matt 4		Feb 4	Ex 34-36, Matt 23:1-22	
Jan 5	Gen 12-14, Matt 5:1-26		Feb 5	Ex 37-38, Matt 23:23-39	
Jan 6	Gen 15-17, Matt 5:27-48		Feb 6	Ex 39-40, Matt 24:1-22	
Jan 7	Gen 18-19, Matt 6		Feb 7	Lev 1-3, Matt 24:23-51	
Jan 8	Gen 20-22, Matt 7		Feb 8	Lev 4-6, Matt 25:1-30	
Jan 9	Gen 23-24, Matt 8		Feb 9	Lev 7-9, Matt 25:31-46	
Jan 10	Gen 25-26, Matt 9:1-17		Feb 10	Lev 10-12, Matt 26:1-19	
Jan 11	Gen 27-28, Matt 9:18-38		Feb 11	Lev 13, Matt 26:20-54	
Jan 12	Gen 29-30, Matt 10:1-23		Feb 12	Lev 14, Matt 26:55-75	
Jan 13	Gen 31-32, Matt 10:24-42		Feb 13	Lev 15-17, Matt 27:1-31	
Jan 14	Gen 33-35, Matt 11		Feb 14	Lev 18-19, Matt 27:32-66	
Jan 15	Gen 36-37, Matt 12:1-21		Feb 15	Lev 20-21, Matt 28:1-20	
Jan 16	Gen 38-40, Matt 12:22-50		Feb 16	Lev 22-23, Mark 1:1-22	
Jan 17	Gen 41, Matt 13:1-32		Feb 17	Lev 24-25, Mark 1:23-45	
Jan 18	Gen 42-43, Matt 13:33-58		Feb 18	Lev 26-27, Mark 2	
Jan 19	Gen 44-45, Matt 14:1-21		Feb 19	Num 1-2, Mark 3:1-21	
Jan 20	Gen 46-48, Matt 14:22-36		Feb 20	Num 3-4, Mark 3:22-35	
Jan 21	Gen 49-50, Matt 15:1-20		Feb 21	Num 5-6, Mark 4:1-20	
Jan 22	Ex 1-3, Matt 15:21-39		Feb 22	Num 7, Mark 4:21-41	
Jan 23	Ex 4-6, Matt 16		Feb 23	Num 8-10, Mark 5:1-20	
Jan 24	Ex 7-8, Matt 17		Feb 24	Num 11-13, Mark 5:21-43	
Jan 25	Ex 9-10, Matt 18:1-20		Feb 25	Num 14-15, Mark 6:1-32	
Jan 26	Ex 11-12, Matt 18:21-35		Feb 26	Num 16-17, Mark 6:33-56	
Jan 27	Ex 13-15, Matt 19:1-15		Feb 27	Num 18-20, Mark 7:1-13	
Jan 28	Ex 16-18, Matt 19:16-30		Feb 28	Num 21-23, Mark 7:14-8:10	
Jan 29	Ex 19-21, Matt 20:1-16				
Jan 30	Ex 22-24, Matt 20:17-34				
Jan 31	Ex 25-26, Matt 21:1-22				

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Mar 1	Num 24-27, Mark 8:11-38		Apr 1	Judg 6-7, Luke 8:1-21	
Mar 2	Num 28-29, Mark 9:1-29		Apr 2	Judg 8-9, Luke 8:22-56	
Mar 3	Num 30-31, Mark 9:30-50		Apr 3	Judg 10-11, Luke 9:1-36	
Mar 4	Num 32-33, Mark 10:1-31		Apr 4	Judg 12-14, Luke 9:37-62	
Mar 5	Num 34-36, Mark 10:32-52		Apr 5	Judg 15-17, Luke 10:1-24	
Mar 6	Deut 1-2, Mark 11:1-19		Apr 6	Judg 18-19, Luke 10:25-42	
Mar 7	Deut 3-4, Mark 11:20-33		Apr 7	Judg 20-21, Luke 11:1-28	
Mar 8	Deut 5-7, Mark 12:1-27		Apr 8	Ruth 1-4, Luke 11:29-54	
Mar 9	Deut 8-10, Mark 12:28-44		Apr 9	1 Sam 1-3, Luke 12:1-34	
Mar 10	Deut 11-13, Mark 13:1-13		Apr 10	1 Sam 4-6, Luke 12:35-59	
Mar 11	Deut 14-16, Mark 13:14-37		Apr 11	1 Sam 7-9, Luke 13:1-21	
Mar 12	Deut 17-19, Mark 14:1-25		Apr 12	1 Sam 10-12, Luke 13:22-35	
Mar 13	Deut 20-22, Mark 14:26-50		Apr 13	1 Sam 13-14, Luke 14:12-24	
Mar 14	Deut 23-25, Mark 14:51-72		Apr 14	1 Sam 15-16, Luke 14:25-35	
Mar 15	Deut 26-27, Mark 15:1-26		Apr 15	1 Sam 17-18, Luke 15:1-10	
Mar 16	Deut 28, Mark 15:27-47		Apr 16	1 Sam 19-21, Luke 15:11-32	
Mar 17	Deut 29-30, Mark 16		Apr 17	1 Sam 22-24, Luke 16:1-18	
Mar 18	Deut 31-32, Luke 1:1-23		Apr 18	1 Sam 25-26, Luke 16:19-31	
Mar 19	Deut 33-34, Luke 1:24-56		Apr 19	1 Sam 27-29, Luke 17:1-19	
Mar 20	Josh 1-3, Luke 1:57-80		Apr 20	1 Sam 30-31, Luke 17:20-37	
Mar 21	Josh 4-6, Luke 2:1-24		Apr 21	2 Sam 1-3, Luke 18:1-17	
Mar 22	Josh 7-8, Luke 2:25-52		Apr 22	2 Sam 4-6, Luke 18:18-43	
Mar 23	Josh 9-10, Luke 3		Apr 23	2 Sam 7-9, Luke 19:1-28	
Mar 24	Josh 11-13, Luke 4:1-32		Apr 24	2 Sam 10-12, Luke 19:29-48	
Mar 25	Josh 14-15, Luke 4:33-44		Apr 25	2 Sam 13-14, Luke 20:1-26	
Mar 26	Josh 16-18, Luke 5:1-16		Apr 26	2 Sam 15-16, Luke 20:27-47	
Mar 27	Josh 19-20, Luke 5:17-39		Apr 27	2 Sam 17-18, Luke 21:1-19	
Mar 28	Josh 21-22, Luke 6:1-26		Apr 28	2 Sam 19-20, Luke 21:20-38	
Mar 29	Josh 23-24, Luke 6:27-49		Apr 29	2 Sam 21-22, Luke 22:1-30	
Mar 30	Judg 1-2, Luke 7:1-30		Apr 30	2 Sam 23-24, Luke 22:31-53	
Mar 24	Josh 11-13, Luke 4:1-32				

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May 1	1 Kgs 1-2, Luke 22:54-71		Jun 1	2 Chr 4-6, John 12:20-50	
May 2	1 Kgs 3-5, Luke 23:1-26		Jun 2	2 Chr 7-9, John 13:1-17	
May 3	1 Kgs 6-7, Luke 23:27-38		Jun 3	2 Chr 10-12, John 13:18-38	
May 4	1 Kgs 8-9, Luke 23:39-56		Jun 4	2 Chr 13-16, John 14	
May 5	1 Kgs 10-11, Luke 24:1-35		Jun 5	2 Chr 17-19, John 15	
May 6	1 Kgs 12-13, Luke 24:36-53		Jun 6	2 Chr 20-22, John 16:1-15	
May 7	1 Kgs 14-15, John 1:1-28		Jun 7	2 Chr 23-25, John 16:16-33	
May 8	1 Kgs 16-18, John 1:29-51		Jun 8	2 Chr 26-28, John 17	
May 9	1 Kgs 19-20, John 2		Jun 9	2 Chr 29-31, John 18:1-23	
May 10	1 Kgs 21-22, John 3:1-21		Jun 10	2 Chr 32-33, John 18:24-40	
May 11	2 Kgs 1-3, John 3:22-36		Jun 11	2 Chr 34-36, John 19:1-22	
May 12	2 Kgs 4-5, John 4:1-30		Jun 12	Ezra 1-2, John 19:23-42	
May 13	2 Kgs 6-8, John 4:31-54		Jun 13	Ezra 3-5, John 20	
May 14	2 Kgs 9-11, John 5:1-24		Jun 14	Ezra 6-8, John 21	
May 15	2 Kgs 12-14, John 5:25-47		Jun 15	Ezra 9-10, Acts 1	
May 16	2 Kgs 15-17, John 6:1-21		Jun 16	Neh 1-3, Acts 2:1-13	
May 17	2 Kgs 18-19, John 6:22-44		Jun 17	Neh 4-6, Acts 2:14-47	
May 18	2 Kgs 20-22, John 6:45-71		Jun 18	Neh 7-8, Acts 3	
May 19	2 Kgs 23-25, John 7:1-31		Jun 19	Neh 9-11, Acts 4:1-22	
May 20	1 Chr 1-2, John 7:32-53		Jun 20	Neh 12-13, Acts 4:23-37	
May 21	1 Chr 3-5, John 8:1-20		Jun 21	Est 1-3, Acts 5:1-16	
May 22	1 Chr 6-7, John 8:21-36		Jun 22	Est 4-6, Acts 5:17-42	
May 23	1 Chr 8-10, John 8:37-59		Jun 23	Est 7-10, Acts 6	
May 24	1 Chr 11-13, John 9:1-23		Jun 24	Job 1-3, Acts 7:1-19	
May 25	1 Chr 14-16, John 9:24-41		Jun 25	Job 4-6, Acts 7:20-43	
May 26	1 Chr 17-19, John 10:1-21		Jun 26	Job 7-9, Acts 7:44-60	
May 27	1 Chr 20-22, John 10:22-42		Jun 27	Job 10-12, Acts 8:1-25	
May 28	1 Chr 23-25, John 11:1-17		Jun 28	Job 13-15, Acts 8:26-40	
May 29	1 Chr 26-27, John 11:18-46		Jun 29	Job 16-18, Acts 9:1-22	
May 30	1 Chr 28-29, John 11:47-57		Jun 30	Job 19-20, Acts 9:23-43	
May 31	2 Chr 1-3, John 12:1-19				

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Jul 1	Job 21-22, Acts 10:1-23		Aug 1	Ps 65-67, Rom 2	
Jul 2	Job 23-25, Acts 10:24-48		Aug 2	Ps 68-69, Rom 3	
Jul 3	Job 26-28, Acts 11		Aug 3	Ps 70-72, Rom 4	
Jul 4	Job 29-30, Acts 12		Aug 4	Ps 73-74, Rom 5	
Jul 5	Job 31-32, Acts 13:1-23		Aug 5	Ps 75-77, Rom 6	
Jul 6	Job 33-34, Acts 13:24-52		Aug 6	Ps 78, Rom 7	
Jul 7	Job 35-37, Acts 14		Aug 7	Ps 79-81, Rom 8:1-18	
Jul 8	Job 38-39, Acts 15:1-21		Aug 8	Ps 82-84, Rom 8:19-39	
Jul 9	Job 40-42, Acts 15:22-41		Aug 9	Ps 85-87, Rom 9	
Jul 10	Ps 1-3, Acts 16:1-15		Aug 10	Ps 88-89, Rom 10	
Jul 11	Ps 4-6, Acts 16:16-40		Aug 11	Ps 90-92, Rom 11:1-21	
Jul 12	Ps 7-9, Acts 17:1-15		Aug 12	Ps 93-95, Rom 11:22-36	
Jul 13	Ps 10-12, Acts 17:16-34		Aug 13	Ps 96-98, Rom 12	
Jul 14	Ps 13-16, Acts 18		Aug 14	Ps 99-102, Rom 13	
Jul 15	Ps 17-18, Acts 19:1-20		Aug 15	Ps 103-104, Rom 14	
Jul 16	Ps 19-21, Acts 19:21-41		Aug 16	Ps 105-106, Rom 15:1-20	
Jul 17	Ps 22-24, Acts 20:1-16		Aug 17	Ps 107-108, Rom 15:21-33	
Jul 18	Ps 25-27, Acts 20:17-38		Aug 18	Ps 109-111, Rom 16	
Jul 19	Ps 28-30, Acts 21:1-14		Aug 19	Ps 112-115, 1 Cor 1	
Jul 20	Ps 31-33, Acts 21:15-40		Aug 20	Ps 116-118, 1 Cor 2	
Jul 21	Ps 34-35, Acts 22		Aug 21	Ps 119:1-48, 1 Cor 3	
Jul 22	Ps 36-37, Acts 23:1-11		Aug 22	Ps 119:49-104, 1 Cor 4	
Jul 23	Ps 38-40, Acts 23:12-35		Aug 23	Ps 119:105-176, 1 Cor 5	
Jul 24	Ps 41-43, Acts 24		Aug 24	Ps 120-123, 1 Cor 6	
Jul 25	Ps 44-46, Acts 25		Aug 25	Ps 124-127, 1 Cor 7:1-24	
Jul 26	Ps 47-49, Acts 26		Aug 26	Ps 128-131, 1 Cor 7:25-40	
Jul 27	Ps 50-52, Acts 27:1-25		Aug 27	Ps 132-135, 1 Cor 8	
Jul 28	Ps 53-55, Acts 27:26-44		Aug 28	Ps 136-138, 1 Cor 9	
Jul 29	Ps 56-58, Acts 28:1-15		Aug 29	Ps 139-141, 1 Cor 10:1-13	
Jul 30	Ps 59-61, Acts 28:16-31		Aug 30	Ps 142-144, 1 Cor 10:14-33	
Jul 31	Ps 62-64, Rom 1		Aug 31	Ps 145-147, 1 Cor 11:1-15	

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Sep 1	Ps 148-150, 1 Cor 11:16-34		Oct 1	Isa 22-23, Eph 3	
Sep 2	Prov 1-2, 1 Cor 12		Oct 2	Isa 24-26, Eph 4	
Sep 3	Prov 3-4, 1 Cor 13		Oct 3	Isa 27-28, Eph 5	
Sep 4	Prov 5-6, 1 Cor 14:1-20		Oct 4	Isa 29-30, Eph 6	
Sep 5	Prov 7-8, 1 Cor 14:21-40		Oct 5	Isa 31-33, Phil 1	
Sep 6	Prov 9-10, 1 Cor 15:1-32		Oct 6	Isa 34-36, Phil 2	
Sep 7	Prov 11-12, 1 Cor 15:33-58		Oct 7	Isa 37-38, Phil 3	
Sep 8	Prov 13-14, 1 Cor 16		Oct 8	Isa 39-40, Phil 4	
Sep 9	Prov 15-16, 2 Cor 1		Oct 9	Isa 41-42, Col 1	
Sep 10	Prov 17-18, 2 Cor 2		Oct 10	Isa 43-44, Col 2	
Sep 11	Prov 19-20, 2 Cor 3		Oct 11	Isa 45-47, Col 3	
Sep 12	Prov 21-22, 2 Cor 4		Oct 12	Isa 48-49, Col 4	
Sep 13	Prov 23-24, 2 Cor 5		Oct 13	Isa 50-52, 1 Thess 1	
Sep 14	Prov 25-27, 2 Cor 6		Oct 14	Isa 53-55, 1 Thess 2	
Sep 15	Prov 28-29, 2 Cor 7		Oct 15	Isa 56-58, 1 Thess 3	
Sep 16	Prov 30-31, 2 Cor 8		Oct 16	Isa 59-61, 1 Thess 4	
Sep 17	Eccl 1-3, 2 Cor 9		Oct 17	Isa 62-64, 1 Thess 5	
Sep 18	Eccl 4-6, 2 Cor 10		Oct 18	Isa 65-66, 2 Thess 1	
Sep 19	Eccl 7-9, 2 Cor 11:1-15		Oct 19	Jer 1-2, 2 Thess 2	
Sep 20	Eccl 10-12, 2 Cor 11:16-33		Oct 20	Jer 3-4, 2 Thess 3	
Sep 21	Sng 1-3, 2 Cor 12		Oct 21	Jer 5-6, 1 Tim 1	
Sep 22	Sng 4-5, 2 Cor 13		Oct 22	Jer 7-8, 1 Tim 2	
Sep 23	Sng 6-8, Gal 1		Oct 23	Jer 9-10, 1 Tim 3	
Sep 24	Isa 1-3, Gal 2		Oct 24	Jer 11-13, 1 Tim 4	
Sep 25	Isa 4-6, Gal 3		Oct 25	Jer 14-16, 1 Tim 5	
Sep 26	Isa 7-9, Gal 4		Oct 26	Jer 17-19, 1 Tim 6	
Sep 27	Isa 10-12, Gal 5		Oct 27	Jer 20-22, 2 Tim 1	
Sep 28	Isa 13-15, Gal 6		Oct 28	Jer 23-24, 2 Tim 2	
Sep 29	Isa 16-18, Eph 1		Oct 29	Jer 25-26, 2 Tim 3	
Sep 30	Isa 19-21, Eph 2		Oct 30	Jer 27-28, 2 Tim 4	
			Oct 31	Jer 29-30, Titus 1	

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Nov 1	Jer 31-32, Titus 2		Dec 1	Ezek 45-46, 2 Pet 3	
Nov 2	Jer 33-35, Titus 3		Dec 2	Ezek 47-48, 1 John 1	
Nov 3	Jer 36-37, Phm 1		Dec 3	Dan 1-2, 1 John 2	
Nov 4	Jer 38-39, Heb 1		Dec 4	Dan 3-4, 1 John 3	
Nov 5	Jer 40-42, Heb 2		Dec 5	Dan 5-6, 1 John 4	
Nov 6	Jer 43-45, Heb 3		Dec 6	Dan 7-8, 1 John 5	
Nov 7	Jer 46-48, Heb 4		Dec 7	Dan 9-10, 2 John 1	
Nov 8	Jer 49-50, Heb 5		Dec 8	Dan 11-12, 3 John 1	
Nov 9	Jer 51-52, Heb 6		Dec 9	Hos 1-4, Jude 1	
Nov 10	Lam 1-2, Heb 7		Dec 10	Hos 5-8, Rev 1	
Nov 11	Lam 3-5, Heb 8		Dec 11	Hos 9-11, Rev 2	
Nov 12	Ezek 1-3, Heb 9		Dec 12	Hos 12-14, Rev 3	
Nov 13	Ezek 4-6, Heb 10:1-23		Dec 13	Joel 1-3, Rev 4	
Nov 14	Ezek 7-9, Heb 10:24-39		Dec 14	Amos 1-3, Rev 5	
Nov 15	Ezek 10-12, Heb 11:1-19		Dec 15	Amos 4-6, Rev 6	
Nov 16	Ezek 13-15, Heb 11:20-40		Dec 16	Amos 7-9, Rev 7	
Nov 17	Ezek 16, Heb 12		Dec 17	Obad 1, Rev 8	
Nov 18	Ezek 17-19, Heb 13		Dec 18	Jonah 1-4, Rev 9	
Nov 19	Ezek 20-21, Jas 1		Dec 19	Mic 1-3, Rev 10	
Nov 20	Ezek 22-23, Jas 2		Dec 20	Mic 4-5, Rev 11	
Nov 21	Ezek 24-26, Jas 3		Dec 21	Mic 6-7, Rev 12	
Nov 22	Ezek 27-28, Jas 4		Dec 22	Nahum 1-3, Rev 13	
Nov 23	Ezek 29-31, Jas 5		Dec 23	Hab 1-3, Rev 14	
Nov 24	Ezek 32-33, 1 Pet 1		Dec 24	Zeph 1-3, Rev 15	
Nov 25	Ezek 34-35, 1 Pet 2		Dec 25	Hag 1-2, Rev 16	
Nov 26	Ezek 36-37, 1 Pet 3		Dec 26	Zech 1-3, Rev 17	
Nov 27	Ezek 38-39, 1 Pet 4		Dec 27	Zech 4-6, Rev 18	
Nov 28	Ezek 40, 1 Pet 5		Dec 28	Zech 7-9, Rev 19	
Nov 29	Ezek 41-42, 2 Pet 1		Dec 29	Zech 10-12, Rev 20	
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			Dec 31	Mal 1-4, Rev 22	

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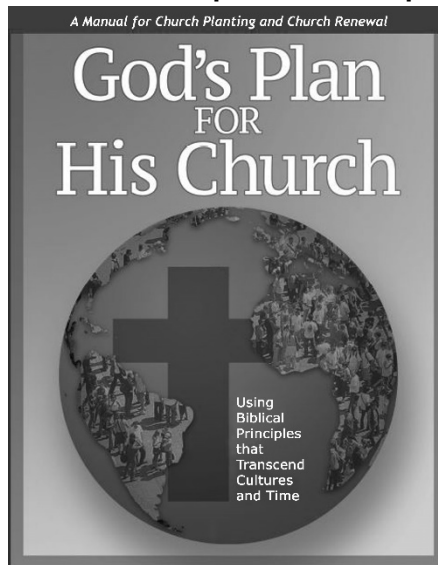
Now you might want to go to *God's Plan for His Church* (GPHC) for leadership training. You will find that you have already completed many of the lessons for that training in *God's Plan for His Disciples* (GPHD).

VIII. Disciples Established into Leadership

"All to Maturity, some to Leadership"



If you are hungry for more of the Word of God, you might want to continue your training into leadership and development. If you sense the Lord is leading you into leadership, I



would like to introduce God's Plan for His Church (GPHC), a manual and workbook for Church Planting and Church Renewal. You will find that you have already completed many of the lessons in God's Plan for His Disciples (GPHD). I believe this tool is relevant for today's church and leaders because it:

- Lays a foundation in the authority and sufficiency of Scripture.
- Provides an opportunity for a fresh work of the Holy Spirit.
- Reveals the importance of family in the process of church and ministry renewal.

- Visually illustrates the principles of God's plan for His Church from Pentecost.
- Helps leaders and churches become Christ-centered and self-sustaining like Paul.
- Uses powerful supra-cultural and timeless principles from Scripture.
- Gives biblical solutions to current issues facing today's family and church.
- Teaches a model of leadership and church planting and renewal; a model that is "unstoppable" and can actually thrive in poverty and persecution.

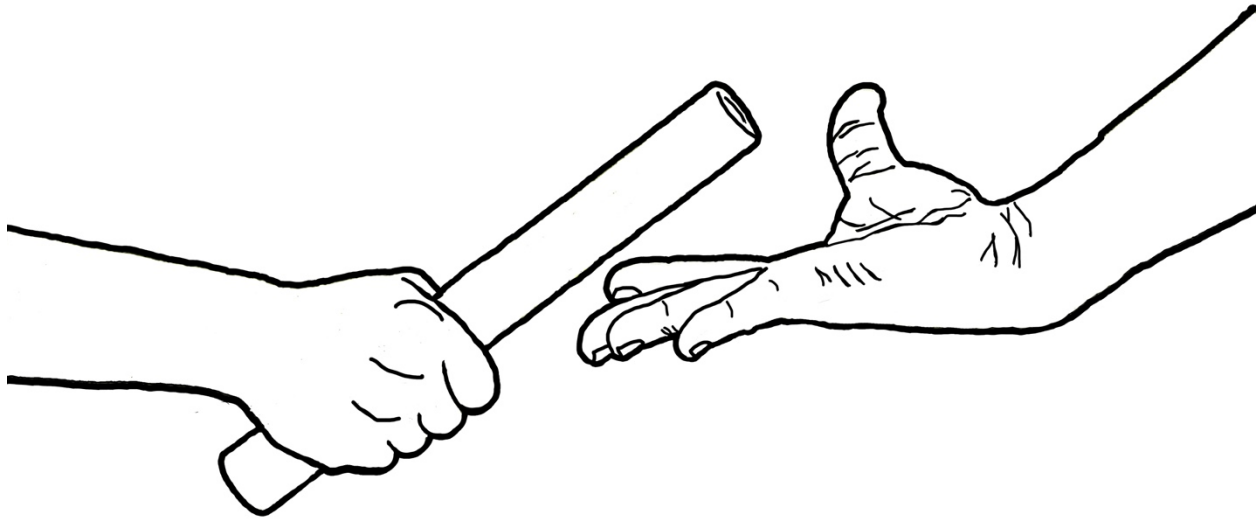
GPHC is not theory or some new Western or Eastern teaching but a time-tested model proven historically in Acts. It is not written to teach a new method or improve the old! By following the example of Christ and the Apostles, in the power of the Holy Spirit, you can be successful in seeing a growing church planted and established. As you look to the Lord, be assured He desires to meet you, raise you up, further equip you, empower and guide you to plant and renew churches for His glory in your sphere of influence.

See the overview of *God’s Plan for His Church* on the inside of the back cover.

You can download a free interactive copy at www.newfoundationsinternational.org or request a paper copy at twbunn@gmail.com or skdriver2414@gmail.com. There are life changing testimonies from around the world in *God’s Plan for His Church* on pages 3-5 from those who have worked through previous editions published in 30 languages. We sincerely thank you for this timely opportunity to help you, churches and ministries be biblical, Spirit empowered, Christ centered and self-sustaining.

Now that you have finished this book, please write a personal testimony of how this study has changed your life. Any remaining room can be used for additional Notes: _____

Pass It On!



- The purpose of this workbook study is to train you in the Biblical principles used by the Early Christian Church that spread the Gospel and changed the world for Christ by the Gospel during its time.
- Our goal is to develop the knowledge and desire in you, as a participant in this study, to become one of today's disciples that will impact your world with the Gospel.
- We say to you what Paul said to Timothy:

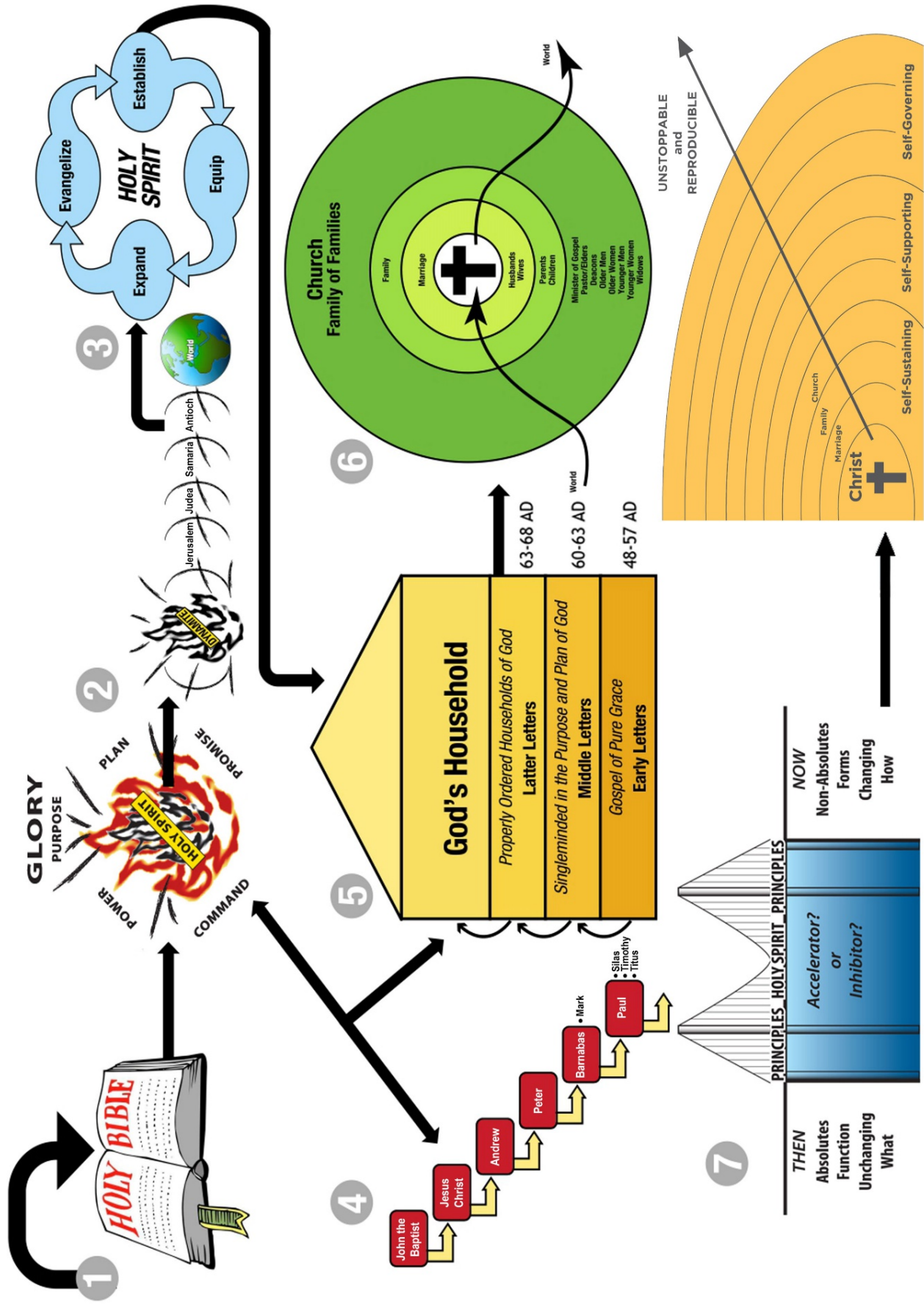
“What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

2 Timothy 2:2

- It is time for you to pass on to others what you have learned about being a member of the Household of God.
- Write the names of two people to whom you would like to pass on what you know about the Household of God and being a disciple of Jesus in the spaces below:

- Begin to pray for opportunities to **pass it on!**

God's Plan for His Church



Effective and powerful biblical principles to establish new disciples and to renew existing disciples.

Throughout this manual, practical lessons and projects will assist you as you develop what it means to be a true follower and learner of Christ. Upon completion of this manual, you will be equipped with a solid biblical foundation which no one can ever take away from you.



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