

# **1 – THE BIBLE: THE INFALLIBLE WORD OF GOD**

## ***1A – God Himself is the Author of the Bible. It is the Word of God. -----***

### **EXODUS 24:12**

12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

### **DEUTERONOMY 6:6–9**

6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

### **PSALMS 19:7–10**

7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

9 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

### **HEBREWS 4:12**

12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

## ***1B – Men wrote the words of the Bible as they were divinely inspired by God. -----***

### **EXODUS 34:27**

27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.

### **ISAIAH 30:8**

8 Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever:

### **JEREMIAH 30:1–2**

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.

### **2 TIMOTHY 3:16–17**

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

### **HEBREWS 1:1**

1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

### **2 PETER 1:20–21**

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

## ***1C – The Bible is without error. It is the word of salvation and will be true and useful forever. -----***

### **PSALMS 12:6**

6 The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

### **PSALMS 119:9**

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

### **PSALMS 119:89**

89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

### **PSALMS 119:105**

105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

### **Psalms 119:130**

130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

### **PROVERBS 30:5**

5 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

**ISAIAH 40:8**

8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

**LUKE 21:33**

33 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

**JOHN 17:17**

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

**JOHN 20:30 – 31**

30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

**ROMANS 1:16**

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

**ROMANS 15:4**

4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:11**

11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

***ID – The Word of God is food for our soul. -----***

**JOB 23:12**

12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.

**PSALMS 119:103**

103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

**JEREMIAH 15:16**

16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

**MATTHEW 4:4**

4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

**1 PETER 2:2**

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

***IE – The Word of God should be loved and hidden in our hearts. -----***

**JOSHUA 1:8**

8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

**PSALMS 37:31**

31 The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.

**PSALMS 40:8**

8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.

**PSALMS 119:11**

11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

**PSALMS 119:16**

16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

**PSALMS 119:72**

72 The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

**PSALMS 119:97**

97 O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day.

**PSALMS 119:140**

140 Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

**COLOSSIANS 3:16**

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

**2 – ONE GOD: THE MIGHTY GOD IN CHRIST**

**2A – How many Gods exist? -----**

**DEUTERONOMY 4:35**

35 Unto thee it was showed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him.

**DEUTERONOMY 6:4**

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

**ISAIAH 43:10 – 11**

10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

**ISAIAH 45:5 – 6**

5 I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

**ISAIAH 46:9**

9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

**MARK 12:29**

29 And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

**EPHESIANS 4:5 – 6**

5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

**1 TIMOTHY 2:5**

5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

**JAMES 2:19**

19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

**REVELATION 1:8**

8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

**2B – God is a Spirit. -----**

**ACTS 17:24 – 25**

24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

**2 CORINTHIANS 3:17**

17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

**2C – The one mighty God was manifest in the flesh as Jesus Christ, both man and God, the fullness of the Godhead dwelling in Him. -----**

**ISAIAH 9:6**

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

**MATTHEW 1:20 – 23**

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

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

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

**JOHN 1:1**

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

**JOHN 1:14**

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

**JOHN 8:57 – 58**

57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

**JOHN 10:30**

30 I and my Father are one.

**JOHN 14:8 – 10**

8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, show us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?

10 Believeest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

**PHILIPPIANS 2:5 – 8**

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

**COLOSSIANS 1:19**

19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

**COLOSSIANS 2:9**

9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

**1 TIMOTHY 3:16**

16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

### **3 – SIN AND SALVATION**

#### **3A – *What is sin?*** -----

**PROVERBS 21:4**

4 An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.

**PROVERBS 24:9**

9 The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an abomination to men.

**JAMES 4:17**

17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

**1 JOHN 3:4**

4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

#### **3B – *Man is a sinner.*** -----

**PSALMS 51:5**

5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

**ISAIAH 53:6**

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

**ROMANS 3:10 – 12**

10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

**ROMANS 3:23**

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

**ROMANS 5:12**

12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

**ROMANS 5:19**

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

**ROMANS 6:23**

23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**JAMES 1:14 – 15**

14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

**1 JOHN 1:8**

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

***3C – Jesus Christ provides salvation. -----***

**ISAIAH 12:2**

2 Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

**ISAIAH 53:5**

5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

**LUKE 2:11**

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

**LUKE 19:10**

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

**JOHN 1:29**

29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

**JOHN 3:14 – 17**

14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:

15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

**JOHN 15:13**

13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

**1 TIMOTHY 1:15**

15 This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

***3D – Obedience is essential to salvation. -----***

**1 SAMUEL 15:22**

22 And Samuel said, hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

**JOHN 8:31**

31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

**ROMANS 6:16**

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

**REVELATION 22:14**

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

**3E – Saving faith and belief.** -----

**ACTS 16:31**

31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

**ROMANS 10:9 – 13**

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

**EPHESIANS 2:8**

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

**HEBREWS 11:6**

6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

**3F – Repentance is essential to salvation.** -----

**2 CHRONICLES 7:14**

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

**PSALMS 34:18**

18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

**ISAIAH 55:7**

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

**EZEKIEL 18:21**

21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

**LUKE 13:3**

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

**ACTS 3:19**

19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

**ACTS 17:30**

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

**3G – Water baptism is essential to salvation.** -----

**JOHN 3: 5**

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

***3H – Water baptism should be performed in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. -----***

**ACTS 2:38**

**38** Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

**ACTS 4:12**

**12** Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

**ACTS 8:12**

**12** But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

**ACTS 10:47 – 48**

**47** Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

**48** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

**ACTS 19: 5**

**5** When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

**ROMANS 6:3**

**3** Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

**GALATIANS 3:27**

**27** For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

### ***3I – The baptism of the Holy Ghost is essential to salvation. -----***

#### **EZEKIEL 36:26 – 27**

**26** A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

**27** And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

#### **LUKE 24:49**

**49** And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

#### **JOHN 3:7 – 8**

**7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

**8** The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

#### **ACTS 1:4 – 5**

**4** And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

**5** For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

#### **ACTS 2:16**

**16** But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

#### **ACTS 2:39**

**39** For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

#### **ACTS 10:44 – 45**

**44** While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

**45** And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

#### **ACTS 19:2,4**

**2** He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

**4** Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.

#### **ROMANS 8:9 – 10**

**9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

**10** And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

### ***3II – Speaking in tongues is the initial, outward evidence of the infilling of the Holy Ghost. ---***

#### **ISAIAH 28:11**

**11** For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

#### **MARK 16:17**

**17** And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

#### **ACTS 2:1 – 8**

**1** And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

**2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

**3** And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

**4** And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

**5** And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

**6** Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

**7** And they were all amazed and marveled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?

**8** And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

### ***3I2 – The benefits of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. -----***

**LUKE 12:12**

12 For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

**JOHN 6:63**

63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

**JOHN 14:26**

26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**JOHN 16:13**

13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come.

**ACTS 1:8**

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

**ROMANS 5:5**

5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

**ROMANS 8:11 – 17**

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

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

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

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### **4 – CHRISTIAN LIVING**

#### ***4A1 – Prayer is a daily essential of our walk with God. -----***

**1 CHRONICLES 16:11**

11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

**PSALMS 91:15**

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

**JEREMIAH 29:13**

13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

**MATTHEW 6:5 – 13**

5 And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.  
10 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.  
11 Give us this day our daily bread.  
12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.  
Amen.

**MATTHEW 7:7**

7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

**MATTHEW 26:41**

41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

**JOHN 16:24**

24 Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

**PHILIPPIANS 4:6**

6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

**1 THESSALONIANS 5:17**

17 Pray without ceasing.

**1 TIMOTHY 2:8**

8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

**JAMES 5:15 – 17**

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

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

17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.

***4A2 – We must not be ignorant of the Scriptures. Bible study is vital to spiritual growth and relationship with God. -----***

**DEUTERONOMY 17:19**

19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

**HOSEA 4:6**

6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

**MATTHEW 22:29**

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

**JOHN 5:39**

39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

**2 TIMOTHY 2:15**

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

***4A3 – We are commanded to worship and praise the Lord. -----***

**PSALMS 33:2**

2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.

**PSALMS 47:1**

1 O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

**PSALMS 95:1 – 2**

1 O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

**PSALMS 100:4**

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

**PSALMS 150:1 – 6**

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.

4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.

5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

**JOHN 4:23 – 24**

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

**1 PETER 2:9**

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

***4A4– Regular church attendance is necessary and spiritually enriching. -----***

**PSALMS 23:6**

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**PSALMS 27:4**

4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.

**PSALMS 122:1**

1 I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

**HEBREWS 10:25**

25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

***4A5 – Sharing God’s goodness in your own life will lead others to the Lord. -----***

**EXODUS 4:12**

12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

**ACTS 4:20**

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

**1 PETER 3:15**

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

***4B – Christ-likeness is exhibited in the life of maturing believers.***

***4B1 – Christian character and attitudes are developed. -----***

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**1 CORINTHIANS 13:11**

11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

**EPHESIANS 4:11 – 16**

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

**2 PETER 1:4 – 9**

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

**2 PETER 3:18**

18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

***4B2 – The fruit of the Spirit is evident in the Spirit-filled life. -----***

**1 CORINTHIANS 13:4 – 8**

4 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

8 Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

**GALATIANS 5:22 – 23**

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

**EPHESIANS 5:9**

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

**PHILIPPIANS 1:10 – 11**

10 That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ;

11 Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

***4C – Holiness should be manifested in the life of the believer.***

***4C1 – Because God is holy, we are to be holy. -----***

**LEVITICUS 11:45**

45 For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

**LEVITICUS 20:26**

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

**PSALMS 29:2**

2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

**ISAIAH 35:8**

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

**MATTHEW 5:8**

8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

**2 CORINTHIANS 7:1**

1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

**EPHESIANS 4:22 – 24**

22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

***4C2 – We are separated for God and from the world.* -----**

**EXODUS 23:2**

2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:

**PSALMS 19:14**

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

**PSALMS 101:3**

3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.

**PROVERBS 1:10**

10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

**ACTS 2:40**

40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

**ROMANS 12:1 – 2**

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

**1 CORINTHIANS 3:16 – 17**

16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

**1 CORINTHIANS 6:9 – 11**

9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

**2 CORINTHIANS 6:17**

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

**EPHESIANS 4:29 – 32**

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

**COLOSSIANS 3:2**

2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

**1 JOHN 2:15**

15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

***4C3 – Our apparel and adornment should glorify God and reflect Christ in us. -----***

**DEUTERONOMY 22:5**

5 The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:14 – 15**

14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

**1 TIMOTHY 2:9 – 10**

9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

**1 PETER 3:3**

3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;