

Video Bible Study

Part 1: The Bible

It is vitally important that we all understand what to do in order to be pleasing to God. Everything you need to know has been written down and preserved in detail. God has had His Spirit select men and use them to write down exactly what the Father wants to say to you. The instructions from God, the story of the Son's victory over death, and the beginning of His church are all held within the pages of His Holy Word which we call "The Bible." It is necessary for each one of us to reject the lies of the evil one, then search and obey the truth of God in the Bible.

As you go through this study, notice that all the answers will come directly from the words of the Bible. Some of these questions will have very basic, very simple answers. Others will take a little more time to figure out.

Part 1 – God's Word and Truth

"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32)

Question: Jesus said *WHAT* will make you free?

Answer: _____

"God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." (John 4:24)

Question: Jesus told us we must worship God in spirit and in *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

"Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth." (John 17:17)

Question: What did Jesus say truth is? (To "sanctify" means to set apart.)

Answer: _____

"If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me." (John 14:23-24)

Question: Where did Jesus say that His words were from?

Answer: _____

"Then Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.'" (Matthew 28:18)

Question: What does Jesus have in heaven and on earth?

Answer: _____

"And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all." (Ephesians 1:22-23)

Question: What has God made Jesus to be head over?

Answer: _____

Question: Does this mean that Jesus has all authority over the church?

Answer: _____

"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:30-31)

Question: The things Jesus did are written so that you might *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

Question: We want to be believing so that we might have *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

"These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God." (1 John 5:13)

Question: These things are written to you who believe so that you may _____ that you have eternal life.

Answer: _____

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:17)

Question: How does faith come?

Answer: _____

"Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls." (James 1:21)

Question: What is able to save your soul? *The WORD* Good.

Answer: _____

"having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever." (1 Peter 1:23)

Question: According to this verse, how is one born again?

Answer: _____

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for in-struction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Question: Does the Bible thoroughly equip us for every good work?

Answer: _____

Question: Would there be any important information we are lacking or waiting to receive?

Answer: _____

"as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue." (2 Peter 1:3)

Question: God has given us all things that pertain to _____ and _____.

Answer: _____

Part 2 – God’s Word Cannot Be Changed

Next, we will show that no one has the right to change what God has said in His Word. And here’s our first verse in this part of the study,

"You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take anything from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you." (Deuteronomy 4:2)

Question: Would we please God if we added to or deleted anything from His word?

Answer: _____

"And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men." (Matthew 15:9)

Question: What were they using as their teaching or doctrine?

Answer: _____

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father in heaven." (Matthew 7:21)

Question: Who will be allowed to enter Heaven?

Answer: _____

Part 3 – God’s Word in Two Parts

Alright, as we continue in our study, we will now show that the Bible is divided into two parts: The Old Testament and the New Testament.

The first part (OT) was for the people who lived before the Son of God came to earth. The second part (NT) is for those who live today, including you and me.

"God, who at various times and in different ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds." (Hebrews 1:1-2)

Question: How did God speak to the fathers in times past?

Answer: _____

Question: How does God speak to us in these last days?

Answer: _____

"He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him—the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day." (John 12:48)

Question: What did Jesus say would judge us?

Answer: _____

"Then Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.'" (Matthew 28:18)

Question: How much authority did God the Father give to Jesus in heaven and on earth?

Answer: _____

"For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." (John 1:17)

Question: The law was given through *WHO*?

Answer: _____

Question: Grace and truth came by *WHO*?

Answer: _____

"And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. For where there is a testament, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is in force after men are dead, since it has no power at all while the testator lives." (Hebrews 9:15-17)

Question: Jesus is the *WHAT* of the new covenant?

Answer: _____

"But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises. For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second." (Hebrews 8:6-7)

Question: According to the Bible, which covenant is superior (or better)?

Answer: _____

"In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away." (Hebrews 8:13)

Question: When God gave the NEW covenant; did He make the OLD covenant no longer in force?

Answer: _____

"Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through this Man is preached to you the forgiveness of sins; and by Him everyone who believes is justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses." (Acts 13:38-39)

Question: Can we be justified by the law of Moses (the OT system)?

Answer: _____

Part 4 – God’s Word and Sin

Next, we are going to examine what the Bible says about sin. First, you must understand that every adult human has disobeyed God. See what the Bible says:

“Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.” (1 John 3:4)

Question: How does this verse describe what sin is?

Answer: _____

"As it is written: 'There is none righteous, no, not one.'" (Romans 3:10)

Question: How many are righteous?

Answer: _____

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23)

Question: How many have sinned?

Answer: _____

"Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear." (Isaiah 59:1-2)

Question: What has caused God’s face to be hidden?

Answer: _____

"Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been proved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. Let no one say when he is tempted, 'I am tempted by God'; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desire and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death." (James 1:12-15)

Question: According to this verse, each one is tempted when he is *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

Question: When desire has conceived, it gives birth to *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

Part 5 – God’s Word and Judgment

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

Question: What are the wages of (or what is earned by) sin?

Answer: _____

Question: What is the gift of God?

Answer: _____

"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Corinthians 6:9-10)

Question: Will the unrighteous inherit the kingdom of God?

Answer: _____

"And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: 'Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are *Your ways, O king of the saints!*'" (Revelation 15:3)

Question: Is God just (righteous)?

Answer: _____

"For there is no partiality with God." (Romans 2:11)

Question: Based on this verse, do you think that God will unfairly judge some today differently than others?

Answer: _____

"who will render to each one according to his deeds." (Romans 2:6)

Question: What is going to determine how you are judged by God?

Answer: _____

"And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave

up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." (Revelation 20:12-15)

Question: The dead were judged according to their *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

Question: In this scripture, what happened to those not found in the Book of Life?

Answer: _____

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

Question: Is it God's desire that you would perish or be lost eternally?

Answer: _____

"who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth..." (1 Timothy 2:4)

Question: Does God desire to see all men saved?

Answer: _____

"But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

Question: What did God do to show His love toward sinful mankind?

Answer: _____

"Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him." (Romans 5:9)

Question: How can we be justified according to this scripture?

Answer: _____

"And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him." (Hebrews 5:9)

Question: Who is exactly is Jesus the author of eternal salvation to?

Answer: _____

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of Heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name? 'And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'" (Matthew 7:21-23)

Question: Will Jesus save all who call upon His name?

Answer: _____

Question: Were these believers lost?

Answer: _____

Question: Based on this verse, who will enter the kingdom of Heaven?

Answer: _____

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8)

Question: By grace you have been saved through _____.

Answer: _____

Part 6 – God’s Word and Salvation

Alright, in this next part of our study let’s understand God’s plan for you to go to Heaven...

"Then Jesus said to them again, 'I am going away, and you will seek Me, and will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come'. Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins." (John 8: 21, 24)

Question: Will you die in your sins if you do not believe in Jesus?

Answer: _____

Question: According to this scripture, if you die in your sins, (that is, with unforgiven sins) will you be with Jesus?

Answer: _____

"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent," (Acts 17:30)

Question: What does God command all men everywhere to do?

Answer: _____

"Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. For godly sorrow produces repentance to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death." (2 Corinthians 7:9-10)

Question: Is merely being sorry for your sins the repentance that God demands?

Answer: _____

"For with the heart one believes to righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made to salvation." (Romans 10:10)

Question: With our mouths, we do what toward salvation?

Answer: _____

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in Heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 10:32-33)

Question: Will you be saved if you do not confess Jesus before men?

Answer: _____

"Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, 'Men and brethren, what shall we do?'" ³⁸Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy *Spirit*." (Acts 2:37-38)

Question: Peter told these believers to repent and to do *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

Question: And he also said that they should be baptized into Jesus for *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

"There is also an antitype which now saves us, namely baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 3:21)

Question: According to this verse, what now saves us?

Answer: _____

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

Question: According to this verse, what two things must a person do to be saved?

Answer: _____

Question: Do you think a person would want to be baptized into Jesus if he did not believe in Jesus?

Answer: _____

"Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory." (2 Timothy 2:10)

Question: Where is salvation located based on this verse?

Answer: _____

"For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ." (Galatians 3:27)

Question: How does a person get into Christ?

Answer: _____

"Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?" (Romans 6:3)

Question: When we are baptized into Jesus Christ, we are baptized into His *WHAT*?

Answer: _____

"Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Romans 6:4)

Question: Does the Bible teach that burial in the waters of baptism represents the burial of Christ?

Answer: _____

"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all." (Ephesians 4:4-6)

Question: How many baptisms are valid today in God's will?

Answer: _____

"Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, 'See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?' Then Philip said, 'If you believe with all your heart you may.' And he answered and said, 'I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.' So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him." (Acts 8:36-38)

Question: Did Philip baptize the eunuch in water?

Answer: _____

Question: Did both Philip and the eunuch go down into the water?

Answer: _____

Question: Would it have been necessary for both Philip and the eunuch to go down into the water, if the one baptism that God commands was just sprinkling or pouring water?

Answer: _____

Question: Would it have been necessary for both Philip and the eunuch to go down into the water, if the one baptism that God commands is immersion?

Answer: _____

Question: Do you think a baby would be able to knowingly and responsibly accept baptism as the command of God?

Answer: _____

Now you understand what it means to obey the gospel. When we hear the words of the Bible, we can understand what we must do to be saved. The sacrifice of Jesus makes salvation possible. He authored eternal salvation for those who will obey Him. We obey Him by believing His Word, repenting of our sins, confessing Him as Lord, being baptized into His death, and living faithful lives of obedience.

Closing

Let's review what we've learned together in this study.

- Looking into the Bible we saw that God's Word is the truth and man must not add to or take away from the Word of God.
- We also saw that God's Word has been given to mankind in two parts. The old covenant was for the people living before God's Son came to the earth, and the new covenant is for people living today.
- We saw how sin is transgression of God's law, how it separates us from Him, and that we are all in need of cleansing.
- And we saw that God, in His great love for us, has made salvation possible.
- Salvation is by grace through faith. God's part is accomplished through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. And our part is accomplished through believing and obeying what He has taught us.

It is important for you to remember that God loves you and desires the very best for you. Thank you for going through this study with me. If you would like help finding people who follow the teaching of God's Word in your area, if you need help finding someone to assist you in being baptized, or if you have any questions regarding what you have just learned – please email your questions to: Help@wvbs.org.

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