CHRIST THE WAY OF LIFE

Scripture Reading: John 14:1-21. Memory Verse: John 14:6.

- 1. What does Christ declare Himself to be? John 14:6.
- 2. What is the gift of God, and how does it come? Romans 6:23.
- 3. How many may be made partakers of this wonderful gift? Revelations 22:17.
- 4. What do we possess if we truly accept Christ Jesus? 1 John 5:12; John 3:16.
- 5. In order to abide in Christ, what must one do? 1 John 2:6; Luke 8:21.
- 6. What promise did Christ make to those who follow Him? John 1:4,9; 8:12.
- 7. When one is following the instructions of Christ, whose life will be made manifest? Galatians 2:20; 2 Corinthians 5:15.
- 8. How do we become children of God? Galatians 3:26,27; Colossians 2:12; John 3:3.
- 9. How can we show faith in Christ? James 2:18.
- 10. With whom are the children of God joint heirs? Romans 8:17.

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"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." Psalms 122:6

- 2. Who alone was qualified as a substitute for every sinner? John 1:29.
- 3. What eternal truth did Jesus express in behalf of every child? Matthew 18:14.
- 4. What did Jesus say of Himself? John 13:13.
- 5. What comes to everyone of us who has lived in this present world? John 1:9.
- 6. Before Christ ascended what did He command His followers to do? Matthew 28:19.
- 7. What will His followers teach? Matthew 28:20.

NOTE: The Bible alone is to be our guide and rule in all that we teach. True Christians will be careful not to add anything to their belief which is not found to have been the teaching or practice of Jesus. Once this truth is established, our way becomes clear.

- 8. How will we walk if we fully believe and put our trust in Jesus? 1 John 2:6.
- 9. How will our belief in Jesus be known? Romans 6:17,18; Ephesians 2:10.
- 10. What proof does James use to show that "faith" brings forth "works"? James 2:18, 20-23.

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Lesson for October 29, 2016.

THE RESURRECTION

Scripture Reading: 1 Cor. 15:1-58 Memory Verse: 1 Cor. 15:22.

- 1. Will every one be resurrected? John 5:28, 29.
- 2. When will the righteous be resurrected unto life eternal? 1 Cor. 15:22, 23; Rev. 20:41 Thess. 4:16.
- 3. What will happen to the saints who will be alive at the appearing of Jesus? 1 Thess. 4:17; 1 Cor. 15:51-53.
- 4. Where will the resurrected saints dwell and what will be their work during the millennium? Rev. 5:10; Dan. 7:27; Luke 19:15-19.

NOTE: What a wonderful blessing awaits all the faithful in Christ Jesus! All who have died in the Lord will be made alive at the appearing of Jesus, while the living saints will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and they will live and reign with Christ a thousand years. During this time Jesus will be reigning upon the throne of David. Luke 1:32; Isa. 24:23.

5. Where will the wicked dead be during this millennial age? Rev. 20:5, 6.

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Lesson for October 1, 2016.

SAUL'S DISOBEDIENCE AND REJECTION

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 15:1-23. Memory Verse: 1 Samuel 15:23.

- 1. What was Saul's first blunder after he was made King? 1 Samuel 13:5-9.
- 2. After the sacrifice was offered, who appeared? 1 Samuel 13:10.
- 3. What was Samuel's question to Saul? What was Saul's reply? 1 Samuel 13:11,12.
- 4. What pronouncement did Samuel make? 1 Samuel 13:13.
- 5. What kind of man would succeed Saul as king? 1 Samuel 13:14.

NOTE: This first "wrong step" influenced forever the future of Saul (although he was given time to prove himself and what his future developments would be). Just one willful disobedience is enough to seal our doom, for it sears our conscience and makes the next sinful act easier.

- 6. After some time, what command did Samuel give to Saul? 1 Samuel 15:1-3.
 - 7. How much of this command did

- duty upon us, our Saviour used the words "Feed my sheep"; were these words repeated to Peter? John 21:16,17.
- 11. Was Paul's life filled with self denial and hardship, or did he (because he was a chosen leader in the Church of God) seek after material benefits and follow a life of ease? 2 Corinthians 11:26-28.
- 12. Did Paul rule the people through threats, coercion and fear, or were they subject to his commands through love? Acts 20:31-35.
- 13. Are we commanded to follow the example set by Paul, as well as in the steps of Christ? 1 Corinthians 11:1.
- 14. Should we seek the favor and company of those considered great among men? Romans 12:16.
- 15. What good instruction is given in Romans 12:10?
- 16. What witness do we have in Hebrews 3:5 concerning a great leader, chosen by God, in Old Testament times?
- 17. What qualifications for a servant are set forth in 2 Timothy 2:24,25.

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with heart and mind fixed on holy things above, earnestly desiring them, and seeking and asking for them, they are sure to be acquired. Luke 11:11-13.

- 4. How can we acquire the necessary faith to believe in these things and to seek them? Romans 10:17.
- 5. As we sincerely read and study the written Word, that came to us through inspiration of the holy prophets, what will take place? Isaiah 30:21; Romans 10:8.
- 6. What is the next step? Acts 3:19; 2 Corinthians 7:10.
- 7. To whom must we confess our sins? Psalms 32:5; 1 John 1:9.
- 8. How may we know that a person once in sin, has repented and been converted to the new and living way? Matthew 3:8; Romans 8:13.
- 9. Will we have peace of mind, and will our conscience be free from guilt, after the proper steps are taken? Romans 8:1.
- 10. Will the person who is born again be living for himself only, or for others? Will he become a profitable servant to the Master, by helping to send forth the message of salvation? John 15:1,2; Matthew 25:29,30.

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- 2. Was the Saviour to be ministered unto or to serve others? Luke 22:27.
- 3. What did the Saviour say about Gentile leaders exercising lordship and exhibiting authority? Mark 10:42.
- 4. Did he commend or condemn such among church leaders? Mark 10:43.
- 5. Did the Saviour give us an example of being served, or of serving others? Mark 10:44,45.
- 6. Are leaders and others commanded to follow Him, and to walk as He walked? John 8:12; 1 Peter 2:21.
- 7. What commands are further given to the Elders and leaders concerning coercion and ruling by force and fear? 1 Peter 5:1-3.
- 8. What is the position and duty of leaders toward the laity of the Church of God? Acts 20:28
- 9. What will be the work of each disciple (follower) of Christ to prove his or her love for Him? John 21:15.

NOTE: The words of every true disciple will be seasoned with strengthening food for encouragement to press on. He will also practice self denial and prefer others before himself.

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anything without Him? John 15:5.

- 7. What soul-searching question did Jesus ask Peter? John 21:15.
- 8. How did Peter feel when the Lord asked him the third time if he really loved Him? John 21:17.
- 9. When Peter saw the disciple whom the Lord loved following, what did he ask the Lord? John 21:20,21.

Lesson for December 31, 2016.

SALVATION

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 2. Memory Verse: 2 Timothy 2:15.

- 1. Is the sinner limited to only one means of escape from sin and its penalty? Acts 4:12.
- 2. How can Christ Jesus be man's salvation from sin? Philippians 2:6-9.
- 3. What marvelous offer does the Father make to every human being? Romans 3:23-26; 5:15-21.

NOTE: Man cannot buy salvation, neither can he earn it, for it is heaven's free gift. By spending time before the Throne of Heaven

- 6. Will the wicked ever be resurrected? John 5:28, 29.
- 7. For what purpose will the wicked be brought forth? Job 21:30; 2 Pet. 2:9.
- 8. When the wicked are resurrected, where will they have to appear? Rev. 20:11, 12.

NOTE: The judgment is for the wicked, since the righteous went to judgment when they confessed their sins, were born again and became obedient unto the words of the Lord; thus they passed from death unto life and became members of the family of God. 1 Tim. 5:24; St. John 5:24.

9. What will the final end of the wicked be? Rev. 20:13.15; 21:8.

Lesson for November 5, 2016.

THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL

Scripture Reading: James 2:1-16. Memory Verses: James 2:23,24.

1. For man's good, in the very beginning, what did God provide? Genesis 2:16,17.

NOTE: There can be no perfect government whether man made or theocratic. Every good government provides good laws for

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Saul obey? 1 Samuel 15:7-9.

- 8. What revelation came to Samuel? 1 Samuel 15:10,11.
- 9. What was Saul's statement to Samuel when they met? 1 Samuel 15:12,13.
- 10. What was it that revealed the falsehood in Saul's statement? What was his excuse? 1 Samuel 15:14,15,24.
- 11. To what are sin, rebellion and stubbornness compared? 1 Samuel 15:23.

Lesson for October 8, 2016.

PRIDE

Scripture Reading: Daniel the 4th chapter. Memory Verse: Proverbs 16:18.

- 1. Of a long list of things that the Lord hates, what is the first thing mentioned? Proverbs 6:16-19.
- 2. Why will the wicked not seek after the Heavenly Father? Psalms 10:4.
- 3. What will a man's pride gain him? Proverbs 29:23.
- 4. What is mentioned in Proverbs 16:18, that goes before destruction?

the benefit of its citizens. Those who object to the Law of God show a tendency to have lost their love to man and their respect to God.

- What question did one of the scribes ask Jesus? Mark 12:28.
 - How did Jesus reply? Mark 12:29-31. 3.
- Where do we find a more comprehensive outline of these truths? Exodus 20:1-17
- How did Paul bring out the truth? Romans 13:8-10,14.
- What consideration and rule were applied to the unlearned Gentile world? Romans 2:14-16.
- What is the breaking of the law said to be? Romans 13:2.

The law does not make NOTE: sinners. The speedometer on a car does not cause one to drive in excess of the speed limit. It merely indicates when one goes beyond good judgement or fixed laws.

- How many souls are saved by the 8. law alone? Romans 8:3.
- While the law detects sin, what does the gospel accomplish? Romans 1:16.
- Having received the gospel, what is our new relationship to God? John 1:12.
- On what condition is salvation granted? Hebrews 5:7-9.

- What was the cause of Lucifer's downfall? Isaiah 14:12-15.
- What high position did Haman once hold in the kingdom of Persia and Media? Esther 5:7-12.
- In his anger against Mordecai what did he do? Esther 5:13,14.
- How did Haman meet his death? Esther 7:10.

NOTE: This is a man who held a very high position in life but became exalted through pride. He met his bitter end, being hanged on the gallows that he had prepared for the man he hated.

- What happened to King Nebuchadnezzar because of pride? Daniel 4:30-33.
- What great lesson did this king learn the hard way? Daniel 4:34-37.
- Where does pride come from? 11. 1 John 2:16.

Lesson for October 15, 2016.

FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER

Scripture Reading: Matthew 18th chapter. Memory Verse: Matthew 6:15.

- How does Abraham's faith effect 3. the nations of the world? Romans 4:11-13.
- Why was Abraham's experience written? Romans 4:23,24.
- What promise of God is now fulfilled in this connection? Genesis 17:5-8.
- How does the Apostle Paul interpret the term "seed"? Galatians 3:16.
- Like Abraham, how should we accept the promises of God? Romans 4:21; Hebrews 11:6.
- On what must saving faith be based? Romans 10:17.
- If we hear the Word and do not do it, to what are we likened? James 1:22-24.
- What is the secret in receiving the blessings of God, that we all should desire in our work on this earth? James 1:25.

Lesson for December 3, 2016.

GREATEST AMONG YOU A SERVANT

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:46-62. Memory Verse: Matthew 20:27.

What strife arose among the apostles in Luke 22:24?

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not limit Him to Sabbaths, prayer meetings or our quiet times alone with Him. Although it is very true that we are greatly blessed by His presence during those times, it is also equally true that, more often than not, He is right there beside us at the work bench, in the office, while we wash the dishes, drive the car or whatever daily activity we may be engaged in. Those are the times when we may least expect Him, and this should not be so. Our work should be pleasing unto the Lord, so that our labours may be blessed by Him.

Scripture Reading: Mark 16:9-20.

Memory Verse: John 15:16.

- What command did Jesus give His disciples about preaching the Word? Mark 16:16; Matthew 28:19; Acts 1:8.
- Just before the Lord Jesus ascended to heaven where were the disciples gathered? John 21:2,3.
- What proves that the Lord was displeased with what they were doing? John 21:3, last part.
- Who appeared on the shore? 4. John 21:4.
- What happened when they obeyed the Lord's command? John 21:6.
 - 6 Is it possible for us to accomplish

NOTE: Self is the only obstacle in the way of our goal of perfection. Wealth hinders the rich. What hinders the poor? Do we sell all? Some of us treasure malice, envy, wrath, and deceit in our souls and refuse to sell them out in order to buy the pearl of great price, which pearl is Christ.

Lesson for November 26, 2016.

FAITH IN GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Romans 4. Memory Verse: Romans 4:3.

- 1. Name four things faith accomplished in Hebrews 11:2-5.
- 2. What was Noah able to accomplish by faith? What spiritual inheritance was his by this act? Hebrews 11:7.

NOTE: To us this act may seem simple. But the people of that day had never seen rain before and could not naturally believe the theory of a rain that would destroy the world. Noah believed God irrespective of what the practical knowledge was. So should we exercise this same faith in our Creator, trusting fully in Him, through all our present experiences of this life?

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and resurrection? Matthew 20:18,19, 16:21-23.

- 5. What did Christ then become? Hebrews 5:8,9.
- 6. How must we commemorate Jesus's death? 1 Corinthians 11:26-32.
- 7. What did Jesus prophesy concerning His resurrection? John 2:19-22; Mark 9:31.
- 8. Why was the life, the death and the resurrection of Christ Jesus, the Son of God, necessary? (a) To fulfil Scripture: Luke 24:44-46; (b) For forgiveness of sin: 1 Corinthians 15:17; (c) For justification: Romans 4:25; (d) To make intercession: Romans 8:34; Hebrews 9:24.
- 9. What acts symbolize the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ? Romans 6:3-6.

Lesson for December 24, 2016.

JESUS UNEXPECTEDLY APPEARS TO HIS DISCIPLES

Jesus is with us every day. We should

- 12. How does James refer to the Ten Commandments? James 2:8-12.
- 13. What ceremony unites the law and the gospel? Romans 6:4.
- 14. What striking conclusion does James draw? James 2:14,26.

Lesson for November 12, 2016.

THE MESSAGE OF RECONCILIATION

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5th chapter. Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:19.

- 1. By whom are we reconciled? 2 Corinthians 5:18.
- 2. What is committed unto us? 2 Corinthians 5:19.
- 3. What makes reconciliation possible? Acts 2:38.

NOTE: Many find it hard to live the Christ-life. The reason is, though they have been reconciled and have their sins forgiven, their minds are not wholly transformed to things spiritual. Love for the world's fads and fashions still has a hold on them.

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- 1. What is necessary for us to do in order to receive forgiveness of our sins? Mark 11:25.
- 2. Will God pardon those who do not forgive their fellow men? Matthew 6:15; Mark 11:26; Matthew 18:35.

NOTE: God is not satisfied with lip service or mere formality. We must forgive from the heart, and when we do then we will also forget, and we will cease to dwell upon the sins which have been forgiven. Some when pretending to forgive say: I can forgive but I cannot forget them, they hold a grudge.

- 3. In what condition must our heart be in order that we might receive forgiveness? Matthew 6:12.
- 4. Did God forbid grudging? Leviticus 19:18.
- 5. What does the New Testament say about grudging? James 5:9; Matthew 6:12-14.

NOTE: Jealousy, a predominate sin of the age now even as it was in the time when Joseph's brethren became jealous of him because of his parents' love and extra kindness, and also because God favored him and gave him dreams about things which would soon come to pass, therefore they mistreated him and sold him unto strangers for a slave.

- 4. What are the ministers of Christ called in 2 Corinthians 5:20?
 - 5. What is the gift of God? Romans 6:23.
- 6. What must we do after we are reconciled to God? Romans 12:1.
- 7. Unto what should we not conform? Verse 2 (first part).
- 8. Unto what should we be transformed? Verse 2 (last part).
- 9. What kind of promises come with reconciliation? 2 Peter 1:4.
- 10. What gives life to the Word of God? John 6:63.
- 11. What should the reconciled person live by? Matthew 4:4.
- 12. What are the Scriptures able to do? 2 Timothy 3:15.

Lesson for November 19, 2016.

PERFECTION IN LIFE'S RACE

Scripture Reading: Philippians 3rd chapter. Memory Verse: Philippians 3:14.

- 1. What was the standard to which Noah attained in his day? Genesis 6:8,9.
 - 2. What standard did God demand of

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- 6. How did Joseph the man of God forgive his brethren? Genesis 45:15.
- 7. In dealing with the erring, what feelings should activate us? Matthew 18:33.
- 8. What may those expect who fail to show mercy to others? James 2:13.
- 9. What happened to the servant who owed a large sum? Matthew 18:23-27.
- 10. Later when someone came who owed this same man a mere trifle, what mercy did he receive? Matthew18:28-30.
- 11. What treatment did the unmerciful servant receive from his Lord? Matthew 18:32-35.
- 12. For whom has all of this been recorded? 1 Corinthians 10:11; Romans 15:14; 2 Timothy 3:16,17.

Lesson for October 22, 2016.

THE LAMB OF GOD - MASTER AND LORD

Scripture Reading: John 1:29-41. Memory Verse: John 13:13.

1. For what important purpose was Christ Jesus sent into the world? Mark 10:45.

Abraham? Genesis 17:1.

- 3. What infers that Enoch had attained perfection? Genesis 5:22-25; Hebrews 11:5.
- 4. What does the New Testament say about Zacharias and Elizabeth? Luke 1:5,6.
- 5. On what condition did God promise to establish Solomon upon the throne of King David? 1 Kings 9:3-5.
- 6. What is said of those who have attained perfection? Psalms 37:37.
- 7. What instructions were given to Israel for this attainment? Deuteronomy 18:9-13.
- 8. What was said of the nations of Canaan? Deuteronomy 18:14.

NOTE: The margin renders "perfect" as "upright" or "sincere". An upright man is one who is sincere and has no desire to do wrong.

- 9. Whom did our Lord Jesus set forth as our example of perfection? Matthew 5:48.
- 10. What must the rich do in order to attain perfection? Matthew 19:16-21.
- 11. How did the wealthy man react to this demand? Matthew 19:22.
- 12. In a certain parable, how much are we required to sell in order to receive salvation? Matthew 13:45,46.

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- 11. Through whom will the children of Abraham receive the promise of the future inheritance? Galatians 3:16,29.
- 12. In whom only is there salvation? Acts 4:12; John 10:7,9.

NOTE: "Darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people: But the Lord shall rise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee." Isaiah 60:2.

Lesson for December 17, 2016.

WHAT THE DEATH AND THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS MEAN TO US

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-23. Memory Verses: 1 Corinthians 15:22,23.

- 1. What reason did Isaiah give for the prophesied death of Christ? Isaiah 53:8.
- 2. Was the death of Christ the Son, appointed by God the Father? Isaiah 53:6,10.
- 3. Did the Son of God volunteer, or was He forced to die? Matthew 26:53; John 10:17.18.
 - 4. Did Christ foretell His own death