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"Come
Follow Me"*



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Getting Started

If you have seen the movie, “Come Follow Me,” you may be thinking about the invitation the Lord Jesus is giving to you when he says, “Come, follow me.” Maybe you know something about Jesus and his invitation from things you have learned in the past. Or, maybe you do not know much at all about Jesus but would like to learn about him and his invitation.

The movie tells us many things about Jesus and his invitation to you. In this book, you will learn more about some of these important teachings or doctrines.

Each of the seven lessons in this book begins by describing a short part of the movie. This will be the teaching presented in that lesson. If you have a copy of the movie, watch the part that is pointed out to you before you study the lesson. If you do not have a copy of the movie or have never seen it, study this book anyway. You will be able to complete the lesson even without seeing the movie.

Each lesson has several questions for you to answer. If you cannot answer any of the questions, try reviewing the lesson. If you still cannot give an answer, you can find the answers to all of the questions on page 77. Make sure that

you understand all the questions and answers that a lesson provides before studying the next lesson.

Each lesson also contains suggestions for further study. Use them, and you can learn more about the teachings in that lesson.

At the end of the book there is a final test. Before you take the test, go back and review the answers to questions in each chapter. Do not use the book when you take the final test. Remove the test from the book and either give the completed test to the person who gave you the book or mail the test to the address found on the back cover of this book.

May God be with you as you learn more about Jesus and his invitation to you to “Come Follow Me.”



Chapter One

Jesus humbled himself

Leaders have always been a part of human history. Some have been good leaders, others have been bad leaders. Jesus is unlike any other leader in the world's history. Right now, over two billion people look to Jesus as their leader. When Jesus walked on this earth, many followed him. What about you? Are you following Jesus? Why or why not? What is so special about Jesus? The movie "Come Follow Me," shows us what Peter, one of Jesus' followers, learned about Jesus and about himself after Jesus invited him to "Come Follow Me." Jesus is making the same invitation to you. Come along! You will learn some very important things about Jesus as well as about yourself.



If you have the movie, watch the scene, “In the Upper Room.”

Jesus had invited Peter and others to follow him. You can read about this in the first book of the New Testament, Matthew, Chapter 4 verses 18-25. To follow Jesus with faith in him, Peter and the others had much to learn. Read the verses below from the second book in the New Testament, the book of Mark, chapter 10:35 – 38 ***James and John came to Jesus. ... “Teacher,” they said, “we would like to ask a favor of you.” “What do you want me to do for you?” he (Jesus) asked. They replied, “Let one of us sit at your right hand in your glorious kingdom. Let the other one sit at your left hand.” “You don’t know what you’re asking for,” Jesus said.***

As Peter and the others began to follow Jesus, their faith was weak. They wanted to know what they could get from Jesus. James and John wanted places of honor. They wanted to sit next to Jesus when he would reveal his glory to the world. They wanted to look important in the eyes of others. They were self-centered. They were trying to get special favors from Jesus. They were living for themselves. They were interested in getting special honor for themselves.

1. What had Jesus asked Peter and others to do in Matthew chapter 4?
2. What special favor did James and John want from Jesus?
3. Choose an answer: What does this show about people?
 - a. People want many children
 - b. People want special favors
 - c. People hate sin
4. List a time or two when you wanted special favors or special honor:

(Check your answers on page 77)

Jesus was very different from Peter and the others. He was their leader, but he was not seeking special favors or honor. Rather, Jesus humbled himself. If you watched the movie, you know that Jesus wanted to wash the feet of Peter and others. Read John 13:4-9 ***So he (Jesus) got up from the meal and took off his outer clothes. He wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a large bowl. Then he began to wash his disciples' feet. He dried them with the towel that was wrapped around***

him. He came to Simon Peter. “Lord,” Peter said to him, “Are you going to wash my feet?” ... “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus replied, “You don’t realize what I am doing. But later you will understand.” “No,” said Peter. “You will never wash my feet.” Jesus answered, “Unless I wash you, you can’t share life with me.” “Lord,” Simon Peter replied, “not just my feet! Wash my hands and my head too!”

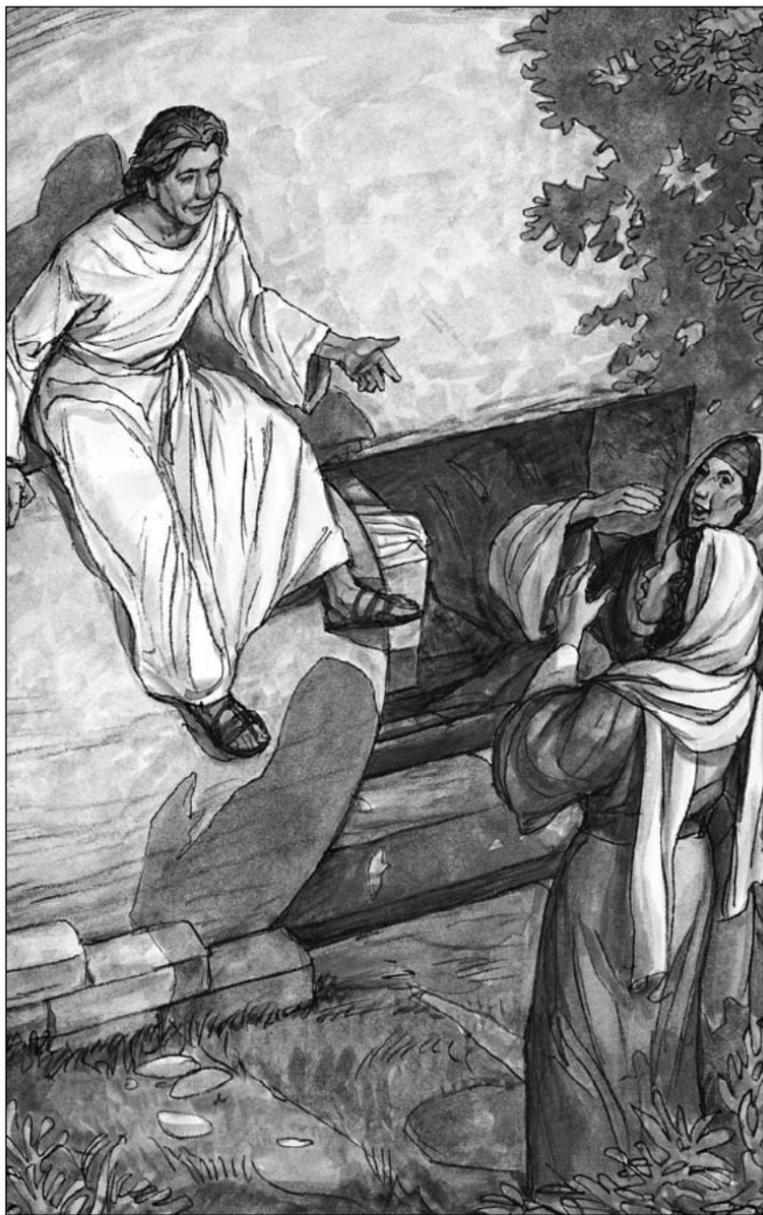
Peter was very confused by what Jesus wanted to do. He did not want to let Jesus wash his feet. He did not want Jesus to humble himself. Peter tried to stop Jesus. But Jesus told Peter that he needed to wash Peter’s feet. Peter did not understand why. Why did Peter need to be washed by Jesus? That was not because Peter’s feet were dirty and smelly. No, it was Peter’s sin that needed to be washed away. When Peter, with Jesus’ help, began to understand this, he wanted Jesus to wash him even more.

Jesus wants to “wash” us as well. He wants us to know that he came to earth in order to wash our sin away. Jesus humbled himself in order to do this difficult work.. Jesus, in humility, suffered and died on a cross to pay for all sin. He washed sin

away with his death on the cross. It's true that he showed his humbleness by washing Peter's feet. But he showed the shocking depth of his humbleness by dying on the cross to wash away the sins of everyone.

Read 1 Peter 3:21 ***Baptism... now saves you also. The baptism I'm talking about has nothing to do with removing dirt from your body. Instead, it promises God that you will keep a clear sense of what is right and wrong. Jesus Christ has saved you by rising from the dead.***

The verse above tells us that Jesus uses baptism as a way to bring his pure washing to us, to take our sin away and give us forgiveness. Baptism brings us the forgiveness Jesus earned for us with his death on the cross. Baptism "washes" us in a special way, helping us believe that Jesus has removed all of our sin, that he has paid for every sin on the cross. Baptism also connects us with the new life of Jesus. He rose from the dead three days after dying on the cross. He rose from death to show everyone that his payment for sin is complete. He paid in full. No more payment needs to be made. Now with our sin washed away, we too can live new lives. And we know that we will



An angel tells the women that Jesus has risen from the dead.

arise from our graves to live with Jesus forever in heaven.

5. Choose an answer: What did Jesus want to do for his disciples (followers)?
 - a. Wash their feet
 - b. Send them home
 - c. Read a story to them

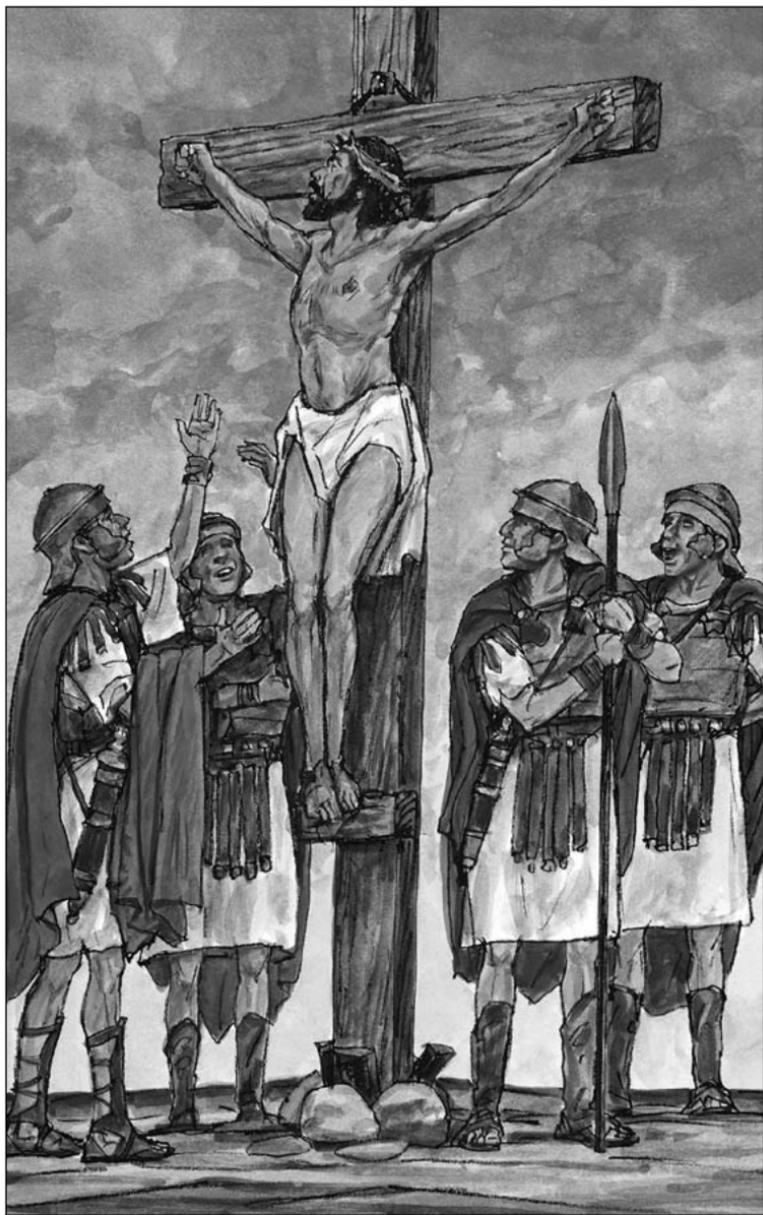
6. At first, how did Peter feel when Jesus wanted to do this for him?

7. When Jesus “washes” us, what happens to our sin?

8. True or false: With our sin washed away, we will rise from our graves to live forever in heaven.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Often, people want leaders to provide them with a safe place to live. Many people wanted Jesus to do no more than physical things for them. But Jesus really came to humble himself and to let himself be put to death. In this way, he would provide what all people need more than anything else. He would take the punishment for our sin upon himself. He would pay for our sin on the



Jesus dies on a cross to save us from sin and eternal death.

cross and offer us forgiveness. Read Philippians 2:6-8 ***In his (Jesus) very nature he was God. But he did not think that being equal with God was something to he should hold on to. Instead, he made himself nothing. He took on the very nature of a servant. He was made in human form. He appeared as a man. He came down to the lowest level. He obeyed God completely, even though it led to his death. In fact, he died on a cross.***

9. Choose an answer: What do people usually expect from leaders?
- a. To dress in nice clothes
 - b. To provide a safe place for us to live
 - c. To not make us pay taxes
10. Choose an answer: What did Jesus (our leader) come to do for us?
- a. Help us earn lots of money
 - b. Humble himself to pay for our sins
 - c. Teach us to worship angels and other human beings who lived “good” lives

(Check your answers on page 77)

In the upper room in the movie, Jesus began a special meal that is connected to his death on the cross. When we receive that meal, called Holy

Communion, Jesus gives us his body in, with, and under the bread. And Jesus gives us his blood in, with, and under wine. He does this to make us sure that God has forgiven every one of our sins. This holy meal unites us with Jesus. Believers take Holy Communion often after they understand the meaning of this holy meal.

11. Choose an answer: What special meal helps to make us sure about what Jesus did for us?
- Breakfast
 - An evening snack
 - Holy Communion

The lives of Peter and others who followed Jesus began to change with Jesus' help. Instead of being interested in what they could get for themselves, Jesus' forgiveness made them more kind, giving, and forgiving. Jesus' love helped them to follow him. Now they started to live as Jesus wanted them to live. **Read in your Bible Matthew 5:1-12.** These verses describe how Jesus would like us to live.

Peter and the others could not live exactly the way Jesus wanted them to live. They still often sinned. But Jesus humbled himself to bring them forgiveness. And the forgiveness that Jesus gave

to them he also gives to us. Now Jesus is inviting us to follow him. We are promised forgiveness of every sin. With thanks to Jesus, let's try our best to live like him. Follow him with faith. Believe that when we fail, Jesus will help us with his love and forgiveness. He invites us to follow him even when we fail to live like him, even when we sin again.

12. Choose an answer: How does Jesus want us to live?
- a. Like sad, unhappy people
 - b. Believing that Jesus forgives our sins
 - c. In big houses

13. When we fail to live that way, what does Jesus offer to us?

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

People are selfish and self-centered. Often we want special things for ourselves. We usually expect leaders to give us the things we want. Jesus, the leader of billions of people, was not like that. Rather, he humbled himself so that he could do wonderful things for us. He died on a cross to pay for our sins. He invites us to follow him. Jesus also wants us to humble ourselves. He wants us to live without being selfish and self-centered. He wants us to live without sin. Sadly, we fail to do that. However, Jesus helps us with his forgiveness. He loves us. This love Jesus has for us makes us want to follow him. We try to live in the way he wants us to live. We do this out of thanks to Jesus because of his endless love for us.

For Further Study:

Read Titus 3:3-6 and learn what we are like as sinners and what Jesus did to save us.

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 to learn how, in spite of sin, we are washed clean of sin.

Read Philippians 2:5-8 for a description of Jesus humbling himself.

Read Matthew 18:1-5 to see how Jesus used a child to teach humility.



Chapter Two

Jesus speaks only the truth

Jesus was sentenced to death by a Roman governor named Pontius Pilate. During an interview with Jesus, Pilate asked, “What is truth?” That is a very important question for each of us to answer. We want to know the truth.



If you have a copy of the movie, watch the scene, “Darkness Sets In.”

Jesus invited people to come and follow him. He wanted all people to trust in him and follow him, and many did follow him. Peter and the other men

who let Jesus lead them learned that Jesus is very special. He did things that made them want to follow him. While here on earth, Jesus performed miracles. During his life, he fulfilled the many promises God made about the coming Savior. He showed love to both his friends and his enemies. Yet, not everyone followed him. And some who started to follow him stopped following him. Peter never stopped following Jesus, but he did sometimes argue with Jesus. Peter had his own false ideas about what the Savior should be like.

Today, many people do not follow Jesus because they have some very strong, false ideas about God, and about themselves. For some, obeying rules is most important. Others like to think that they are better than other people. They may think they have earned forgiveness. They may think they deserve forgiveness. They may not like being called a sinner. Jesus said that all people are sinners and need the help he wants to give to everyone.

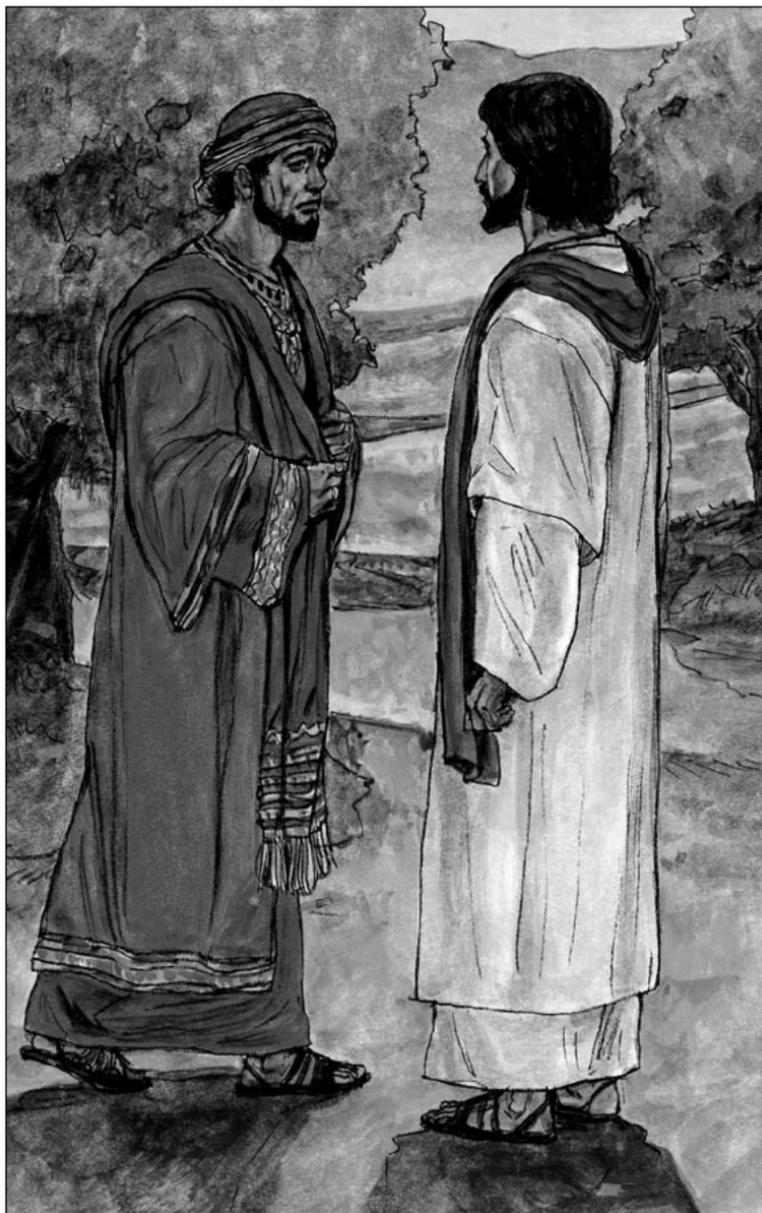
1. What invitation does Jesus give to all people?
2. True or False: When someone follows Jesus, they never stop following him.

3. True or False: All people (except the God-man Jesus) are sinners.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Jesus speaks only the truth. Read John 1:14 ***The Word became a human being. He (Jesus) made his home with us. We have seen his glory. It is the glory of the one and only Son. He came from the Father. And he was full of grace and truth.***

This verse tells us that “The Word” is another name for Jesus. Jesus is the Savior that God the Father promised to send to earth. He is God’s promise, God’s Word, in human form. He came from God the Father. Jesus, God’s eternal son, became a true human being. This seems impossible, but it is a miracle, and that is exactly what happened. Jesus lived among us for a time. This verse also explains that some of the followers of Jesus saw his glory as the Son of God. That glory is very special. During his life on earth, usually it was hidden, but it belongs to Jesus because he is the one and only Son of the Father (the Almighty God). Jesus is full of grace and truth, just like God the Father. Jesus is true God. Jesus needed to be true God and true man so that he could pay for the sins of the world. Someone



The rich young man sadly leaves Jesus.

who is only a human being could not do that, but God can. Jesus is true God and also true man.

“Grace” is a word that describes God’s love for us. Grace is undeserved love. We did nothing to earn God’s love. How amazing! God loves us even though we are sinners. To save us from our sin, God sent his only Son, Jesus. And Jesus is truth. We can believe what he says. Even when he talks about miracles, we can believe what he says. We can believe him even if it sounds impossible.

Listen to these amazing words that Jesus spoke in John 5:24. ***“What I’m about to tell you is true. Anyone who hears my word and believes in him who sent me has eternal life. He will not be found guilty. He has crossed over from death to life.”***

Jesus is promising eternal life to everyone who believes in him. Even though believers are sinners, they are given forgiveness and eternal life. Jesus wants you to believe in him too. Trust that he has paid for all of your sins. Because he is truth, you can firmly believe what he says.



Jesus and Martha at the grave of Lazarus.

4. Choose an answer: Who sent Jesus to earth?
 - a. God the Father
 - b. Angels
 - c. Mary, the mother of Jesus

5. Fill in the blank: When Jesus came, he brought _____ with him.
 - a. Sin
 - b. Grace and truth

6. Choose an answer: What is grace?
 - a. A meal with special food
 - b. A word that describes God's love for us
 - c. The name of a rare animal

7. What endless blessing does Jesus give to believers?

(Check your answers on page 77)

Sometimes people think someone is speaking the truth when they talk with energy and excitement. But that does not mean they really have the truth. Jesus is truth. He told the Roman governor Pilate, ***“I came into the world to give witness to the truth. Everyone who is on the side of truth listens to me.”*** (John 18:37)

Jesus' truth is very different from the teachings of nearly every religion on earth that is not Christian. Most religions say that you must prove to God that you are good enough to get to eternal life. These false religions say that you must obey laws to earn heaven. But the Bible teaches that people must keep the laws of God perfectly if they think they can save themselves. No one can do that. Jesus tells us that we are sinners. But Jesus also tells us that he paid for our sin. Believe him. It is true that we are sinners, but we also have forgiveness. Why are we forgiven? Trying our best to obey laws does not bring any forgiveness from God. Forgiveness is a free gift from Jesus. And along with Jesus' forgiveness comes eternal life in heaven. Heaven is ours as a free gift from Jesus!

Read Romans 3:23-24 ***Everyone has sinned. No one measures up to God's glory. The free gift of God's grace makes all of us right with him. Christ Jesus paid the price to set us free. God gave him as a sacrifice to pay for sins. So he forgives the sins of those who have faith in his blood.***

You can find copies of the Bible or other books that bring you this same good news, but the words are harder to understand. If you ever read or hear

them, you may wonder what some of the words mean. To help you understand, here are meanings for some of the unusual words you might read: “Righteousness” is a word that means, “being without sin.” “Justified” is a word that means, “declared not guilty.” God the Father has justified the world because of Jesus. He has declared that blood of Jesus washes away all sin. He says that everyone who believes this is “not guilty” anymore. In Romans chapter 3 the Bible calls Jesus a “sacrifice of atonement.” “Atonement” is a word that means we are “one with God” and no longer God’s enemies. This is the truth that Jesus came to tell us. We are righteous. He forgives every sin. We are justified. God declares that we are not guilty. We are now one with God, no longer God’s enemies. Believe it! Jesus did all this for us by dying on the cross to make us righteous, justify us, and make us one with God!

8. True or False: Anyone who speaks with great excitement and energy is telling the truth.

9. Choose an answer: Jesus told Pilate the Roman governor that he came to earth to .
 - a. Give witness to the truth
 - b. Give people food and clothes
 - c. To travel everywhere

10. True or False: Most other religions say you must earn forgiveness from God by doing good things.
11. True or False: Even when we sin, Jesus offers forgiveness.
12. Choose an answer: JUSTIFIED means .
- a. Declared not guilty
 - b. I am thirsty
 - c. I have earned God's love
13. Choose an answer: ATONEMENT means .
- a. To be afraid of God
 - b. To be one with God
 - c. To tell others about God
14. True or False: Forgiveness and eternal life are ours through believing in Jesus.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

People want to know the truth. Jesus says that he is truth. Sometimes people do not like what Jesus says. They may think he is not speaking the truth. But Jesus promises that he brings us God's truth. Most religions teach that people must obey laws so that they can earn God's love and get to heaven. Jesus tells us that we are all sinners and cannot earn eternal life in heaven. Instead he promises that believing and trusting in him brings us forgiveness and eternal life. This is God's truth, and we can believe it!

For Further Study:

Read John 1:1-5, 14, 17-18 and review why Jesus wants us to listen to him.

Read John 5:21-27 to learn how Jesus wants us to honor him.

Read Hebrews 1:1-3 to learn more about the glory and power of Jesus.

Read John 8:31-32 to learn what understanding the truth does for us.



Jesus suffers and dies to pay for our sins.



Chapter Three

Jesus obeyed his Heavenly father

We often ask why bad things happen. Do some things happen because God does not care? Do bad things happen because God is not in control? Do bad things happen because the devil, Satan, has more power than God?



If you have the movie, watch the scene, “The Capture.”

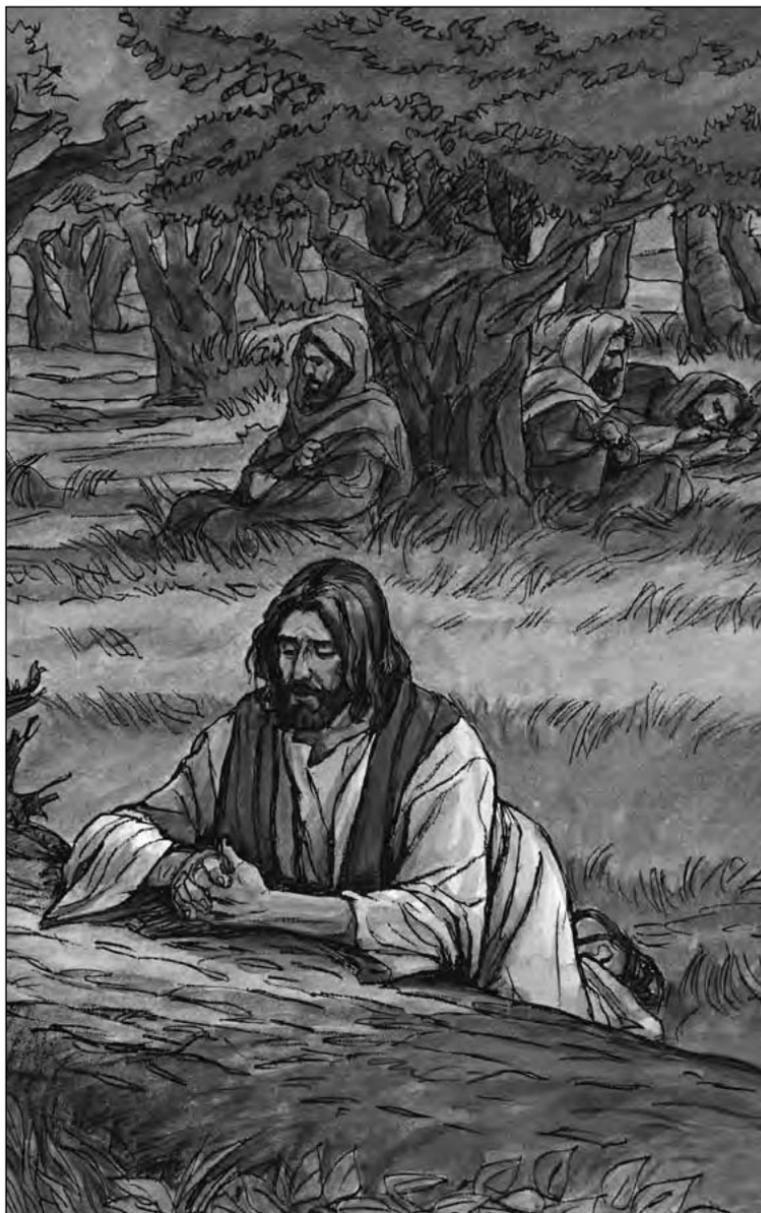
The religious leaders thought that they were doing what was right. They wanted to get rid of Jesus. They wanted Jesus dead. They hoped his death would end the growing number of people who were following Jesus. They planned to have Jesus arrested and then sentence him to death.

They thought they were in control of what was happening. They were not. **Read Matthew 16:21-23.** Jesus knew what was going to happen. He even told his followers what was coming. He would suffer and die.

Peter knew what Jesus had told him. He knew what would happen to Jesus. But Peter tried to stop the arrest of Jesus. He tried to fight for Jesus by pulling out a sword. He injured one of the men arresting Jesus. But Jesus stopped Peter. First, Jesus healed the man who was injured by Peter. Then, Jesus could have stopped the men from arresting him. He had the power. But instead Jesus allowed them to take him prisoner. Jesus was obeying the plan of his Heavenly Father. Jesus was taken prisoner, falsely found guilty, and put to death on a cross. But through Jesus' death on the cross, all sins were paid for.

Read Matthew 26:42 ***Jesus prayed, "My Father, is it possible for this cup to be taken away? But if I must drink it, may what you want be done."***

The "cup" Jesus prayed about was his suffering and death. He was not eager to suffer and die. But Jesus was willing to suffer and die. That was



Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane.

God, his Father's plan. Jesus obeyed his Father.

1. What did the religious leaders want to do to Jesus?
2. True or False: Jesus told his disciples (followers) that he would suffer and die.
3. What did Peter do to try to stop the men from arresting Jesus?
4. True or False: Jesus had enough power to get away from the men.
5. True or False: Jesus allowed the men to arrest him because that was his Father's plan.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Read Luke 9:23 ***He (Jesus) said to all of them, "If anyone wants to follow me, he must say no to himself. He must pick up his cross every day and follow me."***

Jesus is asking us to be his followers. He asks us to take up our cross and follow him. This means we are to be ready to obey him even if it is hard. It was not easy for Jesus to obey his Father.

Sometimes it may seem hard for us to obey him. But Jesus helps us try to obey him.

Read Colossians 3:1 ***You have been raised up with Christ. So think about things that are in heaven. This is where Christ is. He is sitting at God's right hand.***

Jesus wants us to think about heavenly things rather than worrying about food or clothing or dreaming up sinful plans for our lives on earth. He paid for our sin. In thanks, we want to obey him. Think about heavenly things, about all that Jesus did and still does for us. This will help us obey Jesus while we are here on earth. We try to obey Jesus because we are thankful for everything that he does for us. In heaven, we will obey him perfectly.

Read Romans 8:18 ***What we are suffering now is nothing compared with the glory that will be shown in us.***

What wonderful eternal blessings await us! We thank Jesus here and now for what he did for us. We want to obey him even if people hate what we believe and try to hurt us. We look forward to the glory that he has prepared for us in heaven.

Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 ***Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In his great mercy he has given us a new birth and a hope that is alive. It is alive because Jesus Christ rose from the dead. He has given us new birth so that we might share in what belongs to him.***

We praise God because Jesus died for us and is alive again. He has given us new lives to live, a new reason for living. We have an inheritance in heaven. It is ours through faith in Jesus.

6. True or False: Our greatest needs are earthly things like food and clothing.
7. Choose an answer: Thinking about heavenly things helps us to .
 - a. Get more money
 - b. Obey Jesus here on earth
 - c. Never get sick
8. True or False: In heaven we will still sometimes sin and disobey Jesus.
9. True or False: We obey Jesus to thank him for giving us forgiveness and heaven.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

Jesus obeyed his Father. Suffering and dying was not pleasant for Jesus, but that was the Father's plan to pay for the sins of the world. Jesus was willing to suffer and die. The religious leaders thought they were in control when Jesus was arrested, but they were not. Jesus could have escaped. He showed that he had the power to do this by healing a man who was injured by Peter. We, like Jesus, want to obey God the Father. We try to do so out of thanks for what Jesus did for us. What Jesus has done for us is more important than anything else. Heaven is ours because Jesus obeyed his Father. Jesus paid for our sins. With Jesus' forgiveness, we will go to heaven. We thank Jesus, for what he did for us. We try to obey Jesus out of love for what he did for us. We do not obey Jesus in order to pay for our own sins.

For Further Study:

Read Matthew 25:34-46 to learn that followers of Jesus show their faith by helping other people.

Read Matthew 6:9-13 to learn what to pray.

Read 1 John 2:15-17 to learn how Jesus encourages us to not love the world.

Read 1 Peter 2:22-25 to learn how Peter describes Jesus.



*Moses smashes the Ten Commandments
because of Israel's sin.*



Chapter Four

Jesus gives us forgiveness

Guilt is a very heavy burden to carry. You probably feel guilty about something you have done. Sometimes that guilt can take over our lives!



If you have the movie, watch the scene, "The Denial."

Maybe you remember that Peter told Jesus, "I will never leave you; I will die for you!" Now when he was surrounded by enemies of Jesus Peter cursed and swore that he did not know Jesus. What did Jesus do to remove Peter's guilt?

1. Choose an answer: Why do you think Peter said that he did not know Jesus?
 - a. He hated Jesus
 - b. He forgot he knew Jesus
 - c. He was afraid

(Check your answers on page 77)

Read Matthew 15:19 ***Evil thoughts come out of the heart. So do murder, adultery, and other sexual sins. And so do stealing, false witness, and telling lies about others.***

Jesus tells us what messes up every heart – sin. We are all sinners. When we sin, we feel guilt, and we are afraid of God’s punishment for sin. We may try to lose that guilt and fear by lying to ourselves. We may try to ignore our sin. We may try blaming someone else for our sin. We may try to think that sin is not so bad. We may try to get rid of the guilt and the fear by ourselves, but that does not work. Deep inside us, we will worry that because of our sin, we deserve God’s punishment. We deserve to go to hell. Fear fills our heart!

Read Hebrews 4:12-13 ***The word of God is living and active. It is sharper than any sword that has two edges. It cuts deep enough to separate soul from spirit. It can separate joints***

from bones. It judges the thoughts and purposes of the heart. Nothing God created is hidden from him. His eyes see everything. He will hold us accountable for everything we do.

God is just. God cannot put up with sin. Sin must be punished. We feel guilt and fear because we know we deserve to be punished for our sins.

But God wants us to have forgiveness, not fear and guilt.

Read 2 Peter 3:9 ***The Lord is not slow to keep his promise. He is not slow in the way some people understand it. He is patient with you. He doesn't want anyone to be destroyed. Instead, he wants all people to turn away from their sins.***

God wants everyone to repent, to turn away from their sins the way they turn away from poison and come back to God because of Jesus. This is the only way guilt and fear are really taken away. God himself removes our sins, our fear, and our guilt. God does this because Jesus paid for every sin with his death on the cross. Everyone who trusts Jesus no longer needs to be afraid of God or of God's punishment for sin. Our sin and our guilt are gone.

2. True or False: Sin is in the heart of every person.
3. True or False: Some people try to get rid of their fear and guilt by lying to themselves.
4. What does God want us to have in place of fear and guilt?
5. Choose an answer: Jesus takes our fear and guilt away by .
 - a. Pretending there is no sin
 - b. Ignoring sin
 - c. Dying on the cross to wash away our sin

(Check your answers on page 77)

King David who lived in Old Testament times was guilty of terrible sin. He took another man's wife, and then David tried to cover up what he did by also taking the man's life. At first, he tried to ignore the sin. But inside, David was feeling fear and guilt. Finally, a man named Nathan helped David repent. Then David felt deeply sorry for his sins and asked God for forgiveness. Read David's beautiful words of sorrow and of faith in God in Psalm 51:1-12.

David asked God to wash the sin from his life, to make his heart pure. No more sin. No more fear. No more guilt. David asked God to give him the joy of salvation. God answered David's prayer. David was forgiven. David no longer had fear and guilt. David was forgiven and now is in heaven.

God has the same forgiveness for us. Jesus takes our sin and guilt away.

Jesus tells us in Matthew 11:29 ***Become my servants and learn from me. I am gentle and free of pride. You will find rest for your souls.***

6. Choose an answer: When David sinned, what did he do at first to try to get rid of his sin and guilt?
 - a. Gave God lots of money
 - b. Ignored his sin
 - c. Got drunk

7. What man did God send to David to help him?

8. What did David ask God to do for him?

9. Yes or No: Did God forgive David?



The Prophet Nathan calls on King David to repent.

10. True or False: Jesus paid for our sins, and we have “rest (freedom from sin, guilt, and fear) for our souls.”

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

All people sin and all people feel guilt over their sins. Some people will try to get rid of the guilt by lying to themselves. God tells us how to really get rid of sin. He invites us to confess our sins and ask for forgiveness for Jesus' sake. God is holy and right when he does this because Jesus paid for our sins with his suffering and death. Sin and guilt are both taken away by our holy, loving God.

For Further Study:

Read Ephesians 2:1-3 to learn how our sin leads to death without Jesus.

Read 2 Corinthians 7:9-10 to learn how sorrow that we have disobeyed God leads to asking God for forgiveness.

Read Ephesians 2:4-9 to learn how much God loves us.



The lost son is forgiven by his father.



Chapter Five

Jesus want us to be part of his family

Often people feel alone. No one seems to want to be with them. No one seems to love or understand them. People like to be with others. We do not want to be alone.



If you have the movie, watch the scene, “At the Sea of Galilee.”

In the Bible, Jesus told a story about a son who left his father. The son received money from his father. He then left home but soon wasted all the money his father gave him. He thought about all

the blessings he had with his father. He finally returned home. And his father welcomed him back.

Have you sinned against God? God wants you to repent, to come back and receive his forgiving love.

Read Matthew 6:25-26 ***I tell you, do not worry. Don't worry about your life and what you will eat or drink. And don't worry about your body and what you will wear. Isn't there more to life than eating? Aren't there more important things for the body than clothes? Look at the birds of the air. They don't plant or gather crops. They don't put away crops in storerooms. But your Father who is in heaven feeds them. Aren't you worth much more than they are?***

Sometimes people think that they do not need God. They think that they can take care of themselves without God's help. They may think they can help themselves in any time of trouble. But then the Lord wakes them up. God shows them how much they always need him. God may use troubles to teach people that they need him. Sometimes troubles help people learn that they

cannot always take care of themselves. They need God's help. God may use troubles to teach people about the wonderful help and blessings he offers. They also can learn that God loves to help them. God invites everyone to come to him. He welcomes us back with great joy. What a joy it is for us to know that God promises his help in every trouble.

Read Titus 3:3-5 ***At one time we too acted like fools. We didn't obey God. We were tricked. We were controlled by all kinds of longings and pleasures. We were full of evil. We wanted what belongs to others. People hated us, and we hated one another. But the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared. He saved us. It wasn't because of the good things we had done. It was because of his mercy. He saved us by washing away our sins. We were born again. The Holy Spirit gave us new life.***

We all have acted like fools. We all have disobeyed God. That is why God sent Jesus. He wants to bring us into the arms of Jesus our Savior. He wants us to trust him and follow him even when troubles come into our lives. He never wants us to forget that we will be with him in his home in heaven.

1. Choose an answer: What did the son take with him when he left home?
 - a. His friends and pets
 - b. Money his father gave him
 - c. Nothing

2. True or False: The father would not let his son come back home after the son wasted all the money.

3. True or False: God tells us there is nothing more important than food and clothes.

4. Yes or No: Will God welcome everyone who trusts Jesus?

5. True or False: God wants us to know he is with us even when troubles come.

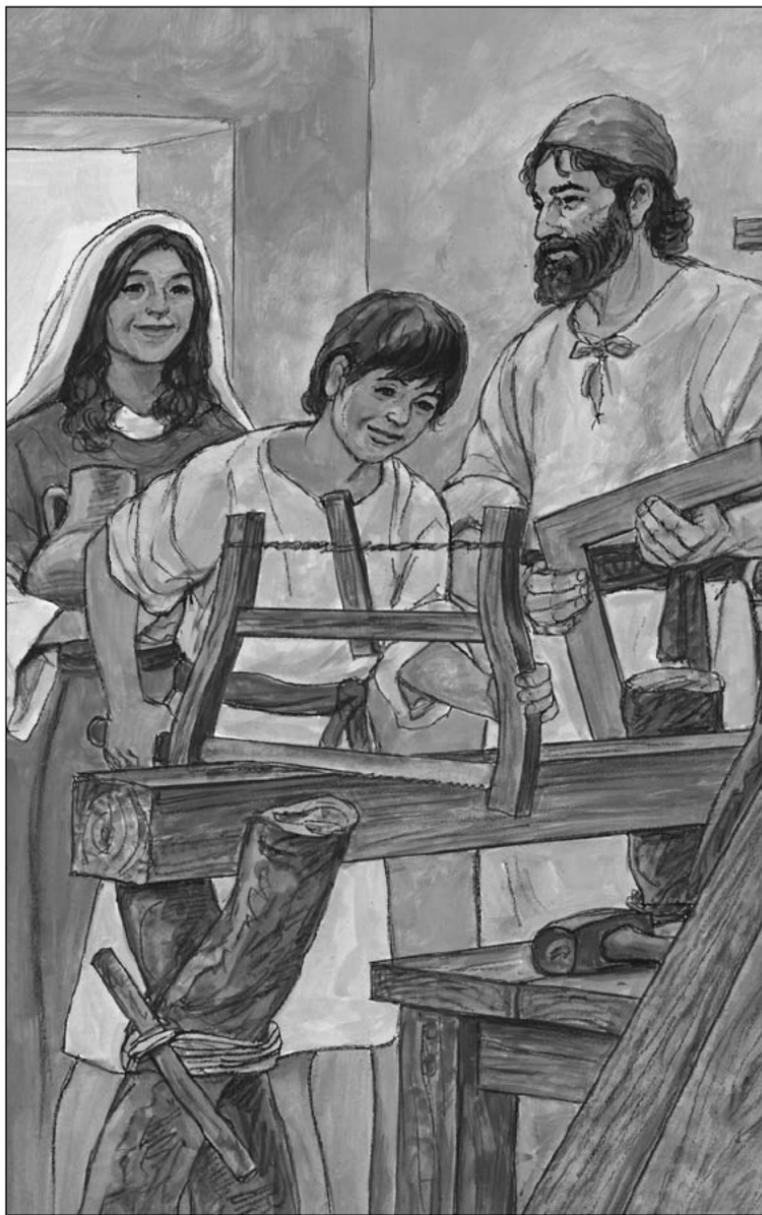
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God is happy when we are with him. He wants us to be happy too. We are happy to know every sin is forgiven.

In the story about the son who left home, there was another brother. He never left home but was not happy when his brother came back. The unhappy brother thought that he should be

rewarded for the things he did for his father. He did not think the brother who wasted all the money should be rewarded. We might feel the same way that the unhappy brother felt. We might feel God should reward us for any good things we do. We try our best to do good things. We may think we are not as bad as others or that we can earn and even deserve God's love and forgiveness. We may think we are better than many other people, and God ought to reward us.

But, as sinners, we do not earn or deserve God's love. In God's sight, those who sin a few times are no better than those who sin all the time. Every sin is bad. But what good news God shares with us! Jesus has done for us what we cannot do for ourselves. Jesus kept the law for us. This means that the life of Jesus was perfect in every way. Every moment of his life he did everything that God wanted him to do. And at the end, he did the most loving thing ever done by anyone. He paid for all of the sins of all people by giving his holy life to God on the cross. Because of Jesus we are given love and forgiveness by God. What a blessing to be part of God's family. What a blessing to have the forgiveness Jesus gives us!



Jesus obeys Mary and Joseph.

6. Yes or No: Do some people think they are better than others because they think that they do not sin as much as some other people?
7. True or False: All sins, even little ones, are very serious.
8. True or False: Jesus kept the law in our place and died on the cross to pay for every sin.

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Read 1 John 3:1-2 *How great is the love the Father has given us so freely! Now we can be called children of God. And that's what we really are. The world doesn't know us because it didn't know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God. He still hasn't let us know what we will be. But we know that when Christ appears, we will be like him. We will see him as he really is.*

Great blessings come when we are part of God's family. We are even called God's children! This means that when our life ends, or when the world comes to an end, we will be like Jesus. We will see him with our own eyes. We are part of his family now, today. Think about that. Isn't it true that each member of a family has jobs to do? It is the same with us in God's family.

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12, 25 and 26 ***There is one body. But it has many parts. Even though it has many parts, they make up one body. It is the same with Christ.... The parts of the body will not take sides. All of them will take care of each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it. If one part is honored, every part shares in its joy.***

What jobs can you do as part of God's family? Maybe telling others about Jesus? Maybe teaching children? Maybe writing prayers? Maybe memorizing parts of the Bible to tell to others? Think about the skills God has given you and how you can use them. Together, we are part of God's family. We each serve God with the different skills God gives to us.

9. Choose an answer: What are we called in 1 John 3?
- Children of God
 - People who are part of this world
 - Followers of the devil
10. Choose an answer: As God's children, what family do we belong to?
- God's family
 - Your neighbor's family
 - Nobody's family

11. Not every part of our body does the same thing. What do these parts of your body do for your whole body?

The eyes:

The legs:

The fingers:

12. What can you do as part of God's family?

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

People like to belong. We want to be with others and be part of a family. Sometimes a person thinks he can be on his own. He may think he is better off alone. God offers very special blessings to those who are part of his family. He brings blessings to his family that cannot be found anywhere else. The blessings include forgiveness and eternal life. Now, as members of his family, we want to use the skills God has given us. Each of us has different skills. Each does different jobs in God's family. We use our best skills to help the entire family of God.

For Further Study:

Read Luke 15:11-24 to learn more about the son who left his father.

Read Romans 5:6-10 to learn how Jesus died for us before we could do anything to try to earn his forgiveness.

Read Luke 15:8-10 to learn how angels are happy when a sinner repents.

Read Ephesians 1:3-5 to learn that we are God's adopted children.

Read Romans 12:4-8 to learn about some of the skills that God gives to people.

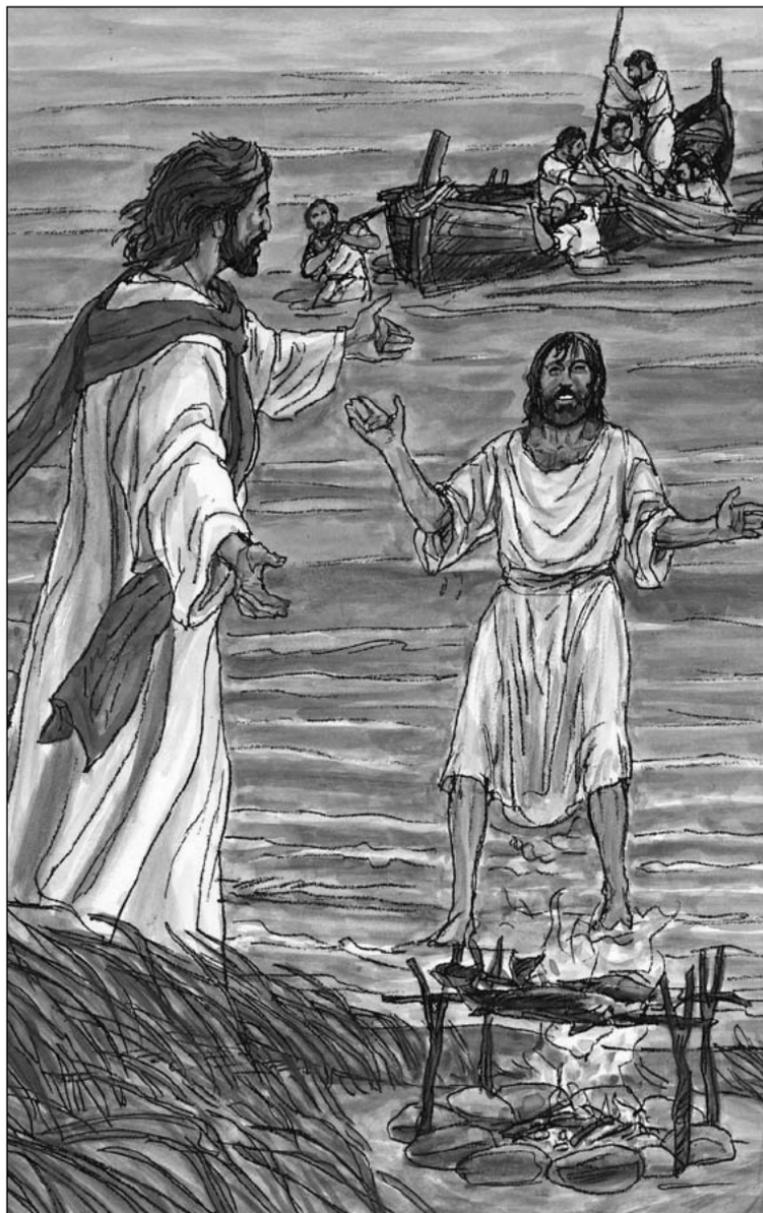


Chapter Six

Jesus wants us to enjoy being part of his family

Do you love me? Have you been asked that question? Who asked you? Why were you asked? How did you answer?

This question, “Do you love me?” was asked by Jesus. When Jesus was arrested and taken to court, Peter had said he did not know Jesus. Jesus knew what Peter had said. Jesus wanted Peter back. He wanted Peter to have a change of heart and to trust in God’s forgiveness, so he asked him three times, “Do you love me?” Peter



Peter is asked by Jesus if he loves him.

had to think about his answer. Did he really love Jesus? Peter wondered if Jesus could love him after what Peter had said. Would Jesus still love him? Peter told Jesus that he did love him. And Jesus still loved Peter!



If you have the movie, watch the scene, “A New Future.”

1. What question did Jesus ask Peter?

2. Choose an answer: Why did Jesus ask Peter “Do you love me?”
 - a. Jesus did not know what else to say to Peter
 - b. Jesus wanted Peter back
 - c. Jesus wanted Peter to leave and not come back

(Check your answers on page 77)

Peter’s life would change. He wanted to show Jesus that he did love him. Peter wanted his actions to show Jesus that he really loved Jesus.

Now that Peter wanted to show Jesus that he loved him, Peter wanted to do new things.



Peter and John before the Sanhedrin.

Read Colossians 3:1-2 ***You have been raised up with Christ. So think about things that are in heaven. That is where Christ is. He is sitting at God's right hand. Think about things that are in heaven. Don't think about things that are on earth.***

Peter's life and our lives change when we love Jesus. We do things that show we love Jesus. We do things that show we are thankful for what he did for us. We think about things that are in heaven. We remember Jesus is in heaven with God the Father. We never forget that we, too, will be in heaven. Our lives change for the better when we think about these kinds of heavenly things rather than about earthly things that often are sinful and harmful.

3. Choose an answer: What did Peter want to do after Jesus asked him, "Do you love me?"
 - a. Peter wanted to do things that showed he loved Jesus
 - b. He wanted to eat a big meal
 - c. He wanted to take a nap

4. True or False: Jesus could not love Peter after Peter said he did not know Jesus.

5. Yes or No: Does Jesus love us even after we sin?

6. List some things you can do to show that you love Jesus:

(Check your answers on page 22)

Read John 15:1-5 (*Jesus says*) “I am the true vine. My Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch joined to me that does not bear fruit. He trims every branch that does bear fruit. Then it will bear even more fruit. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain joined to me, and I will remain joined to you. No branch can bear fruit by itself. It must remain joined to the vine. In the same way, you can’t bear fruit unless you remain joined to me. I am the vine. You are the branches. If anyone remains joined to me, and I to him, he will bear a lot of fruit. You can’t do anything without me.”

Jesus promises that he helps us live a new kind of life. With the power Jesus provides, we can show that we love him. Jesus calls these things “fruit.”

Jesus says that we can produce fruit, good fruit. Those fruits are good works. Some of those good fruits are described in Galatians 5:22-23 ... ***the fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind, and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself.***

We cannot do these good things with our own power. We need help from Jesus. Jesus promises that he helps us. With Jesus' help, we can do good things each day. We can produce "good fruit." Jesus promises his help. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit to help us.

But we still sin. We fail to do the good things. We often produce "bad fruit" instead of good fruit. When this happens, Jesus comes with his love and forgiveness. He still loves us and wants us to be his. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can show that we love Jesus by the good fruit we produce.

Read Galatians 2:20 ***I have been crucified with Christ. I don't live any longer. Christ lives in me. My faith in the Son of God helps me to live my life in my body. He loved me. He gave himself for me.***

As members of God's family, Jesus Christ lives in us. He helps us fight hard spiritual battles. Satan, the devil, is always after us. Satan wants us to belong to him, not to Jesus. Lots of help is needed to fight off Satan. Jesus gives us that help. Jesus gives us the power we need to fight off Satan.

Read Romans 8:31-32, 38-39 ***What should we say then? Since God is on our side, who can be against us? God did not spare his own Son. He gave him up for us all. Then won't he also freely give us all things? ... I am absolutely sure that not even death or life can separate us from God's love. Not even angels or demons, the present or the future, or any powers can do that. Not even the highest places or the lowest, or anything else in all creation can do that. Nothing at all can ever separate us from God's love because of what Christ Jesus our Lord has done.***

7. Choose an answer: What does Jesus want us to do to show that we love him?
- Have lots of children
 - Make more money than others
 - Produce good fruit

8. Yes or No: Can we be forgiven if we fail to produce good fruit for Jesus?

9. Choose an answer: When we belong to Jesus, who is living in us?
 - a. Jesus Christ
 - b. Our parents
 - c. Nobody

10. True or False: According to the Bible in Romans chapter 8, nothing can separate us from God's love.

(Check your answers on page 77)

We are disappointed when we fail to do what we want to do. We are also disappointed when troubles come our way. We may even think that Jesus is no longer with us. But Jesus has the power to use those difficulties to help us. He always wants us to be his. He promises that he will not leave us. Troubles come, but they cannot take Jesus from us.

Read 2 Corinthians 4:16-1 ***We don't give up. Our bodies are becoming weaker and weaker. But our spirits are being renewed day by day. Our troubles are small. They last only for a short time. But they are earning for us a glory***

that will last forever. It is greater than all our troubles. So we don't spend all our time looking at what we can see. Instead, we look at what we can't see. What can be seen lasts only a short time. But what can't be seen will last forever.

God promises us as believers in Jesus that we are headed for heaven. Heaven is ours for sure because of Jesus' forgiveness. Nothing can separate us from God's love. The faith of Peter and the others who followed Jesus grew stronger when Jesus entered their lives. The same thing happens to us. Troubles and disappointments will come, but Jesus will use them to help us trust him and not ourselves.

11. Choose an answer: When might we become disappointed?
- a. When we have no money
 - b. When we are very sick
 - c. When we sin
 - d. All three answers
12. Yes or No: Jesus promises to help us overcome the devil who is trying to separate us from Jesus.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved him. Jesus knew Peter had denied knowing him. Jesus, however, still loved Peter, and he wanted Peter to know he was forgiven. Because he was forgiven, Peter's life changed. Now Jesus lived in him. Now Jesus gave him power to live as part of Jesus' family. The same things happen to us. Even when we fail, Jesus still loves us and wants us to love him. He gives us the power to fight off the attacks of the devil. Our lives change with Jesus living in us. We love being part of Jesus' family, and we firmly believe that we will live with Jesus in heaven.

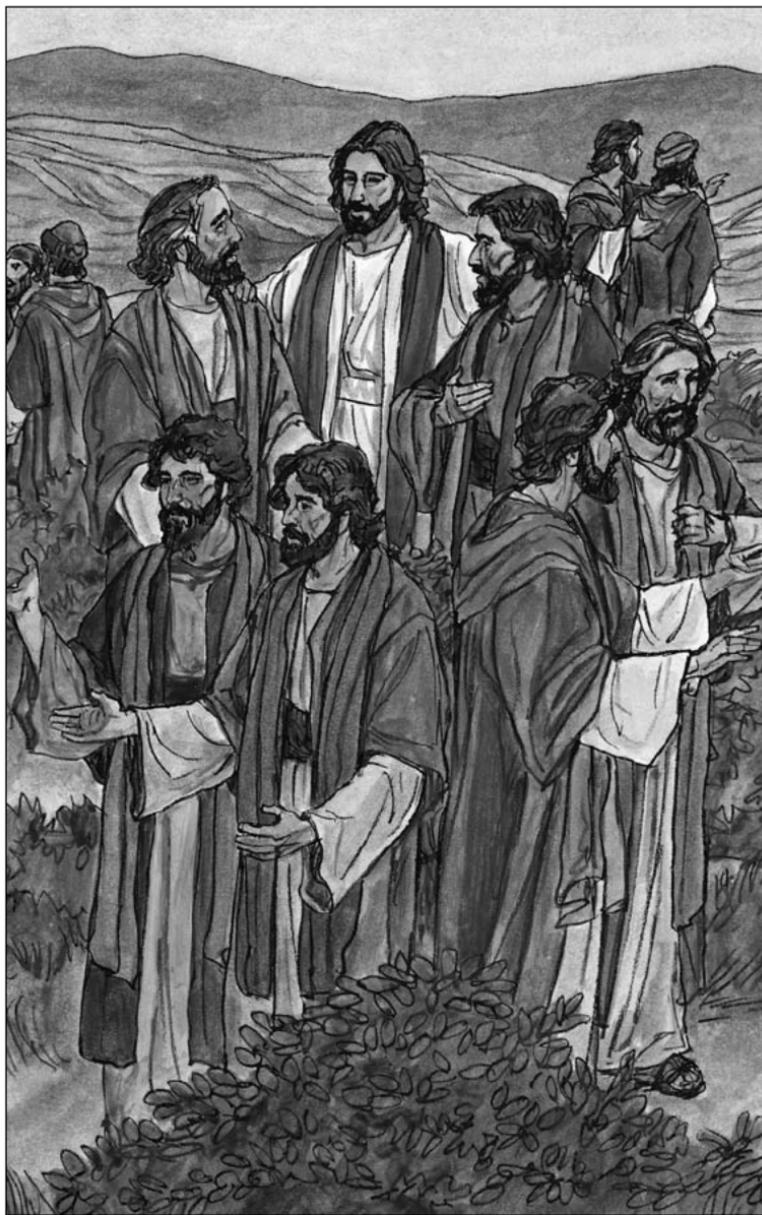
For Further Study:

Read Titus 2:11-14 to learn about the new life Jesus creates in all who trust him.

Read Colossians 3:5-15 to learn how greatly Jesus changes our lives.

Read Ephesians 1:18-23 for a description of God's power to cause such changes.

Read John 14:1-3 to hear encouragement from Jesus. He will take us to live with him in heaven.



Jesus sends out his disciples.



Chapter Seven

Jesus asks us to share him with others

When Jesus asked Peter three times, “Do you love me?” he told Peter to feed his sheep and lambs. Jesus wanted Peter to share Jesus with other people.



If you have the movie, watch the scene, “Final Instructions.”

Jesus gives us an important reason to live here on earth. He wants us to tell others about Jesus.

Read Matthew 9:36-38 ***When he (Jesus) saw the crowds, he felt a deep concern for them. They were beaten down and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then Jesus said to his disciples, “The harvest is huge. But there are only a few workers. So ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers out into his harvest field.”***

When Jesus looked at people here on earth, he saw people who needed help. They were like sheep without a shepherd. That means that they needed God’s guidance and protection. The people did not have the help they needed. Help was not coming from themselves or from other people. Jesus wants to provide the help people really need. He wants to give everyone eternal life in heaven. He wants us to tell others about the help they need from Jesus. He wants all people to know about the forgiveness he offers. He wants all people to have eternal life in heaven.

1. Choose an answer: What did Jesus see when he looked at people in this world?
 - a. They were helpless
 - b. They were big and powerful
 - c. They were very smart

2. What does “sheep without a shepherd” mean?

3. Choose an answer: Jesus is like a shepherd to his people because .
 - a. He gives the help we really need
 - b. He gives them food and clothes
 - c. He treats them like animals

(Check your answers on page 77)

Read Acts 4:12 *You can't be saved by believing in anyone else. God has given us no other name under heaven that will save us.*

In this very important verse, we are told that only Jesus can save us. No one else can give salvation. Salvation is eternal life in heaven. Many others claim they know how to get salvation without Jesus. But God's Word is clear. Only Jesus has that power and ability to give salvation. Jesus wants us to teach others this very important truth. He wants all people to know the truth about salvation. Salvation comes only through faith in Jesus.

Read John 3:16-17 *God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will*

have eternal life. God did not send his Son into the world to judge the world. He sent his Son to save the world through him.

This is what God wants everyone to know. It describes how everyone can have eternal life. Eternal life comes through faith in Jesus. God wants everyone in the world saved. This happens only when people learn about Jesus and trust him as their Savior. We are asked to teach this to other people.

Read Matthew 28:18-20 ***Then Jesus came to them. He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. So you must go and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And you can be sure that I am always with you, to the very end."***

This is another very important verse. It is called the "Great Commission." We are "commissioned" or sent by Jesus to bring him to everyone. How are we to do this? Teach them God's Word. Baptize them so they can be followers of Jesus and joyful members of his family forever.

4. Who alone has the power to give eternal life?

5. Choose an answer: How does eternal life come to us?
 - a. By obeying Jesus as best we can
 - b. By saying enough prayers
 - c. By trusting Jesus who died on the cross to pay for our sins

6. True or False: Matthew 28:18-20 is called “The Great Commission.”

7. What does the Great Commission ask us to do?

(Check your answers on page 77)

Many people are surprised when Jesus asks us to teach other people about Jesus. They may think they do not know how to do that. They may be afraid they will say the wrong things. Some may feel others will make fun of them if they talk about Jesus. God wants to encourage us to talk about Jesus.



Jesus returns to heaven.

Read Acts 4:13 ***The leaders saw how bold Peter and John were. They also realized that Peter and John were ordinary men with no training. This surprised the leaders. They realized that these men had been with Jesus.***

Peter and John were not trained in school. They were not well educated. But they could tell others about Jesus. They boldly told others. God the Holy Spirit was with them and worked through them. Many began to follow Jesus. The number of believers grew.

Just 40 days after Jesus arose from the grave, he ascended (returned) to heaven. But the church still grew rapidly. Jesus was no longer physically here on earth. Peter and the other followers of Jesus were now teaching others. Jesus used them to bring more and more people to know him. Jesus uses ordinary people to tell others about him. He can also use you. He promises he will be with you and bless your words.

8. True or False: Peter and John went to a special school to learn how to tell others about Jesus.
9. How many days did Jesus stay on earth after he arose from the grave?

10. True or False: The church only grew while Jesus was physically here on earth and did the teaching himself.

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Jesus promised his followers a special gift. With that special gift, they can tell others about him. Jesus called the gift, "The Spirit of Truth."

Read John 14:15-17 ***(Jesus said) If you love me, you will obey what I command. I will ask the Father. And he will give you another Friend to help you and to be with you forever. The Friend is the Spirit of Truth. The world can't accept him. That is because the world does not see him or know him. But you know him. He lives with you, and he will be in you.***

The Spirit of Truth is God the Holy Spirit. God the Holy Spirit is the gift Jesus gives us when we follow Jesus and tell others what Jesus has done. The Holy Spirit helps the followers of Jesus to say the right things. He helps us. We can talk about Jesus to others with confidence. God the Holy Spirit is working in and through us to touch the lives of others. Others will also follow Jesus as the Holy Spirit works in and through the Word of God that we share. Each of us can tell others about

Jesus. We can tell others that Jesus is the only Savior.

Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 *God has breathed life into all of Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true. It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again. It is useful for training us to do what is right. By using Scripture, a man of God can be completely prepared to do every good thing.*

This verse tells us that God gave the human writers of the Bible the words he wanted them to write. The Bible is God's own word. The Bible is God's own truth. There are no mistakes in the Bible because God does not make any mistakes. You can read the Bible with faith. You can teach what is in the Bible to others. You can do this bravely and boldly. The Bible is God's Word. It is the truth.

11. What special gift did Jesus promise to give to his followers?

12. Who is the "Spirit of Truth"?

13. True or False: There are mistakes in the Bible.

14. True or False: When we tell others about Jesus, the Holy Spirit will bless our words.

(Check your answers on page 77)

Chapter Review

When Jesus looked at people, he saw people who needed help. They were like sheep without a shepherd. But Jesus came to be their shepherd. Jesus came to give help and guidance to lost people. Jesus did not stay on earth as a man. He returned to heaven. But he gave human beings the job of telling the good news to everyone in the world so they hear that Jesus is their Savior. We may think we cannot do that, but Jesus promises help. He sends the Holy Spirit who guides us as we talk about Jesus to others. God gave the writers of the Bible the words he wanted them to write. This means that the Bible is God's truth. It has no errors because God does not make mistakes. Let's share the Bible, God's Word, with others. We share the truth when we tell others what the Bible says. Come. Follow Jesus!

For Further Study:

Read Luke 24:45-49 for Jesus' own description of what he came to earth to do.

Read 1 Peter 2:9-10 to learn how special we are to God.

Read 1 Corinthians 1:18 - 2:5 to learn how God's "foolishness" is far wiser than man's wisdom.

Read Matthew 10:26-31 to learn how Jesus encourages us to tell others about him.



Answers to Questions

Chapter 1:

1. Follow him; 2. Sit next to him in his glorious kingdom;
3. B; 4. Various answers; 5. A; 6. Peter did not want Jesus
to wash his feet; 7. Our sins are washed away; 8. True;
9. B; 10. B; 11. C; 12. B; 13. Forgiveness.

Chapter 2:

1. To come follow him; 2. False; 3. True; 4. A; 5. B; 6. B;
7. Eternal life; 8. False; 9. A; 10. True; 11. True; 12. A;
13. B; 14. True.

Chapter 3:

1. Get rid of Jesus; 2. True; 3. Fight for Jesus; 4. True;
5. True; 6. False; 7. B; 8. False; 9. True.

Chapter 4:

1. C; 2. True; 3. True; 4. Forgiveness; 5. C; 6. B;
7. Nathan; 8. Forgive him; 9. Yes; 10. True.

Chapter 5:

1. B; 2. False; 3. False; 4. Yes; 5. True; 6. Yes; 7. True;
8. True; 9. A; 10. A; 11. Eyes: see, Legs: carry our bodies
and walk, Fingers: touch, feel, pick things up; 12. Many
possible answers.

Chapter 6:

1. Do you love me?; 2. B; 3. A; 4. False; 5. Yes; 6. Many
answers; 7. C; 8. Yes; 9. A; 10. True; 11. D; 12. Yes.

Chapter 7:

1. A; 2. The people needed guidance and protection; 3. A;
4. God (Jesus); 5. C; 6. True; 7. Bring people to Jesus by
teaching them and baptizing them; 8. False; 9. 40;
10. False; 11. The Spirit of Truth; 12. The Holy Spirit;
13. False; 14. True.



Word List

(A list of words you may not know or understand)

Accountable	answerable—he will not make us answer for our sins
Baptism	water put on a person in the name of the Triune God to give the person forgiveness
Christian	related to Jesus Christ
Cross	the wood to which Jesus was nailed and killed
Depth	deepness
Deserve	to be worthy of something
Devil	the evil one, another name for Satan
Doctrines	teachings
Eternal son	without beginning and end
Eternal life	lasting forever
Faith	belief, trust
Forgiveness	freeing someone from sin
Fulfilled	kept
Grace	God's love for people, a love that is not deserved

Great Commission	the command Jesus gave to tell everyone about him
Guilt	blame, what we feel when we wrong other people
Heaven	the place where believers go after death, paradise
Holy Spirit	the third person of the Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Humbled	made himself low
Humility	humbleness
Inheritance	gifts left by a dying person for the people he loved. By his death Jesus earned for us the gift of eternal life in heaven
Kingdom	Where God rules—in the hearts of believers and in heaven forever
Mercy	willingness to forgive, not to punish
Miracles	mighty acts that come from God
New Testament	The part of the Bible written after Jesus Christ was born
Punishment	price paid for doing something wrong
Religion	a set of beliefs and actions based on those beliefs

Roman	the people who ruled the land where Jesus lived, were controlled by the city of Rome
Sacrifice	the suffering and death Jesus went through to earn forgiveness for sinners
Salvation	rescue
Satan	the evil angel who opposed God
Sentence	the punishment given out at a trial
Sin	disobeying God
Skill	developed or acquired ability
Suffering	pain



Final Test

Review the questions in each chapter. Then take the following test without looking back in the book. Return the completed test to the person who gave you the book or mail it to the address listed on the back cover. You will receive the test back after it has been reviewed.



Come Follow Me
Final Test

1. When Jesus “washes” us, what happens to our sin?
2. True or False: As followers of Jesus, we are forgiven when Jesus “washes” us.
3. Choose one answer: What special meal does Jesus give us?
 - a. Breakfast
 - b. An evening snack
 - c. Holy Communion
4. What invitation does Jesus give to all people?
5. True or False: When someone follows Jesus, they never stop following him.
6. True or False: All people (except the God-man Jesus) are sinners.
7. Fill in the blank: When Jesus came, he brought _____ with him.
 - a. Sin
 - b. Grace and truth

8. Choose an answer: What is grace?
 - a. A meal with special food
 - b. A word that describes God's love for us
 - c. The name of a rare animal

9. Choose an answer: Jesus told Pilate the Roman governor that he came to earth to .
 - a. Give witness to the truth
 - b. Give people food and clothes
 - c. To travel everywhere

10. True or False: Most other religions say you must prove to God how good you are.

11. Choose an answer: JUSTIFIED means .
 - a. Declared not guilty
 - b. I am thirsty
 - c. I have earned God's love

12. Choose an answer: ATONEMENT means .
 - a. Be afraid of God
 - b. Be one with God
 - c. Pretend God does not live

13. True or False: Forgiveness and eternal life come through faith in Jesus.

14. True or False: Jesus told his followers that he would suffer and die.
15. True or False: Our greatest concerns are for earthly things like food and clothing.
16. True or False: In heaven we will still sometimes sin and disobey Jesus.
17. True or False: We obey Jesus to thank him for giving us forgiveness and heaven.
18. True or False: Evil thoughts are in the heart of every person.
19. Choose an answer: Jesus takes our sin away by .
 - a. Pretending we have no sin
 - b. Pretending sin is not bad
 - c. Dying on the cross to wash away our sin
20. True or False: Jesus paid for our sins and we have “rest for our souls.”
21. True or False: God tells us there is nothing more important than food and clothes.

22. Yes or No: Will God welcome everyone who trusts Jesus?
23. True or False: God wants us to be with him in heaven.
24. Yes or No: Do some people think they are better than others because they do not sin as much as some others?
25. True or False: All sins, even little ones, are serious.
26. What did Jesus do for us that we cannot do for ourselves?
27. Choose an answer: Why did Jesus ask Peter, "Do you love me?"
- Jesus did not know what else to say to Peter
 - Jesus wanted Peter back
 - Jesus wanted Peter to leave and not come back
28. Choose an answer: What did Peter want to do after Jesus asked him, "Do you love me?"
- Peter wanted to do things that showed he loved Jesus
 - He wanted to eat a big meal
 - He wanted to take a nap

29. Yes or No: Does Jesus love us even after we sin?
30. Choose an answer: What does Jesus want us to do to show that we love him?
- Have lots of children
 - Make more money than others
 - Produce good fruit
31. Yes or No: Can we be forgiven if we fail to do the good things Jesus wants us to do?
32. Choose an answer: When we belong to Jesus, who is living in us?
- God the Holy Spirit
 - Our parents
 - Nobody
33. Choose an answer: When might we become disappointed?
- When we have no money
 - When we are very sick
 - When we sin
 - A, B, and C
34. Yes or No: Jesus can use difficulties to make our faith in him even stronger.

35. What did Jesus see when he looked at people in this world?
- They were helpless
 - They were big and powerful
 - They were very smart
36. Choose an answer: Jesus is like a shepherd to his people because .
- He leads them to heaven
 - He gives them food and clothes
 - He treats them like an animal
37. Choose an answer: How does eternal life come to us?
- By obeying Jesus as best we can
 - By saying enough prayers
 - By trusting Jesus who died on the cross to pay for our sins
38. True or False: Peter and John went to a special school to learn how to tell others about Jesus.
39. True or False: There are mistakes in the Bible.
40. True or False: When we tell others about Jesus, the Holy Spirit will bless our words.

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