

Believers Foundation Course Manuscript

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Lesson 1: You Are Now A New Creature

"Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away behold all things are become new"—2 Corinthians 5:17

The word translated as "Creature" in the above text, is taken from the Greek word 'ktisis' meaning—original formation. So the above scripture is telling us that if any man is in Christ Jesus, he has been restored afresh to the original formation. That is, he has been restored back to the original image of God, which God originally made man.

Here is what the Bible says concerning God's creation of man:

"And God said let us make man in our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth"—Genesis 1:26

From the above scripture, we can clearly understand God's original creation of man. God made man in his image and likeness and put him in charge over all his other creation on earth. Originally man ought to think and act like the Almighty God. But unfortunately, through the sin of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, man lost his original image and attributes of God. And took on the sinful nature of the devil...

However, by the finished work of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ on the cross, anyone who receives him (Jesus) as his Lord and Saviour, is restored into the original nature. In other words, the person becomes a born again child of God. When someone gets born again, his physical appearance may not change, but his spiritual nature is changed.

His sinful nature (nature of his heart) is transformed to a saintly nature (the nature of God—godliness). He is changed from a mere mortal to a "spiritual mortal" by the help of the Holy Spirit ([John 3:6](#)). He is transformed from his spiritual dead nature to a spiritually living state.

That is, eternal life is infused in him. Then the final part of our opening text says *"Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new"*. Old things are passed away here means: your past sins, failure, nature, vulnerabilities, etc... are passed away as history. And as such, you should put them very far away from you...

Then finally, the scripture says behold (see) all things are become new. And this part is of utmost importance. You must see or come to the consciousness or realization that all things (minus nothing) about your life now in Christ Jesus have become brand new.

Lesson 2: You Are Now Righteous

“For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation”—[Romans 10:10](#)

“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him” [2 Corinthians 5:21](#)

Righteousness means justification. So to be righteous means to be just, innocent or guiltless. And the above two scriptures shows us clearly how to attain unto righteousness before God.

The first text tells us that we attain righteousness by believing in our heart. That is, believing in the Lord Jesus Christ as the only begotten Son of God and in his finished work on the cross of Calvary. So if you already believe in your heart that Jesus is the only begotten Son of God, sent to save mankind from their sin; by his death and resurrection, you are absolutely righteous before the eyes of God...

The second scripture ([2 Corinthians 5:21](#)) buttresses this point by telling us that God had made Jesus to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. The word ‘might’ used in the scripture talks about choice. The righteousness of God is a free gift of grace through faith, which must be consciously accepted. Many people refuse to accept God’s free gift of righteousness, but instead go about to establish their own self-righteousness.

To such people, who go about to establish their own righteousness; the word of God says, they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. The word of God says they are ignorant of God’s righteousness. And have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God ([Romans 10:2-3](#)). So if you will accept the righteousness of God by faith now that you are born again, I say by the authority of the scriptures that you are now righteous.

Yes, you have now received abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness ([Romans 5: 17](#)). You are now the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. And the earlier you accept and awake to this faithful consciousness, the earlier you begin to gain dominion over sin. So if you believe it, go ahead and confess it to yourself, the devil, and to anyone that cares to listen. Say *“I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus”*. *“I am righteous”*. *“I am justified and just”*. *“I am now a saint”*. Glory be to God!

Lesson 3: Your Sins Are Forgiven

“And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross”—Colossians 2:13-14

Now that you are born again, a very important thing you must quickly realize is that all your past sins has been completely forgiven by God, the day you received Jesus into your heart. It doesn't matter how grievous or despicable your sins in the past has been. Even if you went to the extent of cursing God or said there is no God. The word of God says in the book of [Isaiah 1:18](#) *“Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow, though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool”*.

The opening text says, you being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened or made alive together with him (Jesus) having forgiven you all trespasses. Here in this part of the text, you can clearly see the degree or extent of God's forgiving grace...

It says all trespasses, not some trespasses. Then another thing worthy of note is that the forgiveness is in the past tense. It says *“having forgiven you”*. It doesn't say *“going to forgive you”*. So be rest assured that no matter your trespasses in the past, now that you're in Christ Jesus, you have been totally forgiven for Christ's sake.

And no man or spirit can lay anything anymore to your charge. You must never make any reference to your past sins. You must never allow the devil accuse you with your past life. You must forget and put your past sins far behind you. Because God has forgiven all your past sins and he says he will remember them no more (see [Hebrews 8:12](#)).

Lesson 4: You Are Holy

***“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light”*—1Peter 2:9**

***“According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in Love”*—Ephesians 1:4**

The word “Holy” as used in the above two text is from the Greek word ‘hagios’ meaning, sacred. That is, to be consecrated or set apart. It means to be separated unto God and from sin. And the first opening text says ye (we) are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people. The ‘ye’ there refers to everyone that is in Christ Jesus.

We, who are in Christ Jesus, are a chosen generation. We are a royal priesthood. A Holy Nation. We are a peculiar or special people. Then the second text says God had chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love...

Who are the ‘us’ here? We that are in Christ Jesus, has been chosen by God before the foundation of the world to be set apart or consecrated unto him. We have been separated from sin and sinful lifestyle unto godliness. Every child of God has been sanctified unto God. Here is what another scripture says concerning this:

***“And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God”* (1 Corinthians 6:11)**

And of course, in the mouth of two or three witnesses a matter is established. In the authority of three scriptures it is established that every born again child of God is holy unto God. And since you are now born again, the above scriptures do apply to you. The last quoted scripture says: you are washed.

You are sanctified (made Holy – consecrated) and you are justified. So by the authority of scriptures, you are now a chosen, peculiar and holy person. And you need to come quickly to this reality by continually affirming it in your heart and mouth. From now onwards, never say you are not holy. If anyone asks you, are you holy? With all spiritual boldness and confidence, answer a resounding yes! And if they care to ask for explanation, just quote the three scriptures you’ve read in this lesson.

Lesson 5: You Have Been Delivered

***“Giving Thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who hath delivered us From the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son”–
Colossians 1:12-13***

Now that you have given your life to Christ, now that you are born again, an important fact you must quickly realize in order to enjoy Continual triumph, is the fact that you have been delivered. The above scripture says God has made us to be qualified (meet) to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

Then it goes further to say that God hath delivered us from the power or the authority or the dominion of darkness. Darkness here, signifies sin, damnation of hell, spiritual death, ignorance, the devil and his evil agents. As a child of God, the word Of God says you have been delivered from the authority or dominion of sin (see [Romans 6:14](#)), damnation of hell and spiritual death (see [Ephesians 2:1-3](#))...

You have been delivered from the oppression and manipulations of the devil and his agents. The scripture didn't say God is going to deliver us from the power of darkness, it says he hath delivered us from the power of darkness. That is, it is a done deal. So if before you gave your life to Christ, you were under the dominion of any form of darkness, know for sure that you've received your deliverance since the minute you received Christ as your Lord and saviour.

In other words, you've been rescued and put in charge. And of course, your deliverance includes deliverance from your ancestral or family line curses. The word of God says all things have passed away and all things have become new. You must accept this truth and use it to restructure your mind for eternal victory over the powers of darkness.

Never attribute any of your challenges to any curse from your family foundation. Jesus says you shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free ([John 8:32](#)). You now know Jesus –the truth himself—and you now also know the scriptural truth about your deliverance in Christ Jesus. So I can assure you, you're completely free indeed!

Lesson 6: You Are Now A Heavenly Citizen

“But ye are come unto Mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than the blood of Abel”—Hebrews 12:22-24

Now that you have come into Christ Jesus, the above scripture says ye (plural you) have come unto Mount Zion. That is to say everyone and anyone who is born again in Christ Jesus, has spiritually arrived at Mount Zion. And where is this Mount Zion? The text tells us, it is the City of the living God.

It is also called the heavenly Jerusalem. Who and who are the inhabitants of this heavenly Jerusalem? According to the opening text, the inhabitants of Mount Zion include innumerable (uncountable) numbers of angels. The general assembly and the Church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven...

That is, the entire body of Christ—both living and dead. Then ultimately, God himself dwells there. The throne of our Almighty God, whom we belong to, is in this heavenly Jerusalem. Then the scripture goes further to mention the spirits of just men made perfect. That is, the spirit of Abraham, Paul, my spirit, your spirit and that of all believers in Christ Jesus, who have been justified by grace through faith.

And very importantly, our Lord Jesus Christ, the mediator of the New Covenant of God is also resident in Mount Zion. Then the atoning blood of Jesus is in Mount Zion, sprinkling on us always and speaking better things for us than the blood of Abel. So now that you're in Christ, your citizenship has changed.

You're now a bonafide citizen and resident of heaven. Heaven is no longer far from you. Heaven is now your true home. You're now an ambassador of Christ here on earth. You're in this world, but you don't belong here anymore. You belong to God and heaven...

Your community is in heaven. As such, you must see yourself as a pilgrim here on earth. Your lifestyle must be very different from that of the unbelieving world. You must not be unequally yoked together with the unbelievers ([2Corinthians 6:14](#)). I pray the Lord impress this reality of your heavenly citizenship, deeply into your spirit man in the mighty name of Jesus!

Lesson 7: You Now Have Divine Power

“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name”—[John 1:12](#)

“And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover”—Mark 16:17-18

The word ‘power’ as used in the New Testament, is mainly translated from two Greek words: ‘exousia’ and ‘dynamis’. Exousia means authority or privileged right. While ‘dynamis’ means miracle working power. Our first opening text ([John 1:12](#)) talks about ‘exousia’. It says as many as received him (Jesus) to them gave he power (authority) to become the sons of God. Even to them that believe on his name.

So since you already believe in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and you have received him as your Lord and saviour, you already have the authority of sonship.

And with that authority, you can now operate as a bonafide child of God here on earth. With this authority, the Lord Jesus himself says you can tread on serpents and scorpions and over all the powers of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you ([Luke10:19](#)).

Then the second scriptural reference ([Mark 16:17-18](#)), talks about ‘dynamis’. That is, the miracle working power of God. The Lord says the qualification to walk in his miraculous power is belief. He says these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

These signs are available to anyone and everyone that believes in Christ Jesus. That is, the born again child of God. But however, to be able to walk fully in the miraculous power of God in you already, you need the baptism of the Holy Ghost (see [Acts 1:8](#)).

So beloved, now that you’re in Christ Jesus, you have the power of the Almighty at work in you. That is, you have both the authority of sonship and the miracle working power of God. And you need to begin to carry this mentality about. And use this power

to handle every issues of life triumphantly. I see you triumphing in every area of life by the Almighty Power of God at work in your life in Jesus Name!

Lesson 8: You Have Escaped Hell

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life”—John 5:24

Condemnation as used in the above opening text talks about the damnation of hell. That is, God’s eternal judgement for all sinners. But the Lord in the above opening scripture speaks to us in very assuring words. He says he that heareth (hears) my word, and believeth on him that sent me hath (has) everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation (the damnation of hell). But is passed from death unto life...

This last part of the text is worthy of special emphasis. It says the person that hears the word of God and believes in God has passed from death to life. Which is to say, every human being without God as their Father, is already in a dead state. He is already spiritually dead. He is already a candidate of hell.

But when someone hears the word of God, and believes in God through the Lord Jesus Christ, he passes from his dead state to an eternally living state. He receives eternal life instantly. His eternal status changes immediately. Here is what the Lord says again in the same book of [John 3:17-18](#):

“For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God”.

When the bible talks about salvation, it is principally talking about salvation from the damnation of hell. That is, the second death (see [Revelation 20:14](#)). The scripture we just quoted ([John 3:17-18](#)) says, he that believes on him (Jesus Christ) is not condemned.

Then our opening verse ([John 5:24](#)) says he that believes in God through Jesus shall not come into condemnation. So from the authority of scriptures beloved, now that you’re born again in Christ Jesus, you shall not come into condemnation. You have passed from death to life. This is to say, you have escaped the damnation of hell. Congratulation in Jesus Name!

Lesson 9: You Are Now Joint-Heir With Christ

“The spirit itself (himself) beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together”—Romans 8:16-17

The word ‘heirs’ as used in the above opening text is from the Greek word “kleronomos” meaning—a sharer by lot. That is, an inheritor. And by implication, it means a possessor. The Lord Jesus Christ, as the only begotten Son of God, is the principal heir of God. That is, he is the inheritor or possessor of everything the Father God owns by reason of Sonship. And that is why he asserts in the scripture that all the Father (Father God) owns are his ([John 16:15](#)).

Now concerning us as children of God, who are children of God by adoption through faith in Christ Jesus. The word of God in our opening text says we are also the heirs of God. It says we are joint-heirs with Christ. In other words, like the Lord Jesus Christ, we are also the possessors of all the creation of God. We also have access to all the possessions of the Father God in Christ Jesus. Below is a scripture that asserts this our heritage in Christ Jesus.

“Therefore, let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; And ye are Christ’s; and Christ is God’s”—1Corinthians 3:21-23

The above scripture clearly says all things are ours in Christ Jesus. That is, the ministers of the gospel, the world, this life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are ours. And we are Christ’s; and Christ is God’s. This is a very clear presentation of our divine heritage. We own everything the Father God has made in Christ Jesus.

Christ owns every one of us. And ultimately, the Father God owns our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and every one of us in him. Putting it another way, the Father owns our Lord Jesus Christ as his only begotten Son. And has begotten us (believers) in Christ Jesus. Then he has willed everything, including us to Christ.

Then as Joint-heirs with Christ, we own every possession of God in Christ Jesus. So beloved, now that you’re born again, you are now an heir of God.—a joint-heir with Christ. And as such, all things are yours. This is another great scriptural truth you need to quickly take a strong hold of for success in your Christian race here on earth.

Lesson 10: You Are Now A Royalty (A King)

“And they sung a new song, saying, thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priest: and we shall reign on the earth”—

Revelation 5:9-10

The above text says God through our Lord Jesus Christ has redeemed us to God by his blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people and nation. And he has made us unto our God, Kings and Priests. And we shall reign on the earth. This is seconding the scripture we already read in lesson four—[1 Peter 2:9](#). In that scripture, the word of God says we are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood...

That is, priests that are royalties. In other words, we are a worshipping and praising kings. And as kings, we are to be pace-setters on the earth. We are to be leaders in every area of life. We are to be leaders in character, especially godly attitudes...

Godly attitudes such as: sanctification, honesty, submissiveness, respect, love, fear of God, servanthood, patience and longsuffering (see [1 Peter 2:11-22](#)). Then we are also to be pacesetters in business, in marriage, in academics, in words, ministry and every area of life.

And of course, as royal priests in Christ Jesus, we don't rule or reign in life by 'bossiness'. We don't reign in arrogance. We don't reign by lording it over people. But rather, we reign in humility. We reign in service to God.

Like the twenty four elders in heaven, we reign by casting our crowns before the throne of our God in heaven ([Revelation 4:10](#)). We reign by demonstrating the miraculous power of God over the works of the devil here on earth. We reign by living above sin and Satan.

So here you have it. You are now a royalty in Christ Jesus. Now that you are born again, the Lord has made you a king and a priest unto himself. And he says we shall reign on the earth. And you've seen the scope of our reign in Christ Jesus. I pray that you will reign with Christ forever and ever, in Jesus Name!

Lesson 11: You Are Now An Overcomer

“For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?”—1John 5:4-5

A very important fact you must quickly realize, is that you’re now an overcomer. That is, you are victorious. You are a champion. The opening text clearly states that whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world. In other words, anyone that is born of God, is always triumphant over the world.

The ‘world’ here, refers to the perverse world. It refers to the evil forces that govern the evil ways of the world. Here is what John says concerning the ‘world’ he refers to in the opening text:

“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world”—1John 2:16

The world is full of lusts—Lusts of the flesh, lusts of the eyes and pride of life. And added to these sins, are also all manners of wickedness, masterminded by the devil and his agents. But the opening scripture says anyone that is born of God is triumphant over all these perverse system of the world.

You have the upper hand over sin. The word of God says sin shall not have dominion over you ([Romans 6:14](#)). You have the upper hand over the devil, his agents and over all his machinations.

Here is what the scripture says concerning this fact:

“And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. Ye are of God little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world”—1 John 4:3-4

So you must always see and carry yourself as a champion in Christ Jesus. From now onward, you shall never fail again in the mighty name of Jesus!

Lesson 12: God Dwells In You Now

“Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?”—1Corinthians 3:6

Beloved, the above opening text opens our eyes to a very profound reality in Christ Jesus. It says ye (all of us—including you) are the temple of God. That is to say we are the church or house of God. It doesn't end there, it goes further to say that the spirit of God dwelleth (dwells) in you. In other words, God has permanent residence in you...

Now that you are a child of God, God doesn't just visit you occasionally. But rather, he is all the time in you. Where does he dwell in you? He dwells in your spirit (heart). When did he start dwelling in you? From the very moment you genuinely accepted the Lord Jesus as your Lord and personal saviour. And of course, that's what the name of our Lord Jesus—Emmanuel—means.

Emmanuel means God with us ([Matthew 1:23](#)). The Lord Jesus himself in his final words before ascending to heaven says “Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen”—[Matthew 28:20](#). When he says he is with us, he is with us inside of us. He dwells inside of us through the person of the Holy Spirit in us.

You must be very convinced and conscious of this very fact. You must be fully persuaded and aware that you're carrying God inside of you anywhere you go and at every time. Yes, sometimes you may not feel like God is with you, but nevertheless he is always with you.

Sometimes he will manifest his presence in you and some other times you may not feel his presence, but you must never think he has left you. The Lord himself says he will never leave you, nor forsake you ([Hebrews 13:5](#)). God is not a man that he should lie, neither the son of man that he should repent.

If he says he will never leave or forsake you, you can be rest assured that he will never leave you. You must not be moved by your feelings. You must always move by your confidence in his promises. So whenever you are challenged or faced with difficulty in anyway in your journey here on earth, never think you alone.

Never ever, see yourself as vulnerable, because the Lord is resident in you. Instead, in childlike confidence, cry Abba Father to your maker in you and he will definitely answer you and carry you through all your life's endeavours.

Lesson 13: You Are Now Above The Devil And His Agents

“Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus”—Ephesians 2:5-6

“Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church”—Ephesians 1:20-22

Our first opening scripture opens our eyes to the gracious positioning of our God in Christ Jesus. The scripture says God has raised us up together, and made us (all of us—including you) sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. The word sit here, doesn't refer to sitting down. Rather, it connotes positioning...

In other words, the word of God is telling us that God has positioned us together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. And where is this our position in Christ Jesus located? According to the second opening text, the place is at the right hand of God in heavenly places.

And it is a place far above principality and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named. Not only in this world, but that which is to come. Here is the Lord's own word concerning this matter when his disciples told him about the devils being subject to them in his name ([Luke 10:19](#)). The Lord says, *“behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you”—[Luke 10:19](#)*

The power the Lord says he gave unto us in the text, refers to 'exousia' meaning authority. So as a believer, you have divine authority above the devil, his agents and all their power and manoeuvres. To God alone be all the glory in Jesus Name!

Lesson 14: You Are Now Glorified

“For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified”—Romans 8:29-30

The word ‘glorified’ as used in the above text, is taken from the Greek word ‘doxazo’ which means, to render or make glorious. That is, make very beautiful or impressive or splendid. Glory here talks about divine grandeur. Divine decoration. And the word of God says every called and justified child of God in Christ Jesus has been glorified.

And what is this glorification about? How does God glorify his children? We can clearly understand divine glorification from the prayer of our Lord Jesus in [John 17:22-23](#). Here is what the Lord says *“And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me”*

From the above scripture, the Lord reveals divine glorification to us. He says the glory which the Father gave him, he has also given to us. And what is that glory? It is his oneness with the Father. That is, the Father dwelling in him and he in the Father. And concerning our glorification, he says *“I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one”*. This is to say, divine glorification means, divine consummation.

That is, we being one with God, by his dwelling in us and our dwelling in him. So as a child of God you have been glorified. And you’re one spirit with God. The scripture says in [1Corinthians 6: 17](#)...

“But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit” And this is what divine glorification means. You have been glorified. May the Lord give you a greater light concerning your glorification in Christ Jesus.

Lesson 15: Baptism In Water

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost” _____ Mathew 28:19

The word “Baptism” is from the Greek word “Baptizo”, meaning: to make fully wet. It means a ceremonial or ritual ablution (washing). From our opening text, the Lord Jesus, as he was about ascending to heaven, commanded us to go and teach all nations. That as we teach them, we should baptize them in the name of the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost. And of course, the baptism is for those who hear the teaching and believe in the name of the Lord.

There are majorly two types of baptism in the bible. There is the baptism in water, and also the baptism in the Holy Ghost. One is for repentance, while the other is for divine empowerment. But in this lesson, we are looking at baptism in water. Which the bible calls the baptism of repentance...

Baptism in water is a ceremonial or ritualistic show of repentance by a believer. According to scriptures, it signifies being baptized into Christ’s death. In other words, baptism in water symbolizes our being buried together with Christ. And our coming out of the water, signifies our raising together with him ([Romans 6:3-4](#)). And of course this clearly shows the right pattern of carrying out baptism in water. Baptism in water should be done by immersing or burying the believer completely in water and raising the person up again in the name of the Lord.

This could be either, in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Ghost ([Matthew 28:19](#)) or in the name of Jesus Christ ([Acts 19: 5](#)). Any of them is scripturally correct. So there is no need of splitting hairs over that. But clearly, the approach of just sprinkling water over the believer in the name of baptism, is not scripturally correct.

Is Baptism in Water Compulsory?

The Lord himself gave us the ordinance of baptism. So every believer should be baptized in water immediately he receives Jesus as his Lord and Saviour. Especially, when he or she has the chance to do so. It is true the thief on the cross didn’t get baptized before dying, yet he was saved. But that is clearly because he didn’t have the chance.

So someone that received Jesus at the point of his death, without having the opportunity to be baptized can be excused. But anyone that receives Jesus and has the opportunity to be baptized and refuses to do so, is walking in disobedience. Now that you are born again, you should be baptized in water to fulfil all righteousness just like our Lord Jesus Christ did (Mathew 3:15).

Lesson 16: Baptism In The Holy Ghost

“I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire” Matthew 3:11

The above scripture is the quotation of John the Baptist. He clearly makes us aware that apart from baptism in water unto repentance, there is also the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Yes, at salvation, we receive the person of the Holy Ghost and even along with some spiritual gifts. Yet the bible tells us that we also require the baptism of the Holy Ghost to be able to walk in the fullness of the person and power of the Holy Ghost. The Apostles of Jesus Christ already had the Holy Ghost in them while the Lord Jesus was still on earth with them...

As a matter of fact, they even demonstrated the power of God when the Lord Jesus sent them out to preach. They healed the sick and cast out devils ([Luke 9:6](#); [Luke 10:17](#)). Yet before the Lord's ascension, he left an instruction for them –as well as for us – in [Acts 1: 8](#). He says:

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

Now the above statement was issued to the disciples, despite the fact they were already saved. And already had the Holy Ghost and were already demonstrating the power of the Holy Ghost. Inasmuch as they were already manifesting some of the gifts of the spirit, they also needed the Baptism in the Holy Ghost for the maximal manifestation of the power of the Holy Ghost in them.

And sure enough, when they received the baptism of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost, they definitely were transformed into new men. And they received the Language of the Spirit (Tongues). Their fearful and unbelieving nature gave way to bold and confident nature...

Peter that denied Jesus even before a small girl, was no longer afraid of even the priests who could have easily killed him. So every believer in Christ Jesus, in this dispensation of grace do need the baptism of the Holy Ghost. And the major biblical

proof of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, is speaking in tongues ([Acts 2: 4](#); [Acts 10: 44-46](#); [Acts 19:6](#)).

To receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost right now, just worship the Lord Jesus and ask him to baptize or fill you with the Holy Ghost. As you ask, receive the Holy Ghost by faith; and open your mouth as well by faith and begin to speak in tongues as the Holy Ghost gives you utterance.

Yes, it's that simple. We receive every gift of God by Faith. There is no other way. So go ahead and ask and receive the baptism of the Ghost right now by faith. As you do, I see you being fully powered up to become an effective witness of Jesus Christ, in Jesus Name!

Lesson 17: Communion With The Holy Ghost

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you. Amen” – 2 Corinthians 13:14

The above scripture is often used for church benediction before closing a service. But a deeper look at this scripture reveals some very profound subject of our relationship with God. It says the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.

From this scripture you see there are three key subjects of our relationship with God that all Christian must strive diligently to ensure they are always in place. These are: Grace, Love and Communion. But in this lesson, we want to consider the last subject of communion. Our opening text opens our eyes to the fact that our communion with God is through the person of the Holy Ghost.

What Is Communion?

The word communion is from the Greek word : “Koinonia” meaning – Partnership. In other words, participation. Put another way, co-participation. So when the opening text talks of communion with the Holy Ghost, it talks about our partnership and fellowship with the Holy Ghost.

The Lord desires real time, filial relationship with all his children. He wants to be involved in every area of our lives and in everything we do. He wants to help and guide us through every activity of our lives once we’ve become his children. He wants to be fully involved in our decision making.

He wants to always help us bear our burden. Because he knows very well that without his involvement we can accomplish only little or absolutely nothing. Be it as it may, only very few Christians actually commune with the Holy Ghost as it should be.

The majority of Christians endeavour to do everything on their own and only get God involved in their affairs on occasional basis. But if we must get the best of God and never come short of his abundant grace and love, then our communion with the Holy Ghost must be given a top priority in every aspects of our lives.

How to Commune With the Holy Ghost

You commune with the Holy Ghost by simply looking up to him and asking him for help in everything you do. Both spiritual and non-spiritual activities. Always ask him to partner with you in everything you do. Seek his opinion in every decision you make. Seek his guidance in every step you take. Speak to him in the language of the spirit (tongues) and listen to him in your heart.

Sing and make melody to him in your heart always. And as you do all these, you'll always be enjoying the communion or partnership of the Holy Ghost in every area of your life in Jesus Name!

Lesson 18: Walk In The Newness of Life

“Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the father, even so we also should walk in newness of life” – Romans 6:4.

Beloved, now that you are in Christ Jesus, from the preceding lessons you must have discovered so much that you are no longer whom you used to be. You are now a brand new creature in the spirit. Old things indeed have passed away, and all things have now become new in your life.

You used to be a sinner, without God in this world. But blessed be the name of the Lord, you are now righteous. You are now the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. You are now a saint indeed.

With all these gracious facts established in your life, the Lord seriously demands something of us. According to the opening text ([Romans 6:4](#)), the word of God says now that we are in Christ Jesus, we should walk in the newness of life. Just as we have demonstrated our being buried and resurrected together with Christ in baptism, we should also walk in the reality of our new personality in Christ

That is, we should live out our new personality in our everyday life. We are now dead to sin and alive unto righteousness. And we must walk worthy of this truth. We must put off the old man with its deeds and put on the new man in Christ Jesus (Ephesian 4:22-24).

Yes, you are now a saint in Christ Jesus by grace through faith. But this reality shouldn't just end in knowledge and words. You must live it out. You must awake unto righteousness and sin not (1Corinthians 15:34). You must walk in the spirit and not fulfil the lusts of the flesh ([Galatians 5:16](#)).

That is, you must through the help of the Holy Spirit mortify or put to death the deeds of the body ([Romans 8: 13](#)). Now that you are born again, the word of God says sin shall not have dominion over you ([Romans 6: 14](#)). And for that to be a reality in your life, you must commit yourself to a life of Holiness or purity.

And of course, with your continual communion or dependence on the Holy Spirit in you, you will definitely succeed. Yes naturally, godly living or sanctification in this sinful world is very difficult. But with the Holy Spirit of God dwelling in you, godliness is easily attainable. And yes, you can definitely live above sin...

And as you pursue Holiness, and for any reason you fall in anyway, quickly ask God for forgiveness, repent and get right back on the track. No matter how many times you trip, never give up on the race. Continue pressing on in righteousness to the very last

end. For the Lord says he that endures to the end shall be saved ([Matthew 24:13](#)). Beloved, my greatest prayer for you is that you shall be saved to the uttermost end. You shall make it down to the paradise of God. Your crown another will not take in the might name of Jesus Christ!

Conclusion and Course Manuscript

Now that you have received the basic truth you need to know about your new status in Christ Jesus, through this course, the very next thing the Lord requires of you is to go and bear fruit. That is, fruit of godly character and souls of men. In John 15:16, the Lord clearly tells us that he has chosen us to go and bring forth fruit and that our fruit should remain. So that whatever we ask the Father in his name he may give them to us. So God has saved us, so he can through us save others.

Now concerning soul winning, if you don't already belong to a local church, where you fellowship with other believers, you need to locate one around you, where the bible is preached and practiced in truth and in spirit. Once you have located a place of fellowship, then you should be joining them in their Evangelistic endeavours. And apart from the general Evangelism in your Local church, you should also be doing your own personal evangelism.

You Can Also Partner With Us

There are so many hurting people out there, who are still being buffeted by the same afflictions which the Lord Jesus has already fully paid for. Some of them are still unsaved and headed for eternal damnation in hell. While others are already saved, but still being afflicted and in bondage due mainly to ignorance of the truth of God's word.

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