

Lesson One: Salvation

THEME: The key to spiritual growth is believing the Word of God.

KEY VERSE: *2 Timothy 1:3* – “I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;”

We should all rejoice when anyone comes to know Christ as personal Savior. But every Christian needs to grow, and the key to spiritual growth is believing the Word of God. It must be allowed to cleanse us and to refresh our thirsty souls. Belief in the truth and power of God is essential in the Christian life.

John 15:3 – “Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.”

Jeremiah 15:16 – “Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.”

2 Chronicles 20:20 – “And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.”

Isaiah 7:9 – “And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.”

God chose to impart His mind to us through His Word. We must simply believe what God said. He chose to bind His mind to us in His Word.

Numbers 23:19 – “God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?”

Paul, through the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, revealed the ultimate key to spiritual growth.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 – “For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.”

God challenged all humanity to take Him at His Word, and watch how He will manifest His power through the Word in us – if we will simply exercise our faith in Him. May our hearts and minds be open and committed to allow God to do His work in us.

Hebrews 11:6 – “But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”

John 11:40 – “Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?”

Acts 27:25 – “Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.”

The Holy Spirit of God has opened our eyes to the Truth. We will eternally praise the Lord for doing so. Having received Jesus Christ as Savior, our little world has completely been turned right-side-up. A person is either saved or lost, so we cannot take the matter of salvation lightly. Eternity is at stake! Every person either has the Holy Ghost residing in them right now, or they don't.

1 John 5:12 – “He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.”

Growing in Christ is a life-long journey, which begins at the moment of salvation. We need to grow in our knowledge, wisdom, and understanding of God's Word. As we grow, we will become more fruitful and effective in our faith. Scripture commands us to share the Gospel message, but we must first be established in Christ.

Philippians 1:6 – Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

Acts 1:8 – But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Acts 4:12 - Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Colossians 2:6-7 - As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

God gave us the complete, perfect, infallible, preserved Word of God upon which we can base our entire existence. Our days should be filled with growth, maturity, faithfulness, and productivity in furthering His kingdom.

I. There are Two Spiritual Families in the World

A. The Devil's Family

1. In the beginning, God's plan for mankind was simple:

Genesis 1:28 - And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

Genesis 2:16-17 - And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Adam and Eve could eat of any tree but one. God's desire was for man to willingly obey Him. However, God would not enforce His will upon man. Man has a free will and God demands that he use it. We are to willingly love and obey God, or suffer the clear instruction the LORD God has given, "thou shalt surely die." For free will to be a reality, there had to be an alternate choice for man. Thus, the serpent entered the picture as God allowed man to choose his own destiny in obeying or disobeying Him.

Genesis 3:1 - Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

2. Before Satan became a serpent, he was known as Lucifer. He was originally the anointed cherub, and he was over God's creation. But something went terribly wrong with Lucifer, for he was not content with his life.

1 Peter 5:8 - Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Ezekiel 28:12-14 - Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty. Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Isaiah 14:13-14 - For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

3. Having left his original position, God judged him and cast him out of heaven, God's dwelling place.

Luke 10:18 - And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

Ezekiel 28:15-17 - Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

4. Lucifer was no more; he became Satan, the devil, the wicked one, the serpent, leviathan, etc. From the beginning he was the splendor and majesty of God until iniquity was found in him. He became the author of every sin and perversion known to man. His revolt was an unveiled attempt to overthrow the authority of the Lord God Almighty. He endeavors to destroy the plan of God in our lives today.

5. Lucifer made his choice when he rebelled against the only true God of the universe. God then began again, with the creation of man, and put him in the garden to of Eden to dress it and to keep it. God put the man in the very heart of Lucifer's stomping grounds. But Satan had a plan to recover what was originally his. He thought if he could get man to sin, man too, would be cast out of God's garden. Hence he appeared to Eve.

Ezekiel 28:13 - Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

Ezekiel chapter 31

Genesis 1:2 - And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

Genesis 2:15 - And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

Genesis chapter 3

6. Scripture says Satan was transformed into an angel of light. He knew how to get Eve's attention, and his point of attack was to cast doubt in her mind about what God had said. Once he got her to doubt, then he blatantly rejected God's infallible command. Satan's tactics are the same today. He continues to place doubt in our minds as to the authority of God's words.

2 Corinthians 11:14 - And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

Genesis 3:1 - Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?

Genesis 3:4 - And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

7. Man's sin is in disobeying the Word of God, and the devil has not deviated from his original strategy. Satan's plan centers on usurping God's authority. His promises are full of lies and deceptions. He cheapens the truth, and passes it off as a worthless piece of trash. He majors in half-truths and he leaves out many essential details.

Genesis 3:6-7 - And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

8. Man was originally created in the image and likeness of God. However, when sin entered, and death by sin, man lost the image and likeness of God. When man ate of the fruit, it was then that he died spiritually. Adam's physical life was one of the longest in the Bible, 930 years. When Adam had sons of his own, the Bible says they were born in the likeness and image of Adam – not in the likeness and image of God. Adam now had sons born after his own fallen condition.

Genesis 1:26-27 - And God said, Let us make man in our image, after 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. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

Genesis 2:17 - But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

Genesis 5:1 - This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;

Genesis 5:3 - And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, and after his image; and called his name Seth:

Genesis 5:5 - And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

Romans 5:12 - Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

1 Corinthians 15:22 - For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

John 8:24 - said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.

9. Satan then became the ‘father’ of the human race. He took over by proxy. Adam failed to heed the clear instruction of God, and Satan became the corrupter of mankind by contaminating the bloodline.

B. God’s Family

1 John 3:1-8 - Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

1. Because of what Satan accomplished in the garden with Adam and Eve, we must be born again! What does it mean to be born again? Verses 5-6 explains it clearly: everyone must be born physically (water birth), and everyone must be born spiritually (spirit birth). Everyone who reads this lesson has been born physically, but have you been born spiritually? Have you been adopted into God’s family by spiritual birth?

John 1:12-13 - 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: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Galatians 3:26 - For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

2. Because of our unregenerate nature (which we were all born with) we must repent of our sin and confess Jesus Christ with our mouths and hearts. This transfers us from Satan's family into God's family. Be aware that Satan does not want to lose anyone to Jesus. He does everything he can to damn men's souls for all eternity.

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9 - In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

1 Peter 4:17-18 - For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

3. We are now "a new creature: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new," 2 Corinthians 5:17. Just as we entered Satan's family by our physical birth, once we are born again we have entered God's family by spiritual birth. The only difference is in God's family, we have a choice in the matter. By our spiritual birth, we are now a son of God and a member of God's family.

Philippians 2:15 - That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

Romans 8:14 - For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

4. God is now "thoroughly furnishing" us for His service. His spirit is living inside each one of us.

We are partakers of His divine nature.

2 Peter 1:3-4 - According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

Eternal life with Him is an ever-present reality.

John 5:24 - 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.

Romans 6:23 - For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We have many benefits in Christ:

a. His mind	1 Cor 2:16	f. All things	Rom 8:32
b. Accessibility	Heb 4:16	g. Power	Eph 3:20
c. Cleansing	Eph 1:7	h. Ambassadorship	2 Cor 5:20
d. Completeness	Col 2:10	i. Abundant life	John 10:10
e. Comfort	2 Cor 1:3-5	j. Ministry	2 Cor 5:18

II. Our Relationship to God has Now Changed

A. We are no longer viewed by God as a sinner, but now we are His child. By confession, repentance, and faith we have had Jesus' blood applied to our souls. What He did for humanity on the cross has now been applied to me (imputed). His death, the offering of His pure, sinless, and perfect blood was the only means to satisfy an offended God. Our works could never be "good" enough to please God. God's measuring rod for man is His perfect Son.

1 Peter 3:18 – For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

Galatians 3:13 - Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

1 Peter 2:24 - Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

B. There are three judgments which pertain to a Christian.

1. As a sinner	(Past)	The cross	Col 1:19-20
2. As a son	(Present)	Our lives	Heb 12:5-11
3. As a servant	(Future)	Judgment Seat	2 Cor 5:10

C. The goal of our new life in Christ is to conform our lives into the image of the Lord Jesus Christ. We are to become more like Jesus every day.

1 Peter 4:1-2 - Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.

Galatians 2:20 - I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

D. Our lives are no longer our own. We have been bought and paid for (redeemed) by the blood of Jesus Christ. The day we were saved we gave up our lives (we died) so that Jesus Christ might live His life in us. Salvation was a life exchange: my death for His life.

1 Corinthians 7:23 - Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

1 Corinthians 6:20 - For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Colossians 3:3-4 - For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Romans 12:1-2 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

- E. Salvation is a liberation from this body of sin. This body was crucified, buried with Jesus the very moment we placed our faith in Christ. We are now “free” to serve Him without any constraint of any law, particularly the law of sin within us.

Galatians 5:13 - For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

F. Jesus’ blood has washed us white. We have been declared righteous. Jesus’ blood has removed the stain of sin from our lives. Sin is the great separator of men, and the cause of man’s eternal separation from God. Our sin utterly repulses God. But what Satan accomplished by his influence on Adam and Eve, is now reversed by the healing blood of God’s Lamb. It is Jesus’ blood alone that washes our sin away completely. It is imperative for us to understand the price that was paid for us by God.

Isaiah 1:18 – Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Psalms 103:12 - As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Hebrews 10:14 - For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Isaiah 59:2 - But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

Romans 7:18 - For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

Hebrews 9:14 - How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

1 John 1:7 - But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Romans 5:8-9 - But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

1 Peter 1:18-20 - Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

III. We are Now Two People

A. Old Man (old nature). When we trust in the Lord Jesus, our soul is regenerated and our spirit is renewed. But nothing changed in our physical bodies. We are still waiting for our change. We receive the “firstfruits” of God’s Spirit at the moment of salvation. But we are still dragging around this “old man” every day of our lives. Its rule and power over us was crucified in our death at salvation. Now we must crucify these bodies daily. In order to live a victorious, powerful, joyful, and Spirit-filled life, we must allow God to have free reign in our hearts and minds. We must constantly ask ourselves if we are being controlled by God’s Spirit, or by the flesh? Remember, whichever nature we feed is the one that will control us. God has given us the victory over the “old man.” How are you doing?

Romans 8:23 – And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

1 Corinthians 15:31 – I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.

Luke 9:23 – And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

Romans 6:16 – Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Galatians 5:16-17 – This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

Romans 7:14-23 - For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin. For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good. Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

B. New Man (new nature). The new man is the image of God which has been restored in us. It is perfect, spiritual, and constant within us. Jesus Christ has granted us the victory and cleansed us from the sins of our past. Now we have the glory of God living in our earthly bodies. God has placed himself within each child of God. Satan will do whatever he can to entice us to live in the flesh. If he can accomplish that task, we will be ineffective for the cause of Christ. Satan attempts to steal our joy, our testimony, our power, and our victory so we affect no one else for Christ.

Ephesians 2:13-18 – But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Ephesians 4:24 - And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

2 Corinthians 4:7 - But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

IV. Questions Concerning Our New Life in Christ

A. Will I continue to sin as a child of God?

That is entirely up to you. How much sin you commit is your decision. God broke the satanic strongholds in our lives to give us victory over the flesh, the devil, and the world. However, sin is a 24/7 opportunity, 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. The battle for control of our lives is relentless. There are no breaks and no days off. We all struggle with sin, and the more we grow in Christ, the less sin we commit. The more time we spend in His Word, in prayer, and living in obedience to Him, the more like Jesus we become. Our flesh has a head-start over us, and we will never completely overcome the temptations it offers until we get our glorified body.

1 John 2:1-2 - My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

B. What does sin do to my relationship with God?

Sin breaks fellowship with God, just as it does in all other relationships. Communion is cut off, conviction and guilt take over and must be addressed. God is our father; He will discipline us as His children. God knows how to get our attention, and He is at work in us to conform us into the image of His Son. Obedience is the issue – the choice is ours to make.

1 Samuel 15:22 – And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

C. What should I do when I sin? Repent, confess, and forsake sin, then move on with life. Allow the past to be in the past. We must place all our sin under the healing and cleansing blood of Christ Jesus. Repent while we have the option. We must acknowledge our own accountability for our sin. My sin is my fault, and no one else's. I must accept and take full responsibility for my actions.

1 John 1:6-10 - If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Proverbs 28:13 - He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Revelation 3:19 - As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Acts 17:30 - And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent:

Psalms 32:5 - I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

D. Can I now lead someone to Christ from the Word of God?

We have a testimony of God's redeeming grace, but now you should be able, by using the Bible, to lead someone else to the Lord.

John 4:39-41 - And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did. So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days. And many more believed because of his own word;

Revelation 12:11 - And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Questions:

1. How do I know for sure I am saved? (give references)

2. Name the two spiritual families and briefly explain each one.

3. What did Adam and Eve forfeit in the Garden of Eden and how was it accomplished?

4. What does it mean to be born again?

5. How do I get victory over my flesh?

6. What are some of the things that I now have in Christ?

7. Why is the blood of Jesus Christ so important to believers?

Write out your own salvation experience (use more paper if needed):
