

Lesson 3: Things to Know Now that you are a Christian:

I. What did you do?

- A. You heard the Gospel, which is the _____ of Jesus for our sins, his _____ in the grave, and his _____ from the grave.
- B. You obeyed the Gospel
1. 1 Cor 6:9-11 - You repented of your former manner of life
 2. Rom 10:9 - You confessed Jesus as the Son of God, your savior and Lord
 3. Rom 1:1-7 - You were buried with Christ in baptism and raised to walk in newness of life

II. What did the Lord do?

- A. Eph 1:3 - Granted you every _____ "in Christ"
- B. Eph 1:3-14 - List the spiritual blessings God granted you "in Christ" ...

Out of Christ
No Spiritual Blessings

"In Christ" <i>All Spiritual Blessings:</i>
(v.4) Chose us in him to be _____ and _____
(v.5) Adoption as _____ through Jesus Christ
(v.7) In Him, we have _____ through his blood, the _____ of our trespasses
(v.11) also we have obtained an _____
(v.13) you were sealed in Him with the _____ of promise

- C. How did you get "in Christ?"

Gal 3:26-27

- a. You are all sons of God through _____ in Christ Jesus
- b. For all of you who were _____ into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

III. What is Next? Some of God's Expectations

A. You have committed to Jesus as Lord, which means a new way of life

Gal 2:20 - Apply this passage to yourself... (insert your name in the blanks)

- a. "_____ has been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer _____ who lives, but Christ lives in _____, and the life which _____ lives in the flesh, he lives by faith in the Son of God, who loved _____, and gave himself up for _____."
- b. How does the Gospel (your being buried with Christ, dying to self, and being raised a new person), order and determine your new manner of life?

B. 2 Cor 5:14-18 - You have been given a new commitment and ministry

1. Since you have died, you no longer live for _____, but for _____, who died a rose again on your behalf.
2. Since you are now are in Christ, you are a new _____, and old things have passed away
3. Since God has reconciled you through Christ, he has now given you the ministry of _____
4. Reflect on how you might carry out this ministry:

C. You are now a part of the body of Christ, the church

1. The church belongs to Christ and is not manmade
 - a. Eph 5:23 - Christ is _____ of the church, which is also called the body

- b. Matt 16:18 - Jesus said, "I will build _____ church." (Not some other man's church)
 - c. Eph 4:4 - There is _____ body (not many bodies, only one)
 - d. Acts 2:47 - God adds those who are saved
 - e. Since the church belongs to Christ, and since Christ is the head, the scriptures refers to it among another things as the "Churches of Christ" (Rom 16:16).
2. 1 Cor 12:12-22 - You are an integral part of the church by God's design
- a. v.13 - You have been _____ into one body
 - b. v.18 - _____ has placed you in the body, just as he desired
 - c. Each part has a function in the body, which means _____ has a function. (write your name)
 - d. v.21 - Each part of the body, including _____, is necessary (write your name)
3. Heb 10:24-25 - Part of your activity as part of the church
- a. v.24 - Consider how to _____ one another to love and good deeds
 - b. v.25 - Not forsaking our own _____ together as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another
4. Church is not man-made, and your part in it is not optional.
- a. Since you have been saved, God added you to the church
 - b. The church family will support and encourage you, and you are also to encourage your brethren.
 - c. God wants you to assemble with the brethren
- D. As part of the Lord's church, you partake of the Lord's Supper on the first day of the week
- 1. 1 Cor 11:23-26 - Jesus said do this in _____ of me
 - 2. Acts 20:7 - The Biblical example of when to partake of the Lord's Supper is on the _____ day of the week.

E. Engaging in the growing process: God desires you to grow in your faith

1. 2 Pet 3:18 - but _____ in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...

God desires for you to personally grow in your faith

2. Eph 4:16 - from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each _____, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

God desires that the church grows, which involves the proper working of each individual part, which includes you!

F. A most important ingredient to grow:

1. 1 Pet 2:2 - like _____, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation,
2. Think about how a newborn baby longs for milk. Are there many other things a baby might long for? What does this analogy suggest to you about the word of God and what your relationship with the word should be?



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD!

☐ Day 1

1. Look back over the previous lesson. Write down any thoughts, insights, fears, or questions you may have here:

2. Spend time in prayer with God

☐ Day 2

1. Read the verses below from the Gospel of John, and write down who they reveal Jesus is.

- a. John 18:36-37 _____
- b. John 15:5-6 _____
- c. John 13:13 _____

2. Look over the list, and think about each one. Write down any thoughts or insights that come to you here:

3. Spend some time with God in prayer. Share your thoughts with him. Thank him.

☐ **Day 3**

1. Read the verses below from the Gospel of John, and write down who they reveal Jesus is.

- a. John 11:25 _____
- b. John 10:7-11 _____
- c. John 8:12 _____

2. Look over the list, and think about each one. Write down any thoughts or insights that come to you here:

3. Spend time with God in prayer. Share your thoughts with him.

☐ **Day 4**

1. Read the verses below from the Gospel of John, and write down who they reveal Jesus is.

- a. John 14:6-7 _____
- b. John 6:48-51; 6:63 _____

2. Look over the list, and think about each one. Write down any thoughts or insights that come to you here:

3. Spend time with God in prayer. Ask for him to help you do things his way.

<p>☐ Day 5</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Read Colossians 1:1-8 slowly2. Write down your thoughts, fears, or insights.3. Spend time with God in prayer4. Begin to read over the next lesson and do the questions.	<p>☐ Day 6</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Read Colossians 1:1-8 slowly again.2. Spend time thinking about each sentence, and write down what God is communicating with you.3. Spend time with God in prayer4. Read over the next lesson and complete the questions.
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