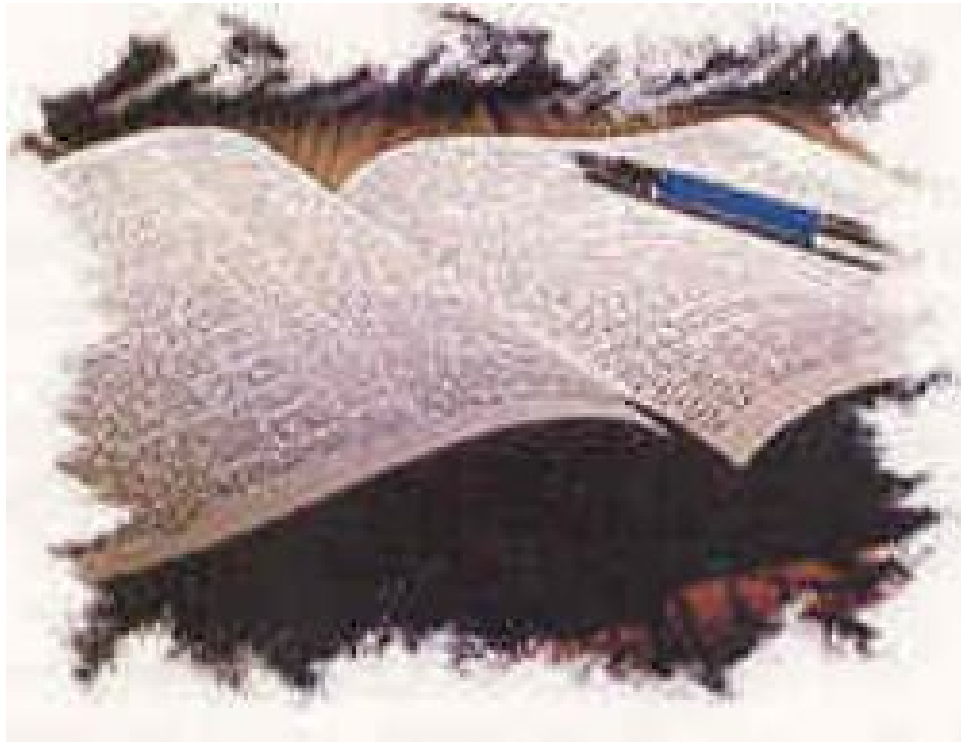


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2 Christ is the Creator (v.3)

- a. Positive statement (v.3a)
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3 Christ is life (v.4-5)

- a. The source of light (v.4)
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- a. To bear witness (v.7a)
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1 Christ was the Light (v.9)

- a. The true Light (v.9a)
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2 Christ was tragically rejected by the world (v.10-11)

- a. He was in the world, but was rejected (v.10)
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- a. He stood in the midst of John's preaching (v.35)
- b. He heard John proclaim that Jesus was the Lamb of God (v.36)
- c. He followed Jesus (v.37)

2 Andrew's critical hour (v.38-39a)

- a. Jesus turned: Symbol of initiative (v.38a)
- b. Jesus asked the basic question of life: What do you seek? (v.38b)
- c. Jesus extended an invitation: Come (v.39a)

3 Andrew's great decision: He came and saw Christ and remained with Christ (v.39b-40)

4 Andrew's first concern: His brother (v.41a)

5 Andrew's conviction: Jesus was the Messiah (v.41b)

6 Andrew's fruit: Simon was brought to Jesus and was reaped (v.42)

John 1:43-45

H. Jesus the One Prophesied: The Witness of Philip, 1:43-45

1 Philip's experience (v.43-44)

- a. He was sought by Jesus personally (v.43a)
- b. He was called by Jesus personally (v.43b)
- c. The reason: Philip knew Andrew and Peter (v.44)

2 Philip's first concern: Nathanael (v.45a)

3 Philip's conviction: Jesus was the One prophesied (v.45b)

John 1:46-49

I. Jesus the Son of God, the King of Israel: The Witness of Nathanael, 1:46-49

1 Nathanael's experience (v.46)

- a. A man of despair and prejudice (v.46a)
- b. Invited to follow Jesus despite prejudice (v.46b)

2 Nathanael's confrontation with Jesus (v.47-48)

- a. Jesus knew him: His beliefs and character (v.47)
- b. Jesus knew him: His innermost being—all things about him (v.48)

3 Nathanael's conviction: Jesus was the Son of God (v.49)

John 1:50-51

J. Jesus the Son of Man, God's Mediator: The Witness of Jesus Himself, 1:50-51

1 Nathanael's experience (v.46-49) (v.50a)

2 The revelation of God, the One who reveals greater things (v.50b)

3 The Mediator (v.51a)

4 The Son of Man (v.51b)

John 2:1-11

II. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE SON OF GOD, 2:1-3:21

A. Revelation 1: Creative Power, 2:1-11

1 A marriage in Cana of Galilee (v.1-2)

- a. Time: The third day (v.1a)
- b. Mary attended (v.1b)
- c. Jesus and the disciples attended (v.2)

2 The concern of Jesus' creative power (v.3-5)

- a. Mary's social concern (v.3)
- b. To meet man's spiritual need (v.4)
- c. Mary's confidence in her Son (v.5)

3 The revelation of Jesus' creative power (v.6-8)

- a. The materials: Water pots—used for cleaning and quenching thirst (v.6)
- b. The command: Prepare (v.7a)
- c. The obedience: They drew water and experienced the creative power of Jesus (v.7b-8)

4 The results of Jesus' creative power (v.9-11)

- a. Man's need was met (v.9-10)
- b. Christ's glory was revealed (v.11a)
- c. The disciples' faith was strengthened (v.11b)

John 2:12-22

B. Revelation 2: Jesus is Supreme Over God's House, 2:12-22

(Matthew 21:12-16; Mark 11:15-19; Luke 19:45-46)

1 Jesus left Cana (v.12-13)

- a. He went to Capernaum for a short time (v.12)
- b. He then went to Jerusalem to attend the Passover (v.13)

2 His discovery of evil in the temple (v.14)

- a. He entered the temple (v.14a)
- b. He found the temple desecrated (v.14b)

3 His right to cleanse the temple (v.15-17)

- a. The scourge: A symbol (v.15)
- b. His unique relationship to God: "My Father" (v.16)
- c. His consuming zeal for God's House (v.17)

4 His power to erect a new temple (v.18-21)

- a. His authority questioned (v.18)
- b. His sign: A new meeting place for God and man (v.19a)
- c. His symbolic meaning: His body—His death and resurrection (v.19b-21)

5 His objective achieved: The disciples believed the Scripture and the Word of the Lord (v.22)

John 2:23-25

C. Revelation 3: Jesus Knows All Men, 2:23-25

1 Fact 1: Many believed in Jesus (v.23)

- a. Believed in His name (v.23a)
- b. Believed because of the miracles (v.23b)

2 Fact 2: Jesus did not commit nor trust Himself to men (v.24-25)

- a. He knew all men (v.24)
- b. He knew what was in man (v.25)

John 3:1-15

D. Revelation 4: The New Birth, 3:1-15

1 Nicodemus approached Jesus (v.1-2)

- a. He came in behalf of the religionists: "We" (v.1-2a)
- b. He acknowledged Jesus only as a teacher from God (v.2b)
- c. He asked, "Who are you?" (v.2c)

2 The new birth: A necessity, an imperative (v.3)

- a. A strong assertion (v.3a)
- b. Importance: One can never see God's kingdom unless born again (v.3b)

3 The new birth: A spiritual birth (v.4-8)

- a. Its source: Being born of the Spirit (v.5a)
- b. Its importance repeated: One will never enter God's kingdom unless born again (v.5b)
- c. Its nature: Spiritual, not physical and material (v.6)
- d. Its absolute necessity: Re-emphasized (v.7)
- e. Its illustration: The wind (v.8)

4 The new birth: A true experience (v.9-11a)

- a. Nicodemus' heart touched (v.9-10)
- b. Jesus' strong assertion: Do know; have seen (v.11a)

5 The new birth: Rejected (v.11b-12)

- a. Some did not receive the witness (v.11b)
- b. The reason: Man's nature of unbelief (v.12)

6 The new birth: Revealed only by Jesus (v.13)

- a. His origin: Heaven (v.13a)
- b. His timeless experience: "In heaven" (v.13b)

7 The new birth: Secured by two acts (v.14-15)

- a. By Jesus' death (v.14)
- b. By believing in Jesus (v.15)

John 3:16-17

E. Revelation 5: God's Great Love, 3:16-17

1 The fact: God so loved (v.16a)

2 The evidence: God gave (v.16b)

3 The purpose: To save (v.16c)

- a. From perishing (v.16c)
- b. To eternal life (v.16c)
- c. By believing (v.16c)

4 The proof: God sent His Son (the Incarnation) (v.17)

- a. Not to condemn (v.17a)
- b. To save (v.17b)

5 The means: Through Him (v.17b)

John 3:18-21

F. Revelation 6: Man's Condemnation, 3:18-21

1 Who is condemned: Not the believer, but the unbeliever (v.18a)

2 When is he condemned: Already (v.18b)

3 Why is he condemned (v.18c-20)

- a. He has not believed (v.18c)
- b. Light has come into the world (v.19a)
- c. He loves darkness; loves his evil, his sin (v.19b)
- d. He does not come to the light (v.20)

4 Who escapes condemnation (v.21)

- a. He who practices truth (v.21a)
- b. He who comes to light (v.21b)
- c. He whose works are wrought by God (v.21c)

John 3:22-36

III. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE NEW MASTER, 3:22-36

1 The setting for the revelation (v.22-26)

- a. Jesus and His disciples were baptizing in Judaea (v.22)
- b. John and His disciples were baptizing close by (v.23-24)
- c. Two basic questions of life (v.25-26)
 - 1) Who really purifies man's heart? (v.25)
 - 2) Who is the supreme Master? (v.26)

2 Answer 1: Jesus alone was God's appointed Messiah (v.27-28)

- a. God alone appoints men (v.27)
- b. God had not appointed John as the Messiah, but as the forerunner (v.28)

3 Answer 2: Jesus alone was the Bridegroom (v.29-30)

- a. He is the one by whom the friend stands (v.29a)
- b. He is the voice that is to be heard (v.29b)
- c. He is the cause of joy (v.29c)
- d. He is the only object of loyalty (v.30)

4 Answer 3: Jesus alone was from above—from heaven (v.31)

- a. Meaning: "Out of" (v.31a)
- b. Result: Jesus is above all (v.31b)

5 Answer 4: Jesus alone was God's Spokesman (v.32-34a)

- a. He testifies (v.32a)
- b. Some reject (v.32b)
- c. Some receive and seal His testimony (v.33)
- d. Proof: Sent from God and speaks God's Word (v.34a)

6 Jesus alone had the full measure of the Spirit (v.34b)

7 Answer 6: Jesus alone determines man's destiny (v.35-36)

- a. To believe Him brings everlasting life (v.36a)
- b. Not to obey Him brings wrath (v.36b)

John 4:1-14

IV. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE LIVING WATER, 4:1-42

A. The Offer of Living Water, 4:1-14

1 Jesus left Judaea (v.1-9)

- a. He left out of necessity (v.1-4)
 - 1) For John's sake (v.1-3)
 - 2) For His destiny: "Must"—had to (v.4)
- b. He left to confront a Samaritan woman (v.5-8)
 - 1) He entered Sychar, Samaria (v.5)

- 2) He was weary, sat on a well (v.6)
- 3) He requested drink from a woman (v.7)
- 4) The disciples had gone for food (v.8)
- c. The woman questioned Jesus (v.9)
 - 1) She was shocked that Jesus talked with her (v.9a)
 - 2) She questioned racial prejudice (v.9b)
- 2 Living water is alive (v.10)**
 - a. Is "of God" (v.10a)
 - b. Is "the gift" of God (v.10a)
 - c. Is given by asking for it (v.10b)
- 3 Living water is from a Person much greater than a religious father (v.11-12)**
- 4 Living water is the only water that will quench thirst (v.13-14)**

John 4:15-18

B. The Subject of Sin, 4:15-18

- 1 There was the request for living water (v.15)**
- 2 There was the first essential: Facing the truth, the fact of sin (v.16-18)**
 - a. Jesus stirred conviction (v.17a)
 - b. Jesus accepted no evasion (v.17b)
 - c. Jesus knew all (v.18a)
 - d. Jesus reproved sin (v.18b)

John 4:19-24

C. The Subject of Worship, 4:19-24

- 1 The woman was troubled (v.19-20)**
 - a. She sensed Jesus to be a prophet (v.19)
 - b. She sensed her sin and the need for true worship (v.20)
- 2 Fact 1: The place of worship is not what is important (v.21)**
- 3 Fact 2: True worship and salvation are of the Jews (v.22)**
- 4 Fact 3: True worshippers worship God in spirit and in truth (v.23-24)**

John 4:25-30

D. The Subject of Messiah, 4:25-30

- 1 There was the sense that Jesus was the Messiah (v.25)**
- 2 There was the great claim of Jesus: He is the Messiah (v.26)**
- 3 There was the spirit contrary to the Messiah: A spirit of evil thought and pride (v.27)**
- 4 There was the proclamation that Jesus is the Messiah (v.28-29)**
- 5 There was the response of searching for the Messiah (v.30)**

John 4:31-42

E. The Subject of Labor for God, 4:31-42

1 Physical vs. spiritual concerns (v.31-35a)

- a. The disciples' concern: Physical nourishment (v.31-33)
- b. Jesus' concern: Spiritual food—to do the will and work of God (v.34)
- c. Jesus' challenge: Work and labor for God *right now* (v.35a)

2 Labor—for the harvest is ripe, the task is urgent (v.35b)

3 Labor—for there are rewards and great benefits (v.36-38)

- a. Wages (v.36a)
- b. Eternal life (v.36b)
- c. Joy and rejoicing (v.36c)
- d. The privilege of having a specific part in God's great work (v.37)
- e. The privilege of being sent by Christ (v.38a)
- f. The privilege of serving with other great servants of God (v.38b)

4 Labor—for results follow (v.39-42)

- a. Many believed the woman's testimony (v.39)
- b. Other opportunities were given (v.40)
- c. Many more believed: He is "the Christ, the Saviour of the world" (v.41-42)

John 4:43-45

V. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE OBJECT OF FAITH, 4:43-54

A. The Evidence of Faith, 4:43-45

1 Jesus entered Galilee (v.43)

2 Evidence 1: Honoring Jesus (v.44)

3 Evidence 2: Welcoming and receiving Jesus (v.45)

John 4:46-54

B. The Stages of Faith, 4:46-54

1 A beginning faith (v.46-47)

- a. There was a desperate need (v.46)
- b. There was hearing about Jesus (v.47a)
- c. There was coming to Jesus (v.47b)
- d. There was begging Jesus to help (v.47c)

2 A persistent faith (v.48-49)

- a. A lesson in faith (v.48)
- b. A desperate insistence (v.49)

3 A trusting, obedient, and working faith (v.50)

- a. Go your way—your need is met (v.50a)

b. He believed and obeyed Jesus' Word (v.50b)

4 A confirmed faith (v.51-53a)

a. He "was now going" (v.51a)

b. He received glorious news: His prayer was answered (v.51b)

c. He confirmed the supernatural vs. the natural (v.52)

d. He believed and knew that Jesus had healed his son (v.53a)

5 A witnessing faith (v.53b-54)

John 5:1-16

VI. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE AUTHORITY AND POWER OVER LIFE, 5:1-47

A. The Essential Authority: Power to Meet the World's Desperate Needs, 5:1-16

1 Jesus attended a Jewish feast in Jerusalem (v.1)

2 Scene 1: The diseased and the ill—a picture of the world's desperate need (v.2-4)

a. Man's desperate hope: Lying in a pool of water (v.3)

b. Man's desperate faith: Hoping for healing power in a worldly source, in a pool of water (v.4)

3 Scene 2: Jesus and the man—a picture of Jesus' power to meet the world's need (v.5-9)

a. The man's plight (v.5)

b. The Lord's compassion (v.6)

1) Saw his state (v.6a)

2) Initiated a relationship (v.6b)

c. The man's helplessness: He had no family and friends to help him (v.7)

d. The Lord's power (v.8)

e. The sinister problem: Jesus healed the man *on* the Sabbath (v.9)

4 Scene 3: The religionists and the man—a picture of dead religion trying to meet the world's need (v.10-12)

a. A religion of legalism (v.10b)

b. A religion ignorant of true authority (v.11)

c. A religion blind to love and good (v.12)

5 Scene 4: Jesus and the man after his healing—a picture of the believer's responsibility (v.13-14)

a. To worship in the temple (v.14a)

b. To remember his healing (v.14b)

c. To sin no more (v.14c)

d. To fear the judgment (v.14d)

6 Scene 5: The religionists and Jesus: A picture of the world rejecting God's Savior (v.15-16)

John 5:17-30

B. The Astounding Authority: Equality with God, 5:17-30

1 Jesus claimed equality with God (v.17-18)

- a. His claim: My Father (v.17)
- b. His claim clearly understood (v.18)

2 Proof 1: His obedience (v.19)

- a. He did not act alone (v.19a)
- b. He did exactly what He saw the Father do (v.19b)

3 Proof 2: His great works (v.20)

- a. God loves His son (v.20a)
- b. God shows Him what to do (v.20b)

4 Proof 3: His power to quicken and to give life, to raise up the dead (v.21)

5 Proof 4: His control over the whole judicial process (v.22-23)

- a. Purpose: That men may honor the Son (v.23a)
- b. Fact: If Christ is not honored, God is not honored (v.23b)

6 Proof 5: His power over man's destiny, to save men from death to life (v.24-25)

- a. How men are saved (v.24a-b)
 - 1) Hearing His Word (v.24a)
 - 2) Believing that God sent His Son, Jesus (v.24b)
- b. Result: Eternal life (v.24c)
- c. Facts (v.25)
 - 1) The spiritually dead can hear the voice of God's Son—*now* (v.25a)
 - 2) The spiritually dead can live—*now* (v.25b)

7 Proof 6: His energy of life, His self-existence (v.26)

8 Proof 7: His authority to execute judgment (v.27a)

9 Proof 8: His claim to be the Son of Man (v.27b)

10 Proof 9: His power to resurrect all men from the grave (v.28-30)

- a. Men who have done good: Resurrected to life (v.29a)
- b. Men who have done evil: Resurrected to damnation (v.29b)
- c. The judgment: Will be a just judgment (v.30)

John 5:31-39

C. The Five Witnesses to Jesus' Authority and Power, 5:31-39

1 One's own testimony is unacceptable (v.31)

2 The witness within: The Spirit (v.32)

3 The witness of John the Baptist (v.33-35)

4 The witness of miraculous works (v.36)

5 The witness of God Himself (v.37-38)

6 The witness of the Scriptures (v.39)

John 5:40-47

D. The Rejection of Jesus' Claim, 5:40-47

1 Men do not "will" to come to Christ (v.40-41)

2 Men do not love God (v.42)

3 Men receive false messiahs (v.43)

4 Men seek the approval and honor of mere men (v.44)

5 Men do not believe prophecy—do not believe Moses' writings (v.45-46)

6 Men do not believe the words of the true Messiah (v.47)

John 6:1-15

VII. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE BREAD OF LIFE, 6:1-71

A. Jesus Feeds Five Thousand: The Provision for Human Need, 6:1-15

1 The setting (v.1-6)

a. After these things Jesus crossed the Lake of Galilee (v.1)

b. Feverish, surging crowds followed Him (v.2)

c. Jesus sought rest and relief (v.3)

d. The pilgrims were gathering for the Feast (v.4)

e. The two concerns of Jesus (v.5-6)

1) The missing of a meal—Jesus wants to meet every need (v.5a)

2) The testing and strengthening of His disciples: Teaching the kinds of faith (v.5b-6)

2 Lesson 1: There is a pessimistic faith (v.7)

3 Lesson 2: There is an optimistic but questioning faith (v.8-9)

a. Andrew searched for and brought food (v.8-9a)

b. He questioned the supply (v.9b)

4 Lesson 3: There is a positive, unswerving faith (v.10-13)

a. Jesus' faith (v.11)

1) He took and gave thanks for what He had (v.11a)

2) He gave what He had (v.11b)

3) He used others to help Him (v.11c)

b. God's answer and provision (v.12-13)

1) He met the people's need (v.12a)

2) He gave an overabundance (v.12b-13a)

3) He allowed no waste (v.13b)

5 Lesson 4: There is a materialistic profession of Jesus (v.14-15)

a. The people's profession: Jesus was the Messiah (v.14)

b. The people's concept: Jesus was an earthly, materialistic king (v.15)

John 6:16-21

B. Jesus Walks on Water: The Deliverance From Fear, 6:16-21

(Matthew 14:22-33; Mark 6:45-52)

1 The disciples set sail to cross the sea (v.16)

2 The causes of fear (v.17-19)

- a. Being in the dark (v.17b)
- b. Being without Jesus (v.17c)
- c. Being caught in a storm (v.18)
- d. Being tired and gripped with a sense of horror, of impending death (v.19)

3 The answer to fear (v.20-21)

- a. The presence and Word of Jesus: "I am" (v.20)
- b. Receiving the presence of Jesus (v.21a)
- c. The result: Deliverance through the storms of life (v.21b)

John 6:22-29

C. The Answer to Man's Great Hunger, 6:22-29

1 Answer 1: Know that man has a great hunger, a great need (v.22-25)

- a. The people were miraculously fed, v.1-15 (v.22)
- b. The people acknowledged their need (v.22b)
- c. The people noted Jesus' absence (v.22b-23)
- d. The people sought Jesus (v.24)
- e. The people questioned Jesus' absence (v.25)

2 Answer 2: Acknowledge that man's motive is corrupt (v.26-27a)

- a. Sought the Messiah for what they could get out of Him (v.26)
- b. Sought food that perished—misplaced labor (v.27a)

3 Answer 3: Labor for food that endures—that gives eternal life (v.27b-d)

- a. Source: Son of Man (v.27c)
- b. God guaranteed (v.27d)

4 Answer 4: Do the work of God—believe (v.28-29)

John 6:30-36

D. The Bread of Life: The Source of Spiritual Satisfaction, 6:30-36

1 The people demanded proof (v.30-31)

- a. Jesus' great claim, v.27-29 (v.30)
- b. The specific proof demanded (v.31)

2 Christ is the true bread (v.32)

- a. Man cannot provide true bread: satisfaction (v.32a)
- b. God alone provides true bread: true satisfaction (v.32b)

3 Christ is the Bread of God (v.33)

- a. He came from heaven (v.33a)
- b. He gives life (v.33b)

4 Christ is the Bread of Life (v.34-35)

- a. The request for the Bread of God (v.34)
- b. The phenomenal claim (v.35a)
- c. If man comes to Jesus, he will never hunger (v.35b)
- d. If man believes, he will never thirst (v.35c)

5 Christ was seen, but rejected (v.36)

John 6:37-40

E. The Assurance of the Believer, 6:37-40

1 Assurance 1: God's predestination (v.37a)

2 Assurance 2: Jesus' Word (v.37b)

3 Assurance 3: Jesus' purpose—to do God's will (v.38)

4 Assurance 4: God's will for those whom He gives to Christ (v.39)

- a. That Jesus should not lose a single one (v.39a)
- b. That Jesus should resurrect every one (v.39b)

5 Assurance 5: God's will for the believer (v.40)

- a. Is eternal life (v.40a)
- b. Result: Jesus "will raise him up" (v.40b)

John 6:41-51

F. The Way a Person Partakes of the Bread of Life, 6:41-51

1 The religionists rebelled against the claims of Jesus (v.41-43)

- a. They questioned Jesus' origin (v.42a)
- b. They misunderstood the incarnation (v.42b)
- c. Jesus appealed: Murmur not (v.43)

2 A person must be drawn by God (v.44-46)

- a. The result: He will be raised up at the last day (v.44)
- b. He must be taught of God (God's part) (v.45a)
- c. He must hear and learn through Christ (man's part) (v.45b-46)
 - 1) Because no man has seen God (v.46a)
 - 2) Because Christ is of God and has seen God (v.46b)

3 A person must believe on Christ (v.47-51)

- a. Believe He is the Bread of Life (v.48-49)
- b. Believe He is "out of" heaven—has come to deliver man from death (v.50)
- c. Believe He is the living bread—the One who gives life to man forever (v.51a)
- d. Believe He gave His flesh for the life of the world (v.51b)

John 6:52-58

G. The Results of Partaking of the Bread of Life, 6:52-58

1 The religionists were perplexed (v.52-53)

- a. They questioned partaking of His flesh (v.52)
- b. Jesus proclaimed a much more shocking thing: Unless one partakes of Him, he does not have life (v.53)

2 Result 1: Eternal life—conquering death and being resurrected (v.54)

3 Result 2: True, not false satisfaction (v.55)

4 Result 3: Supernatural companionship and fellowship (v.56)

5 Result 4: A life that is full of purpose and meaning (v.57)

6 Result 5: Incorruptible food received within the heart—energizing life forever (v.58)

John 6:59-71

H. The Reason Some People Are Offended by Christ, the Bread of Life, 6:59-71

1 Jesus' message was to the synagogue crowd in Capernaum (v.59-60)

- a. Man disciples were present (v.60a)
- b. They had difficulty accepting His message (v.60b)

2 There is the idea of eating Jesus' flesh and drinking His blood, v.51-56 (v.61)

3 There is the ascension and exaltation of Christ (v.62)

4 There is the teaching that the spirit quickens and the flesh profits nothing (v.63-64)

5 There is the fact that God saves man, man does not save himself (v.65)

6 The conclusion: There were three responses (v.66-71)

- a. The disciples who turned back (v.66-67)
- b. The disciple who believed Jesus was the Christ (v.68-69)
- c. The disciple who betrayed Christ (v.70-71)

John 7:1-9

VIII. THE RESPONSES TO THE REVELATION OF JESUS, 7:1-53

A. The Response of Jesus' Brothers: Mockery and Unbelief, 7:1-9

1 Jesus was forced to withdraw and minister in Galilee (v.1-2)

- a. The reason: The religionists sought His life (v.1b)
- b. The Feast of Tabernacles was at hand (v.2)

2 The brothers' response: Mockery and unbelief (v.3-5)

- a. Their mockery: Show your works (v.3-4)
- b. Their unbelief (v.5)

3 Jesus' reply (v.6-9)

- a. It is not time (the day) for His acclaim; but for man's acclaim (v.6)
- b. It is time for the world's works to be proclaimed evil (v.7)
- c. It is not time for His full revelation, that is, the revelation of His death (v.8-9)

John 7:10-19

B. The Response of the Jews: Seeking Yet Questioning, 7:10-19

1 Jesus went to the Feast (v.10)

- a. After his brothers had already gone (v.10a)
- b. Quietly, as in secret (v.10b)

2 The Jews' response: Sought and questioned and murmured about Him (v.11-15)

- a. A good man (v.12a)
- b. A deceiver (v.12b)
- c. A man not significant enough to defend (v.13)
- d. A man unaccredited—so capable, yet uneducated (v.14-15)
 - 1) Jesus went to the temple and taught (v.14)
 - 2) People questioned His credentials (v.15)

3 Jesus' reply: My teaching is God's teaching (v.16-19)

- a. Proven by the subjective test (the inward or moral test): Man knows the truth by doing it (v.17)
- b. Proven by the objective test (the outward or observation test): Does man speak for his own glory or for God's glory (v.18)
- c. Proven by the personal test: Are you keeping the law? (v.19)

John 7:20-31

C. The Response of the People: A Charge of Insanity, Yet Still Questioning, 7:20-31

1 The pilgrims' response (v.20-24)

- a. Their response: Jesus was possess by a demon, that is, insane (v.20)
- b. Jesus' reply: Doing good proves a man (v.21-24)
 - 1) Circumcision is doing good: Meets a religious and a ceremonial need of man (v.22)
 - 2) Healing is doing good: Meets a personal and a bodily need of man (v.23)
 - 3) A principle: Judge not superficially, think and consider (v.24)

2 The local residents' response (v.25-31)

- a. Their response was questioning: Is this not He? (v.25-27)
 - 1) Their reasoning: Could He be the Messiah? (v.26)
 - 2) Their conclusion: Unbelief—they knew His earthly origin (v.27)
- b. Jesus' reply: A pivotal claim (v.28-29)
 - 1) He is a man (v.28a)

- 2) [He also came from God \(v.28b\)](#)
- 3) [He knows God: Is from God—God sent Him \(v.29\)](#)
- c. [The local people's reaction \(v.30-31\)](#)
 - 1) [Some disbelieve and reject \(v.30\)](#)
 - 2) [Some believe \(v.31\)](#)

John 7:32-36

D. The Response of the Rulers and Authorities: A Charge of Being a Rabble-Rouser, 7:32-36

1 The rulers' response (v.32)

- a. [They considered Him a threat, a rabble-rouser \(v.32a\)](#)
- b. [They sought to arrest Him \(v.32b\)](#)

2 Jesus' reply (v.33-34)

- a. [He foretold His destiny: His death, resurrection, and ascension \(v.33\)](#)
- b. [He foretold man's destiny: Men shall seek to find Him—but cannot come where He is \(v.34\)](#)

3 The reaction of the rulers and authorities: They questioned His reply (v.35-36)

John 7:37-53

E. The Great Claim of Jesus and Divided Opinions About Him, 7:37-53

1 The Feast Day (v.37a)

2 The claims of Jesus (v.37b-39)

- a. [He is the source of life \(v.37b\)](#)
- b. [He is the source of abundant life \(v.38\)](#)
- c. [He is the source of the Holy Spirit \(v.39\)](#)

3 The people's divided response (v.40-44)

- a. [Many: The prophet \(v.40\)](#)
- b. [Others: The Christ \(v.41a\)](#)
- c. [Some: Questioned His birthplace and misinterpreted Scripture \(v.41b-43\)](#)
- d. [Some: Would take and do away with Him \(v.44\)](#)

4 The rulers' response (v.45-53)

- a. [Wished to remove Him \(v.45-46\)](#)
 - 1) [The officers were sent to arrest Jesus, v.32 \(v.45\)](#)
 - 2) [The officers' response: He is a great Teacher \(v.46\)](#)
- b. [Claimed He was a deceiver: Charged the people with being mistaken and accursed \(v.47-49\)](#)
- c. [Rejected Him \(v.50-52\)](#)
 - 1) [Nicodemus spoke up for Him \(v.50-51\)](#)

- 2) They rejected Nicodemus' questions, misinterpreting Scripture (v.52)
- d. Went to their own houses: Lived as always (v.53)

John 8:1-11

IX. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE LIGHT OF LIFE, 8:1-9:41

A. Man's Dark Sinfulness and God's Great Forgiveness, 8:1-11

1 A picture of Jesus' life (v.1-2)

- a. His life of devotion (v.1)
- b. His life of worship (v.2a)
- c. His life of mission and teaching (v.2b)

2 Man's dark guilt (v.3-6)

- a. A woman (and some man) were guilty of adultery (v.3)
- b. Some witnesses who were offended were guilty of being vindictive and seeking revenge (v.4)
- c. The religionists and the public were guilty (v.5-6a)
 - 1) A self-righteous, critical spirit (v.5)
 - 2) A hypocritical attitude (v.6a)
- d. Jesus ignored them as long as possible (v.6b)

3 Man's dark nature: All men are sinful—guilty of serious sin (v.7-9)

- a. The counter question by Jesus: Think—if without sin, then condemn (v.7-8)
- b. The result: All men are convicted (v.9)
 - 1) The oldest (v.9a)
 - 2) The last (v.9b)

4 Conclusion: The great revelation—Jesus alone has the right to condemn and forgive (v.10-11)

- a. He gives a second chance (v.10)
- b. He wishes to forgive (v.11a)
- c. He challenges (v.11b)
- d. He warns (v.11c)

John 8:12-20

B. Man's Need: The Light of the World, 8:12-20

1 Jesus made a great claim and promise (v.12-13)

- a. The claim: The Light of the World (v.12a)
- b. The promise: "Follow men and...." (v.12b)
- c. The Pharisees objected (v.13)

2 Proof 1: The great sense and knowledge of His origin and destiny (v.14)

- a. Jesus knew His origin and destiny (v.14a)
- b. Men could not know (v.14b)

3 Proof 2: Man's incompetence to judge (v.15-16)

- a. Judges by appearance (v.16a)
- b. Jesus judges not by appearance (v.16b)

4 Proof 3: The law's testimony (v.17-18)

- a. Jesus met the legal requirements (v.17)
- b. Jesus had two witnesses (v.18)

5 Proof 4: The Father's presence within (v.19)

- a. Jesus was mocked (v.19a)
- b. The Father was in Him (v.19b)

6 Conclusion: The tragedy—He was rejected in the temple (v.20)

John 8:21-24

C. Man's Futile Search for Utopia and Light, 8:21-24

1 Man's search (v.21-22)

- a. Man seeks Messiah (v.21a)
- b. Man fails and dies in sin (v.21b)
- c. Man's end: Separated from the Messiah (v.21c)
- d. Man mocks the idea of Jesus' Messiahship (v.22)

2 Man's futility and failure (v.23-24)

- a. Reason 1: Man has a different origin and being than Christ (v.23)
- b. Man sins and dies (v.24a)
- c. Reason 3: Man does not believe (v.24b)

John 8:25-30

D. Man's Tragic Failure to Understand the Light, 8:25-30

1 Man's very basic question (v.25)

- a. Who is Jesus? (v.25a)
- b. Jesus' reply: He is just who He claims to be (v.25b)

2 Man does not grasp that Jesus is God's Spokesman and Judge—the One who brought the message of the true God (v.26-27)

3 Man does not grasp that Jesus is the Son of Man—the One who was to be lifted up (v.28a)

4 Man does not grasp that Jesus is the great "I Am"—the Son of God Himself (v.28b)

5 Man does not grasp that Jesus was the One who God never left alone (v.29)

- a. God sent—was with (v.29a)
- b. Jesus pleased God always (v.29b)

6 Conclusion: Many believed (v.30)

John 8:31-32

E. Man's Freedom from Sin Is Conditional, 8:31-32

1 The conditions: Belief and abiding (v.31)

2 The results (v.32)

- a. Will know the truth (v.32a)
- b. Will be made free (v.32b)

John 8:33-40

F. Man's Enslavement by Sin, 8:33-40

1 Man's denial (v.33)

- a. He claims a godly heritage (v.33a)
- b. He denies that he is enslaved to sin (v.33b)

2 Proof 1: Man commits sin (v.34-36)

- a. He is the servant of sin (v.34a)
- b. He is warned (v.34b-36)
 - 1) A servant is not free within a household (v.35)
 - 2) The Son can make him free (v.36)

3 Proof 2: Man opposes and makes no room in his heart for Jesus' Word (v.37)

4 Man follows the wrong father, the devil (v.38)

5 Proof 4: Man fails to do the works of Abraham (v.39-40)

- a. Abraham did not seek to kill the messengers of truth (v.40a)
- b. Abraham believed the truth (v.40b)

John 8:41-47

G. Man's Depravity—Illegitimate Birth, 8:41-47

1 The fact stated (v.41)

- a. Man denies (v.41a)
- b. Man claims God is his Father (v.41b)

2 Proof 1: Man does not love Christ (v.42-43)

- a. Christ came from God (v.42a)
- b. Christ was sent by God (v.42b)
- c. Man does not understand the words and claims of Christ (v.43)

3 Proof 2: Man shows by his works that his father is the devil (v.44)

- a. Satan and man lust (v.44a)
- b. Satan and man murder (v.44b)
- c. Satan and man do not abide in the truth (v.44c)
- d. Satan and man lie (v.44d)

4 Proof 3: Christ is sinless—He is of God (v.45-47)

- a. Men still do not believe (v.45)
- b. The reason: Man is not of God—man is sinful (v.46-47)

- 1) He does not hear God's words (v.47a)
- 2) Because he is not of God (v.47b)

John 8:48-59

H. Man's Escape from Death, 8:48-59

1 A harsh insult—Jesus is a Samaritan and devil-possessed (v.48-50)

- a. Jesus' strong denial (v.49a)
- b. Jesus' purpose: To honor God (v.49b)
- c. Jesus' honor is God's concern (v.50)

2 The great revelation: Man can escape death (v.51-53)

- a. The condition: "If...." (v.51)
- b. The reaction to Jesus' promise: A charge that He was devil-possessed (v.52-53)
 - 1) The charge: All godly men have died (v.52)
 - 2) The question: Who do you claim to be? (v.53)

3 The great authority of Jesus to promise deliverance from death (v.54-59)

- a. He was honored by God (v.54-55)
 - 1) The God often professed by men (v.54)
 - 2) The God unknown by so many men (v.55a)
- b. He personally knew God, obeyed His Word (v.55b)
- c. He was the One that Abraham hoped for and actually saw (v.56-57)
 - 1) The Messiah (v.56)
 - 2) The Jews misinterpreted Jesus' claim (v.57)
- d. He was the great "I Am" (v.58-59)
 - 1) Before Abraham (v.58)
 - 2) The reaction against Him: Rejection (v.59)

John 9:1-7

I. Man's Eyes Opened (Part I): The Mission of Jesus, 9:1-7

1 Jesus passed by (v.1-3)

- a. He saw a man blind from birth (v.1)
- b. He was asked a question about suffering and sin (v.2)
- c. He replied that this man's suffering was not due to sin, but to show forth the works of God (v.3)

2 Jesus came to work the works of God (v.4)

3 Jesus came to be the Light of the world (v.5)

4 Jesus came to give sight to men (v.6-7)

- a. Jesus' act: He made contact (v.6)
- b. Man's act: He had to obey to receive his sight (v.7)

John 9:8-41

J. Man's Eyes Opened (Part II): The Stages of Spiritual Sight, 9:8-41

1 Stage 1: Seeing Jesus as a man (v.8-12)

- a. The man's neighbors were amazed and they questioned the man's deliverance (v.8-10)
- b. The man's testimony: A man called Jesus gave me sight (v.11-12)

2 Stage 2: Seeing Jesus as a Helper or a Healer (v.13-15)

- a. The problem: The Sabbath law was broken (v.14)
- b. The Pharisees questioned how the man could now see (v.15a)
- c. The man's testimony: Jesus healed me (v.15b)

3 Stage 3: Seeing Jesus as a prophet (v.16-17)

- a. The Pharisees were divided (v.16)
- b. The Pharisees questioned the man again (v.17a)
- c. The man's testimony: Jesus is a prophet (v.17b)

4 Stage 4: Seeing Jesus as the Savior (v.18-27)

- a. The Pharisees' unbelief (v.18a)
- b. The Pharisees called and questioned the man's parents (v.18b-19)
- c. The parents' testimony (v.20-23)
 - 1) They identified their son (v.20)
 - 2) They denied being eye-witnesses (v.21)
 - 3) They feared prejudgment and excommunication: Feared being banished from the synagogue (v.22-23)
- d. The Pharisees demanded that Jesus be denied (v.24)
- e. The man's testimony (v.25-27)
 - 1) I was blind, but now I see (Jesus saved me and gave me sight) (v.25-26)
 - 2) The evidence was clear (v.27)

5 Stage 5: Seeing Jesus as being "of God" (v.28-34)

- a. The Pharisees' case (v.28-29)
 - 1) Accused the man of being Jesus' disciple (v.28)
 - 2) Questioned the origin of Jesus (v.29)
- b. The man's testimony (v.30-33)
 - 1) A marvelous thing (v.30)
 - 2) God does not hear sinners, but worshippers (v.31)
 - 3) My experience: Proves Jesus is "of God" (v.32-33)
- c. The Pharisees denied his experience and proof: They cast the man out (v.34)

6 Stage 6: Seeing Jesus as the Son of God (v.35-38)

- a. Jesus sought the man who had been cast out (v.35a)
- b. Jesus' invitation (v.35b)
- c. The man requested to know the Son of God (v.36)

d. Jesus identified Himself as The Son of God, cp. v.35 (v.37)

e. The man believed (v.38)

7 Conclusion: The lesson of Jesus' revelation (v.39-41)

a. His mission: to bring judgment (v.39)

b. The religionists' expectation: To be exempt from judgment (v.40-41)

John 10:1-6

X. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE SHEPHERD OF LIFE, 10:1-42

A. The Shepherd and His Sheep: False vs. True Teachers, 10:1-6

1 The sheepfold (v.1a)

2 The false shepherd (v.1b-c)

a. Enters the wrong way (v.1b)

b. Is a thief and robber: Seizes by false entry and force (v.1c)

3 The true shepherd (v.2-3)

a. Enters the appointed door (v.2)

b. Is known by the porter (God) (v.3a)

c. Knows sheep by name (v.3b)

d. Leads and shepherds the sheep (v.3c)

4 The sheep (v.4-5)

a. Know the shepherd's voice (v.4a)

b. Follow the shepherd who goes before them (v.4b)

c. Flee from strange voices (v.5)

5 The parable not understood (v.6)

John 10:7-10

B. The Door of the Sheep: The Only Way to God, 10:7-10

1 Jesus is the only door of the sheep (v.7-8)

a. All others are thieves and robbers (v.8a)

b. Proof: The sheep did not hear them (v.8b)

2 Jesus is the only door that leads to salvation (v.9)

a. "In and out": Security (v.9a)

b. "Pasture": Provision (v.9b)

3 Jesus is the only door that leads to abundant life (v.10)

a. All others come to take and to steal (v.10a)

b. Jesus comes to give life (v.10b)

John 10:11-21

C. The Good Shepherd: Jesus, the True Savior of the World, 10:11-21

1 The meaning of "Good Shepherd" (v.11-13)

- a. A sacrificial life (v.11)
- b. Not a hired or employed shepherd (v.12-13)
 - 1) He sees danger—acts cowardly, flees (v.12a)
 - 2) He causes the sheep to be caught—in error (v.12b)
 - 3) He lacks genuine care (v.13)

2 The proof that Jesus is the "Good Shepherd" (v.14-16)

- a. He knows His sheep (v.14)
- b. He knows His Father—the Owner (v.15a)
- c. He will die for His sheep (v.15b)
- d. He works to enlarge the fold (v.16)

3 The final proof is the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus (v.17-18)

- a. The very reason God loves Him so much (v.17)
- b. His death was the supreme act of obedience (v.18)
 - 1) Was voluntary (v.18a)
 - 2) Was a command (v.18b)

4 The reaction to Jesus' claim (v.19-21)

- a. Some reject: Call Jesus demon-possessed and mad (v.20)
- b. Some question: Perhaps Jesus is who He claims (v.21)

John 10:22-42

D. The Great Shepherd's Claims, 10:22-42

1 Jesus was in Jerusalem at the Feast of Dedication (v.22-24)

- a. It was winter (v.22)
- b. He was walking in Solomon's porch (v.23)
- c. The religionists approached and questioned him (v.24)

2 Claim 1: He is the Messiah (v.25-29)

- a. Religionists did not believe (v.25-26)
 - 1) His clear claim (v.25a)
 - 2) But His works prove (v.25b)
 - 3) Reason: The religionists were not of His sheep (v.26)
- b. His sheep believe (v.27-29)
 - 1) Are receptive (v.27a)
 - 2) Are known (v.27b)
 - 3) Do follow, v.27 (v.27c)
 - 4) Are given life (v.28a)
 - 5) Are kept from perishing (v.28b)
 - 6) Are secure (v.28c)
 - 7) Are assured a double security in God Himself (v.29)

3 Claim 2: He is one with God, that is, He is God Himself (v.30-33)

- a. The religionists reacted (v.31)
- b. Jesus questioned their reaction (v.32)
- c. The religionists admitted that His works were good (v.33a)
- d. The religionists understood His claim, but they rejected Him (v.33b)

4 Claim 3: He is the Son of God (v.34-36)

- a. Jesus showed man's inconsistency (v.34-35)
- b. Jesus' claim (v.36)
 - 1) The Father sanctified Him (v.36a)
 - 2) The Father sent Him (v.36b)
 - 3) He is the Son of God (v.36c)

5 Claim 4: God is in Him and He is in God—absolutely (v.37-39)

- a. His works prove (v.38)
- b. He was still rejected (v.39)

6 Conclusion: Jesus retired (v.40-42)

- a. To the area of John the Baptist (v.40)
- b. John's crowds began to follow Jesus (v.41)
- c. Many believed on Jesus (v.42)

John 11:1-16

**XI. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE,
11:1-12:11**

A. The Death of Lazarus and Its Purposes, 11:1-16

1 Lazarus was sick (v.1-3)

- a. His home was Bethany (v.1)
- b. His sisters were Mary and Martha (v.2)
- c. His sisters sent the news of Lazarus' sickness to Jesus (v.3)

2 Purpose 1: To glorify God and to proclaim that Jesus is the Son of God (v.4)

3 Purpose 2: To show Jesus' great love (v.5)

4 Purpose 3: To show the necessity for waiting upon God in great crises (v.6)

5 Purpose 4: To teach the need to grasp opportunity (v.7-10)

- a. The disciples protested Jesus' return to Jerusalem: Because of the threat to His life (v.8)
- b. Jesus' reply: There is a duty to work—to do what is right, to grasp the opportunity—regardless of the danger (v.9-10)

6 Purpose 5: To show Jesus' power over death (v.11-14)

- a. Jesus called Lazarus "our friend" (v.11a)
- b. Jesus predicted Lazarus would be raised (v.11b)
- c. The disciples misunderstood (v.12)

d. Jesus said that death is as "sleep" (v.13-14)

7 Purpose 6: To help strengthen the disciples' belief (v.15)

8 Purpose 7: To stir the disciples' courage and loyalty (v.16)

John 11:17-27

B. Jesus and Martha: A Growth in Faith, 11:17-27

1 The scene was Bethany, a suburb of Jerusalem—about two miles away (v.17-20)

a. Lazarus: Had been in the grave for four days (v.17-18)

b. Friends: Comforted the family (v.19)

c. Martha: Went to meet Jesus (v.20a)

d. Mary: Sat at home (v.20b)

2 Martha's complaining, limited faith (v.21-22)

a. Her *complaining* belief (v.21)

b. Her *limited* belief: That His power was less than God's power (v.22)

3 Martha's fundamental faith (v.23-24)

a. Jesus' declaration (v.23)

b. Martha's expression of faith (v.24)

4 Martha's declared faith (v.25-27)

a. Jesus' great claim (v.25a)

b. The promise: Believe (v.25b-26)

1) He who believes and dies shall live (v.25b)

2) He who lives and believes shall never die; he never perishes (v.26)

c. Martha's declaration (v.27)

1) The Christ (v.27a)

2) The Son of God (v.27b)

3) Sent by God (v.27c)

John 11:28-37

C. Jesus and Mary: The Needs of Man, 11:28-37

1 Need 1: The glorious message of Christ (v.28)

a. He is the "Master" (v.28a)

b. The Master "is come" (v.28b)

c. The Master calls "for you" (v.28c)

2 Need 2: The right response—arise quickly and come to Christ (v.29-30)

3 Need 3: The reaching out of people to help others (v.31)

4 Need 4: The confession of faith (even if it is limited and weak) (v.32)

a. The confession: Lord (v.32a)

b. The complaining, limited faith (v.32b)

5 Need 5: The understanding, feelings, and compassion of Jesus (v.33-36)

- a. He groans in spirit (v.33)
 - 1) Over death (v.33a)
 - 2) Over man's pain (v.33b)
- b. He asks where the dead person is (v.34)
- c. He weeps in love: Over death and man's pain (v.35-36)

6 Conclusion: The misunderstanding of man—how could Jesus love so much and let this happen? (v.37)

John 11:38-46

D. Jesus and Lazarus: Power Over Death, 11:38-46

1 Jesus confronted the dead (v.38-39)

- a. He groaned (v.38)
- b. He was confronted with a believer's objection (v.39)

2 The great promise of unlimited, resting faith (v.40)

3 The great prayer of purpose (v.41-42)

- a. Addressed God as "Father" (v.41a)
- b. Made a request (v.41b)
- c. Offered thanksgiving (v.41b)
- d. Expressed perfect confidence (v.42a)
- e. Bore testimony (v.42b)

4 The great shout of power over death (v.43-44)

- a. Was by Christ alone (v.43a)
- b. Was personal: By name (v.43b)
- c. The result (v.44)
 - 1) The dead arose (v.44a)
 - 2) The resurrected received Jesus' personal attention (v.44b)

5 Conclusion: The reaction to Jesus' great power (v.45-46)

- a. Some believed (v.45)
- b. Some caused trouble (v.46)

John 11:47-57

E. Jesus and Religious Leaders: Unbelief and Opposition, 11:47-57

1 The Sanhedrin met to discuss Jesus (v.47)

2 The causes of unbelief and opposition (v.48)

- a. The fear of losing one's recognition, esteem, and following (v.48a)

b. [The fear of losing one's position, influence, and authority \(v.48b\)](#)

3 The conclusion of unbelief and opposition (v.49-53)

a. [Suggested by the religious himself \(v.49\)](#)

b. [The conclusion: To sacrifice Jesus for the people \(v.50\)](#)

c. [The mystery of the conclusion \(v.51-52\)](#)

1) [He was predicting that Jesus was to die for the Jews \(v.51\)](#)

2) [He was predicting that Jesus was to die for the world \(v.52\)](#)

d. [The decision was made: Reject Jesus—do away with him \(v.53\)](#)

4 The response of Jesus to unbelief and opposition (v.54)

a. [He withdrew from the rejecters \(v.54a\)](#)

b. [He concentrated on His disciples \(v.54b\)](#)

5 The providence of God in moving events despite unbelief and opposition (v.55-57)

a. [God controlled the time: The Passover \(v.55\)](#)

b. [God stirred the people's interest: Caused them to seek for Jesus \(v.56\)](#)

c. [God controlled man's devilish plots: Kept the people from helping and contributing to the evil \(v.57\)](#)

John 12:1-11

F. Jesus and Reactions to His Revelations, 12:1-11

([Matthew 26:6-13](#); [Mark 14:3-9](#))

1 Jesus dined in a home in Bethany (v.1-2)

a. [The place where Lazarus was raised \(v.1b\)](#)

b. [Six days before the Passover \(v.1a\)](#)

c. [Martha served \(v.2a\)](#)

d. [Lazarus was present \(v.2b\)](#)

2 The supreme believer (v.3)

a. [The repentant love \(v.3a\)](#)

b. [A sacrificial and costly love \(v.3b\)](#)

c. [A believing love: The Christ, the Anointed \(v.3c\)](#)

3 The hypocritical, unbelieving disciple (v.4-8)

a. [He followed Jesus, but he criticized believers \(v.5\)](#)

b. [He expressed concern for the ministry, but he had an ulterior motive \(v.6\)](#)

c. [He worked for Jesus, but he did not love Jesus \(v.7-8\)](#)

4 The half-sincere seekers (v.9)

a. [Came to see Jesus \(v.9a\)](#)

b. [Came to see the spectacular \(v.9b\)](#)

c. [Came for socializing \(v.9c\)](#)

5 The fearful, self-seeking religionists (v.10-11)

a. [They plotted to destroy Jesus \(v.10\)](#)

- b. They feared personal loss (v.11)

John 12:12-19

XII. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE GLORIFIED SON OF MAN, 12:12-50

A. Jesus Proclaimed as King: The Triumphal Entry, 12:12-19

(Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-40)

1 Crowds gathered for the Passover (11:55f) (v.12a)

2 The false concept of Christ (v.12b-13)

- a. Held by "many" people (v.12b)
- b. Went forth to meet Him (v.13a)
- c. Took palm branches (v.13b)
- d. Cried Hosanna (save) (v.13c)
- e. Thought He was a political Messiah (v.13d)

3 The true concept of Christ (v.14-15)

- a. The symbol of peace: A young colt (v.14)
- b. The prophecy: The King comes in peace (v.15)

4 The disciples' reaction (v.16)

- a. The bewilderment: Did not grasp the significance (v.16a)
- b. Their understanding: Grasp after His resurrection (v.16b)

5 The people's reaction (v.17-18)

- a. The eye-witnesses to Lazarus' resurrection: They buzzed about (v.17)
- b. The hearers of the miracle: They sought Him, sought for the sensational (v.18)

6 The religionists' reaction: Despair and rage (v.19)

John 12:20-36

B. Jesus Approached as King: The Misunderstood Messiah, 12:20-36

1 Some Greeks, representing the world, sought Jesus (cp. 12:19) (v.20-22)

- a. Jesus was accepted as king, 12:12f (v.20)
- b. Some Greeks requested to see the king (v.21-22)

2 Misunderstanding 1: His glory (v.23-26)

- a. His hour had come (v.23-24)
 - 1) He had to die first (v.24a)
 - 2) Then He could bear fruit (v.24b)
- b. Man's hour is come (v.25-26)
 - 1) Man must lose his life to bear eternal life (v.25)
 - 2) Man must serve and follow Jesus to be assured of Jesus' presence and God's honor (v.26)

3 Misunderstanding 2: His cause (v.27-30)

- a. His troubled soul (v.27a)

- [b. His great cause \(v.27b\)](#)
- [c. His prayer \(v.28a\)](#)
- [d. God's audible approval \(v.28b\)](#)
- [e. The people's confusion \(v.29\)](#)
- [f. God's purpose: To show His approval of Christ \(v.30\)](#)

4 Misunderstanding 3: The world (v.31-33)

- [a. It has to be judged \(v.31a\)](#)
- [b. It is ruled by an alien prince \(v.31b\)](#)
- [c. It is conquered by the cross \(v.32-33\)](#)

5 Misunderstanding 4: The Messiah (the Light) (v.34-36)

- [a. The people misunderstood the Messiah \(v.34\)](#)
- [b. The claim: He is the Light \(the Messiah\)—the light is to be extinguished \(v.35\)](#)
- [c. The need \(v.36\)](#)
 - [1\) To walk in the light \(v.36a\)](#)
 - [2\) To believe in the light \(v.36b\)](#)

John 12:37-50

C. Jesus Rejected and Accepted as King, 12:37-50

1 The unbelievers (v.37-41)

- [a. They act illogically \(v.37-38\)](#)
 - [1\) They reject miracles \(v.37\)](#)
 - [2\) They reject revelation \(v.38a\)](#)
 - [3\) They reject the arm of the Lord \(v.38b\)](#)
- [b. The results of unbelief: A just, judicial rejection by God \(v.39-41\)](#)
 - [1\) Man is blinded \(v.40a\)](#)
 - [2\) Man is hardened \(v.40b\)](#)
 - [3\) Man is condemned to be lost \(v.40c\)](#)
 - [4\) Man is condemned to remain unhealed \(v.40d\)](#)
 - [5\) Man never sees the glory of God \(v.41\)](#)

2 The silent believers (v.42-43)

- [a. They fail to confess Jesus \(v.42a\)](#)
- [b. They fail, fearing personal loss \(v.42b\)](#)
- [c. They fail, loving the praise of men more than God \(v.43\)](#)

3 The true believer (v.44-46)

- [a. Believes on God—through Jesus, the Mediator \(v.44\)](#)
- [b. Sees God—through Jesus, the Mediator \(v.45\)](#)
- [c. Is delivered from darkness—through Jesus, the Light \(v.46\)](#)

4 The unbeliever—his judgment (v.47-50)

- a. Judged not by Jesus: He came to save, not judge (v.47)
- b. Judged by the words of salvation: The very words he rejected will stand as a witness against him (v.48-50)
 - 1) Because Jesus' words are God's commandment (v.49)
 - 2) Because God's word is life (v.50a)
 - 3) Because the words of Jesus are the truth (v.50b)

John 13:1-17

XIII. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE GREAT MINISTER AND HIS LEGACY, 13:1-16:33

A. The Demonstration of Royal Service, 13:1-17

(cp. Matthew 26:20-24; Mark 14:14-17; Luke 22:14, 21-23)

1 In the Upper Room right before the Passover (v.1a)

2 The impetus for royal service (v.1b-2)

- a. Knowing His hour had come (v.1b)
- b. Loving His followers to the very end (v.1c)
- c. Knowing His enemies (v.2)

3 The extreme demonstration of royal service (v.3-5)

- a. Knowing His mission (v.3)
- b. Laying aside His garments (v.4)
- c. Washing the disciples' feet (v.5)

4 The prerequisite for royal service: Washing and cleansing (v.6-11)

- a. Washing is misunderstood (v.6)
- b. Washing has a deeper meaning: Spiritual cleansing (v.7-8)
- c. Washing is requested (v.9)
- d. Washing is thorough and permanent (v.10)
- e. Washing is not automatic nor by association (v.11)

5 The meaning of royal service (v.12-14)

- a. To serve Jesus as Master and Lord (v.13)
- b. To serve other believers royally, sacrificially, leading them to be washed and cleansed (v.14)

6 The reasons for royal service (v.15-17)

- a. Because of Jesus' example (v.15)
- b. Because believers are not as great as the Lord (v.16)
- c. Because of resulting joy (v.17)

John 13:18-30

B. The Prediction of the Betrayer: A Picture of Apostasy, 13:18-30

1 There is the heartbreak of betrayal (v.18)

- [a. Betrayer is not chosen \(v.18a\)](#)
- [b. Betrayer is of the basest sort: Eats with, yet turns away \(v.18b\)](#)

2 There is the prediction of betrayal (v.19-20)

- [a. To assure that Jesus is the Messiah \(v.19\)](#)
- [b. To strengthen the dignity of the Lord's call \(v.20a\)](#)
- [c. To give assurance of God's indwelling presence \(v.20b\)](#)

3 There is the last chance given to the betrayer (v.21-26)

- [a. The betrayer's presence exposed \(v.21b\)](#)
- [b. Jesus' distress \(v.21a\)](#)
- [c. The disciples' perplexity, nervousness, and self-consciousness \(v.22-23\)](#)
- [d. Peter's gesture for John to inquire further \(v.24\)](#)
- [e. John's inquiry \(v.25\)](#)
- [f. Jesus' indirect and merciful identification: The giving of a last chance \(v.26\)](#)

4 There is the warning against betrayal (v.27-30)

- [a. The evil possession \(v.27a\)](#)
- [b. The charge: Act now \(v.27b\)](#)
- [c. The deceiving of the disciples by the betrayer \(v.28-29\)](#)
- [d. The judgment: Seen in the betrayer being separated immediately \(v.30\)](#)

John 13:31-38

C. The Departure of Jesus From This World, 13:31-38

[\(Matthew 26:30-35; Mark 14:26-31; Luke 22:31-34\)](#)

1 Jesus' death brought a threefold glory (v.31-32)

- [a. The Son of Man's glory: The cross \(v.31\)](#)
- [b. God's glory: Jesus' obedience \(v.32a\)](#)
- [c. Jesus' glory: The resurrection \(v.32b\)](#)

2 Jesus' death demanded a new commandment (v.33-35)

- [a. The reason: His departure from the earth \(v.33\)](#)
- [b. The new commandment: To love as Jesus loved \(v.34\)](#)
- [c. The mark of a true disciple: Love \(v.35\)](#)

3 Jesus' death revealed stumbling loyalty (v.36-38)

- [a. Cause 1: Misunderstanding Jesus' death \(v.36\)](#)
- [b. Cause 2: Carnal commitment \(v.37-38\)](#)

John 14:1-3

D. Jesus' Death Delivers Troubled Hearts, 14:1-3

1 Delivers through belief (v.1)

2 Delivers through the hope for God's house and its mansions (v.2a)

3 Delivers through Jesus' work (v.2b)

4 Delivers through Jesus' return (v.3a)

5 Delivers through an eternal habitation with Jesus (v.3b)

John 14:4-7

E. The Way to God Is By Jesus Alone, 14:4-7

1 Jesus' destination (v.4-5)

a. The destination is known (v.4a)

b. The way is known (v.4b)

c. Thomas' contradiction and skepticism (v.5)

2 The way to God is Jesus Himself (v.6a)

3 The destination is God (v.6b)

4 The only way to God is Jesus (v.6c)

5 The only way to God is now revealed—unmistakably (v.7)

John 14:8-14

F. The Embodiment of God is Jesus Himself, 14:8-14

1 Philip's request—show us the Father, a dazzling sight (v.8)

2 The revelation: Jesus is the full embodiment of God (v.9)

3 The clear evidence (v.10)

a. God's presence (v.10a)

b. Jesus' words (v.10b)

c. Jesus' works (v.10c)

4 The clear challenge: Believe the claim of Jesus (v.11)

5 The clear promises: Are conditional—to the person who believes on Jesus (v.12-14)

a. The power to do great works (v.12)

b. The answer to all prayers (v.13-14)

John 14:15-26

G. The Holy Spirit: Who He Is, 14:15-26

1 Fact: If a person loves Jesus, he will keep His commandments (v.15)

2 He is the Comforter, the other Helper (v.16)

3 He is the Spirit of truth (v.17)

a. The world cannot receive Him (v.17a)

b. The believer does receive Him and know Him (v.17b)

4 He is the personal presence of Christ (v.18-20)

a. Not in a physical sense (v.19a)

- [b. A living, eternal presence \(v.19b\)](#)
- [c. A living union between God, Christ, and the believer \(v.20\)](#)

5 He is the very special manifestation of Christ within the believer (v.21-22)

- [a. The special presence is conditional: Must obey and love Christ \(v.21\)](#)
- [b. The special presence is questioned \(v.22\)](#)

6 He is the abiding presence of the Trinity (v.23-24)

- [a. Is conditional: Must love and obey Jesus \(v.23a\)](#)
- [b. Is the love and presence of God and Christ \(v.23b\)](#)
- [c. Is not given to those who do not love and obey Christ \(v.24a\)](#)
- [d. Is assured by God Himself \(v.24b\)](#)

7 He is the Holy Spirit, the Teacher (v.25-26)

- [a. The facts \(v.26a-b\)](#)
 - [1\) He is promised \(v.26a\)](#)
 - [2\) He is given by the Father in the name of Jesus \(v.26b\)](#)
- [b. His purpose \(v.26c-d\)](#)
 - [1\) To teach the believer \(v.26c\)](#)
 - [2\) To help the believer remember \(v.26d\)](#)

John 14:27-31

H. The Source of Peace, Joy, and Security, 14:27-31

1 The source of peace (v.27)

- [a. The peace of the world \(v.27a\)](#)
- [b. The peace of Christ \(v.27b\)](#)
- [c. The source: Jesus only \(v.27c\)](#)

2 The source of joy (rejoicing) (v.28-29)

- [a. The return of Jesus to the Father \(His death, resurrection, and ascension\) \(v.28a\)](#)
- [b. The Father's greatness \(v.28b\)](#)
- [c. A confirmed faith \(v.29\)](#)

3 The source of security (v.30-31)

- [a. Jesus' victory over the prince of the world \(v.30\)](#)
- [b. Jesus' obedience to the Father \(v.31\)](#)

John 15:1-8

I. The Relationship of Jesus to the People of the World, 15:1-8

1 Jesus, the Vine; God, the Vinedresser; and man, the branch (v.1)

2 Unfruitful branches: Are taken away (v.2a)

3 Fruitful branches (v.2b-4a)

- a. Are pruned (v.2b)
- b. The purpose for pruning (v.2c)
- c. How branches are pruned (v.3)
 - 1) By the Word (v.3)
 - 2) By abiding (v.4a)

4 Unattached branches (v.4b-6)

- a. Are by themselves: Not abiding, not attached (v.4b)
- b. Cannot bear fruit (v.5a)
- c. Do not understand the nature of bearing fruit in life: Can do nothing apart from Christ (v.5b)
- d. Are doomed: Gathered, cast away, burned (v.6)

5 Attached branches: Results and promises (v.7-8)

- a. Receive nourishment—answered prayers (v.7)
- b. Glorify God (v.8a)
- c. Prove their attachment—discipleship (v.8b)

John 15:9-11

J. The Relationship of Jesus to Believers, 15:9-11

1 He has loved believers (v.9a)

2 He has one great charge for believers: Continue—abide in His love (v.9b-10)

- a. "Abiding" is conditional (v.10a)
- b. "Abiding" has a standard—the obedience of Jesus (v.10b)

3 He has one great purpose for believers: The completion of their joy (v.11)

John 15:12-17

K. The Relationship of Believers to Believers, 15:12-17

1 The supreme command of believers: Love one another (v.12)

2 The supreme standard of believers: The love of Jesus (v.12-13)

3 The supreme bond of "friends" (v.14-15)

- a. Is conditional: "If" (v.14)
- b. Is based upon revelation: The words of the Father made known by Christ (v.15)

4 The supreme purpose of believers: Chosen and ordained to go (v.16)

- a. To go forth (v.16b)
- b. To bear fruit (v.16c)
- c. To receive of God (v.16d)

5 Conclusion: The supreme command repeated (v.17)

John 15:18-27

L. The Relationship of Believers to the World: Persecution (Part I), 15:18-27

1 The chilling reality: The world will hate (v.18)

2 The unjustified reasons for the world's hatred (v.19-24)

- a. Because believers are new creatures (v.19)
- b. Because believers are identified with Christ (v.20)
- c. Because the world does not really know God (v.21)
- d. Because the world is convicted of sin (v.22-24)
 - 1) The Lord's message convicts (v.22-23)
 - 2) The Lord's life and works convict (v.24)

3 The terrible guilt of the world: They are without cause (v.25)

4 The promise of victory over the world (v.26-27)

- a. Victory through the Holy Spirit: He is the comforter—the Truth—the Witness (v.26)
- b. Victory through one's own witness and fellowship with Christ (v.27)

John 16:1-6

M. The Relationship of Believers to Religionists: Persecution (Part II), 16:1-6

1 Jesus warned that religionists would persecute believers (v.1)

2 The persecution: Worship shall be forbidden (v.2)

- a. Shall be put out of worship and killed (v.2a)
- b. By religionists (v.2b)

3 The reason for the persecution: The religionists do not know God nor His Son (v.3)

4 The preparation for persecution (v.4-6)

- a. The believer must expect persecution and not be caught of guard (v.4)
- b. The believer must know that God *is* and that Jesus reigns (v.5a)
- c. The believer must keep his mind on his destiny (v.5b)
- d. The believer must call upon the Holy Spirit (v.6)

John 16:7-15

N. The Work of the Holy Spirit, 16:7-15

1 He helps believers (v.7)

- a. His help: More expedient (v.7a)
- b. His name: The Comforter, the Helper (v.7b)

2 He convicts and convinces the world (v.8-11)

- a. He convicts: Of sin, righteousness, and judgment (v.8)
- b. He convinces (v.9-11)

- 1) Of sin: Because they believe not on Jesus (v.9)
- 2) Of righteousness: Because Jesus' righteousness is proven—He is ascended as Lord (v.10)
- 3) Of judgment: Because Jesus condemned Satan (v.11)

3 He guides believers (v.12-13)

- a. Through speaking the truth (v.13a)
- b. Through leading into all truth (v.13b)
- c. Through showing things to come (v.13c)

4 He glorifies Jesus: He takes the things of Jesus and shows them to believers (v.14-15)

John 16:16-33

O. The Resurrection and Its Effects Foretold, 16:16-33

1 The resurrection perplexes people (v.16-19)

- a. The death and resurrection of Jesus predicted (v.16)
- b. The resurrection was perplexing (v.17-19)
 - 1) The disciples' perplexity (v.17-18)
 - 2) Jesus knew the disciples' perplexity and wished to help (v.19)

2 The resurrection brings joy—irrepressible joy (v.20-22)

- a. There was sorrow at first: His death (v.20a)
- b. There was then joy: His resurrection (v.20b)
- c. There was a good illustration: A woman's travail (v.21)
- d. There was irrepressible joy (v.22)
 - 1) Because of resurrection (v.22a)
 - 2) Because no man could take the joy away (v.22b)

3 The resurrection gives open access into God's presence (v.23-24)

- a. The glorious promise (v.23)
- b. The institution of prayer "in Jesus' name" (v.24)

4 The resurrection reveals all about the Father (v.25-27)

- a. The resurrection shows and declares the Father clearly (v.25)
- b. The resurrection shows that the approach to God is "in Jesus' name" (v.26)
- c. The resurrection shows that the Father Himself loves the believer (v.27)

5 The resurrection validates the Messiahship of Jesus (v.28)

6 The resurrection exposes weak faith (v.29-32)

- a. The disciples declared their faith (v.30)
- b. Jesus questioned their weak profession (v.31)
- c. The cross tested and exposed their profession (v.32)

7 The resurrection makes available true peace (v.33)

- a. The world's peace: Tribulation (v.33a)
- b. The peace of Jesus: Triumphant (v.33b)

John 17:1-8

XIV. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE GREAT INTERCESSOR, 17:1-26

A. Jesus Prayed for Himself, 17:1-8

1 Jesus' hour had come, that is, His death (v.1a)

2 Request 1: Glorify thy Son—that He may glorify the Father (v.1b-4)

- a. How: By giving Him power over all flesh (v.2a)
- b. Purpose: That He may give eternal life (v.2b-3)
 - 1) Eternal life is knowing God (v.3a)
 - 2) Eternal life is knowing Christ (v.3b)
- c. Christ finished God's work (v.4)

3 Request 2: Restore thy Son to His former glory—to His preexistent exaltation (v.5-8)

- a. Because He has revealed the Father's name (v.6)
- b. Because men now know that He is the Son of God, the revelation of God Himself (v.7-8)
 - 1) They now receive His Words (v.8a)
 - 2) They now know His origin (v.8b)
 - 3) They now believe He is sent of God, that He is the Son of God Himself (v.8c)

John 17:9-19

B. Jesus Prayed for His Disciples, 17:9-19

1 Jesus prayed for His disciples (v.9-11a)

- a. Because they had been entrusted to Him (v.9b)
- b. Because they belonged to both Jesus and God (v.10a)
- c. Because glory came to Jesus through them (v.10b)
- d. Because Jesus was leaving the world (v.11a)

2 Request 1: That God would keep them, and keep them together as one (v.11b-12)

- a. Because they were in the world (v.12a)
- b. Because He had kept them and had lost none (v.12b)

3 Request 2: That they might have His joy in all its fullness (v.13)

4 Request 3: That God would keep them from the evil one or Satan (v.14-16)

- a. Because the world hated them (v.14)
 - 1) Because of the Word (v.14a)
 - 2) Because they are not of the world (v.14b)
- b. Because they were needed in the world (v.15)
- c. Because they were now of the same nature as Jesus (v.16)

5 Request 4: That God would sanctify them (v.17-19)

- a. [Because they were sent into the world \(v.18\)](#)
- b. [Because sanctification is the way of salvation \(v.19\)](#)

John 17:20-26

C. Jesus Prayed for Future Believers, 17:20-26

1 Jesus prayed for all future believers (v.20)

2 Request 1: That believers may be one (v.21-22)

- a. [The standard: As God and Christ are one \(v.21a\)](#)
- b. [The purpose: That the world may believe \(v.21b\)](#)
- c. [The source: God's glory \(v.22\)](#)

3 Request 2: That believers be perfected in unity (v.23)

- a. [Source: Jesus within \(v.23a\)](#)
- b. [Reason: To convince the world \(v.23b-d\)](#)
 - 1) [God sent Christ \(v.23c\)](#)
 - 2) [God loves believers \(v.23d\)](#)

4 Request 3: That believers may be with Him in glory (v.24)

- a. [The reason: To behold His glory \(v.24a\)](#)
- b. [The assurance: God's love \(v.24b\)](#)

5 Conclusion: A testimony (v.25-26)

- a. [Of the world: Has not known God \(v.25a\)](#)
- b. [Of Jesus: Knew God \(v.25b\)](#)
- c. [Of believers: Have known that God sent Jesus \(v.25c\)](#)
- d. [Jesus' faithfulness \(v.26\)](#)
 - 1) [He declared God \(v.26a\)](#)
 - 2) [His purpose: That men might know God's love \(v.26b\)](#)

John 18:1-11

XV. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE SUFFERING SAVIOR, 18:1-19:42

A. The Arrest: Absolute Surrender, 18:1-11

[\(Matthew 26:36-56; Mark 14:32-52; Luke 22:39-53\)](#)

1 A devotion to God (v.1-3)

- a. ["Went forth" to prepare Himself spiritually \(v.1a\)](#)
- b. ["Went forth" to prepare the scene for God's will \(v.1b-3\)](#)
 - 1) [Went to a place known by Judas \(v.2\)](#)
 - 2) [Judas came forth with a large force to arrest Him \(v.3\)](#)

2 A willing determination (v.4-6)

- a. [He "went forth"—voluntarily \(v.4\)](#)
- b. [A courageous confession and claim \(v.5a\)](#)
- c. [A miraculous blast of revelation: "I Am" \(v.5b-6\)](#)

3 A protective or vicarious commitment (v.7-9)

- a. He gave Himself for His disciples (v.8)
- b. His reason: To fulfill His Word (v.9)

4 An unswerving obedience (v.10-11)

- a. Peter's loyal, but carnal zeal (v.10)
- b. Jesus' iron determination to obey God's will: To drink the cup (v.11)

John 18:12-27

B. The Jews and Peter: The Cowardly Denial, 18:12-27

(Matthew 26:69-75; Mark 14:53-72; Luke 22:54-62)

1 Jesus was arrested, taken and bound (v.12-14)

- a. He was led away to Annas (v.13)
- b. His hour to die was rapidly approaching (v.14)

2 Peter's unnecessary denial: The denial of association (v.15-18)

- a. Peter followed Jesus (v.15a)
- b. Another disciple also followed Jesus (v.15b-16)
 - 1) He knew the officials of the palace (v.15c)
 - 2) He arranged for Peter to enter (v.16)
- c. Peter was innocently questioned by the door-keeper (v.17a)
- d. Peter denied being associated with Jesus (v.17b)
- e. Peter made a carnal attempt to be known as one of the crowd (v.18)

3 The world's unjust denial (v.19-24)

- a. Jesus was asked to incriminate Himself (v.19)
 - 1) To prove His teaching (v.19b)
 - 2) To incriminate His followers (v.19a)
- b. Jesus replied forcefully (v.20-21)
 - 1) His testimony was public knowledge (v.21a)
 - 2) The world knew His testimony (v.21b)
- c. Jesus was reacted against and mistreated (v.22)
- d. Jesus incriminated the world (v.23)
- e. Jesus was shifted about by the world (v.24)

4 Peter's cowardly denial: The denial of separation (v.25)

- a. Standing with the crowd, v.18 (v.25a)
- b. An unequivocal denial (v.25b)

5 Peter's shattering denial: The denial of discipleship (v.26-27a)

6 Conclusion: Jesus' Word was fulfilled (v.27b)

John 18:28-19:15

C. The Trial Before Pilate: Indecisive Compromise, 18:28-19:15

([Matthew 27:11-25](#); [Mark 15:1-15](#); [Luke 23:1-5, 13-25](#))

1 Jesus was led into the judgment hall (v.28)

- [a. Early in the morning \(v.28a\)](#)
- [b. The Jews did not enter \(v.28b\)](#)
- [c. Pilate moved back and forth \(v.28c\)](#)

2 Movement 1: To Jesus' accusers—to hear their charges (v.29-32)

- [a. The insolent charge: A criminal—a trial is not necessary \(hatred and pride\) \(v.30\)](#)
- [b. Pilate refused the case \(evading responsibility\) \(v.31a\)](#)
- [c. The evidence of predetermined guilt: "put...to death" \(closed hearts\) \(v.31b-32\)](#)
 - [1\) The Jews stoned \(v.31c\)](#)
 - [2\) The Romans crucified \(v.32\)](#)

3 Movement 2: To Jesus—to hear His defense (v.33-38a)

- [a. Pilate's scornful question \(v.33\)](#)
- [b. Jesus' challenge to Pilate: A person is responsible for His own verdict \(v.34\)](#)
- [c. Pilate's reaction: Contempt for the Jews \(contempt\) \(v.35\)](#)
- [d. Jesus' explanation: His Kingdom is not of this world \(v.36\)](#)
- [e. Pilate's baffled question \(v.37a\)](#)
- [f. Jesus' claim: He is King—to be King was the purpose for His birth \(v.37b\)](#)
- [g. Jesus' subtle appeal \(v.37c\)](#)
- [h. Pilate's sincere question \(v.38a\)](#)

4 Movement 3: Back to the people—to declare Jesus' innocence (v.38b-40)

- [a. Pilate's first attempt to release Jesus: He offers a *substitute* \(v.39\)](#)
- [b. The mob's choice \(a man of the world\) \(v.40\)](#)

5 Movement 4: Back to Jesus—to scourge Him (19:1-3)

- [a. Savage, cruel scourging \(persecution\) \(v.1\)](#)
- [b. Crude mockery and horse-play \(abused His name and person\) \(v.2\)](#)
- [c. Sham obedience \(hypocrisy\) \(v.3\)](#)

6 Movement 5: Back again to the people—to offer a compromise (v.4-7)

- [a. Pilate's second attempt to release Jesus by compromise: Sought the crowd's pity by presenting Jesus beaten and battered by scourging \(v.4-5\)](#)
- [b. The mob's hatred \(harsh, loud, hysterical shouting\) \(v.6a\)](#)
- [c. Pilate's impossible dare: Angry, sarcastic contempt for the mob \(v.6b\)](#)
- [d. The Jews' truthful charge \(v.7\)](#)

7 Movement 6: Back again to Jesus—to investigate the possibility of a supernatural being (v.8-11)

- [a. Pilate's superstitious question: Jesus' origin \(v.9\)](#)
- [b. Pilate's terrifying, frantic cry: Life is in the hands of earthly authority \(v.10\)](#)
- [c. Jesus' revelation: There is a superior, higher authority \(v.11a\)](#)
- [d. Jesus' charge of guilt \(v.11b\)](#)

8 Movement 7: Back again to the people—to release Jesus (v.12)

- a. Pilate's successive attempts to release Jesus (v.12a)
- b. Pilate blackmailed: Jesus or Caesar (v.12b)

9 Movement 8: To the Judgment Seat before all—to give the verdict of crucifixion (v.13-15)

- a. Pilate's choice: Fear of Caesar greater than his fear of Jesus (v.14)
- b. The Jews' frenzied madness (v.15a)
- c. Pilate's bitter question (v.15b)
- d. The Jews' fatal choice (v.15c)

John 19:16-37

D. The Crucifixion: The Major Events of the Cross, 19:16-37

(Matthew 27:26-56; Mark 15:16-41; Luke 23:26-49)

1 Event 1: Jesus bearing His cross—willingly "went forth" (v.16-17)

- a. Pilate delivered Jesus (v.16a)
- b. They led Him (v.16b)
- c. He went forth, bore the cross (v.17a)
- d. The majestic victor, not the victim (v.17b)

2 Event 2: Jesus being crucified between two sinners—the preeminent sacrifice (v.18)

3 Event 3: The title on the cross (v.19-22)

- a. Pilate wrote the title: An ironic announcement, cp. John 18:36; 3:5 (v.19)
- b. The people: Were indifferent to the title (v.20)
- c. The religionists: Objected to the title (v.21)
- d. Pilate: Sarcastically insisted the title stand (v.22)

4 Event 4: The soldiers gambling for His clothes (v.23-24)

- a. The insensitive men: Jesus' mother was standing by, yet not given His clothes (v.23a)
- b. The seamless coat: Was the same as the High Priest's coat—the Mediator (v.23b-24a)
- c. A fulfillment of Scripture (v.24b)
- d. An eye-witness verifies: John saw the event (v.24c)

5 Event 5: Jesus' great love for His mother (v.25-27)

- a. The women at the cross (v.25)
- b. Jesus "saw His mother" (v.26)
- c. Jesus demonstrated responsibility: Discharged His duty even in death (v.27)

6 Event 6: Jesus' agonizing thirst and His deliberate effort to fulfill Scripture (v.28-29)

- a. Knew His purpose was achieved (v.28a)
- b. Exhausted, He thirsted (v.28b)

c. Given hyssop: An act recalling the Passover (v.29)

7 Event 7: Jesus' great shout of victory—salvation and reconciliation (v.30)

8 Event 8: The spear thrust into His side (v.31-37)

a. A religious request: Concern for trifles, cp. 18:28 (v.31)

b. A brutal custom: Smashing the victim's legs to cause an earlier death (v.32)

c. A strange fact: Jesus was already dead (v.33)

d. A proof of death: Blood and water (v.34)

e. An insistence upon the accuracy of the account (v.35-37)

1) Purpose 1: To stir belief (v.35)

2) Purpose 2: To fulfill Scripture (v.36-37)

John 19:38-42

E. The Burial: The Conquest of Fear, 19:38-42

(Matthew 27:57-66; Mark 15:42-47; Luke 23:50-56)

1 Jesus' death conquered fear in a secret disciple: Joseph of Arimathaea (v.38)

a. He had feared the Jews (v.38a)

b. He was now changed by Jesus' death: He boldly requested the body (v.38b)

2 Jesus' death conquered fear in a cowardly disciple: Nicodemus (v.39)

a. He had come by night (v.39a)

b. He was now changed by Jesus' death: Helped in the burial (v.39b)

3 Jesus' death stirred open commitment (v.40-42)

a. Openly took the body (v.40a)

b. Openly cared for the body (v.40b)

c. Openly gave the best (v.41)

1) A new tomb, never before used (v.41b)

2) The tomb was close to Calvary (v.41a)

d. Openly buried Jesus—just before the Sabbath (v.42)

John 20:1-10

XVI. THE REVELATION OF JESUS, THE RISEN LORD, 20:1-21:25

A. Event 1: The Great Discovery—The Empty Tomb, 20:1-10

1 Mary's unquestioning discovery: The unsealed tomb (v.1-2)

a. She visited early (v.1a)

b. She saw the stone rolled back (v.1b)

c. She ran to Peter (v.2a)

d. She revealed an unquestioning love: "They have taken away the Lord" (v.2b)

2 Peter and John's shocking discovery: The linen clothes (v.3-6)

a. They went forth (v.3-4)

b. John glanced in: Saw the clothes (v.5)

c. Peter entered: Saw the linen clothes (v.6)

3 John's thoughtful discovery: The undisturbed linen clothes (v.7-10)

a. The linen clothes (v.7)

1) Were lying "undisturbed" (v.7a)

2) The head wrapping was still folded (v.7b)

b. The immediate belief (v.8-10)

1) He saw and believed (v.8)

2) He finally understood the Scripture (v.9-10)

John 20:11-18

B. Event 2: The Great Recognition—Jesus Appears to Mary, 20:11-18

(Matthew 28:1-15; Mark 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-49)

1 Mary returned to the tomb (v.11)

a. Weeping convulsively (v.11a)

b. Stooping, she looked in (v.11b)

2 The first startling sight: Two angels (v.12-13)

a. The question of the angels (v.13a)

b. Mary's loving devotion and confession: "My Lord" (v.13b)

3 The second startling sight: Jesus Himself (v.14-16)

a. Mary sensed another person—turned to see (v.14)

b. A startling question: Why weep? Whom seekest thou? (v.15a)

c. A false identity (v.15b)

1) Because of her tears (v.15b)

2) Because she faced in the wrong direction—into the grave (v.15b)

d. The great recognition (v.16)

4 The third startling sight: The new commission (v.17-18)

a. Stop clinging to me—selfishly (v.17a)

b. Go—tell your great discovery (v.17b-18)

John 20:19-23

C. Event 3: The Great Charter of the Church—Jesus Appears to the Disciples, 20:19-23

(Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-49)

1 The disciples were hiding in fear (v.19a-c)

- a. The same day: At night (v.19a)
- b. Discussed reports (v.19b)
- c. Jesus appeared suddenly (v.19c)

2 Subject 1: The risen Lord—His presence was very real (v.19d-20)

- a. His message: Peace (v.19d)
- b. His wounds: Evidence (v.20a)
- c. His effect: The disciples were glad when they saw Him (v.20b)

3 Subject 2: The great commission (v.21)

4 Subject 3: The Holy Spirit (v.22-23)

- a. The endowment or giving of the Spirit (v.22)
- b. The authority (v.23)

John 20:24-29

D. Event 4: The Great Conviction—Thomas' Confession, 20:24-29

1 Thomas' frustrated, reactionary spirit (v.24-25b)

- a. The disciples testified; Thomas argued (v.25a)
- b. The reason: Guilt—he had forsaken and withdrawn from them (v.25a)

2 Thomas' false picture of Jesus (v.25b-26a)

- a. He was just an earthly deliverer (v.25b)
- b. He was now dead (v.25b)
- c. Result: Persistent doubt for eight days (v.26a)

3 Thomas' critical confrontation and confession: Jesus appeared and challenged and convicted him (v.26b-28)

- a. The confrontation (v.27)
 - 1) Jesus was aware of Thomas' demands (v.27a)
 - 2) Jesus warned and called for belief (v.27b)
- b. The strong confession (v.28)

4 Thomas' great lesson for all men (v.29)

John 20:30-31

E. Event 5: The Great Purpose of the Signs (Wonderful Works) of Jesus, 20:30-31

1 The great fact: Jesus did many signs (v.30)

- a. In the presence of the disciples (v.30a)
- b. Not recorded by John (v.30b)

2 The great purpose: To select a few signs that would lead to belief (v.31a-b)

- a. Jesus is the Messiah (v.31a)
- b. Jesus is the Son of God (v.31b)

3 The great result: Life (v.31c)

John 21:1-14

F. Event 6: The Great Reality of Jesus' Resurrection Body, 21:1-14

1 Jesus showed Himself (v.1-3)

- a. After these things: Proofs of the resurrection, 20:1-31 (v.1)
- b. To seven disciples who were together: Hiding for fear of the authorities (v.2)
- c. Peter went fishing: To meet the need for food (v.3a)
- d. A needed lesson: Self-sufficiency is inadequate—must know and depend upon the risen Lord (v.3b)

2 Jesus stood on the shore—bodily (v.4)

- a. An immediate presence (v.4a)
- b. A bodily presence (v.4b)

3 Jesus possessed supernatural knowledge (v.5-8)

- a. He acted on His supernatural knowledge (v.6)
- b. He was identified, "The Lord" (v.7a)
- c. Peter accepted John's word as proof and He responded (v.7b)
- d. The other disciples responded and followed (v.8)

4 Jesus showed the reality of the surroundings (v.9)

- a. The land and fire (v.9a)
- b. The fish and bread (v.9b)

5 Jesus showed that He could see, speak, hear, and feel (v.10-11)

- a. He instructed the disciples (v.10)
- b. Peter obeyed (v.11a)
- c. The catch of fish was counted (v.11b)

6 Jesus showed that His body was real (v.12-13)

- a. He invited them to eat (v.12a)
- b. He was the Lord (v.12b)
- c. He Himself ate (v.13)

7 Conclusion: Jesus' resurrection was affirmed (v.14)

John 21:15-17

G. Event 7: The Great Question of a Disciples' Love and Devotion, 21:15-17

1 After the meal, Jesus focused on Peter (v.15a)

2 Do you love me more than these? (v.15b-d)

- a. Pointed to disciples (v.15b)
- b. Pointed to fishing equipment (v.15c)
- c. Feed my lambs (v.15d)

3 Do you love me with God's love—love me enough to feed my people? (v.16)

- a. God's love (agapao) (v.16a)
- b. Peter's love (phileo) (v.16b)

c. Feed my sheep (v.16c)

4 Do you love me as a loyal brother—love me with agape love or phileo love? (v.17)

a. Lord's love (phileo) (v.17a)

b. Peter's love (phileo) (v.17b)

c. Feed my sheep (v.17c)

John 21:18-25

H. The Great Call to Total Commitment, 21:18-25

1 Total commitment demands following the leadership of another (the Holy Spirit) (v.18)

a. When young: Peter walked and did as he willed (v.18a)

b. When old: Another would carry Peter where he would not go (v.18b)

2 Total commitment demands the cross—death to self: "Follow me" (v.19)

3 Total commitment demands undivided attention to one's own task (v.20-23)

a. Peter questioned John's task (v.21)

b. Jesus rebuked Peter (v.22a)

c. Jesus challenged and called Peter again (v.22b)

d. John corrected the rumor (v.23)

4 Total commitment demands bearing witness to Jesus Christ (v.24-25)

a. John bore witness (v.24a)

b. John's witness was true (v.24b)

c. John's witness includes only a few of the things that Jesus did (v.25)

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3 He was set apart to the gospel of God (v.1c-4)

a. The gospel promised long ago (v.2)

b. The gospel that concerns God's Son, Jesus Christ, becoming a Man (v.3)

c. The gospel that declares Jesus Christ to be the Son of God (v.4)

1) By Spirit of holiness (v.4a)

2) By the resurrection (v.4b)

4 He had received God's grace and God's mission (v.5)

5 He acknowledged the enslavement of others (v.6-7)

a. They too were called (v.6)

b. They too were beloved (v.7a)

c. They too were saints (v.7b)

d. They too were recipients of grace and peace (v.7c)

Romans 1:8-15

B. Paul's Interest in the Church: Enslavement to the Gospel, 1:8-15

1 A great church (v.8)

a. A cause for thanksgiving (v.8a)

b. The reason: A world-wide testimony (v.8b)

2 The Gospel subjected his spirit to God's Son (v.9a)

3 The Gospel stirred him to pray without ceasing (v.9b)

4 The Gospel stirred him to seek people personally (v.10-13)

a. To impart some spiritual gift to establish them (v.11)

b. To be encouraged together with them (v.12)

c. To bear fruit among them (v.13)

5 The Gospel stirred him with a deep sense of indebtedness and a readiness to reach all men (v.14-15)

a. His indebtedness to reach all (v.14)

b. His readiness to reach all (v.15)

Romans 1:16-17

C. Paul's Boldness for Christ: Unashamedness of the Gospel, 1:16-17

1 It is the "good news" from God Himself (v.16a)

2 It is the power of God to save (v.16b-c)

- a. All who believe (v.16b)
- b. All nationalities, both Jew and Greek (v.16c)

3 It is the revelation of God's righteousness (v.17)

- a. The problem: man's unrighteousness (v.17a)
- b. The answer: Faith (v.17b)

Romans 1:18-23

II. SIN AND CONDEMNATION: THE WORLD'S NEED TO GET RIGHT WITH GOD, 1:18-3:20

A. God's Case Against All Ungodliness and Unrighteousness of Men: Why God Shows Wrath, 1:18-23

1 The subjects of God's wrath (v.18)

- a. Men of ungodliness and unrighteousness (v.18a)
- b. Men who suppress the truth (v.18b)

2 Men reject that "within" them: Conscience and thoughts (v.19)

3 Men reject that "without" them: The signs of creation (v.20)

- a. God's eternal power and nature are clearly seen in creation (v.20a)
- b. Men are without excuse (v.20b)

4 Men do not honor God nor give thanks (v.21)

- a. Result 1: Their imaginations become vain (empty) (v.21a)
- b. Result 2: Their hearts are darkened (v.21b)

5 Men become prideful and turn away from God (v.22-23)

- a. They imagine and create their own ideas of God (v.22)
- b. They exchange the incorruptible God for corruptible idols (v.23)

Romans 1:24-32

B. God's Case Against All Ungodliness and Unrighteousness of Men: How God Shows Wrath, 1:24-32

1 God gave men up to do as they willed (v.24a)

2 God gave men up to uncleanness (v.24b-25)

- a. Reason: The lusts in their hearts (v.24b)
- b. Result: Gross idolatry (v.25)

3 God gave men up to vile, unnatural affections (v.26-27)

- a. Reason: They gave in to unnatural passion and homosexuality (v.26a)

b. Result: A burning, passionate bondage (v.26b-27)

1) Women with women (v.26b)

2) Men with men (v.27)

4 God gave men up to reprobate, depraved minds (v.28-31)

a. Reason: They rejected God (v.28)

b. Result: Depraved, unsuitable behavior (v.29-31)

5 God assures final judgment: Death (v.32)

a. Because men do such things (v.32a)

b. Because men approve such things (v.32b)

Romans 2:1-16

C. God's Case Against the Moralist: Judgment, 2:1-16

1 The moralist (v.1)

a. He judges others (v.1a)

b. He is inexcusable: He condemns himself because he is guilty of the same things (v.1b)

2 The judgment of God is according to truth: Perfect justice (v.2-5)

a. The moralist thinks he will escape (v.3)

b. The moralist thinks God is too good to punish (v.4a)

c. The moralist thinks man is basically good (v.4b)

d. The moralist hardens his heart against the judgment of God (v.5)

1) Refuses to repent (v.5a)

2) Result: Stores up wrath against himself (v.5b)

3 The judgment of God is according to deeds: Eternal reward or punishment (v.6-10)

a. The well-doer's reward (v.7)

b. The evil-doer's severe judgment (v.8)

c. Every evil-doer is to be judged (v.9)

d. Every well-doer is to be rewarded (v.10)

4 The judgment of God is without respect of persons: Absolute impartiality (v.11-15)

a. The man who sins without law and the man who sins in the law will both be judged (v.12)

b. The doers, not the hearers, of the law will be justified (v.13)

c. The heathen have a threefold witness (v.14-15)

1) Their nature: An instinctive knowledge of right and wrong (v.14)

2) Their conscience: Bears witness to what is right and wrong (v.15a)

3) Their thoughts: Accuse or defend their behavior (v.15b)

5 The judgment of God is to be executed by Jesus Christ and His gospel (v.16)

Romans 2:17-29

D. God's Case Against the Religionist (Jew), 2:17-29

1 The religionist professes religion (v.17-20)

- a. Rests in the Word (v.17a)
- b. Professes God (v.17b)
- c. Knows God's will (v.18a)
- d. Approves better things (v.18b)
- e. Is taught God's law (v.18c)
- f. Is sure he is a guide of the blind (v.19a)
- g. Is sure he is a light to those in darkness (v.19b)
- h. Is sure he is an instructor of the foolish (v.20a)
- i. Is sure he is a teacher of the immature (v.20b)
- j. Has the law, the embodiment of truth (v.20c)

2 The religionist fails to live what he professes (v.21-24)

- a. The fact: His life does not match what he says (v.21-23)
- b. Result: His hypocrisy causes others to abuse God's name (v.24)

3 The religionist believes that a ritual (circumcision) is the way to secure God's approval (v.25-27)

- a. But circumcision counts only if a man keeps the law (v.25)
- b. The uncircumcised man who keeps the law is counted as circumcised (ritually accepted) (v.26)
- c. The uncircumcised man who keeps the law shall judge the religionist who breaks the law (v.27)

4 The religionist misses the whole point: A true religionist is a man who is righteous inwardly (v.28-29)

- a. Not an outward thing (v.28)
- b. An inward thing—of the heart, in the spirit (v.29a)
- c. Its praise is not of men (not physical, of the flesh), but of God (v.29b)

Romans 3:1-8

E. The Arguments of the Religionist (Jew) Against a Heart Religion, 3:1-8

(Cp. Romans 2:23-29)

1 What profit is there in being a Jew, a religionist—in being circumcised or baptized? (v.1-2)

- a. He is privileged (v.2a)
- b. He is entrusted with and made responsible for God's Word (v.2b)

2 Does unbelief void God's promises—make God a liar? (v.3-4)

- a. Perish the idea (v.4a)
- b. God's Word stands even if every man is a liar (v.4b)

- [c. God will prove His Word \(v.4c\)](#)
- [d. God will overcome those who judge Him and His Word \(v.4d\)](#)

3 Is God unjust if He takes vengeance? (v.5-8)

- [a. God forbid \(v.6a\)](#)
- [b. God is moral: He must judge the world \(v.6b\)](#)
- [c. The contradiction of such an argument \(v.7\)](#)
- [d. The damnation of persons who argue such is just \(v.8\)](#)

Romans 3:9-20

F. God's Case Against All Men, 3:9-20

1 The charge: All men are under sin (v.9)

2 The case of a sinful nature (v.10-12)

- [a. Unrighteous \(v.10\)](#)
- [b. Ignorant \(v.11a\)](#)
- [c. Indifferent—selfish \(v.11b\)](#)
- [d. Crooked \(v.12a\)](#)
- [e. Useless \(v.12b\)](#)
- [f. Evil \(v.12c\)](#)

3 The case of a sinful tongue (v.13-14)

- [a. Foul and corrupt \(v.13a\)](#)
- [b. Deceitful \(v.13b\)](#)
- [c. Piercing and poisonous \(v.13c\)](#)
- [d. Cursing and bitter \(v.14\)](#)

4 The case of sinful acts (v.15-18)

- [a. Murderous \(v.15\)](#)
- [b. Oppressive, causing misery \(v.16\)](#)
- [c. Restless, disturbed, warring \(v.17\)](#)
- [d. Godless, irreverent, disrespectful \(v.18\)](#)

5 The case of the law (v.19-20)

- [a. It speaks to all who are under the law \(v.19a\)](#)
- [b. It stops all boasting \(v.19b\)](#)
- [c. It makes all the world guilty \(v.19c\)](#)
- [d. It justifies no flesh \(v.20a\)](#)
- [e. It shows man that he is sinful \(v.20b\)](#)

Romans 3:21-26

III. FAITH AND JUSTIFICATION: THE WAY FOR THE WORLD TO BE RIGHT WITH GOD, 3:21-5:21

A. Righteousness: The Way to Be Right with God, 3:21-26

1 Righteousness is now revealed (v.21-22a)

- a. The righteousness without law (v.21a)
- b. The righteousness foretold (v.21b)
- c. The righteousness by Christ (v.22a)

2 Righteousness is for everyone (v.22b-23)

- a. All who believe (v.22b)
- b. All who need: "There is no difference" (v.22c-23)
 - 1) All have sinned (v.23a)
 - 2) All come short of God's glory (v.23b)

3 Righteousness is only possible through justification (v.24)

- a. Is free—by grace (v.24a)
- b. Is through redemption (v.24b)

4 Righteousness is by an act of God alone: By propitiation (v.25a)

5 Righteousness has one great purpose: To proclaim God's personal righteousness (v.25b-26)

- a. That He forgives sin (v.25b)
- b. That He is forbearing (v.25c)
- c. That He is just (v.26a)
- d. That He is the justifier of believers (v.26b)

Romans 3:27-31

B. Faith: The Way that Puts an End to Human Boasting and Pride, to Self-Righteousness and Works, 3:27-31

1 Faith excludes boasting (v.27)

- a. Works cause boasting in oneself (v.27a)
- b. Faith causes boasting in God (v.27b)

2 Faith justifies a man without the works of the law (v.28)

3 Faith reveals only one God who deals with all equally (v.29-30)

- a. He created all: He is the God of all (v.29)
- b. He is the only God: All are justified in the same way—by faith (v.30)

4 Faith upholds and establishes the law (v.31)

Romans 4:1-8

C. Logic: The Evidence that Faith Alone Justifies a Man, 4:1-8

1 The logic of Abraham's justification (v.1-3)

- a. He was not justified by works (works cannot qualify one to glory before God) (v.2)
- b. He was justified by believing God (v.3)

2 The logic of the worker or laborer (v.4-5)

- a. Works mean debt (v.4)
- b. Believing in God means righteousness (v.5)

3 The logic of David's blessed man (v.6-8)

- a. The blessed man is the man who is counted righteous without works (v.6)
- b. The blessed man is the man whose sins are forgiven and covered (v.7)
- c. The blessed man is the man whose sins are not counted (v.8)

Romans 4:9-12

D. Rituals, Rules, and Ordinances: The Wrong Way for a Man to Seek Justification, 4:9-12

1 Who receives the blessing of forgiveness? (v.9a-b)

- a. The religious only? (v.9a)
- b. The non-religious also? (v.9b)

2 Abraham was counted righteous when he believed (v.9c)

3 Abraham was counted righteous before the ritual, that is, before circumcision (v.10)

4 Abraham received circumcision as a sign or symbol only (v.11a)

5 Abraham was chosen by God for a twofold purpose (v.11b-12)

- a. To be the "father" of all believers: Regardless of ritual and ordinance (v.11b)
- b. To be the "father" of the circumcised, the religious: Those who follow "in the steps of his faith" (v.12)

Romans 4:13-16

E. Law: The Wrong Way for a Man to be Justified, 4:13-16

1 The unmistakable statement: The promise is not through the law, but through faith (v.13)

2 The argument against the law (v.14-15)

- a. Law voids faith and erases the hope of the promise (v.14b)
- b. Law works wrath (v.15a)
- c. Law means transgression (v.15b)

3 The argument for faith (v.16)

- a. Faith brings grace (v.16a)

- [b. Faith makes the promise sure \(v.16b\)](#)
- [c. Faith assures the promise for everyone: It is available to all \(v.16c\)](#)

Romans 4:17-25

F. Abraham: The Example of a Man Justified by Faith Alone, 4:17-25

1 The source of Abraham's faith (v.17)

- [a. It was God Himself \(v.17a\)](#)
- [b. It was God who quickened the dead \(v.17b\)](#)
- [c. It was God who created \(v.17c\)](#)

2 The strength of Abraham's faith (v.18-22)

- [a. His faith was in what God had said: The promise of a seed, a son \(v.18-21\)](#)
 - [1\) He was not weak in faith—despite thinking about his own physical inability \(v.19\)](#)
 - [2\) He was strong in faith—not staggering but giving glory to God \(v.20\)](#)
 - [3\) He was convinced of God's ability and God's power \(v.21\)](#)
- [b. His faith was credited as righteousness \(v.22\)](#)

3 The recording of Abraham's faith (v.23-25)

- [a. That men might read \(v.24a\)](#)
- [b. That men might be counted righteous—by believing \(v.24b-25\)](#)
 - [1\) That God raised Jesus \(v.24b\)](#)
 - [2\) That Jesus died for our sins and was raised again for our justification \(v.25\)](#)

Romans 5:1-5

G. God's Unbelievable Love (Part I): The Results of Justification, 5:1-5

1 Justification is by faith (v.1a)

2 There is peace with God (v.1b)

3 There is access into the grace, the favor and the presence of God (v.2a)

4 There is hope for the glory of God (v.2b)

5 There is glory in trials and sufferings (v.3-5a)

- [a. Trials stir patience \(v.3\)](#)
- [b. Patience stirs character \(v.4a\)](#)
- [c. Experience stirs hope \(v.4b\)](#)
- [d. Hope never shames \(v.5a\)](#)

6 There is the continuous experience of God's love through the indwelling Spirit (v.5b)

Romans 5:6-11

H. God's Unbelievable Love (Part II): The Great Depth of Justification, 5:6-11

1 We were ungodly and without strength, yet Christ died for us (v.6-7)

- a. In God's time (v.6)
- b. Was an uncommon, unbelievable love (v.7)

2 We were sinners, yet God demonstrated His love for us (v.8-9)

- a. By Christ's death (v.8)
- b. By justification (v.9a)
- c. By saving us from wrath (v.9b)

3 We were enemies, yet God reconciled and saved us (v.10-11)

- a. We are reconciled by Christ's death (v.10a)
- b. We are saved by Christ's life (v.10b)
- c. We are given joy by Christ's atonement (reconciliation) (v.11)

Romans 5:12-21

I. Adam and Christ: The Two Focal Points of History, 5:12-21

1 The entrance of sin and death through Adam (v.12-14)

- a. Sin came by one man—Adam (v.12a)
- b. Adam's nature of sin and death passed to all (v.12b)
- c. The proof: Sin and death existed before the law; sin and death came from and through Adam (v.13)
- d. Adam's real importance: A type of Christ, cp. 1 Cor. 15:22, 45-49 (v.14)

2 The counteraction—the reversal—of sin and death by Christ (v.15-18)

- a. Adam's sin brought death; God's gift brought righteousness (v.15)
- b. Adam's sin brought condemnation; God's gift brought justification (v.16)
- c. Adam's sin brought the reign of death; God's gift brought the reign of life (v.17)
- d. Adam's sin brought condemnation to all men; God's gift brought justification and life to all men (v.18)

3 Conclusion (v.19-21)

- a. Adam's disobedience made many sinners, but Christ's obedience made many righteous (v.19)
- b. The law was given to point out and magnify sin, but God's grace was so much greater (v.20)
- c. Sin reigned to death, but God's grace reigns to eternal life—through Christ's righteousness (v.21)

Romans 6:1-23

IV. HOLINESS AND SANCTIFICATION: THE WAY FOR THE BELIEVER TO BE FREE FROM SIN, 6:1-23

A. The Believer is Not to Continue in Sin (Part I): He is to Know His Position in Christ, 6:1-10

1 The believer and the question of license (v.1-2)

- a. Does grace give a person a free reign to sin? (v.1)
- b. God forbid! (v.2a)
- c. The believer is dead to sin (v.2b)

2 Know 1st: By position, the believer is immersed, placed into Christ (v.3-5)

- a. Immersed, identified with Christ in death (v.3)
- b. Immersed, identified with Christ in resurrection (v.4)
 - 1) Raised by God's glory (v.4a)
 - 2) Purpose: That we should walk in newness of life (v.4b)
- c. Immersed, identified with the most glorious hope: The believer will be raised just as Jesus was raised (v.5)

3 Know 2nd: By position, the believer's old man was crucified with Christ (v.6-7)

- a. To destroy the body of sin (v.6a)
- b. To enable man to renounce sin (v.6b)
- c. Illustration: A dead man (v.7)

4 Know 3rd: By position, the believer lives with Christ—now and forever (v.8-10)

- a. Christ has conquered death—once for all (v.9)
- b. Christ now lives forever to God (v.10)

Romans 6:11-13

B. The Believer is Not to Continue in Sin (Part II): He is to Live Out His Position in Christ, 6:11-13

1 He counts himself dead to sin, but alive to God (v.11)

- a. Dead to sin (v.11a)
- b. Alive to God (v.11b)
- c. Source: Through Christ (v.11c)

2 He resists sin (v.12)

- a. Does not let it reign (v.12a)
- b. Does not obey its lusts (v.12b)

3 He does not yield the members of his body to sin (v.13)

- a. He yields himself to God (v.13a)
- b. He yields the members of his body to be instruments of righteousness (v.13b)

Romans 6:14-23

C. The Believer is Not to Continue in Sin (Part III): He Does Not Have License to Sin, 6:14-23

1 Learn something: Sin shall not dominate the true believer (v.14-15)

- a. Because he is not under law, but under grace (v.14)
- b. Shall he continue to sin? Take license to sin? (v.15)

2 Know something: You can serve only one master, sin or God (v.16)

- a. Do you serve or yield to sin? You shall die (v.16a)
- b. Do you serve or yield to God? You shall live (v.16b)

3 Remember something: Remember your decision—you chose righteousness (v.17-18)

- a. Fact: "You were...but now you have obeyed" (v.17)
- b. Result: Freed from sin, the despotic master (v.18)

4 Do something: Serve God with the same fervor that you served sin (v.19-20)

- a. Your sin furthered more sin—resulted in more and more sin (v.19a)
- b. Now let your righteousness work holiness (v.19b)
- c. You never had such opportunity before (v.20)

5 Question something: What fruit is there in sin? (v.21-22)

6 Consider something: The wages of sin vs. the gift of God, of eternal life (v.23)

Romans 7:1-25

V. STRUGGLE AND CONFESSION: THE BELIEVER IS TO BE FREE FROM THE LAW, 7:1-25

A. The Two Positions of the Law to Man, 7:1-6

1 The law dominates man only as long as he lives (v.1-3)

- a. The two positions are illustrated by marriage (v.2)
 - 1) The law is alive and active for the living (v.2a)
 - 2) The law is dead and inactive through death (v.2b)
- b. The conclusion (v.3)
 - 1) The law condemns the living who violate its demands (v.3a)
 - 2) Death frees a person from the law (v.3b)

2 Position 1: The law is dead to believers (v.4)

- a. How: By Christ's death (v.4a)
- b. The purpose for the believer's death (v.4b-c)
 - 1) To unite him to Christ (v.4b)
 - 2) To bear fruit (v.4c)

3 Position 2: The law is alive to those "in the flesh" (v.5)

- a. How: By arousing sin (v.5a)
- b. Result: Death (v.5b)

4 The law is inactivated by conversion (v.6)

- a. How: By death "in" Christ (v.6a)
- b. Purpose: To serve in newness of Spirit (v.6b)

Romans 7:7-13

B. The Purpose of the Law, 7:7-13

- 1 Is the law sin, that is, evil? (v.7a)
- 2 The law reveals the fact of sin (v.7b)
- 3 The law gives sin the opportunity to be aroused and to work every kind of evil (v.8)
- 4 The law reveals the fact of condemnation and death (v.9-10)
- 5 The law reveals the deceitfulness of sin (v.11)
- 6 The law reveals the way of God: Holiness, righteousness, and goodness (v.12)
- 7 The law shows that sin is exceedingly sinful and that it is the cause of death (v.13)

Romans 7:14-25

C. The Confessions of a Man's Struggling Soul, 7:14-25

- 1 The law is spiritual (v.14a)
- 2 Confession 1: He is carnal, sold under sin (v.14b-17)
 - a. A carnal life is a helpless, unceasing struggle (v.14-15)
 - b. A carnal life demonstrates that human nature and knowledge are inadequate (v.16)
 - c. The conclusion: man has a sinful, depraved, and corrupt nature (v.17)
- 3 Confession 2: He is void of any good thing (v.18-20)
 - a. He wills and resolves but it is all inadequate (v.18-19)
 - b. The conclusion: he has a sinful, depraved, and corrupt nature (v.20)
- 4 Confession 3: He finds two laws or forces within (v.21-23)
 - a. The law of God works inwardly (v.22)
 - b. The law of sin wars against the law of his mind (v.23)
- 5 Confession 4: He is a desperate, wretched man who needs a Deliverer (v.24)
- 6 Confession 5: The Deliverer is Jesus Christ (v.25)

Romans 8:1-39

VI. DELIVERANCE AND REDEMPTION: THE BELIEVER SHALL BE FREED FROM STRUGGLING AND SUFFERING BY THE SPIRIT, 8:1-39

A. The Man in Christ Jesus is Freed from Condemnation: The Power of the Spirit, 8:1-17

- 1 Now since Christ has come (3:21-22) (v.1)

a. The believer is not condemned (v.1a)

b. Why: He is "in" Christ (v.1b)

2 The Spirit gives life (v.2-4)

a. By freeing the believer from sin and death (v.2)

b. By doing what the law could not do (v.3a)

c. By Christ condemning sin in the flesh (v.3b)

d. By Christ providing righteousness: For those who do not walk after the flesh, but after the Spirit (v.4)

3 The Spirit pulls the mind to spiritual things (v.5-8)

a. The carnal mind vs. the spiritual mind (v.5)

b. The fate of both minds: Death vs. life and peace (v.6)

c. The reason the carnal mind dwells in death (v.7-8)

1) It is bitterly set against God (v.7)

2) It cannot please God (v.8)

4 The Spirit dwells within the believer (v.9)

a. He removes him from being "in" the flesh (v.9a)

b. He identifies him as being "in" Christ (v.9b)

5 The Spirit gives life to the spirit of the believer (v.10-11)

a. He gives life now (v.10)

b. He gives life, quickens the mortal body later (v.11)

6 The Spirit gives the power to mortify—to put to death-evil deeds (v.12-13)

a. Believers are debtors to the Spirit (v.12)

b. Believers determine their own fate: Death or life (v.13)

7 The Spirit leads the believer, identifying him as a son of God (v.14)

8 The Spirit adopts (v.15)

a. He delivers from the bondage of fear (v.15a)

b. He gives access to God (v.15b)

9 The Spirit bears witness with our spirit (v.16-17)

a. We are God's children (v.16)

b. We are heirs of God (v.17a)

c. We are equal heirs with Christ (v.17b)

d. We are conquerors over suffering (v.17c)

Romans 8:18-27

B. The Whole Creation Shall Be Freed from Struggling and Suffering, 8:18-27

1 In this life (v.18)

a. The believer suffers and struggles (v.18a)

b. The future glory will be worth the agony (v.18b)

2 The creation suffers and struggles for deliverance from corruption (v.19-22)

- a. [Creation is subject to corruption \(v.20\)](#)
- b. [Creation will be delivered \(v.21\)](#)
- c. [Creation groans in labor for deliverance \(v.22\)](#)

3 The believer suffers and struggles for deliverance from corruption (v.23-27)

- a. [The first-fruits of the Spirit deliver and save him \(v.23\)](#)
- b. [Hope delivers and saves him \(v.24-25\)](#)
- c. [Prayer and the Spirit deliver and save him \(v.26\)](#)
- d. [God delivers and saves him \(v.27\)](#)

Romans 8:28-39

C. God Assures Deliverance (Freedom) from Struggling and Suffering, 8:28-39

1 Assurance 1: God works things out for those who love Him (v.28)

2 Assurance 2: God has determined to fulfill His purpose for the believer (v.29)

- a. [To conform him to Christ \(v.29a\)](#)
- b. [To honor Christ \(v.29b\)](#)

3 Assurance 3: God has set the glorification of the believer—once-for-all (v.30)

4 Assurance 4: God has acted for the believer, not against him (v.31-33)

- a. [He is our Saviour \(v.32a\)](#)
- b. [He is our Provider \(v.32b\)](#)
- c. [He is our Justifier \(v.33\)](#)

5 Assurance 5: Christ does not condemn the believer (v.34)

- a. [He died for us \(v.34a\)](#)
- b. [He arose for us \(v.34b\)](#)
- c. [He was exalted for us \(v.34c\)](#)
- d. [He intercedes for us \(v.34d\)](#)

6 Assurance 6: Christ protects the believer from the severest circumstances (v.35-37)

7 Assurance 7: Christ protects the believer from the most extreme experiences and forces (v.38-39)

Romans 9:1-5

VII. ISRAEL AND THE GOSPEL OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, 9:1-11:36

A. The Privileges of Israel and Their Tragic Failure, 9:1-5

1 A man's great love for his people (v.1-3a)

- a. [The plea of a distressed man to be trusted \(v.1\)](#)
- b. [The heart of a distressed man \(v.2\)](#)
- c. [The unbelievable willingness of a man to be sacrificed for his people \(v.3a\)](#)

2 A man's great respect for his people (v.3b-5)

- a. [Were Israelites \(v.4a\)](#)

- [b. Had the adoption \(v.4b\)](#)
- [c. Had the glory \(v.4c\)](#)
- [d. Had the covenants \(v.4d\)](#)
- [e. Had the law \(v.4e\)](#)
- [f. Had the true worship \(v.4f\)](#)
- [g. Had the promises \(v.4g\)](#)
- [h. Had the fathers \(v.5a\)](#)
- [i. Had the Messiah \(v.5b\)](#)

Romans 9:6-13

B. The True Israel or Children of God, 9:6-13

1 God's Word, His promise, has not failed (v.6a)

2 They are not members of a race or institution (v.6b)

3 They are not of any particular parentage or heritage (v.7a)

4 They are the believers of God's promise (v.7b-13)

- [a. Proof 1: Scripture—God's Word and God's promise to Abraham \(v.8-9\)](#)
- [b. Proof 2: Scripture—God's Word and God's promise to Isaac \(v.10-13\)](#)
 - [1\) The promise was before the children's birth \(v.11a\)](#)
 - [2\) The promise was by election, not by the goodness of the children \(v.11b-13\)](#)

Romans 9:14-33

C. The Rejection of Israel: God's Right to Show Mercy and Justice as He Wills, 9:14-33

1 Is God righteous, that is, just? (v.14)

2 God has the right to be merciful and just (v.15-18)

- [a. He shows mercy as He wills \(v.15-16\)](#)
- [b. He shows justice as He wills \(v.17-18\)](#)

3 God has the right to do as He wills (v.19-21)

- [a. Man has no right to reply against God \(v.20a\)](#)
- [b. God's right is as the potter's right over clay \(v.20b-21\)](#)

4 God has the right to put up with evil (unbelieving) men in order to share His glory with some (believing) men (v.22-24)

- [a. God is willing to suffer long with evil \(v.22\)](#)
- [b. God's purpose \(v.23\)](#)
 - [1\) To make known His glory \(v.23a\)](#)
 - [2\) To prepare some for glory \(v.23b\)](#)
 - [3\) The subjects of His glory: Both Jews and Gentiles \(v.24\)](#)

5 God has identified the chosen long ago in prophecy (v.25-33)

- a. They are from other nations as well as from Israel (v.25-26)
- b. They are the small remnant of Israel (v.27-28)
 - 1) God will finish the work—fulfill His promise to Israel (v.27-28)
 - 2) God will leave a seed of believers in Israel (v.29)
- c. They are the pursuers of righteousness by faith (v.30)
- d. They are not the pursuers of righteousness by the works of the law—as Israel was (v.31)
- e. They are not those who stumble over the Stone (Jesus Christ) as Israel did (v.32)
- f. They are the persons who believe in Christ (v.33)

Romans 10:1-11

D. The Tragic Mistake of Israel: Missing God's Righteousness, 10:1-11

1 Paul's desire and Israel's mistake (v.1-3)

- a. Paul's desire for Israel's salvation (v.1)
- b. Israel's mistake: They have zeal, but it is not based on correct knowledge (v.2-3)
 - 1) They seek their own righteousness (v.3a)
 - 2) They do not submit to God's righteousness (v.3b)

2 God's righteousness is Jesus Christ (v.4)

3 God's righteousness is opposed to man's righteousness, to man's way for reaching God (v.5)

4 God's righteousness does not have to seek out a Messiah or a Deliverer (utopia) (v.6-7)

- a. Righteousness is not trying to climb up to heaven (v.6)
- b. Righteousness is not by descending into the depths to conquer death and hell (v.7)

5 God's righteousness and salvation are right before a person (v.8-10)

- a. By confessing Jesus to be the Lord (from heaven, cp. v.6) (v.9a)
- b. By believing God raised Jesus from the dead (from the depths, cp. v.7) (v.9b)
- c. By believing with the heart and confessing with the mouth (v.10)

6 God's righteousness and salvation deliver a person from shame (v.11)

Romans 10:12-21

E. The Gospel (Righteousness by Faith) is Not for Israel Alone—It is Universal, 10:12-21

1 Proof 1: The Lord treats all men just alike (v.12)

- a. He makes no distinction between men (v.12a)
- b. He is rich to all (v.12b)

2 Proof 2: All men are saved by the same promise (v.13)

3 Proof 3: The world cannot be saved apart from the gospel (v.14-15)

- a. The world cannot call, nor believe, nor hear without a preacher, cp. Isaiah 52:7 (v.14)
- b. The preacher cannot preach unless he is sent (v.15)

4 Proof 4: Scripture says the gospel is universal (v.16-17)

- a. Proves some Jews did not believe (v.16)
- b. Proves "believing the report" is the method of salvation for all (v.17)

5 Proof 5: Israel's disobedience proves the gospel is universal (v.18-21)

- a. Not because they did not hear, cp. Psalm 19:4 (v.18)
- b. Not because they did not know, cp. Deut. 32:21; Isaiah 65:1 (v.19-20)
- c. Because they were disobedient and obstinate (unbelieving), cp. Romans 9:33; Isaiah 65:2 (v.21)

Romans 11:1-1

F. The Callous on Israel's Heart is Not Total—There is a Remnant, 11:1-10

1 Israel was disobedient (10:21) (v.1a-b)

- a. Is all Israel rejected? (v.1a)
- b. God forbid! (v.1b)

2 Proof 1: Paul himself was part of the remnant (v.1c)

3 Proof 2: God's foreknowledge guarantees a remnant (v.2a)

4 Proof 3: Elijah foresaw the remnant (v.2b-4)

- a. Elijah's mistake: He felt he was the only faithful believer in all Israel (v.3)
- b. God's assurance to Elijah: There is a godly remnant (v.4)

5 Proof 4: There is a remnant at this present time—a strong assertion (v.5)

6 Proof 5: God's grace assures a remnant (v.6-10)

- a. Israel did not obtain righteousness, but the chosen few did (v.7)
- b. Israel is accused by Scripture (v.8-10)
 - 1) Of being drowsy (v.8)
 - 2) Of being worthy of judgment (v.9)
 - 3) Of being blinded (v.10)

Romans 11:11-16

G. The Callous on Israel's Heart is Not Final—There is to be a Restoration, 11:11-16

1 Proof 1: God has overruled Israel's stumbling over Christ (v.11-12)

- a. God opens salvation to the Gentiles (v.11a)
- b. God stirs the Jews to be restored (v.11b)
- c. God assures the glorious restoration of Israel and a rich blessing for the whole earth (v.12)

2 Proof 2: Paul tries to stir the Jews to be saved (v.13-15)

- a. By magnifying his ministry to the Gentiles (v.13)
- b. Paul's purpose (v.14-15)
 - 1) To stir some to be saved (v.14)
 - 2) To bring about the restoration, the great climax of history (v.15)

3 Proof 3: The forefathers, that is, the patriarchs, give a heritage of holiness (v.16)

Romans 11:17-24

H. The Callous on Israel's Heart is a Warning to Other Nations, 11:17-24

1 A parable of the olive tree (v.17)

- a. Some branches are broken off: Jews (v.17a)
- b. Some wild branches are grafted in: Gentiles (v.17b)

2 Warning 1: Do not be arrogant (v.18)

- a. Are wild and grafted in (v.18a)
- b. Are not the root (v.18b)

3 Warning 2: Fear complacency and unbelief (v.19-21)

- a. Israel was not rejected for the Gentiles, but because of unbelief (v.20a)
- b. The Gentiles stand by faith—not by any merit (v.20b)
- c. God is less likely to spare unnatural branches (v.21)

4 Warning 3: Take a sharp look at the goodness and severity of God (v.22)

- a. God was severe to those who fell (v.22a)
- b. God is good to the steadfast (v.22b)

5 Warning 4: The restoration is a probable event (v.23-24)

- a. If unbelief is removed (v.23a)
- b. "God is able..." (v.23b)
- c. The grafting of a natural branch (the Jews) is more likely than the calling of the Gentiles (v.24)

Romans 11:25-36

I. The Restoration of Israel and Its Surety, 11:25-36

1 Surety 1: God's great revelation about the Jews (v.25-26a)

- a. Was a mystery (v.25a)
- b. Israel's blindness is only partial: "In part" (v.25b)
- c. Israel's blindness is only temporary (v.25c-26a)
 - 1) Until the fullness of the Gentiles is come (v.25c)
 - 2) All Israel shall be saved (v.26a)

2 Surety 2: The Promise of Scripture—God's Deliverer, Jesus Christ, shall turn Israel (v.26b-27)

3 Surety 3: God's pleasure with Israel's forefathers (v.28-29)

- a. God loves Israel because of the great faith of their forefathers (v.28)
- b. God is unchangeable: He shall fulfill His will for Israel (v.29)

4 Surety 4: The believer's mercy and witness to the Jews (v.30-31)

5 Surety 5: God's holiness and mercy (v.32)

6 Surety 6: God's glorious plan for the world (v.33-36)

- a. His plan includes His wisdom and knowledge, His judgments and ways (v.33)
- b. No man can grasp God's plan (v.34)
- c. No man can earn God's gift (v.35)
- d. God alone is the source, the channel, and the end of all things (v.36)

Romans 12:1-15:13

VIII. THE BELIEVER AND HIS DAILY BEHAVIOR, 12:1-15:13

A. The Believer and God, 12:1-2

1 Devotion urged (v.1a)

2 Present your bodies to God (v.1b-c)

- a. As a living sacrifice, holy (v.1b)
- b. The reason: Is acceptable and reasonable (v.1c)

3 Do not be conformed to this world (v.2a)

4 Be transformed (v.2b-c)

- a. By the renewing of your mind (v.2b)
- b. The reason: To prove the will of God (v.2c)

Romans 12:3-8

B. The Believer and Himself, 12:3-8

1 Think highly of oneself, but not too highly (v.3-5)

- a. Think soberly: Sanely, accurately (v.3a)
- b. The reasons (v.3b-5)
 - 1) What we have come from God (v.3b)
 - 2) God gifts every person (v.4)
 - 3) We are all one body in Christ (v.5)

2 Use the gifts God has given (v.6-8)

- a. The gift of prophecy (v.6)
- b. The gift of ministry (v.7a)
- c. The gift of teaching (v.7b)
- d. The gift of exhortation (v.8a)
- e. The gift of giving (v.8b)
- f. The gift of ruling (v.8c)
- g. The gift of mercy (v.8d)

Romans 12:9-13

C. The Believer and Other Believers, 12:9-13

1 Love sincerely—without hypocrisy (v.9-10)

- a. By hating evil (v.9a)
- b. By cleaving to good (v.9b)
- c. By loving as brothers (v.10a)
- d. By giving preference (v.10b)

2 Serve the Lord (v.11)

- a. Do not lag in zeal (v.11a)
- b. Be fervent in spirit (v.11b)

3 Conquer trials (v.12)

- a. By rejoicing in hope (v.12a)
- b. By praying constantly (v.12b)

4 Meet needs unselfishly (v.13)

- a. By giving generously (v.13a)
- b. By being hospitable (v.13b)

Romans 12:14-21

D. The Believer and Unbelievers, 12:14-21

1 Bless those who persecute you (v.14)

2 Show genuine interest in the experiences of men (v.15)

3 Seek harmony and associate with the lowly (v.16)

- a. By being of one mind (v.16a)
- b. By not being snobbish (v.16b)
- c. By avoiding conceit (v.16c)

4 Live above reproach (v.17)

- a. By not reacting (v.17a)
- b. By showing good behavior (v.17b)

5 Live at peace with all (v.18)

- a. If possible (v.18a)
- b. As far as possible (v.18b)

6 Give no place to revenge (v.19-21)

- a. Because vengeance belongs to God (v.19)
- b. Because treating an enemy with kindness will shame and store up wrath against him (v.20)
- c. Because vengeance makes evil victorious (v.21)

Romans 13:1-7

E. The Believer and the State, 13:1-7

1 Be subject to civil authorities (v.1a)

2 Government is ordained by God (v.1b-2)

a. Resistance equals resisting God's ordinance (v.2a)

b. Resistance shall be condemned (v.2b)

3 Government is ordained to promote good and restrain evil (v.3-5)

a. Rulers are not ordained to be a restraint upon the good, but upon evil (v.3)

b. Rulers are the ministers of God for good: To maintain the welfare of the citizens (v.4)

1) They bear the sword against evil (v.4a)

2) They execute justice (v.4b)

c. The believer is to obey the state for conscience sake (v.5)

4 Government is ordained to provide benefits through taxes (v.6-7)

a. Rulers are to provide benefits (v.6)

b. Believers are to pay taxes (v.7a)

c. Believers are to pay whatever is due: Money or respect (v.7b)

Romans 13:8-10

F. The Believer and His Fellow Citizens, 13:8-10

1 The basic law (v.8)

a. Owe no man anything (v.8a)

b. Owe no man anything *but love* (v.8b)

2 Love forbids adultery (v.9a)

3 Love forbids killing (v.9b)

4 Love forbids stealing (v.9c)

5 Love forbids a false witness (v.9d)

6 Love forbids covetousness (v.9e)

7 Love sums up all the commandments (v.9f)

8 Love works no wrong to a neighbor (v.10)

Romans 13:11-14

G. The Believer and the Threat of Time, 13:11-14

1 The believer is to know the time (v.11a)

2 It is time to awaken out of sleep (v.11b-12a)

a. Salvation is nearer than when we believed (v.11b)

b. Judgment is at hand (v.12a)

3 It is time to cast off the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light (v.12b)

4 It is time to walk straight (v.13)

- a. To walk in decency and honor (v.13a)
- b. Not to walk crooked, staggering about (v.13b)

5 It is time to put on the Lord Jesus Christ and to make no provision for the flesh (v.14)

Romans 14:1-23

H. The Strong Believer and the Weak Believer: Questionable Functions and Behavior—Christian Liberty, 14:1-23

1 Receive the weak brother (v.1-2)

- a. Without arguing, without criticizing (v.1)
- b. Simply because there is a difference (v.2)

2 Do not despise and judge (criticize) others (v.3-4)

- a. God has received the strong (v.3)
- b. No one has the right to judge the Lord's servant (v.4a)
- c. Because God shall hold him up (v.4b)

3 Be fully persuaded of right and wrong behavior (v.5-6)

- a. In your own mind, not violating your conscience: Be careful to do no wrong (v.5)
- b. A man is to live as he sees and understands God's will (v.6)

4 Watch out—watch what you do (v.7-9)

- a. You are under the watchful eye of Christ (v.7)
- b. You belong to Christ—in life and death (v.8)
- c. You have been purchased by the Lord's death and resurrection (v.9)

5 Leave the judgment up to God (v.10-12)

- a. Because everyone shall be judged by Christ (v.10)
- b. Because every knee shall bow and confess: Christ alone is God (v.11)
- c. Because everyone shall give an account of himself to God (v.12)

6 Judge only one thing: Stumbling blocks (v.13-15)

- a. By watching the things which men think are unclean (v.14)
- b. By walking in love: Not hurting, wounding, ruining (v.15)

7 Give no occasion for criticism (v.16-18)

- a. Because the Kingdom of God is the believer's concern, not pleasure (v.17)
- b. Because serving Christ and the Kingdom of God pleases God and men (v.18)

8 Pursue things that bring peace and edification (v.19)

9 Do not destroy or ruin the work of God in another person's life: It is sin to do so (v.20)

10 Do nothing to cause a brother to stumble (v.21)

11 Watch and do not condemn yourself (v.22-23)

- a. By keeping your faith (v.22a)
- b. By not going against conscience (v.22b)
- c. By acting on faith, from a conviction that God approves your behavior (v.23)

Romans 15:1-13

I. The Marks of a Strong Fellowship Within the Church, 15:1-13

1 Mark 1: The strong bear the weaknesses of the weak (v.1-3)

- a. How: By not pleasing self, but one's neighbor—focusing on his good and edification (v.1-2b)
- b. The pattern: Christ (v.3)

2 Mark 2: Everyone studies the Scriptures (v.4)

3 Mark 3: Everyone works for harmony (v.5-6)

- a. How: By prayer and relying upon God (v.5a)
- b. The pattern: Christ (v.5b)
- c. Purpose: To glorify God with one mind and one voice (v.6)

4 Mark 4: Everyone accepts one another without discrimination (v.7-12)

- a. The pattern: Christ, who received us all (v.7-9a)
 - 1) Christ received the Jews and ministered to them (v.8)
 - 2) Christ received the Gentiles and ministered to them (v.9a)
- b. The Scriptures prove the point (v.9b-12)

5 Mark 5: Everyone is filled by the God of hope (v.13)

- a. Not with division and malice (v.13a)
- b. With joy, peace, hope (v.13b)
- c. Source: The Holy Spirit (v.13c)

Romans 15:14-21

IX. THE MESSENGER OF GOD AND HIS PLANS, 15:14-16:27

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- a. Called them brothers (v.14a)
- b. Acknowledged their commendable qualities (v.14b)

2 He was bold in reminding people (v.15)

3 He was called to minister the gospel of God (v.16)

4 He gloried and talked about the things that pertained to God (v.17-19)

- a. Gloried through Jesus Christ (v.17)
- b. Gloried in the obedience of converts—wrought by Christ (v.18)
- c. Gloried in the mighty signs and wonders wrought by the Spirit (v.19a)

d. Gloried in the fact that he had been able to preach the gospel of Christ all around (v.19b)

5 He strived to preach for Christ in pioneer areas (v.20-21)

a. To reach those who had never heard (v.20)

b. To fulfill God's call for his life: To reach the pioneer areas of the world (v.21)

Romans 15:22-33

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b. He completed his ministry—fully (v.23)

2 He had a world-wide vision (v.24)

a. His vision: To reach the limits of the world (Spain) (v.24a)

b. His expectation: To have the help and support of believers (v.24b)

3 He did not forget immediate needs as he made world-wide plans (v.25-27)

4 He served in the gospel of Christ—in the fullness of the blessing of the gospel (v.28-29)

a. He maintained a world-wide vision (v.28)

b. He served the gospel of Christ and nothing else (v.29)

5 He begged for much prayer in behalf of his ministry (v.30-32)

a. That he might be delivered from unbelievers (v.31a)

b. That his service might be accepted (v.31b)

c. That he might carry out his world-wide vision and be refreshed by believers (v.32)

6 He set the example of intercessory prayer (v.33)

Romans 16:1-16

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 - a. Because they cause division and are stumbling blocks (v.17)
 - b. Because they do not serve Christ, but their own desires (v.18a)
 - c. Because they use smooth talk and flattering words to deceive (v.18b)
- 2 Mark what is good, and untainted with evil (v.19-20)
 - a. Because you have been obedient until now (v.19a)
 - b. Because you must be wise to know what is good (v.19b)
 - c. Because God shall soon give victory over Satan (v.20)

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- [a. He existed to be a prisoner for Christ \(v.1\)](#)
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2 It was a mystery: It required a special revelation to become known (v.3-5)

- [a. Revealed to Paul \(v.3-4\)](#)
- [b. Revealed to others \(v.5\)](#)

3 It was a threefold revelation (v.6)

- [a. All are fellow-heirs \(v.6a\)](#)
- [b. All are of the same body \(v.6b\)](#)
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4 It affected Paul—profoundly (v.7-9)

- a. Caused him to become a minister—by the power of God (v.7)
- b. Caused him to become a preacher—unworthy as he was (v.8)
- c. Caused him to become an evangelist (v.9)

5 It affects heavenly beings even now, profoundly so: Causes them to stand in stark amazement (v.10-12)

- a. At what God is doing in the church (v.10)
- b. At God's eternal purpose—in Christ (v.11)
- c. At the believer's access into God's presence—by faith (v.12)

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1 The prayer (v.14-15)

- a. Was for a cause (v.14a)
- b. Was with bowed knees (v.14b)
- c. To the Father of Christ (v.14c)
- d. Was for the whole family of God: Believers, past and present (v.15)

2 Request 1: For strength, power within—by God's Spirit (v.16)

3 Request 2: For Christ to rule and reign within—by faith (v.17a)

4 Request 3: For love (v.17b)

5 Request 4: For understanding—a full understanding of spiritual things (v.18)

6 Request 5: To know the love of Christ (v.19a)

7 Request 6: For the fullness of God (v.19b)

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- a. The fact: God is able (v.20a)
- b. The source: The power that works in us (v.20b)
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- b. With meekness (v.2b)
- c. With long-suffering (v.2c)
- d. With love (v.2d)

2 The purpose for walking worthy: To keep the unity, the peace (v.3)

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- a. Only one body (v.4a)
- b. Only one Spirit (v.4b)
- c. Only one hope (v.4c)
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- e. Only one faith (v.5b)
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3 Every believer's gift is Christ-centered (v.11)

4 Every believer's gift has a threefold purpose (v.12-16)

- a. An immediate purpose: To equip others (v.12)
- b. An eternal purpose: To become a perfect man like Christ (v.13)
- c. A personal purpose (v.14-16)
 - 1) To no longer be children—immature (v.14)
 - 2) To grow up in all things—mature (v.15)
 - 3) To do his part in building up the church (v.16)

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- a. With emptiness of mind (v.17)
- b. With dark understanding (v.18a)
- c. Alienated from God (v.18b-c)
 - 1) Because they are ignorant of God (v.18b)
 - 2) Because hearts are hard (v.18c)
- d. Being past feeling (v.19a)
- e. Being given over to gross sensuality (v.19b)

f. Indulging in all uncleanness with greediness (v.19c)

2 The believer is to walk after Christ (v.20-24)

- a. The reason: He has learned about Christ—heard and been taught by Him (v.21)
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2 By loving as Christ loved (v.2)

- a. He made an offering to God—sacrificed Himself (v.2a)
- b. He became a sweet fragrance to God (v.2b)

3 By being clean-bodied, that is, morally pure (v.3)

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3 Light shows what is acceptable (v.10)

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a. The charge: Have no fellowship with darkness (v.11)

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 - 3) [Involves being holy and without blemish \(v.27b\)](#)
- b. [It means to love her as you love your own body \(v.28-30\)](#)
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 - 1) [To cleave to your wife \(v.31a\)](#)
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A. The Marks of a Healthy Church, 1:1-2

- 1 A healthy church discipled young people (v.1a)
- 2 A healthy church serves Christ (v.1b)
- 3 A healthy church is full of true saints (v.1c)
- 4 A healthy church has leaders who lead by example (v.2a)
- 5 A healthy church experiences grace and peace (v.2b)

Philippians 1:3-11

B. The Marks of Mature Believers, 1:3-11

- 1 The mark of a thankful heart (v.3)
- 2 The mark of prayer (v.4a)
- 3 The mark of joy (v.4b)
- 4 The mark of fellowship (v.5)
- 5 The mark of confidence in God's salvation (v.6)
 - a. Is a good work (v.6a)
 - b. Is incomplete (v.6b)
 - c. Is to be completed at Christ's return (v.6c)
- 6 The mark of partnership (v.7-8)
 - a. Partners in heart (v.7a)
 - b. Partners in suffering (v.7b)
 - c. Partners in the gospel (v.7c)
 - d. Partners in grace (v.7d)
 - e. Partners with Christ (v.8)
- 7 The mark of a growing and discerning love (v.9-10)
 - a. To approve the excellent (v.10a)
 - b. To live pure lives (v.10b)
 - c. To cause no one to stumble (v.10c)
- 8 The mark of righteousness (v.11)

Philippians 1:12-19

C. The Marks of a Mature Witness, 1:12-19

- 1 He shares the gospel regardless of circumstances (v.12-14)
 - a. Paul faced dark circumstances: He was a prisoner in Rome (v.12)
 - b. Paul used his dark circumstances to spread the gospel (v.13-14)
 - 1) Spread through the elite guard of Rome: In the palace and everywhere else (v.13)

2) Spread by encouraging believers to be more fearless witnesses (v.14)

2 He holds no personal jealousy nor desire for credit or prestige (v.15-18)

3 He possesses the assurance of a happy ending: Salvation (v.19)

a. Through prayer (v.19a)

b. Through the Holy Spirit (v.19b)

Philippians 1:20-26

D. The Marks of the Great Christian Believer, 1:20-26

1 One great expectation and hope: To magnify Christ in his body (v.20)

2 One great commitment in life and death: Christ (v.21)

3 One great dilemma: To live or to depart to be with Christ (v.22-23)

4 One great willingness: To serve sacrificially (v.24-26)

a. By promoting the believer's faith (v.24-25)

b. By fellowshiping with believers (v.26)

Philippians 1:27-30

E. The Marks of the Great Christian Church, 1:27-30

1 Mark 1: Christian conduct—heavenly citizenship (v.27a)

2 Mark 2: Honoring the gospel (v.27b)

3 Mark 3: Standing fast (v.27c-d)

a. Must stand fast in one spirit and with one mind (v.27c)

b. Must stand fast in striving together for the faith of the gospel (v.27d)

4 Mark 4: Courage and fearlessness (v.28-30)

a. Persecution is a sign of destruction (v.28a)

b. Persecution is a sign of salvation (v.28b)

c. Persecution is a privilege (v.29)

d. Paul left a dynamic example in bearing persecution (v.30)

Philippians 2:1-4

II. THE STEPS TO UNITY, 2:1-18

A. Christ—The Traits of His Life in Us, 2:1-4

1 The trait of consolation (v.1a)

2 The trait of love (v.1b)

3 The trait of fellowship in the Spirit (v.1c)

4 The trait of compassion (v.1d)

5 The trait of concern for one another's joy (v.2)

6 The trait of humility or lowliness of mind (v.3)

7 The trait of controlling self-interest or concentration upon oneself (v.4)

Philippians 2:5-11

B. Humbling One's Self, 2:5-11

- 1 Christ is the supreme example (v.5)
- 2 Christ is of the very nature of God (v.6)
- 3 Christ emptied Himself and became a man (v.7)
- 4 Christ humbled Himself to the point of utter humiliation—to the very point of death (v.8)
- 5 Christ was rewarded-highly exalted by God (v.9-11)
 - a. Given a name above every name (v.9)
 - b. Given supreme power and authority (v.10)
 - c. Given supreme worship as Lord (v.11)

Philippians 2:12-18

C. Working Out One's Own Salvation or Deliverance, 2:12-18

- 1 The first work: To work out one's own salvation (deliverance) with fear and trembling (v.12)
- 2 The second work: To work at obedience—to work out the stirrings of God within the heart (v.13)
- 3 The third work: To work at not murmuring (v.14)
- 4 The fourth work: To work at being pure (v.15)
 - a. Blameless (v.15a)
 - b. Harmless, sincere (v.15b)
 - c. Without rebuke (v.15c)
- 5 The fifth work: To work at witnessing (v.16)
- 6 The sixth work: To follow the example of sacrificial labor (v.17-18)

Philippians 2:19-24

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A. The Example of Timothy—a Young Man Who Willingly Served In Second Place, 2:19-24

- 1 Timothy—a young man who willingly served in second place (v.19)
- 2 He had a kindred, brotherly spirit in caring for others (v.20)
- 3 He was willing to deny himself—to be obsessed with the things of Christ (v.21)
- 4 He was willing to be a son, a disciple (v.22-24)
 - a. Willing to be tried and proven (v.22)
 - b. Willing to go as sent (v.23-24)

Philippians 2:25-30

B. The Example of Epaphroditus—a Man Who Was Not a Quitter Nor a Coward, 2:25-30

1 He did not quit nor forsake his brother (v.25)

2 He did not quit nor forsake the church (v.26)

3 He did not quit nor forsake God (v.27)

4 Conclusion: The appeal (v.28-30)

- a. Paul is sending him back to the church so the church can joy and rejoice in him (v.28)
- b. Receive him: He builds his reputation; he gambles and risks his life for Christ (v.29-30)

Philippians 3:1-3

IV. THE "PRESSING ON" OF THE CHRISTIAN BELIEVER, 3:1-21

A. Pressing On: Guarding Oneself, 3:1-3

1 By rejoicing in the Lord (v.1a)

2 By heeding what is written (the Scripture) (v.1b)

3 By watching out for false teachers (v.2)

4 By knowing that you are the true (spiritual) circumcision (v.3)

Philippians 3:4-16

B. Pressing on: Paul's Personal Testimony—Rejecting Self-righteousness and Seeking Perfection, 3:4-16

1 Paul had achieved the height in self-righteousness (v.4-6)

- a. He had the birth (v.5a)
- b. He had the heritage (v.5b)
- c. He had social status (v.5c)
- d. He had faithfulness and knowledge (v.5d)
- e. He had the religion (v.5e)
- f. He had the religious zeal (v.6a)
- g. He had the morality (v.6b)

2 Paul sought to win Christ—His righteousness, His perfection (v.7-11)

- a. He had counted his own righteousness loss: A past experience (v.7-8a)
- b. Paul had counted all things as waste: A continuous experience (v.8b)
- c. Paul sought to be found in Christ: A future experience (v.9)
- d. Paul sought a victorious experience with Christ: To know His glorious power over the world and over all that is in the world (v.10)
- e. Paul sought to be resurrected from the dead: An eternal experience with Christ (v.11)

3 Paul did not count himself as having yet arrived—he was not yet perfect (v.12-16)

- a. He follows after his God given purpose (v.12)
- b. He worked at forgetting the past (v.13)
- c. He pressed on toward the goal, toward God's purpose in Christ Jesus (v.14)
- d. He kept his mind on growing, on maturing in Christ (v.15)
- e. He maintained the growth he had already achieved (v.16)

Philippians 3:17-21

C. Pressing On: Marking Those Who Walk as Examples, 3:17-21

1 Reason 1: Some walk as examples (v.17)

- a. Paul walked as an example (v.17a)
- b. Others walked as examples (v.17b)

2 Reason 2: Many walk as enemies of the cross (v.18-19)

- a. Their end: Destruction (v.19a)
- b. Their god: Appetite (v.19b)
- c. Their glory: Shameful (v.19c)
- d. Their mind: Earthly (v.19d)

3 Reason 3: The believer is a citizen of heaven (v.20-21)

- a. His life: Heaven-centered (v.20a)
- b. His focus: The return of Christ (v.20b)
- c. His end: A changed body (v.21)

Philippians 4:1-5

V. THE SECRET OF PEACE—THE PEACE OF GOD HIMSELF, 4:1-9

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1 Step 1: Peace comes through standing fast (v.1)

- a. The source of strength: Being "in the Lord" (v.1a)
- b. The encouragement: A "brother" who cares (v.1b)

2 Step 2: Peace comes through agreement and unity (v.2-3)

- a. The plea: For arguers to agree in the Lord (v.2)
- b. The need: The help of a true friend (v.3)
 - 1) Must help them because they were co-laborers (v.3a)
 - 2) Must help them because their names are in the Book of Life (v.3b)

3 Step 3: Peace comes through rejoicing continually and repeatedly (v.4)

4 Step 4: Peace comes through a strong gentleness (v.5)

Philippians 4:6-9

B. The Steps to Peace (Part II): Prayer and Positive Thinking, 4:6-9

1 Peace comes through prayer (v.6-7)

- a. The charge: Do not worry (v.6a)
- b. The remedy: Praying (v.6b-e)
 - 1) About everything (v.6c)
 - 2) With requests (v.6d)
 - 3) With thanksgiving (v.6e)
- c. The promise: Peace (v.7)
 - 1) Peace that passes all understanding (v.7a)
 - 2) Peace that keeps our hearts and minds (v.7b)

2 Peace comes through positive thinking (v.8-9)

- a. The charge: Think and practice things that are... (v.8)
 - 1) True (v.8a)
 - 2) Honest (v.8b)
 - 3) Just (v.8c)
 - 4) Pure (v.8d)
 - 5) Lovely (v.8e)
 - 6) Of good report (v.8f)
 - 7) Virtuous (v.8g)
 - 8) Praise-worthy (v.8h)
- b. The source or power of positive thinking (v.9)
 - 1) The Word of God (v.9a)
 - 2) Noble examples (v.9b)
 - 3) Self-effort (v.9c)

Philippians 4:10-19

VI. THE APPRECIATION FOR GOOD CHRISTIAN RELATIONSHIPS, 4:10-23

A. Appreciation: For a Church That Revives Its Sacrificial Giving, 4:10-19

1 Their giving was revived and it flourished (v.10)

2 Their giving was not necessary, but it was needed (v.11-14)

- a. Giving is not necessary because God teaches contentment apart from circumstances (v.11-12)
- b. Giving is not necessary because Christ strengthens us through all (v.13)
- c. Giving is needed—it is work well done (v.14)

3 Their giving was distinctive: They were the only church that gave and they gave consistently (v.15-16)

4 Their giving was sacrificial and it was seen and rewarded by God (v.17-19)

- a. God deposited fruit to their account (v.17)

- b. God was well pleased (v.18)
- c. God promised to supply all their need (v.19)

Philippians 4:20-23

B. Appreciation: For God and for Fellow Christians, 4:20-23

1 God is to be praised as God and as our Father (v.20)

2 Believers are to salute every saint (v.21-22)

- a. Christian leaders are to greet every saint (v.21)
- b. All the saints are to greet other believers, including government officials (v.22)

3 Believers are to wish the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ upon each other (v.23)

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I. THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE BELIEVER'S LIFE, 1:1-11

A. The Great Beliefs of a Great Christian, 1:1-2

- 1 Life has one basic profession: The will of God (v.1a)
- 2 Life has one essential relationship: Brotherhood (v.1b)
- 3 Life has two levels of spiritual maturity: A carnal believer versus a faithful brother (v.2a)
- 4 Life has two basic spiritual needs: Grace and peace (v.2b)

Colossians 1:3-8

B. The Great Pillars of the Christian Life, 1:3-8

- 1 The great pillars are good reasons for giving thanks to God (v.3)
- 2 The great pillars are faith and love (v.4)
- 3 The great pillars have one great basis: The believer's hope (v.5a)
- 4 The believer's hope has one great source: The gospel (v.5b-8)
 - a. It is truth (v.5)
 - b. It is for individuals (v.6a)
 - c. It is for all men (v.6b)
 - d. It produces fruit (v.6c)
 - e. It comes by hearing (v.6d)
 - f. It is God's grace (v.6e)
 - g. It is shared by men (v.7)
 - h. It results in love (v.8)

Colossians 1:9-11

C. The Great Requests of Prayer, 1:9-11

- 1 Request 1: To know God's will—to be filled with the knowledge of God's will (v.9)
 - a. In all wisdom (v.9a)
 - b. In all spiritual understanding (v.9b)
- 2 Request 2: To walk worthy of Christ (v.10)
 - a. By being fruitful in good works (v.10a)
 - b. By increasing in the knowledge of God (v.10b)
- 3 Request 3: To possess the power of God (v.11)
 - a. To make us steadfast (v.11a)
 - b. To make us long-suffering (v.11b)
 - c. The spirit of joyfulness (v.11c)

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II. THE PREEMINENT CHRIST: GOD'S DEAR SON, 1:12-23

A. God and Man: What God Has Done for Man, 1:12-14

- 1 God has given us an inheritance (v.12)
- 2 God has delivered us from the power of darkness (v.13)
- 3 God has redeemed us, even forgiven our sins (v.14)

Colossians 1:15

B. God and Christ (Part I): The Person of Christ, 1:15

- 1 Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God (v.15a)
- 2 Jesus Christ is above all things (v.15b)

Colossians 1:16-17

C. God and Christ (Part II): Christ the Creator, 1:16-17

- 1 Christ created all things (v.16a-b)
 - a. In heaven and in earth (v.16a)
 - b. Visible and invisible (v.16b)
- 2 Christ created all things for Himself (v.16c)
- 3 Christ is before all (v.17a)
- 4 Christ holds all things together (v.17b)

Colossians 1:18-19

D. God and Christ (Part III): Christ is the Head of the Church, 1:18-19

- 1 He is the head of the church (v.18a)
- 2 He is the beginning of the church (v.18b)
- 3 He was the first from the dead (v.18c)
- 4 He is supreme in all things (v.18d)
- 5 He is filled with all the fullness of God Himself (v.19)

Colossians 1:20-23

E. God and Christ (Part IV): Christ the Reconciler of All Things, 1:20-23

- 1 God has reconciled all things to Himself—through Christ (v.20)
 - a. The need: To make peace (v.20a)
 - b. The means: The cross (v.20b)
 - c. The result: All things in heaven and earth reconciled (v.20c)
- 2 God has reconciled those who were alienated and enemies of God—through Christ (v.21)

3 God had one great purpose in reconciliation: To present the believer perfect (v.22)

4 God has made reconciliation conditional (v.23)

a. Must continue in the faith (v.23a)

b. Must not be moved away from the gospel (v.23b)

Colossians 1:24-29

III. THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH, 1:24-2:7

A. A Minister Who Will Tirelessly Labor For the Church, 1:24-29

1 A minister who will willingly suffer for the church (v.24)

2 A minister who has been chosen by God to proclaim the Word of God (v.25)

3 A minister who will share the great mystery of God—"Christ in you, the hope of glory" (v.26-27)

4 A minister who will preach Christ and will warn and teach every man (v.28)

5 A minister who will labor and work—strive laboriously, depending upon Christ for energy (v.29)

Colossians 2:1-7

B. The Distinguished Marks of a Mature Church, 2:1-7

1 Mark 1: A minister who struggles in prayer and concern for the church (v.1)

2 Mark 2: Possessing confidence and assurance (v.2-3)

a. Comes from being knit together in love (v.2a)

b. Comes from knowing that what one believes about the mystery of God is accurate (v.2b)

c. Comes from knowing that in Christ is all wisdom and knowledge (v.3)

3 Mark 3: Resisting seductive teaching (v.4)

4 Mark 4: Maintaining military discipline: Order and steadfastness (v.5)

5 Mark 5: Walking in the Lord (v.6-7)

a. Walk rooted and built up (v.6-7a)

b. Walk as taught (v.7b)

c. Walk overflowing with thanksgiving (v.7c)

Colossians 2:8-10

IV. THE CONTRAST BETWEEN CHRIST AND FALSE TEACHING, 2:8-23

A. Christ versus False Philosophy and Astrology, 2:8-10

1 Beware of false philosophy (v.8)

a. Is only tradition (v.8a)

b. Deals only with the elements of the world (v.8b)

c. Is empty delusion (v.8c)

2 Christ is the Source of reality and truth (v.9-10)

- a. Is the fullness of God (v.9)
- b. Is the completion of man (v.10a)
- c. Is the head of all power (v.10b)

Colossians 2:11-12

B. Christ versus False Religion, 2:11-12

1 False religion: Stresses ritual and outward form (v.11a)

2 True religion: Stresses Christ and the spiritual (v.11b-12)

- a. A cutting away of sins (v.11)
- b. A burial in baptism and a resurrection to a new life (v.12a)
- c. An operation of God by faith (v.12b)

Colossians 2:13-15

C. Christ versus Man's Idea of Sin, the Law, and Evil Spirits, 2:13-15

1 Point 1: Christ versus man's idea of sin and death (v.13)

- a. Man's idea of sin and death (v.13a)
- b. Christ quickens man, forgiving his sins (v.13b)

2 Point 2: Christ versus man's idea of the law (v.14)

- a. Man's idea of the law (v.14a)
- b. Christ has nailed the charges against man to His cross (v.14b)

3 Point 3: Christ versus man's idea of evil forces and evil spirits (v.15)

- a. Man's idea of evil spirits (v.15a)
- b. Christ has conquered all (v.15b)

Colossians 2:16-19

D. Christ versus Rules and Ritual and Spiritism, 2:16-19

1 Christ versus rules and ritual, (v.16-17)

- a. The false approach to God: Through the shadows of rules and rituals and judging others by them (v.16)
- b. The true approach to God: Through Christ, the only acceptable body (v.17)

2 Christ versus spiritism (v.18-19)

- a. The false approach to God: Spiritism—through the worship of angels or spirits and visions (v.18)
- b. The true approach to God: Through Christ who is the Head (v.19)
 - 1) He alone supplies and nourishes life (v.19a)
 - 2) He alone binds life together (v.19b)

Colossians 2:20-23

E. Criticisms of Worldly Philosophy and Man-Made Approaches To God, 2:20-23

- 1 Believers are dead with Christ to man's crude notions about God and the world (v.20)
- 2 They enslave and subject men to the rules and teachings of men (v.21-22)
- 3 They are based upon the works and efforts and pride of men (v.23a)
- 4 They profess humility before the world, but the humility is a false humility (v.23b)

Colossians 3:1-4

V. THE DEMANDS OF THE BELIEVER'S NEW LIFE: GREAT CHARACTER, 3:1-17

A. The Basis of the Believer's New Life, 3:1-4

- 1 The believer's new life is a life that is risen with Christ (v.1a)
- 2 The believer's new life is a life that seeks the things above—in heaven—where Christ is (v.1b-4)
 - a. The meaning: Set your mind on things above, not on things on earth (v.2)
 - b. The reason: You are dead and hid with Christ (v.3)
 - c. The reward: You shall appear in glory with Christ (v.4)

Colossians 3:5-11

B. The Violent Demands of the New Life, 3:5-11

- 1 The first demand is violent: Put to death all sins that enslave the body and its members (v.5-7)
 - a. The sins listed (v.5)
 - b. The reasons (v.6-7)
 - 1) Such sins bring down the wrath of God upon man (v.6)
 - 2) Such sins belong to the old life (v.7)
- 2 The second demand is violent: Strip off the sins that enslave the emotions and tongue (v.8-11)
 - a. The sins listed (v.8)
 - b. The reasons (v.9-11)
 - 1) We have put off the old man (v.9)
 - 2) We have put on the new man (v.10)
 - 3) We are all one body in Christ (v.11)

Colossians 3:12-14

C. The Clothing of the New Life, 3:12-14

- 1 Are the elect of God, holy and beloved (v.12a)

- 2 The garment of mercy (v.12b)
- 3 The garment of kindness (v.12c)
- 4 The garment of humility (v.12d)
- 5 The garment of meekness (v.12e)
- 6 The garment of patience (v.12f)
- 7 The garment of forbearance (v.13a)
- 8 The garment of forgiveness (v.13b)
- 9 The garment of love (v.14)

Colossians 3:15-17

D. The Heart of the New Life, 3:15-17

- 1 A heart ruled by God's peace (v.15)
 - a. A choice: Let it rule (v.15a)
 - b. The reason: One body (v.15b)
 - c. The response: Be thankful (v.15c)
- 2 A heart rich with the Word of Christ (v.16)
 - a. A choice: Let it dwell (v.16a)
 - b. The reason: To teach and admonish one another in wisdom (v.16b)
 - c. The evidence: A singing spirit (v.16c)
- 3 A heart that does all in the name of Christ (v.17)
 - a. A choice: Do all (v.17a)
 - b. The response: Give thanks (v.17b)

Colossians 3:18-21

VI. THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BELIEVER, 3:18-4:6

A. The Believer and His Family, 3:18-21

- 1 Christian wives: Submit to your husbands (v.18)
- 2 Christian husbands: Love your wives and do not be bitter against them (v.19)
- 3 Christian children: Obey your parents (v.20)
- 4 Christian fathers or parents: Do not provoke your children (v.21)

Colossians 3:22-4:1

B. The Believer and His Work, 3:22-4:1

- 1 The slave (employee) (v.22-25)
 - a. Obey your master (employer)—not only when he is watching (v.22a)
 - b. Work—fearing God (v.22b)
 - c. Work heartily—as to the Lord (v.23-25)
 - 1) Work will be rewarded by Christ (v.24)

2) Work will be judged by Christ (v.25)

2 The master (employer) (v.4:1)

- a. To give justice and equity (v.1a)
- b. Reason: He has a master (v.1b)

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- [A. The Lamb Breaks the First Four Seals of the Book of Destiny: The Appearance of the Antichrist and His Power, 6:1-8](#)
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- [E. The Great Announcement of the Final Triumph Over Evil \(Part I\): The Little Book, 10:1-11](#)
- [F. The Final Triumph Over Evil \(Part II\): The Great Destruction of Israel and Jerusalem, 11:1-2](#)
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VI. THE SEVENTH TRUMPET IN DETAIL (PART I): TWO SPIRITUAL WONDERS STRUGGLING BEHIND THE GREAT TRIBULATION, 12:1-17

The seventh trumpet, part 1, shows that there are great spiritual and cosmic beings struggling behind the earthly scenes of history.

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VIII. THE SEVENTH TRUMPET IN DETAIL (PART III): THE VICTORY OF THE LAMB IS ASSURED, 14:1-20

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[A. Assurance 1: The Redeemed Will Be with Jesus, 14:1-5](#)

[B. Assurance 2: The Gospel Will be Preached to the Whole World, 14:6-7](#)

[C. Assurance 3: Babylon, the Godless State and Religion, Will Fall, 14:8](#)

[D. Assurance 4: Justice Will Be Executed, 14:9-12](#)

[E. Assurance 5: The Dead Will Be at Rest and Rewarded, 14:13](#)

[F. Assurance 6: The Glorious Harvest of the Godly Will Take Place, 14:14-16](#)

[G. Assurance 7: The Terrible Harvest of the Ungodly Will Take Place, 14:17-20](#)

IX. THE SEVENTH TRUMPET IN DETAIL (PART IV): THE THIRD GREAT WONDER, THE SEVEN BOWL JUDGMENTS, 15:1-16:21

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Jesus Christ is coming back to this earth, and He is going to establish the righteousness of God forever and ever. But before He can come and establish righteousness in the earth, a few things have to be done.

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All the godless and evil armies of this world have to be destroyed. This we have just seen in the former chapter ([Rev. 16](#)).

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All the false religion in this world has to be destroyed. This is the discussion of the present chapter ([Rev. 17](#)).

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All the godless governments and politics and social systems of this world have to be destroyed. This will be the discussion of the next chapter ([Rev. 18](#)).

When these three things are done, then the ungodly and evil of this earth will be removed and Jesus Christ can come to earth and set up His kingdom of righteousness. As stated, the armies were destroyed in the former chapter. Now God shows us how both false religion and the godless governments and politics of this world will be destroyed.

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[C. The Collapse of Political Babylon, 18:1-24](#)

XI. THE GREAT MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB, OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, 19:1-10

This is the great *Marriage Supper of the Lamb*, of the Lord Jesus Christ. This will be the great supper where all of heaven will be present to celebrate the union of Jesus Christ and the believers who have followed Him down through the centuries. Everyone in heaven will be there: God, Christ, believers, and the heavenly host. It will be the most celebrated and joyful event ever experienced up to that point in history. Why? Because it will be the great Marriage Supper of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, the celebration of the very thing for which He died. It will be the first time that *all the redeemed* of all ages will come together at one time to honor the Lamb who was slain to redeem the universe. Because of what He has done for man, He is deserving of all the honor and praise possible. To give Him such glorious honor, God has planned the greatest celebration and banquet imaginable, the celebration of what He calls the great *Marriage Supper of the Lamb* ([Rev. 19:9](#)).

XII. THE FINAL TRIUMPH: THE MILLENNIUM USHERED IN, 19:11-20:15

This is the final triumph of Jesus Christ upon earth. Six events will take place that will bring about a new heavens and earth and that will usher in eternity. These events will bring about the very thing for which God has launched human history: the perfect fellowship and communion between God and man throughout all eternity. These six events will bring about the glorious day when believers will worship and serve God—when they will labor and work for Him throughout the whole universe and do it in perfection forever and ever.

[A. The Coming of Christ as Conqueror, 19:11-16](#)

[B. The Great Battle of Armageddon, 19:17-21](#)

[C. The Great Removal and Binding of Satan, 20:1-3](#)

[D. The First Resurrection and Millennial Reign of Christ, 20:4-6](#)

[E. The Return of Satan and His Eternal Fate, 20:7-10](#)

[F. The Final Resurrection and Judgment of Unbelievers: The Great White Throne, 20:11-15](#)

VISION FOUR, 21:1-22:21

XIII. THE ETERNITY OF GOD: THE NEW HEAVENS AND EARTH AND THE NEW JERUSALEM, 21:1-22:5

A. The New Heavens and the New Earth, 21:1-8

B. The New Jerusalem, The City of God (Part I): Its Description, 21:9-23

C. The New Jerusalem, The City of God (Part II): Its Citizens and Provisions,
21:24-22:5

**XIV. THE GREAT MESSAGE OF REVELATION: ELEVEN STIRRING FACTS,
22:6-21**