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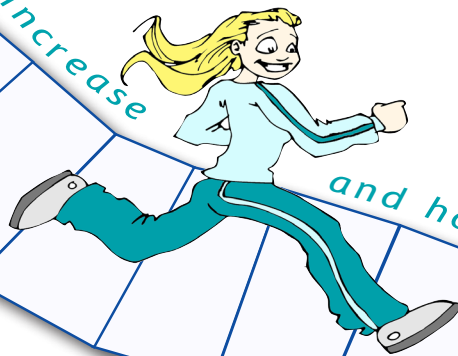
Journey

of

Faith

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Obtain, increase



and hold onto a life-changing faith! You will find the



FINISH

answers in the Bible.



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Examining the Scriptures for Truth

My Journey of Faith

This journey belongs to:

Lesson Outline:

Lesson #	Topic	Description
1	Understand Faith	Overview faith. Determine how much doubt exists in your Christian walk.
2	Study the Bible	Learn how the Bible got to us, its reliability and how we should study it.
3	Believe the Bible	Learn more about the reliability of the Bible and how to test the inspiration of writings.
4	Examine Prophecy	Learn about Biblical prophecies and the accuracy of their predictions.
5	Accept What Jesus Offers	Learn about Jesus' forgiveness, life-changing power, friendship and love.
6	Welcome the Holy Spirit	Study the critical role of the Holy Spirit in your Christian walk.
7	Explore Creation	Explore creation as revealed in the Bible.
8	Believe in Creation	Understand the importance of believing in the Biblical account of creation
9	Pray for Faith	Pray for faith and confess doubt.
10	Persevere for Experience	Build strength of belief as you see God's activity in your life and experience trials.
11	Learn from the Faith of Others	Explore the stories of characters in the Bible who exhibited great faith.
12	Rejoice in the results of Faith	Learn about the rewards of having faith and how to stay solid in faith.

"Worksheet" Bible Studies are composed of thought-provoking and fun worksheets designed to engage the participant in meaningful concepts and instigate personal Bible examination for the answers.

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How to use these Bible lessons

If studying individually:

Pray first. Complete each worksheet in order, to learn and grow in faith. It is recommended to use the King James Version, or else the answers may not match the spaces provided on the worksheets. The answers are provided at the end of each lesson. There is an activity at the end of each lesson, some of which work better in groups, however you can still participate through reflection or with a family member or friend.

If studying with a group:

Suggested outline:

1. *Talk Time*

Encourage participants to greet and talk to each other for several minutes before beginning the lesson. Ask what they did during the week and invite them to share prayer requests.

2. *Prayer*

Ask God to send His Holy Spirit to guide each heart as participant's study God's word.

3. *Worksheets*

Complete each worksheet as a group. Be sure to make extra copies of the worksheets ahead of time in case you have extra visitors. Have participants take turns reading texts. Encourage questions and discussion, especially at the end of each worksheet. The answers are provided at the end of each lesson if needed. It is recommended that all participants use the King James Version, or else the answers may not match the spaces provided on the worksheets.

Time Frame: There may not be time to complete all of the worksheets in the allotted time for each lesson. You may either continue the lesson next time you meet together, or each participant may finish the worksheets at home on their own.

4. *Special Activity*

At the end of each lesson there is either an activity that participants complete on their own, or a group activity for all to participate in together.

A) Individual Activity - The individual activity, such as a word search or crossword puzzle, can be done quietly and individually, so participants can peacefully reflect on the lesson subject. It is enjoyable to play music quietly during this time.

B) Group Activity - The group activity involves all participants and encourages interaction. It should be a fun time for laughter and supplemental learning.

5. *Dismiss*

Encourage participants to complete any unfinished worksheets at home. Announce the next meeting time and encourage participants to bring a friend with them. Close with prayer.

Enjoy your study!

Understand

Faith

***"For by grace are ye saved through faith;
and that not of yourselves:
it is the gift of God:"
Ephes. 2:8***

Ever Experience a "Doubt Destroyer"?

1. Imagine what you would like God to do that would provide 100% proof that what the Bible teaches is true. Write down your ideas for these "Doubt Destroyers" (examples: Miracle, Vision, A Personal Visit from Jesus, etc.).

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____

2. What would happen if you never experience one of these "Doubt Destroyers"?

	<u>True</u>	<u>False</u>
My faith would probably decrease.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My faith would probably increase.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
My faith would probably stay the same	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Did "Doubt Destroyers" change the faith of people in the Bible? Read the following Bible passages to learn more.

A) Read Luke 16:19-31, The parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

A miracle, such as a person raising from the dead, wouldn't have been enough to convince Lazarus' brothers in this parable. It's the same for many people. If you won't listen to the words of the Bible, you probably won't be convinced by a miracle, even one as magnificent as this!

B) Read Matthew 8:5-13, The story of the Centurion

Jesus marvelled at the Centurion's faith. The Centurion's servant was healed, but he didn't seem to need this miracle in order to booster his faith, he already had it.

C) Read John 20:24-29, The story of Thomas Believing the Lord was Risen from the Grave

Thomas needed to see the nail prints on Jesus' hands before he would believe that it was really Christ. Jesus told him it would be better to have belief without the need to first see Him.

Miracles, angelic visits, and other supernatural events are wonderful blessings and should strengthen your faith! However, according to these stories, there must be other (and apparently better) ways, to eliminate doubt, rather than waiting for a "Doubt Destroyer". That's what these lessons are all about!

Does faith appear instantly or does it develop over time?

An Introduction to Faith

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

1. What is faith?

Hebrews 11:1 The _____ of things hoped for,
The _____ of things not seen.

2. What does it do?

Romans 4:5 Counts for _____ .

3. What happens without it?

Romans 14:23 If it is not of faith, it is _____ .

4. What am I supposed to have faith in?

- A) Mark 11:22 Have faith in _____ .
- B) Galatians 3:26 Have faith in _____ .
- C) Romans 3:25 Have faith in _____ .
- D) Romans 10:9 Believe that God _____ Him from the dead.

5. How many "faiths" are there?

Ephes. 4:4-5 There is _____ Spirit and _____ faith.

6. How can I increase my faith?

Romans 10:17 Faith comes by hearing the _____ of _____ .

Galatians 5:22 Faith comes from the _____ .

Why is Increasing My Faith Important?

A) Read Romans 3:28

When we have faith, we are:



Which means



We are regarded as innocent and considered righteous.

B) Read Romans 5:1

When we have faith, we have:



Which means



We are untroubled and in a state of harmony.

C) Read I John 5:3-4

Faith enables us to:



Which means



Keeping God's commandments becomes possible and nonburdensome.

D) Read Acts 15:8-9

With faith, your heart is:



Which means



Our thoughts and feelings are cleansed.

E) Read James 5:15

A prayer of faith, saves the:



Which means



We receive healing and forgiveness of sins.

F) Read I Peter 1:9

The end result of faith is:



Which means



Our souls are saved from the power and penalty of sin.

Can you think of anything else that is more important?

Why Do People Doubt?

You can be a "Healthy Doubter", which means you question new thoughts and investigate subjects thoroughly. However, a "Dangerous Doubter" won't accept, or continually doubts, things of which God has already convicted them and which they have been provided ample evidence.

A) James 1:8 "A _____ man is _____ in all his ways."

If a person is "double minded", it means he or she is vacillating or changing opinions often.

B) Eph. 4:14 "That we henceforth be no more _____, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every _____ of _____..."

One of the greatest sources of doubt is simply caused by spiritual immaturity. The more you grow in your relationship with God, the less you will doubt sound doctrine.

C) Hebrews 10:36-37 "For ye have need of _____, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the _____. For yet a little while, and he that shall _____ will _____, and will not _____."

Generation after generation, for hundreds of years, people have expected Christ to return to earth during their lifetime. But, the second coming hasn't happened yet. This discourages some people and causes them to doubt that it will ever happen, even though God has promised.

D) Matthew 14:30 "But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was _____..."

Fear causes people to panic, to lose sight of things in which they believe.

E) Habakkuk 1:2 "O Lord, _____ shall I cry, and thou wilt not _____! even cry out unto thee of _____, and thou wilt not _____!"

Seeing so much suffering and injustice in the world causes some people to wonder: "If there is a God, how could He allow this to happen?" But, the more you learn about God, the more you understand that even though you can't always discern it in the circumstances of life, God's goodness is always there.

What causes doubt in your life?

Should We Ever Be 100% Doubt Free? Is It Possible?

A) James 1:6 "But let him ask in faith, _____."

For he that _____ is like a _____ of the _____
driven with the wind and _____."

Nothing = Not even one, none, naught

B) Hebrews 10:38 "Now the just shall _____ by _____:

but if any man _____, my soul shall have no pleasure in him."

Drawing back = Shrink, cower, shun or withdraw

C) Hebrews 10:22 "Let us draw near with a _____

in _____ assurance of faith..."

Full = Entire, complete, maximum

God has made it possible, and is asking us to have complete confidence, full assurance and 100% faith in Him. While God has not removed all opportunity for doubt, He does give sufficient evidence so that we can make a choice based on the weight of evidence. We should always seek to exercise full faith and eliminate **all** doubt.

It is only possible with God's help.

Are There Wrong & Right types of Faith?

A) James 2:17

Even so _____, if it hath _____,
is _____, being alone.

True faith includes being willing to let God change your life and obeying Him.

B) James 2:19

Thou believest that there is _____; thou doest _____:
the _____ also believe, and tremble.

It is not enough to just believe that God exists. You have to agree that His ways are best and choose to live according to them.

C) Mark 1:24

Saying, Let us _____; what have we to do with _____, thou _____
of _____? art thou come to _____ us?

I know thee who thou art, the _____ of _____.

Demons believe in Christ. But they haven't submitted to His authority or followed His good ways.

D) John 12:42-43

Nevertheless among the _____ also many _____
on him; but because of the _____ they did not _____ him,
lest they should be put out of the Synagogue: For they _____ the praise of men
more than the _____ of God.

Faith includes believing AND being willing to say it to others.

**There is a difference between believing only and a saving faith.
Faith is living wholly according to what you believe.**

Activity: "I Doubt It"

Instructions:

When you read a Bible story, what is your first reaction? Do you doubt it or do you believe it? The more you study and pray, the more you will come to trust and believe in the God who wrote the Bible and therefore the words within the Bible. Read a Bible story from the list below and reflect upon what it is saying and why you can believe it.

Groups: Give each participant a blank piece of paper and have them each write "I Doubt It!" on one side of the paper and "I Believe It!" on the other side. Next, give each participant one of the Bible texts below (whisper it or write it on a piece of paper so no one else knows what it is). After everyone has a Bible text, give them two minutes to decide on a strategy. They will decide to either read their text as it is written, or they can change one or more nouns (names, places, numbers, things, etc.) within the text (Note: Changed words cannot contain or be a form of the original word. For example, "commandments" cannot be changed to "commands", but "dog" could be changed to "cat") The goal is to bluff or trick the other participants into incorrectly doubting or believing a text. At the end of the two minutes, each participant takes turns reading their text. After each text is read, the other participants decide if the reader is reading the text correctly or not. On the count of three, have all participants hold up their piece of paper with their answer facing outward. Have the reader reveal the correct answer. Give the reader a point for each participant who incorrectly guesses. Give each participant a point if they correctly guess. If the text was changed, be sure to have them inform everyone of the correct words. Discuss how the meaning changed if the words were changed. Once each participant has read their text and the guesses are scored, the round is completed. The participant with the highest score wins. Play additional rounds as time permits.

Bible Texts:

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|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Matthew 8:26 | 12. 2 John 1:7 | 23. Luke 20:46 | 34. Habakkuk 3:17 |
| 2. Genesis 6:14 | 13. Rev. 9:7 | 24. Acts 3:2 | 35. Esther 2:8 |
| 3. Genesis 13:1-2 | 14. Rev. 21:19 | 25. Acts 6:1 | 36. Esther 9:16 |
| 4. Genesis 25:3 | 15. Lament. 2:15 | 26. Acts 13:6 | 37. Proverbs 3:21-22 |
| 5. Genesis 27:3 | 16. Ezra 4:6 | 27. Acts 24:5 | 38. Proverbs 10:26 |
| 6. Genesis 37:9 | 17. Joel 2:19 | 28. Ephes. 4:31-32 | 39. Proverbs 18:7-8 |
| 7. Psalm 7:16 | 18. I Cor. 1:20 | 29. Col. 2:8-9 | 40. Proverbs 28:3 |
| 8. Psalm 22:14 | 19. I Cor. 16:19-20 | 30. Deut. 1:44 | 41. Proverbs 30:33 |
| 9. Psalm 69:14 | 20. James 3:7-8 | 31. Deut. 8:15 | 42. Jeremiah 4:19 |
| 10. Micah 4:1 | 21. Luke 3:1 | 32. Deut. 32:13 | 43. Jeremiah 8:7 |
| 11. Titus 1:7 | 22. Luke 8:2-3 | 33. Habakkuk 1:8 | 44. Jeremiah 36:23 |

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 1

An Introduction to Faith

1. Substance, Evidence
2. Righteousness
3. Sin
4. God, Christ Jesus, His Blood, Raised
5. One, One
6. Word God, Spirit

What is Increasing My Faith Important?

- A. Justified
- B. Peace
- C. Overcome
- D. Purified
- E. Sick
- F. Salvation

Why Do People Doubt?

- A. Double, Minded, Unstable
- B. Children, Wind, Doctrine
- C. Patience, Promise, Come, Come, Tarry
- D. Afraid
- E. How, Long, Hear, Violence, Save

Should We Ever Be 100% Doubt Free? Is It Possible

- A. Nothing, Wavering, Wavereth, Wave, Sea Tossed
- B. Live, Faith, Draw, Back
- C. True, Heart, Full

Are There Wrong & Right Types of Faith?

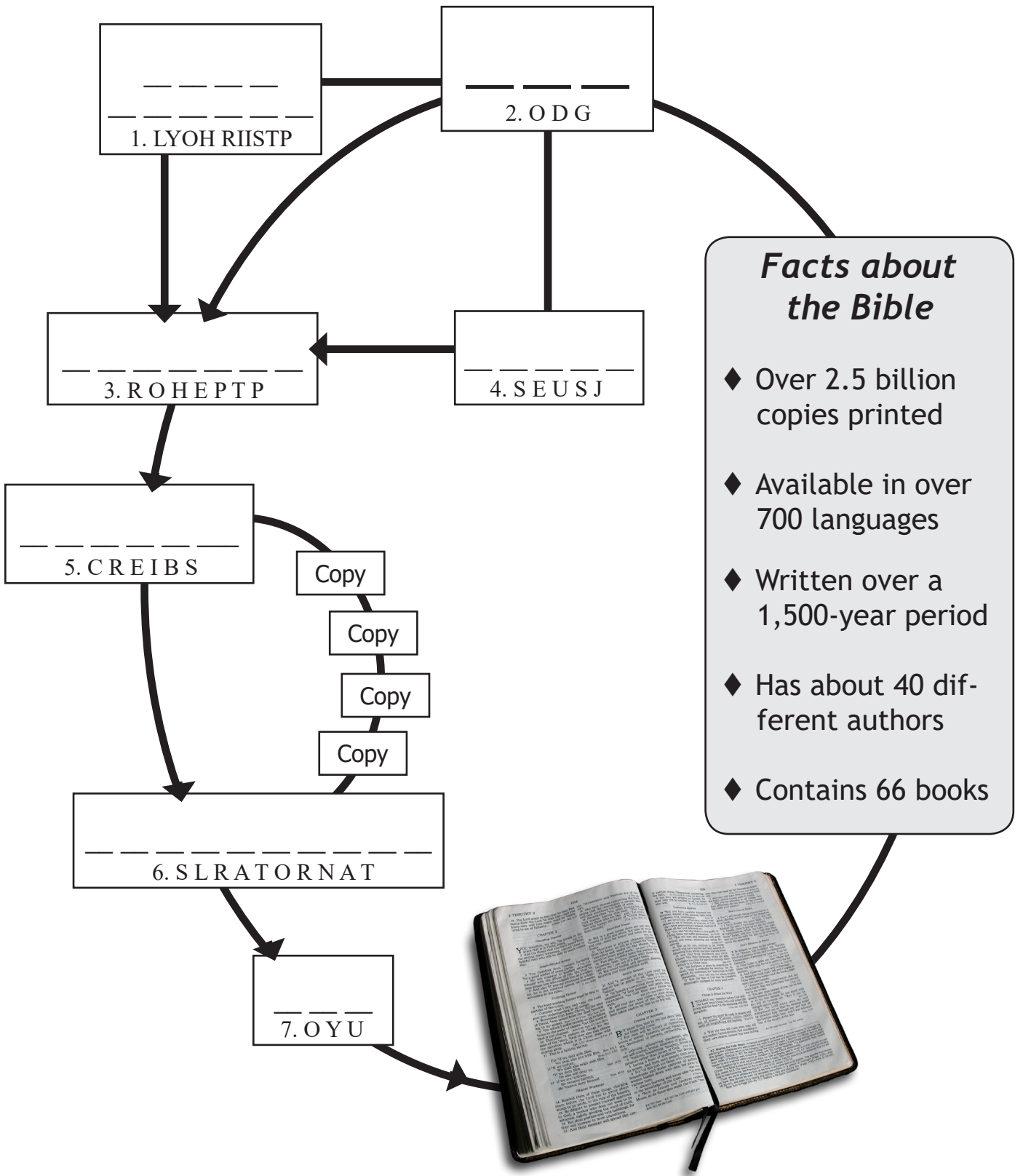
- A. Faith, Not, Works, Dead
- B. One, God, Well, Devils
- C. Alone, Thee, Jesus, Nazareth, Destroy, Holy, One, God
- D. Chief, Rulers, Believed, Pharisees, Confess, Loved, Praise

Notes

Study the Bible

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

How Did the Bible Get to Me?



God's Methods of Communicating

How did God inspire the prophets to write His words?

- A) Hebrews 1:1-2 "God, who at sundry times and in _____
spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds."
- B) Jeremiah 1:9 "Then the Lord put forth his hand, and _____. And the Lord said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth."
- C) Exodus 33:11 "And the Lord spake unto Moses _____, as a man speaketh unto his friend..."
- D) Exodus 31:18, 32:16 "And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with _____... And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables."
- E) 2 Peter 1:21 "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by _____."
- F) Galatians 1:11-12 "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of _____."
- G) Numbers 12:6 "And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord will make myself known unto him in a _____, and will speak unto him in a _____."
- H) I Samuel 9:15 "Now the Lord had told Samuel _____ a day before Saul came..."
- I) Zech. 4:1 "And the _____ that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep, and said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof."

Inspiration means "God Breathed".

How Does the Bible Instruct Us To Study It?

How can I get the most out of the Bible?

- A) Isaiah 28:10 "For _____ must be upon _____,
precept upon precept; _____ upon _____, line upon line;
_____ a little, and _____ a little:"

Each piece of information in the Bible is a connecting cord to another piece. You build knowledge and sound doctrine by evaluating one section of the Bible based on what you've learned from many other sections.

- B) John 16:13 "Howbeit when he, the _____ of _____, is come,
he will guide you into all _____: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he
shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will _____ you things to _____."

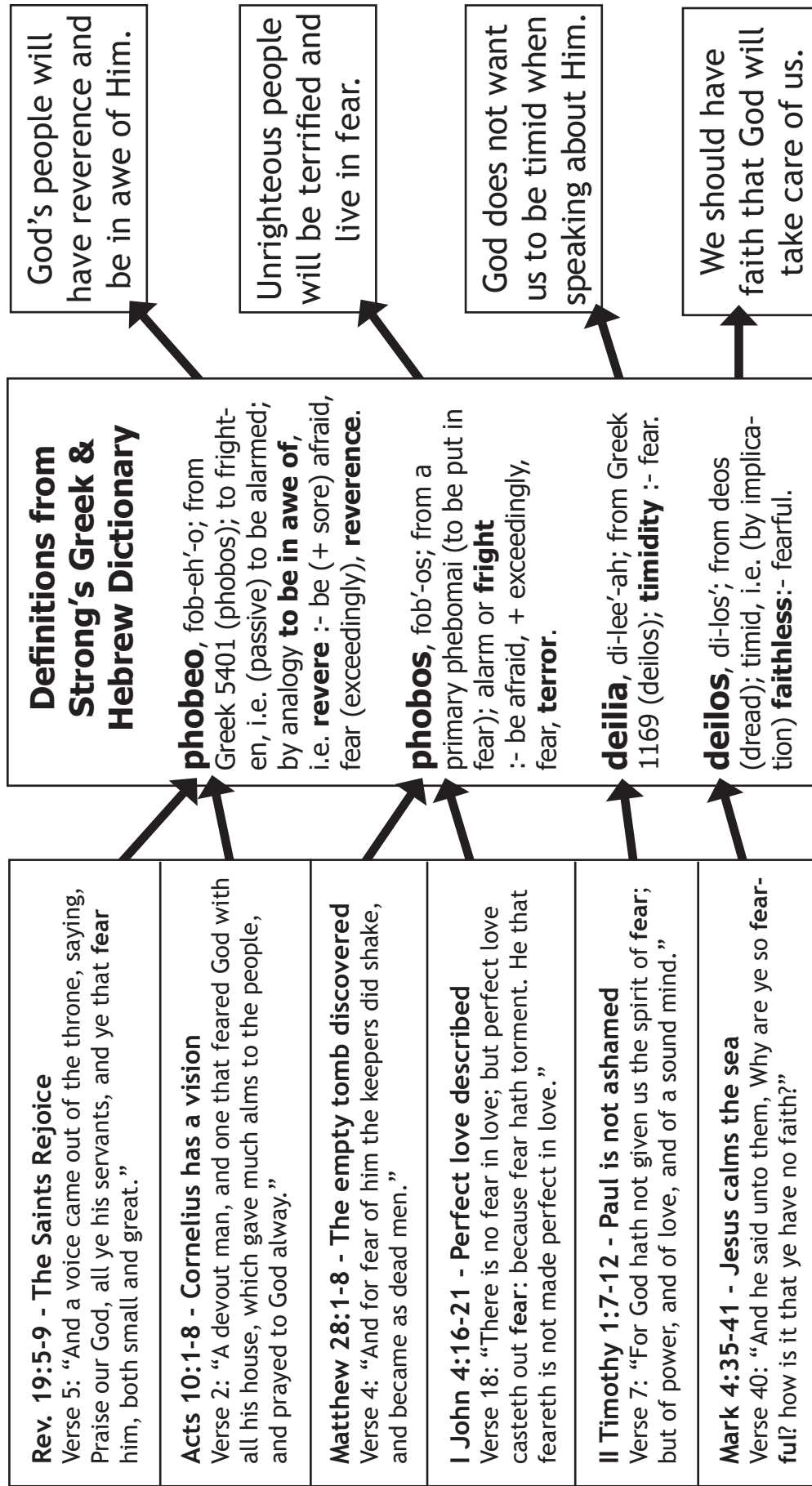
Since the Holy Spirit leads us into all truth, you should always study the Bible with the Holy Spirit's help. Relying on your abilities alone, to discover the truth, may produce what seems like logical results, however the results may not be the truth.

- C) Matthew 21:22 "And _____ things, whatsoever ye shall ask in _____,
_____, ye shall _____."

If you **want** to learn the truth about God, and **ask** for it in prayer according to His **will**, you **will** receive it.

How many ways can you "Fear"?

When studying the Bible, keep in mind that the meaning of words can change over time. Because of this, it can be very helpful to examine the original Hebrew and Greek meaning of words to help clarify a concept. For example, read the Bible Stories below and notice the different meanings of the word fear.



Do you "fear" God? Check which kind(s) of fear you have: phobeo phobos deilia deilos

How Do You Spend Your Time?

God has preserved the Bible through thousands of years. It is a way we can learn about God. Yet, how much time do we devote to its study? Think about your average day and how you spend your time. Write the number of hours you actually spend on each activity in the first column. In the second column, write in the number of hours you think you should spend on each particular activity.

Activity:	Actual Number of Hours:	Ideal Number of Hours:
Sleeping	_____	_____
Eating	_____	_____
Working	_____	_____
Going to school	_____	_____
Visiting with friends	_____	_____
Doing homework	_____	_____
Watching TV	_____	_____
Surfing the Internet	_____	_____
Hobbies (Knitting, Painting, Cars, Etc.)	_____	_____
Sports (e.g. Basketball, Soccer, Swimming)	_____	_____
Playing Games	_____	_____
Studying the Bible/Prayer	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____
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Other: _____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____

Is your time spent wisely?

The Results of Bible Study!

**Proper Bible study
will**



1. Luke 24:32	Set you on _____ E _____
2. Acts 17:11	Reveal the _____ U _____
3. John 5:38-39	Testify of _____ T _____
4. 2 Tim. 3:15, 17	Make you _____ S _____ and _____ R _____
5. Romans 15:4	Give you _____ O _____
6. Mark 12:24	Keep you from _____ R _____
7. John 16:13	Show you the F _____

Where else can you get such great results?!!

Activity: Bible Word Search

Find the hidden words in the puzzle below. The words may go across, down, up, backwards or diagonal.

L E A T R U T H P Z R M O T V L Z
 P R O P H E C Y I S L I M A A E T
 I N O I T A T E R P R E T N I R R
 N K E T A P G Q R U A H G M R A A
 F A O R I R C E O R X U W R G B N
 S R G P O O H Y R W A J Z U A H S
 C H R O X P R F R G F S E Q E E L
 R S I N L H V O E S K B Y F S Q A
 I T P E C E R P F O V N N X D G T
 P A V T L T L D O J O L W I A O I
 T J E S U S E B A M T E N S E S O
 U Z R B D W T E I Y J P H E D K N
 R M U S A S D T F B V S O B F O P
 E U S C O S S S I F U L F I L L G
 S I M L E E E R K S S N A R M U Q
 V C L G T J S X M U E R S C Z A M
 T I R I P S Y L O H E I N S I Y B

Prophets	Translation	Testimony
Bible	Scribe	Prophecy
Qumran	Precept	Fulfill
Dead Sea	Lost Books	Language
God	Truth	Error
Holy Spirit	Interpretation	
Jesus	Scriptures	

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 2

How Did the Bible Get to Me?

1. Holy Spirit, 2. God, 3. Prophet, 4. Jesus, 5. Scribe, 6. Translator, 7. You

God's Methods of Communicating

- A. Divers manners
- B. Touched my mouth
- C. Face to face
- D. The finger of God
- E. The Holy Ghose
- F. Jesus Christ
- G. Vision, Dream
- H. In his ear
- I. Angel

How Does the Bible Instruct Us to Study It?

- A. Precept, Precept, Line, Line, Here, There
- B. Spirit, Truth, Truth, Shew, Come
- C. All, Prayer, Believing, Receive

The Results of Bible Study

1. Fire
2. Truth
3. Christ
4. Wise, Perfect
5. Hope
6. Error
7. Father

Bible Word Search

L	E	A	T	R	U	T	H	P	Z	R	M	O	T	V	L	Z
P	R	O	P	H	E	C	Y	I	S	L	I	M	A	A	E	T
I	N	O	I	T	A	T	E	R	P	R	E	T	N	I	R	R
N	K	E	T	A	P	G	Q	R	U	A	H	G	M	R	A	A
F	A	O	R	I	R	C	E	O	R	X	U	W	R	G	B	N
S	R	G	P	O	O	H	Y	R	W	A	J	Z	U	A	H	S
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R	S	I	N	L	H	V	O	E	S	K	B	Y	F	S	Q	A
I	T	P	E	C	E	R	P	F	O	V	N	N	X	D	G	T
P	A	V	T	L	T	L	D	O	J	O	L	W	I	A	O	I
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S	I	M	L	E	E	E	R	K	S	S	N	A	R	M	U	Q
V	C	L	G	T	J	S	X	M	U	E	R	S	C	Z	A	M
T	I	R	I	P	S	Y	L	O	H	E	I	N	S	I	Y	B

Notes

Believe the **B**ible

***"To the law and to
the testimony: if they
speak not according
to this word. it is
because there is no
light in them."
Isaiah 8:20***

Why Should I Trust the Bible?

Unscramble the letters to find the answers...

1) H Y E R P C P O A S H O C E M R T E U

Without fail, prophecies in the Bible have happened exactly as outlined by the prophets. Predictions made hundreds of years before the event happened, have been accurately fulfilled.

2) T I E S I I F T T S E F O A

G H I E H R W P E R O

Everytime you read the Bible, something new can be learned. It is a chanel of life-changing power. Its sound advice, proven wisdom and timeless concepts testify that someone of much higher capabilities is in control.

3) C A G A E H C I O L L O A R S N I D F

V F I Y R E E L B B I S T A C F

No archaeological find has ever contradicted the Bible. It has only confirmed what the Bible teaches. As archaeologists progress, they uncover more and more evidence to support the Bible.

4) C R O A L H I I S T S T R E W R I

F I M C R O N B L I B E R I S E T O S

There are a number of reputable historical writers who verify scriptural facts. As an example, Thallus, in 52 A.D., wrote about the darkness that covered the land during Jesus' crucifixion.

5) T I S H A A

S H I V E E C O L Y O R T I S E N

Many different authors wrote the Bible over hundreds of years, yet they provide a consistent, common-threaded and ever clarifying story.

6) H E T L O Y H T R I S I P

V O C T S I N C U Y O O T

I E V L E B E

As you read the Bible and the Spirit of God prompts you to embrace truth, you should follow your conscience. Repeatedly rejecting the Holy Spirit will result in less and less guidance.

Why Is the Bible Sometimes Difficult to Understand?

Unscramble the letters to determine the answers.

- A) II Peter 3:16 "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction."

It _____ some things that are _____ to understand.
 O A C T I N S N D R A H

Even though some things are difficult to understand, by increasing your knowledge of the scriptures and with the Holy Spirit's help, you can avoid incorrect interpretations.

- B) The last author of the Bible died over 1,900 years ago.

You _____ a different _____.
 K A S E P G E U L A A N G

The way we think and the words we use today are different than the words Bible writers used in their day. We should carefully consider the words they used and their original meaning.

- C) People had different customs, fashions and ways of living that are very different from how we live today.

You _____ in a different _____.
 V E I L T R U C L U E

We need to consider the context of a text and the surrounding circumstances in which the event happened.

- D) The Bible mentions kings, nations, rivers, cities and other historical facts, of which we are not familiar with today.

You _____ at a different _____ in _____.
 E V I L I M T E Y H O I T S R

We can learn more about the geography and historical figures in Bible times to help in our understanding of the Bible.

- E) Luke 24:45 "Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,"

You have _____ allowed _____ to _____ you.
 O T N O D G P L E H

You can read and read, but without God's help, you will not obtain a right understanding. In fact, you can cause major damage to your spiritual journey because you might go down an entirely wrong path of thought.

Are Some Parts of the Bible More Important Than Others?

Enter the number from the Bible concept in the left column, in the line next to the appropriate text that teaches about it in the right column.

1. All scripture is inspired.	_____	Luke 24:25-27
2. It is equally important to obey the Old Testament prophets and the New Testament Apostles.	_____	II Peter 3:2
3. The message of the Prophets in the Old Testament was about Jesus.	_____	Matthew 5:17
4. Inspiration received from the Father, Jesus or the Holy Spirit will all agree.	_____	Acts 3:20-21
5. Error happens when we don't know the scriptures.	_____	Mark 12:24
6. It is foolish to disbelieve what the prophets wrote.	_____	2 Tim. 3:16
7. If you don't believe what Moses wrote, you won't believe what Christ said.	_____	John 5: 45-47
8. Jesus didn't try to change what Moses wrote. He fulfilled the prophecies in Moses' writings.	_____	Luke 24:44
9. Jesus believed that the words in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms would come true.	_____	I John 5:7

Some people believe that the Old Testament is not as inspired or reliable as the New Testament.

However, the Bible does not support that view. Also, Jesus didn't believe that.

He referenced the scriptures numerous times and the scriptures He referred to were the writings of prophets in the Old Testament. The New Testament didn't exist yet.

Jesus was very clear that we should believe the prophets and read the scriptures.

However, He did strive to correct misunderstandings and erroneous interpretations of the scriptures.

Are There Discrepancies in the Bible?

You may hear people talk of apparent discrepancies in the Bible, where it seems to conflict with other parts of the Bible, thus testing their faith. However, apparent discrepancies need not deter us from our "Journey of Faith". If you perceive a discrepancy in the Bible, examine it, consider carefully the following points and ask yourself these questions:

Point #1:

Humans are prone to misinterpretation due to reliance on self or lack of thorough investigation.

	Yes	No
- Have I prayed about the subject and asked for the Holy Spirit's guidance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Have I studied what other parts of the Bible teach about this subject?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Point #2:

A scribe could make a mistake when copying.

	Yes	No
- Is this one of the rare cases when a copying mistake was made, such as punctuation was left out or a 3 was written as 2, etc.?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Point #3:

A translator could mistakenly use an incorrect word.

	Yes	No
- Has the meaning of a word changed since my version of the Bible was written?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- Could the translator have misunderstood the original word and have I looked it up in a Hebrew or Greek dictionary?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Point #4:

Some words in the Bible are simply accurately recording an event that took place. For example, consider the words of Job's friends. Clearly, the advice that Job's friends gave to Job were not inspired by God. However, God's inspired writers faithfully recorded the story so we can learn from it today.

	Yes	No
- Have I investigated the source of the subject and who said it?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Point #5:

Since the original words were inspired by God, a discrepancy wouldn't be in the original manuscripts or else God couldn't be relied upon to communicate His word.

	Yes	No
- Am I doubting God Himself?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are There Inspired Writers In Our Time?

The Bible informs us that there will be false and good prophets in the last days. In order to know if someone is being led by the Holy Spirit or not, we have to put them to the test.

A) Matthew 7:15-17 "Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit."

Yes No

Does the "Prophet" produce good fruit, which can be seen by their actions?

B) Isaiah 8:20 "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

Are the words of the "Prophet" in harmony with the teachings in the Bible?

C) I John 4:1-3 "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God..."

Does the "Prophet" believe that Jesus Christ has come to earth as a human?

D) I Cor. 12:3 "Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost."

Does the "Prophet" teach that Jesus is the Savior and the Son of God (not just simply a good man)?

E) Deut. 18:20-22 - "But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die. And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him."

Has the "Prophet's" predictions come to pass?

F) Ephes 4:3-6 - "Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

Does the "Prophet" teach the same things the Holy Spirit, Jesus and God the Father inspired true prophets to write (or does he/she contradict)?

TOTAL SCORE (add 1 point for each "Yes" answer):

Will Science Ever Catch Up?

Compare what the Bible teaches to what people actually believed. Then answer "yes" or "no" in the right-side column.

The Bible Teaches:	Where It's Found:	What People Actually Believed:	Do People Still Doubt This?
1. The earth is round	Isaiah 40:22 Job 26:10 Prov 8:27	People in the fifteenth century feared sailing because they might fall over the edge of the flat earth.	_____
2. The earth is suspended in nothing	Job 26:7	A popular belief at the time this text was written, was that the earth was held up on pillars, people or animals.	_____
3. There are paths in the sea	Psalms 8:3-8	This text informs us that there are "paths of the seas". Not until the 1800's did scientists believe this and find and map many of these paths. They found ocean currents that dramatically sped ocean travel times, warm and cold continental currents, and a forty mile wide, 2000 feet deep current flowing from the Gulf of Mexico up through the Atlantic. Matthew Maury launched this research project and made these important discoveries after reading this Bible text and taking God at His word.	_____
4. The earth is deteriorating	Psalms 102:25,26	This text indicates that the earth is deteriorating. However, when this scripture was written, people believed that the universe was unchangeable. Since then, science has proven that the universe is actually experiencing radical changes.	_____
5. The Hydrologic Cycle	Job 36:27-28 Eccles 1:6-7 Eccles 11:3 Amos 9:6	The cycle of water and its important work in our earth wasn't understood until just a few years before Christ was born. Yet the Bible informed us about it around 1600 BC.	_____
6. Species reproduce only their own kind	Genesis 1	Only within the last couple hundred of years has the theory of evolution taught that new species evolve from other species over millions of years. Though, science has never been able to produce a "missing link." The Bible evidence, on the other hand, teaches that a kangaroo can only reproduce a kangaroo and a giraffe can only reproduce a giraffe.	_____

The Bible is always eventually proven right. When will we learn?

Activity: "One Word"

Instructions:

Let's get to know the Bible better by exploring Bible words! Think about a Bible word listed below and try to come up with one word that best describes it. What does the word make you think of first and what kinds of emotions does the word invoke? Try to sum it all up into just one word.

Groups: Divide participants up into teams of two. Give one of the Bible words below to one of the participants on the first team (write and cut them out on a piece of paper ahead of time, or whisper the word in their ear so no one else knows what it is). That participant then tries to get his teammate to guess the word. He does this by saying one word (no actions, humming, phrases or sentences allowed). Then the teammate guesses one word. If incorrect the first person provides another word and the teammate can guess one word again. Up to five clue words and guesses can be given. If the secret word is not guessed after the fifth clue, the next team in line gets one guess at it. If they correctly guess it, they get 2 bonus points.

5 points are awarded if the word is guessed after the first clue.
 4 points are awarded if the word is guessed after the second clue.
 3 points are awarded if the word is guessed after the third clue.
 2 points are awarded if the word is guessed after the fourth clue.
 1 point is awarded if the word is guessed after the fifth clue.

A round is complete when all teams have completed their turn. Note: If there are too many participants to have only one team give clues at a time, hand out a secret word to all teams at once.

Secret words:

Miscellaneous

Flood (Gen 7:10)
 Dust (Gen 3:19)
 Curse (Gen 12:3)
 Tent (Joshua 7:22)
 Dead (Luke 20:38)
 Soul (Luke 21:19)
 Promise (Acts 13:32)
 Fasting (2 Cor. 6:5)
 Anger (Ephes 4:31)
 Gospel (Ephes 6:15)
 Fable (2 Tim 4:4)
 Rich (Eccles. 10:6)
 Confess (James 5:16)
 Ashamed (I Peter 3:16)
 Run (I Samuel 20:36)
 Safe (Proverbs 29:25)
 Amen (Romans 1:25)
 Angel (Rev. 20:1)
 Vision (Daniel 2:19)
 Laugh (Eccles 3:4)

Things

Meat (Job 30:4)
 Creature (2 Cor. 5:17)
 Camel (Gen 12:16)
 Lightning (Psalm 77:18)
 Heart (Proverbs 22:11)
 Whirlwind (Isaiah 21:1)
 Wine (Jeremiah 13:12)
 Shekel (Ezekiel 45:12)
 Lily (Matthew 6:28)
 Fox (Matthew 8:20)
 Sword (Acts 12:2)
 Tongue (Philip.2:11)
 Topaz (Ezekiel 28:13)
 Wind (Psalm 1:4)
 Lion (Isaiah 5:29)
 Muffler (Isaiah 3:19)
 Clay (Jeremiah 18:4)
 Cheese (Job 10:10)
 Idol (I Cor. 8:4)
 Offering (2 Samuel 6:17)

Places

Eden (Joel 2:3)
 Ethiopia (Esther 1:1)
 Firmament (Gen 1:7)
 Jerusalem (2 Chron 32:18)
 Kingdom (2 Peter 1:11)
 Temple (Rev 11:19)
 Armageddon (Rev 16:16)
 Gethsemane (Matthew 26:36)
 Sodom (Gen 19:24)
 Womb (Jeremiah 20:17)
 Wilderness (Matthew 3:1)
 Rome (Acts 28:16)
 Galilee (Mark 1:16)
 Valley (Joel 3:14)
 Paradise (Rev. 2:7)
 Vineyard (Deut. 23:24)
 Home (Luke 15:6)
 Sinai (Exodus 31:18)
 Pit (Rev. 20:3)
 Bethlehem (Matthew 2:1)

People

Adam (I Cor. 15:22)
 Shem (Gen 9:18)
 Stranger (Jeremiah 7:6)
 Heathen (Psalm 9:15)
 Musician (Psalm 109:1)
 Publican (Matthew 5:46)
 Priest (Matthew 8:4)
 Herod (Acts 12:21)
 Prisoner (Ephes. 3:1)
 Solomon (I Kings 1:17)
 Jonah (Jonah 1:1)
 Naaman (2 Kings 5:20)
 Luke (Col. 4:14)
 Daniel (Ezekiel 28:3)
 Father (Matthew 23:9)
 Eli (I Samuel 1:9)
 Witch (Deut. 18:10)
 Princess (Lament. 1:1)
 Ruth (Ruth 1:14)
 Jezebel (I Kings 18:4)

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 3 - Believe the Bible

Why Should I Trust the Bible?

1. Prophecy has come true
2. It testifies of a higher power
3. Archaeological finds verify Bible facts
4. Historical writers confirm Bible stories
5. It has a cohesive storyline
6. The Holy Spirit convicts you to believe

Why is the Bible Sometimes Difficult to Understand?

- A. Contains, Hard
- B. Speak, Language
- C. Live, Culture
- D. Live, Time, History
- E. Not, God, Help

Art Parts of the Bible More Important than Others?

1. I Tim. 3:16
2. II Peter 3:2
3. Acts 3:20-21
4. I John 5:7
5. Mark 12:24
6. Luke 24:25-27
7. John 5:45-47
8. Matthew 5:17
9. Luke 24:44

Do People Still Doubt?

1. No, 2. No, 3. No, 4. Yes & No, 5. No, 6. Yes

Notes

Examine

Prophecy

***"Surely the Lord God will do nothing,
but he revealeth his secret unto his
servants the prophets."***

Amos 3:7

Prophecies About Jesus

Read the verse from the Old Testament and then read the corresponding verse from the New Testament. Then fill in the blank with how Jesus fulfilled the prophecy that was written hundreds of years before He was born!

Old Testament Prophecy	New Testament Fulfillment	
1. Isaiah 7:14	Matt 1:18, 25	Born of a _____
2. Micah 5:2	Matt. 2:1	Born in _____
3. Isaiah 40:3	Matt. 3:1-2	Preceded by a _____
4. Isaiah 53:3	Luke 17:25	He would be _____
5. Zech. 11:12-13	Matt. 26:14-16	He would be betrayed for _____
6. Zech. 12:10	John 19:34	His _____ would be pierced
7. Psalm 22:18 Zech 12:10	John 19:23-24 Luke 23:33-38	His _____ were divided
8. Psalm 16:9-10	John 2:19-21	He would rise after _____ days
9. Lev. 17:11	Heb. 9:22	He would shed _____
10. Psalm 2:7	Acts 13:33	Is the begotten _____
11. Ex. 29:14	Heb. 13:12-13	His sin offering made outside the _____
12. Ex. 12:5	Heb. 9:14	Sin offering without _____
13. Psalm 110:4	Heb 6:20; 7:25	Is a high _____

Jesus fulfilled every prophecy exactly!

Prophecy of the World Empires

Read Daniel chapter two. Then fill in the blanks below.

From history, we know that there were four world empires that ruled the Christian world. They are listed below. Write the items from Daniel's vision that represent each kingdom.

Empire #1 = Babylon 609 BC to 538 BC

1. Represented by: _____

Empire #2 = Media/Persia 538 BC to 331 BC

2. Represented by: _____

Empire #3 - Greece 331 BC to 168 BC

3. Represented by: _____

Empire #4 = Rome 168 BC to Christ's 2nd Coming

4. Represented by: _____

The Roman Empire became divided into the nations of Europe.
476 AD to Christ's 2nd Coming

5. Represented by: _____

Empire #5 = Christ's Kingdom Last for Eternity

6. Represented by: _____

Prophecies of the 2nd Coming of Christ

The Bible frequently references events concerning the last days. These events occur between the time of Christ’s first advent and His second coming. Many of the events mentioned refer specifically to the “End of Time”, which is the time immediately before Christ’s second coming. A large number of these events have already occurred, which indicates we are living during the “End of Time” and Christ’s second coming will happen very soon. But what is soon?

1. When you think of Christ coming soon, what does “Soon” mean to you?

Select one

- Within the next week
- Within the next month
- Within the next year
- Within the next 5 years
- Within the next 10 years
- Within the next 25 years
- Within the next 50 years
- Within the next 100 years
- Within the next 1,000 years

2. Why do you think God has waited this long before returning?

2 Peter 3:9: _____

3. What should you do while you wait?

A) ‘

 O D T N E B O T O U S Y B

Read Luke 21:34 - Don’t allow yourself to get caught up and overwhelmed by the activities of this world so that you neglect your spiritual development.

B)

 A B L S H T S I O R U Y E A R H T

Read James 5:7-10 - The Greek word translated to “Stablish” means to turn resolutely in a certain direction, to strengthen and to confirm.

C)

 E B N E T T P I A

Read Hebrews 10:37 - Some may grow weary and doubtful when it appears that Christ delays His coming. But His promises are sure and you can be confident He will come. Be patient!

C)

 Y S U D T H E T I B B E L

Read Isaiah 8:20 - You will recognize false prophets and deceitful spirits if you know what the Bible teaches.

Prophecies of Things You Will See & Hear in the Last Days

Read the text and fill in the answer.

- A) _____ **R** _____
Mark 13:22
- B) _____ **N** _____
Luke 17:22-24
- C) **S** _____
Matthew 24:31
- D) _____ **U** _____
1 Thes 4:16-17
- E) _____ **A** _____
1 Thes 4:16-17
- F) _____ **B** _____
2 Peter 3:10
- G) _____ **L** _____
Matthew 24:11
- H) _____ **H** _____
Joel 2:28
- I) _____ **A** _____
Luke 21:9-10
- J) _____ **E** _____
Rev. 6:12
- K) _____ **K** _____
Acts 2:20
- L) _____ **G** _____
Matthew 24:29
- M) **M** _____
Rev. 6:12
- N) _____ **F** _____ and **K** _____
Matthew 24:9-10
- O) _____ **F** _____
2 Peter 3:1-3
- P) **L** **C** _____ **L** _____
Rev. 2:4

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Q) _____ **P** _____ **L**
Matthew 24:14

R) _____ **C** _____
Daniel 12:4

S) _____ **F** _____ **I** _____
2 Tim. 3:5

T) _____ **M** _____
2 Tim. 3:13

U) _____ **S** _____
2 Thes. 2:3-6

V) _____ **D** _____
1 Tim. 4:1

W) _____ **I** _____
Rev. 16:14

X) _____ **G** _____
Matthew 25:5

Y) _____ **R** _____
1 Thes. 4:16

Z) _____ **T** _____ **D** _____
Luke 17:26-30

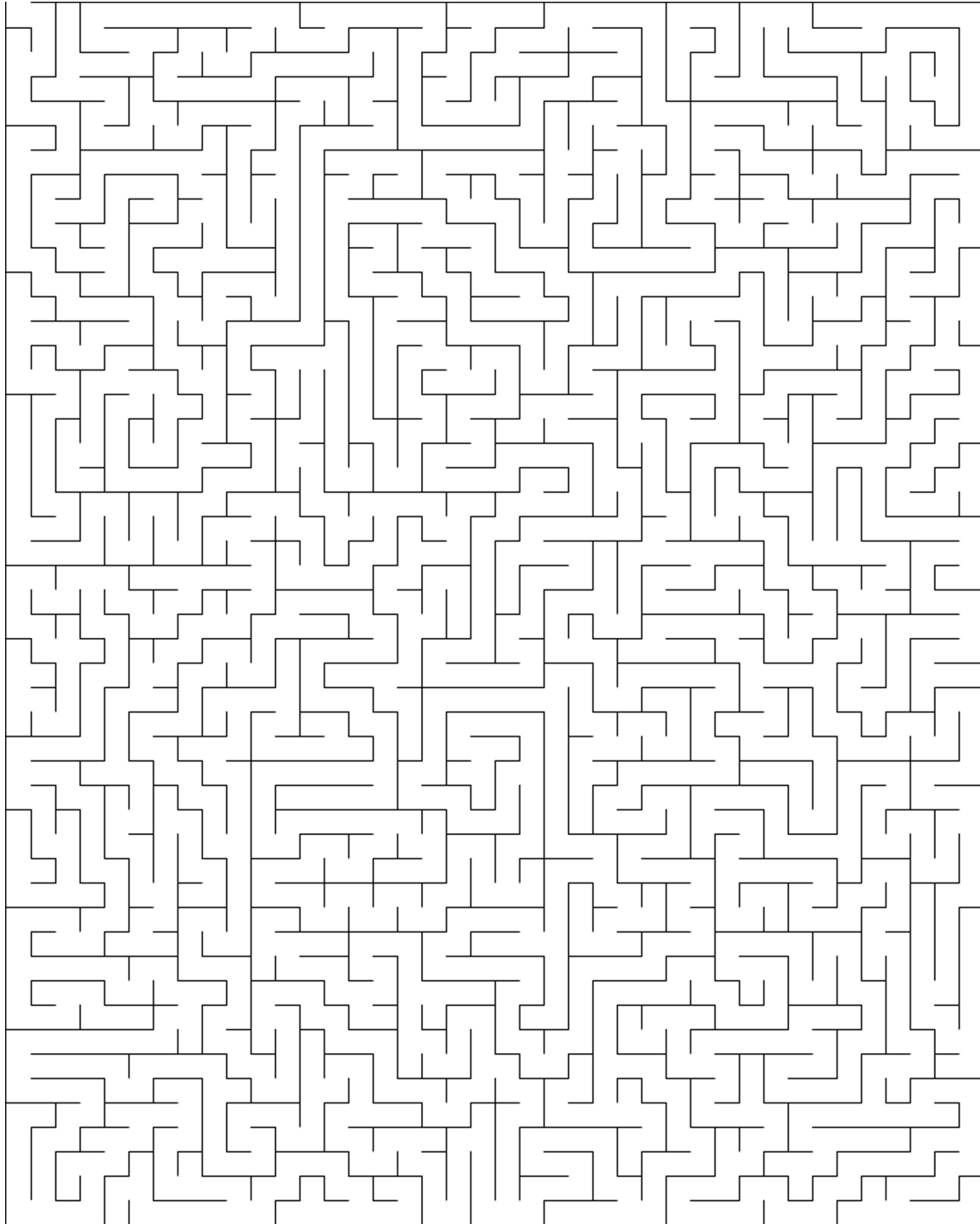
Have you seen any of these prophecies regarding the end of time being fulfilled?

What does it do for your faith?

Activity: The Prophecy Maze

When you first start out studying prophecy, it may seem quite complicated until you get further along. Also, prophecy often isn't fully understood until it actually occurs. But, once you start to see the big picture and how past prophecies were perfectly fulfilled, your faith will soar and you will see your way through future events. You will find your way through the maze of prophecy and reach the finish!

Start



Finish

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 4 - Examine Prophecy

Prophecies About Jesus

1. Virgin, 2. Bethlehem, 3. Prophet, 4. Rejected (or despised), 5. 30 pieces of silver, 6. Side, 7. Garments, 8. Three, 9. Blood, 10. Son, 11. Camp (gate), 12. Blemish (spot), 13. Priest

Prophecy of the World Empires

1. Head of Gold, 2. Silver, 3. Brass, 4. Iron, 5. Iron & Clay Toes, 6. Stone cut out of mountain

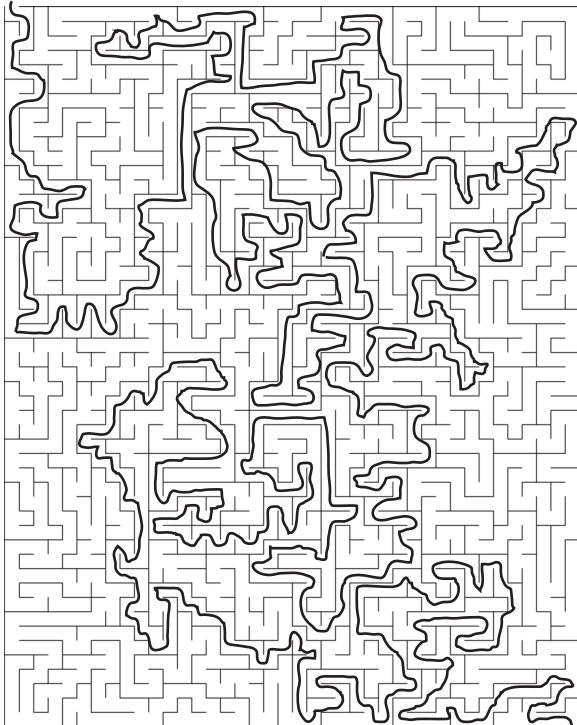
Prophecies of the 2nd Coming of Christ

3-A. Don't be too busy, 3-B. Stablish your heart, 3-C. Be patient, 3-D. Study the Bible

Prophecies of Things You Will See & Hear in the Last Days

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| A. False Christs | N. Affliction & Killing |
| B. Son of Man | O. Scoffers |
| C. Sound of a Trumpet | P. Lack of Love |
| D. A Shout | Q. Gospel Preached to All |
| E. Voice of the Archangel | R. Increased Knowledge |
| F. Earth Burning | S. Boastful Men |
| G. False Prophets | T. Evil Men |
| H. Daughters Propheying | U. Man of Sin |
| I. Wars | V. Doctrines of Devils |
| J. Earthquake | W. Miracles |
| K. Sun darkened | X. Briedgroom. |
| L. Stars Falling | Y. Resurrections |
| M. Moon as Blood | Z. Eating & Drinking |

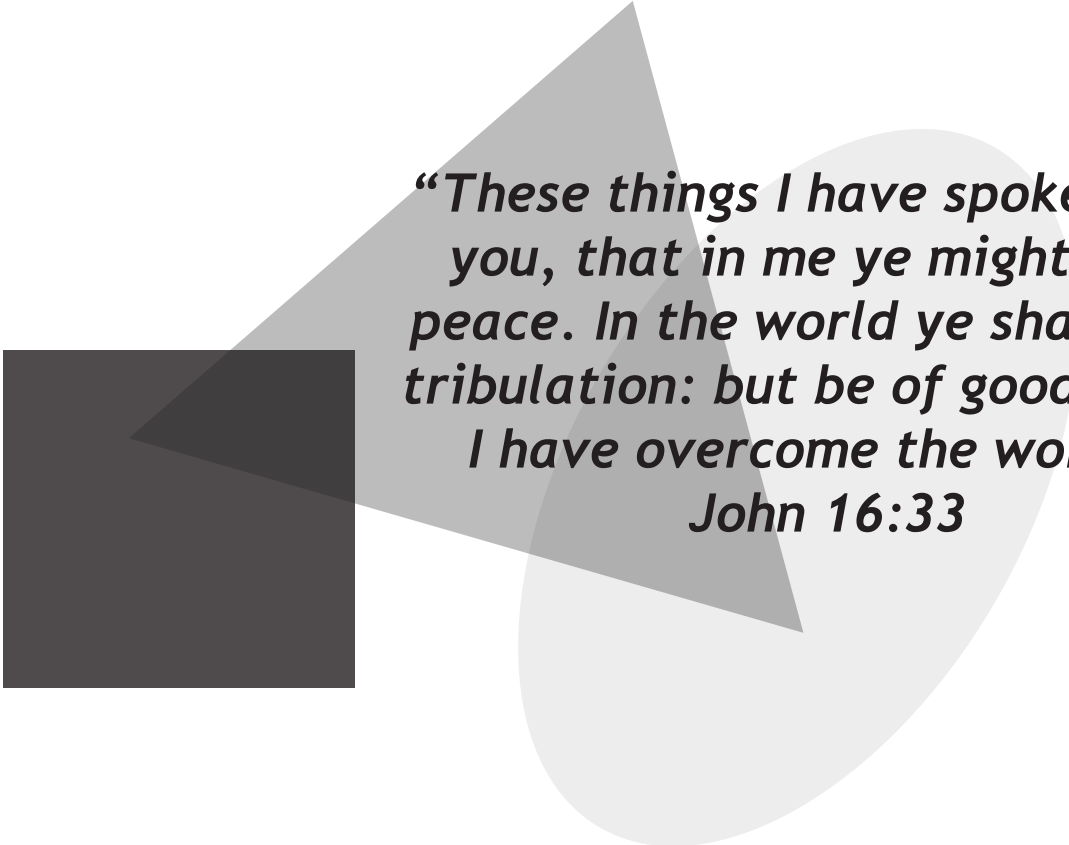
Start



Finish

A ccept what

Jesus **O** ffers



“These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”
John 16:33

Jesus' Early Years

**Read Matthew chapters 1 to 3. Then fill in the blanks below.
See how many you can complete without looking up the texts again.**

- 1) Matthew 1:16 - Jesus' earthly father was _____.
- 2) Matthew 1:17 - There were _____ generations from Abraham to David, _____ generations from David till the Babylonian captivity, and _____ generations from the captivity to Christ.
- 3) Matthew 1:18 - Jesus was conceived of Mary and _____.
- 4) Matthew 1:20 - The _____ told Joseph to go ahead and take Mary as his wife.
- 5) Matthew 2:1 - Jesus was born in the town of _____.
- 6) Matthew 2:9-10 - Wise men from the east followed a _____ to where Jesus was born and they were full of _____.
- 7) Matthew 2:13 - _____ tried to kill Jesus by slaying all the children in the area who were under two years old.
- 8) Matthew 2:23 - Jesus was raised in a town called _____.
- 9) Matthew 3:1-4 - The person who preached about the coming of Jesus and wore camel's hair, was _____.
- 10) Matthew 3:16 - When Jesus was baptized, He heard God's voice from heaven and the Spirit of God descended upon Him like a _____.

After Jesus' Baptism, He began His ministry on earth.

What Does Jesus Offer Me?

Read the text and then unscramble the letters.

- 1) Acts 4:10-12 V A T S A N O I L _ _ _ _ _
- 2) Matthew 8:7 G H A L I N E _ _ _ _ _
- 3) Luke 5:24 G R E S S F I V E N O _ _ _ _ _
- 4) Matthew 9:22 C R O T M O F _ _ _ _ _
- 5) Titus 2:13-14 I N O F R I U A C T P I _ _ _ _ _
- 6) Jeremiah 23:5 C U T J I S E _ _ _ _ _
- 7) John 14:27 A C E E P _ _ _ _ _
- 8) John 6:54 F L E E N R E L T A I _ _ _ _ _
- 9) Jude 1:24 E E I C T N O P R F _ _ _ _ _
- 10) John 15:15 D R E P H I S F N I _ _ _ _ _

**Jesus makes it possible to complete your "Journey of Faith."
When you sin, He offers forgiveness. When you continue your journey,
He offers to change your heart so you don't want to sin anymore.**

Jesus' Answer to Temptation

1. What things tempt me the most?

Write down some temptations that are very difficult for you to resist.

2. Which way seems the easiest method to overcome those temptations?

- Lock myself in a closet for 48 hours.
- Tie my hands behind my back.
- Move to Siberia.
- Undergo hypnosis.
- Get a lobotomy.
- Allow Jesus to change my desires.
- Other: _____

3. How does Jesus change my desires?

A) Read Jeremiah 31:32-34

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
 E H L I W L T E R I W S H I

 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
 A W L N O U O Y R T E A H R

God made a covenant with the Israelites, which they promised to keep and then broke. Now, He makes a new covenant with us, which is better than the old one because He makes the promise instead of us (see Heb. 8:6, 2 Cor. 3:3). He promises to change our desires, making the law easier to keep. Overcoming temptations becomes possible, because they aren't as tempting anymore!

B) Read 2 Cor. 9:8

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
 E H S V I G E U O Y C A G E R

The Greek word translated to "Grace" means the divine influence upon the heart and its reflection in the life. God liberally gives of His grace, which means He purifies your motives and makes you able to live right.

4. What did Jesus say when He was tempted?

A) Read Matthew 4:1-11

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
 T I S I T E T R N I W

When temptation comes your way, it is critical to have a knowledge of the Bible in order to respond appropriately. If you trust in God's word, you can quickly and resolutely have an answer for those who would try to mislead you.

What's All the Fuss About My Heart?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

1. *What is my heart?*

Proverbs 23:7 - "For as he _____ in his heart, so is he..."

The Greek word most often translated to heart is "kardia," which means the thoughts or feelings, or the mind.

2. *Why is what's in my heart important?*

Romans 10:9 - "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,

and shalt _____ in thine _____

that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be _____ .

Eternal life and salvation hinge upon the condition of your heart. Jesus wants your heart, which means he wants you to truly believe in Him and truly want to do the right thing.

A) Read Matthew 18:35 - "So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye

forgive not every one his brother their trespasses."

Receiving forgiveness from God is contingent upon you forgiving others with sincere thoughts.

3. *What types of problems can my heart have?*

A) Ephes. 4:18 - "Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God

through the ignorance that is in them, because of the

_____ [callousness] of their heart."

B) Romans 2:5 - "But after thy _____ [stubbornness] and

_____ [unrepentant] heart treasurest up

unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;"

4. *What characteristics should my heart have?*

A) Ephes. 6:5 - "Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with

fear and trembling, in _____

[sincerity, without self-seeking, generosity] of your heart, as unto Christ;"

B) Acts 11:23 - "Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with _____ [proposal, exposed, shew] of heart they would cleave unto the Lord."

C) Luke 8:15 - "But that on the good ground are they, which in an _____ and _____ heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience."

5. What helps my heart improve?

A) Hebrews 4:12 - "For the _____ of _____ is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

B) Hebrews 13:9 - "Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with _____ ;"

C) Read Psalm 51:10
 _____ in me a _____ heart, O God;
 and renew a right spirit within me."

God can cleanse (purify) your heart through His creative powers.

6. What is a good heart capable of?

A) Mark 12:30 - "And thou shalt _____ the Lord thy God with _____ thy _____ , and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment."

B) Mark 11:23 - "For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall _____ that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall _____ he saith."

Doing Right vs. Thinking Right

**Isn't it good enough to just do right, no matter the reason for doing it?
Doesn't Jesus appreciate my good act even though my heart might not be in it?**

A) Acts 8:21 - "Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy _____ is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the _____ of thine heart may be _____ thee."

The Bible teaches that the thoughts we think, as well as the things we do, may need to be forgiven.

B) Romans 6:17 - "But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have _____ the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you."

Doing the things God asks you to do should arise out of the heart (mind).

C) James 1:26 - "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but _____ his own _____, this man's _____ is in _____."

Do not trick yourself into thinking that actions or appearances make up for insincerity. Your religious beliefs do not make up for a heart that isn't right.

D) I Tim. 1:5 - "Now the end [point aimed at, conclusion or purpose] of the _____ is charity [love] out of a _____, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned [sincere, without hypocrisy]:"

The purpose of God's commands and doing something right is to show love. True love cannot exist without the heart being involved.

E) Luke 6:45 - "A good man out of the good _____ of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil _____ of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the _____ of the heart his mouth speaketh."

Without a good heart, you may do some right things, however, sooner or later your actions will match what is truly in your heart. In the meantime, you may be fooling others and tragically even deceiving yourself or allowing yourself to be willingly ignorant, but you will never fool God.

F) Matthew 15:8 - "This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is _____ from _____."

**Jesus wants both our actions and our thoughts!
One is not more important than the other.**

Activity: Names of Jesus Word Search

Find the hidden words in the puzzle below. The words may go across, down, up, backwards or diagonal.

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 O C A O Y L H O P B D S V W R E L
 R H C M E S H E P H E R D F S T I
 O R O C A A Y N W B L S D B A S M
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 Y E L L A V E H T F O Y L I L L J
 P R I N C E O F P E A C E L B O P

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|--------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Christ | Counsellor | Prince of Peace |
| The Way | Shepherd | Saviour |
| Lamb of God | Son of God | Jesus |
| Vine | Son of Man | Lord |
| Judge | High Priest | The Word |
| Messiah | Immanuel | Advocate |
| Lily of the Valley | Michael | Wonderful |

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 5 - Accept What Jesus Offers

Does My Heart Need Writing On It?

- 3-A. He will write his law on your heart
- 3-B. He gives you grace

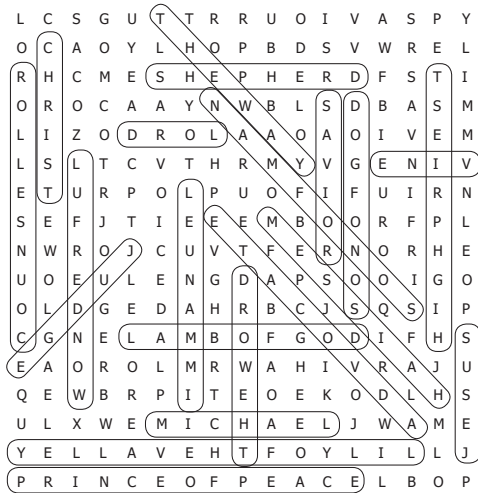
What Does Jesus Offer Me?

- 1. Salvation, 2. Healing, 3. Forgiveness, 4. Comfort, 5. Purification,
- 6. Justice, 7. Peace, 8. Eternal Life, 9. Perfection, 10. Friendship

Preparing Jesus For His Ministry

- 1. Joseph
- 2. 14, 14, 14,
- 3. Holy Ghost
- 4. Angel
- 5. Bethlehem
- 6. Star, Joy
- 7. Herod
- 8. Nazareth
- 9. John
- 10. Dove

"Names of Jesus" Word Search



Notes

Welcome the

Holy **S**pirit

***"Quench not the Spirit."
1 Thessalonians 5:19***

Getting to Know the Holy Spirit

Write the number of the correct text next to each concept in the right column.

1. Ephes. 2:18

One of the three beings
of the Godhead

2. Luke 11:13

He exists forever

3. Matthew 3:16

He was present
before creation

4. Hebrews 9:14

He has shown himself in
the form of fire and wind

5. I John 5:7

He dwells in us

6. Genesis 1:2

The Holy Spirit is a gift

7. Acts 2:1-4

No one is wiser

8. John 7:39

He is everywhere

9. Isaiah 40:13

God has shown himself in
the form of a dove

10. I Cor. 3:16

Jesus gives us
instructions through Him

11. Acts 1:2

The Holy Spirit is also
called the Holy Ghost

12. Acts 2:38

God gives the Holy Spirit
to those who ask

The Holy Spirit helps you understand the Bible.

Think of the Holy Spirit as your personal guide on your "Journey of Faith."

What Are the Activities of the Holy Spirit?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

A) I John 5:6

S I A T E S I W S N F O S U S J E

B) John 1:32-33, Matthew 3:11, Mark 1:8

Z E S T A P I B S U

C) John 15:26

S I A T O F R E C M O R

D) Acts 2:17-21, Acts 11:28, I Samuel 10:6

V I S G E R E C I P O P H E S

E) Acts 8:29, Acts 11:12

D I E R V O P S T R O U C S I N T I N

F) Romans 8:26-27

T E R R S O C C U R O E R S R A Y P

G) I Cor. 2:9-10

S L E A V E R E P E D S T G N H I

H) John 16:13

S D E I G U S U O T N I T T U R H

I) I Cor. 12:8-11

S V E G I S U B I L T I S I E A

J) Galatians 5:22-23

E I V S G U S U R T I F F O

H E T P R I S T I

K) Isaiah 59:19

V E R M O E S U R O M E N I E S E

Do I Recognize the Holy Spirit at Work in My Life?

1. *What are some times when you have heard the voice of the Holy Spirit?*

The Holy Spirit places a good influence on your conscience, trying always to convince you to do the right thing. What are some situations in your life when you heard Him speaking to you?

- A) _____

- B) _____

- C) _____

2. *What does it mean to receive or be filled with the Holy Spirit?*

There are many examples in the Bible of a person being "filled with the Holy Ghost" or "receiving the Spirit". Read the following texts and then describe what it means to you to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Numbers 24:2, I Samuel 10:10, Ezekiel 3:12, Micah 3:8,
Matthew 4:1, Luke 1:15, Luke 1:41 and Acts 4:31.

What Happens If I Ignore the Holy Spirit?

A) Genesis 6:3

He will eventually stop _____ with us.

B) Matthew 12:31-32

You will not be _____ .

C) Mark 3:29

You will be in danger of eternal _____ .

D) John 3:5

You cannot enter _____ .

E) Romans 8:13

You will _____ .

The Bible describes rejecting the Holy Spirit as the worst possible sin.

How important do you think it is to find out all you can about the Holy Spirit?

How Does the Holy Spirit Help in My Friendships?

The Holy Spirit can help you communicate and get along better with people!

A) I Thes. 4:6-9

If someone treats you wrong, understand that it isn't you they despise, it is _____. Accepting the gift of the Holy Spirit helps improve the way you respond to those who are unkind or rude.

B) John 15:26

The Holy Spirit will lead you to the _____. When having a discussion with someone, remember that an honest seeker of truth wants to discover the right and is less concerned with defending a position.

C) Matthew 12:31-35

If your _____ is good, the words you speak to others will be good. If you allow the Holy Spirit to guide on the inside, then you will be much nicer on the outside.

D) I Cor. 2:13-14

A _____ subject can only be understood by someone led by the Holy Spirit. If you seek the help of the Holy Spirit, you will be able to have deeper and more meaningful discussions with others.

E) Ephes 3:16-19

When we have the Spirit, our _____ is strengthened and we can better comprehend God.

F) Mark 13:11

The Holy Spirit gives us _____ to _____. If we ask for the Holy Spirit's help before talking with a friend, he will help you find the right words to say.

G) Ephes. 3:3-6

The Holy Spirit reveals _____. You can be a great source of wisdom to your friends, by asking the Holy Spirit to reveal things that are hard to understand or unknown.

Do you have any friends who show evidence that they have the Holy Spirit?

Activity: "Act It Out"

Instructions:

The Holy Spirit accomplishes amazing transformations in people's lives. He does this in ways that seem mysterious, and communicates in ways that we can't always see or hear. Many times, we do not hear the specific words, but nevertheless we understand what the Spirit has somehow told us. Choose one of the Bible stories below and try communicating it to another person without speaking. Use actions only.

Groups: Divide participants into groups of three to six people per group. Have each group gather together to read a Bible story from the list below and plan how they will act it out. Then, have the first group act out their Bible story for the rest of the participants. No words can be spoken, by the actors or the observers, until the group is through acting out their story. Each participant then writes down their guess on a piece of paper. The group then reads the Bible passage for their story out loud to reveal the answer. Each person who answered correctly is awarded one point. If no one guesses a story correctly, the actors each subtract one point from their score. Then, the next team acts out their Bible story and the process is repeated until all groups have acted out their story.

Bible Stories:

1 Samuel 26:1-25 - David chooses not to kill the sleeping Saul.

1 Kings 10:1-13 - The queen of Sheba visits Solomon.

2 Kings 20:1-11 - Hezekiah is healed and the shadow goes backwards.

1 Chronicles 10:1-6 - Saul and his sons are killed in war.

John 8:1-11 - Jesus writes sins on the ground.

Acts 5:1-11 - Ananias and Sapphira try to trick Peter.

Acts 16:12-15 - Lydia is baptized.

Acts 28:1-6 - Paul is bitten by snake.

Revelation 10:8-11 - John eats the little book.

Revelation 20:1-4 - Satan is bound and saints sit on thrones.

Genesis 37:5-11 - Joseph shares his dreams with his family.

Ezekiel 4:4-8 - Ezekiel acts out a prophecy by laying on his sides.

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 6 - Welcome the Holy Spirit

Getting to Know the Holy Spirit

1. He is everywhere, 2. God gives the Holy Spirit to those who ask, 3. God has shown himself in the form of a dove, 4. He exists forever, 5. One of the three beings of the Godhead, 6. He was present before creation, 7. He has shown himself in the form of fire and wind, 8. The Holy Spirit is also called Holy Ghost, 9. No one is wiser, 10. He dwells in us, 11. Jesus gives us instructions through Him, 12. The Holy Spirit is a gift

What Are the Activities of the Holy Spirit?

- A. Is a witness of Jesus
- B. Baptizes us
- C. Is a comforter
- D. Gives prophecies
- E. Provides instruction
- F. Corrects our prayers
- G. Reveals deep things
- H. Guides us into truth
- I. Gives us abilities
- J. Gives us fruit of the spirit
- K. Removes our enemies

What Happens If I Ignore the Holy Spirit

- A. Striving, B. Forgiven, C. Damnation, D. Heaven, E. Die

How Does the Holy Spirit Help in My Friendships?

- A. God
- B. Truth
- C. Heart
- D. Spiritual
- E. Inner, Self
- F. Words, Speak
- G. Mysteries

E xplore C reation

***“Let them praise the
name of the Lord: for
he commanded, and
they were created.”***

Psalm 148:5

How Well Do You know the Creation Story?

Read the story of creation in Genesis chapter one. Then, draw a line from the item on the right to the day on which it was created.

Day #1
Light

Day #2
Firmament

Day #3
Earth & Seas

Day #4
Lights in the Firmament

Day #5
Creatures in the Sea
Winged Fowl

Day #6
Creeping Things & Beasts of the Earth
Man in God's Own Image

Day #7
Rested from Work
Blessed & Sanctified the Day

Bandicoot

Apples

Juncos

Carbon Monoxide

Night

Grunters

Croakers

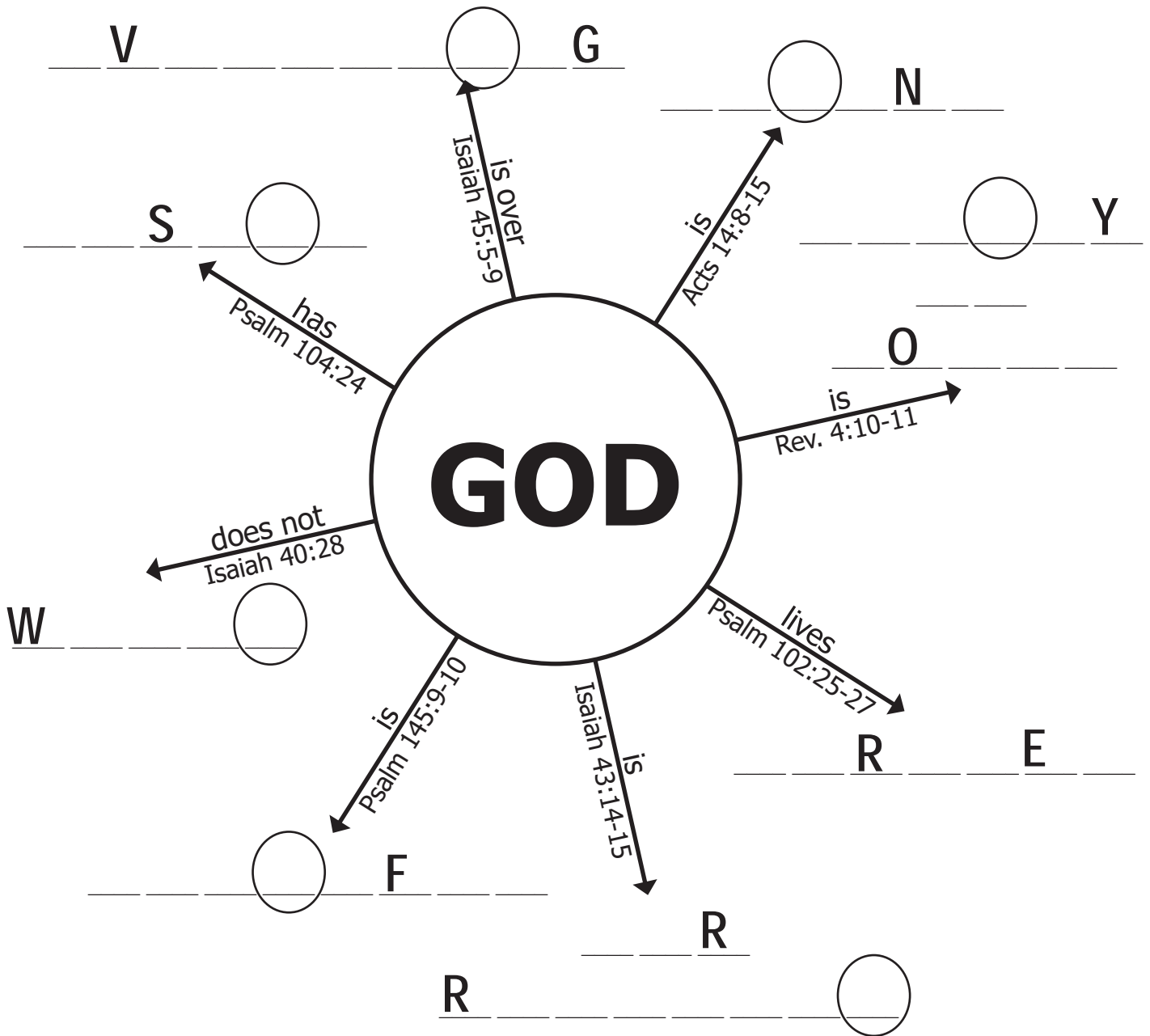
Seaweed

Sirius

Basil

What Does Creation Teach You About God?

Read the text and fill in the blanks. Then unscramble the secret word.



Secret Word: This belongs to the Lord:

_____ *Hint: I Chronicles 29:11*

Creation Inspiration

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

Contemplating creation should inspire you to:

1. Psalm 8:3-9	<u>P</u> _____ <u>E</u> Him
2. Psalm 95:5-7	_____ <u>H</u> _____ Him
3. Psalm 100:3-4	Be _____ <u>L</u> to Him
4. Psalm 64:9	Be _____ <u>E</u> of <u>H</u> _____ (a meaning of fear)
5. Isaiah 65:17-18	_____ <u>C</u> _____
6. Job 38:1-11	Be <u>U</u> _____ <u>B</u> _____
7. Malachi 2:10	_____ <u>R</u> _____ <u>T</u> _____ each other _____ <u>C</u> _____ <u>Y</u> _____
8. Ephesians 2:10	Do <u>G</u> _____ _____ <u>O</u> _____
9. II Cor. 5:17	Become a _____ <u>W</u> _____ _____ <u>A</u> _____

What Special Attributes Did God Create In Humans?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

God created humans...

1) Psalm 8:5

___ **L** ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ **R** ___
___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

2) Genesis 2:17, Ezekiel 33:11

___ ___ ___ **H** **F** ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ **C** ___

3) Genesis 1:27

I ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ **I** ___ ___ ___ ___

4) Isaiah 43:7

F ___ ___ **G** ___ ___ ' ___ ___ ___ **R** ___

5) Ephesians 2:10

T ___ ___ ___ ___ **O** ___ ___ **W** ___ ___ ___ ___

6) Genesis 2:23-24

___ **O** **M** ___ ___ ___ ___

Creation Imagination

1. Why do you think God created such a variety of things?

God created hundreds of types of food. Why? Couldn't we have gotten along with just a couple of foods with all the necessary nutrients in them? He created thousands of species of animals. Why?

2. If you could create a new type of animal, what would it be like?

3. If you could create a new type of food, what would it look like? What color, shape and smell would it have?

4. If you could create the perfect environment, what would it be like?

Activity: "Draw It"

Instructions:

Have you ever wondered how God came up with designs for all the different animals, trees, flowers and other created items? He must have an incredible imagination! Draw a Bible word or phrase listed below, "creating" it on paper. As you participate, imagine the power God must have to create actual living things with such diversity and complexity.

Groups: Divide the participants into two teams. Give one participant from the first team an answer from the list below. That participant will then try to get her team to guess the answer by drawing a picture (a dry erase board works well for this). No talking or gesturing is allowed and no symbols are allowed (such as \$, #, etc.). The participant has one minute to draw. If the answer is guessed within that time frame, the team gets one point. If the answer is not guessed, then the second team gets to guess once. If the answer is still not correctly guessed, provide the Bible verse to all of the players. Each team then gets one guess apiece, with the first team getting the first guess. The team to guess the correct answer receives the point. Team two then gets to draw. Have the participants take turns drawing so everyone has a turn. After each person on both teams have drawn, the round is complete.

Answers:

Spiritual Gifts (I Cor. 14:12)

Oracle (Acts 7:38)

Persecute (Acts 8:1)

Prison (Acts 8:3)

Herod (Acts 12:1)

Elder (Acts 14:23)

Judas (Acts 15:22)

Miracle (I Cor. 12:28)

Speaking in Tongues (I Cor. 14:4)

Unbeliever (I Cor. 14:23)

Firstborn (Hebrews 12:23)

Anoint with Oil (James 5:14)

Charity (3 John 1:6)

Judah (Genesis 38:11)

Priest (Genesis 47:26)

Egypt (Genesis 47:26)

Law (Exodus 24:12)

Plague (Leviticus 13:59)

Jealousy (Numbers 5:29)

Jordan (Deut. 1:5)

Secret (Deut. 29:29)

Ark of the Covenant (Deut. 31:26)

Pitch a Tent (Judges 4:11)

Naomi (Ruth 1:8)

Daughter (I Samuel 4:19)

Witch (Exodus 22:18)

Camel (Zech. 14:15)

Needle (Mark 10:25)

Red Horse (Rev. 6:4)

Mule (Zech. 14:15)

Chariot (Ezekiel 23:24)

Helmet (I Thes. 5:8)

Stink (Psalm 38:5)

Graven Image (Deut. 5:8)

Spy (Judges 18:17)

Baal (Romans 11:4)

Heaven (Genesis 8:2)

Angel of the Lord (Genesis 22:11)

Lot (Genesis 13:1)

Hannah (I Samuel 1:5)

Psalm (Psalm 3:1)

Musical (Psalm 41:1)

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 7 - Explore Creation

How Well Do You Know the Creation Story?

1. None
2. Carbon Monoxide
3. Apples, Seaweed, Basil
4. Night, Sirius
5. Juncos
6. Bandicoot, Grunters, Croakers
7. None

What Does Creation Teach You About God?

- A) Acts 14:8-15 - He is living (unlike other gods that people uselessly worship)
B) Rev. 4:10-11 - He is worthy of honor
C) Psalm 102:25-27 - He lives forever
D) Psalm 104:24 - He has Wisdom
E) Psalm 145:9-10 - He is merciful
F) Isaiah 40:28 - He does not get weary
G) Isaiah 43:14-15 - He is our redeemer
H) Isaiah 45:5-9 - He is over everything. Omnipotent.
Secret Word: Victory

Creation Inspiration

1. Praise
2. Worship
3. Thankful
4. In, Awe, Him
5. Rejoice
6. Humble
7. Treat, Nicely
8. Good, Works
9. New, Creation

What Special Attributes Did God Create in Humans?

1. A little lower than the angels
2. With free choice
3. In God's own image
4. For God's glory
5. To do good works

B elieve in C reation

***"For this they willingly are ignorant of,
that by the word of God the heavens
were of old, and the earth standing out
of the water and in the water."***

2 Peter 3:5

Why Do So Many People Doubt Creation?

There has been a growing trend of doubting the biblical account of God's creation of this world. Many people mock the faith of those who believe that an intelligent being created and sustains this world. Others attribute life to God, but bend the Bible story of creation to fit modern scientific theories.

The Bible warned us about this, long ago...

A) II Peter 3:1-7

Some people are willingly

_____.

B) Job 38:1-6

They listen to bad

_____.

C) Matthew 15:9

They follow the

of men.

D) I Tim. 4:1

They listen to seducing spirits and doctrines of

_____.

Why Is It Important to Acknowledge and Believe in Creation?

Read the text on the left. Then draw a line to the correct concept on the right.

John 1:10-11

1. So we
KNOW GOD

Revelation 14:6-7

2. So we
REMEMBER GOD

Exodus 20:8-11

3. So we
RECOGNIZE JESUS

Romans 1:18-20

4. So God doesn't
GIVE US UP

Romans 1:24-32

5. So we don't
contradict the
THREE ANGEL'S MESSAGE

Origin Theories and Bible Evidence

Theory: Each day of creation symbolizes a thousand or even millions of years.

1. Read Genesis 1:5

Problem: The Hebrew word used for ___ ___ ___ ("yowm") consistently means an ordinary day throughout the Old Testament. In addition, the story of creation is not written in symbolic or prophetic language.

2. Read Genesis 2:3

Problem: After completing creation in six days, God set an example for us to ___ ___ ___ ___ on the seventh day. If God set a pattern for us to follow, it wouldn't make sense for us to work for a thousand years and then rest for another thousand years.

3. Read Genesis 1:8

Problem: Each day of creation was made up of an ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ and a ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___. After each day of creation, these words are repeated, stressing that each day consisted of just one evening and morning, not thousands.

Theory: Lower life forms, such as a lizard evolved into higher life forms, such as a monkey, which eventually evolved into mankind.

4. Read Genesis 1:24-25

Problem: Animals can only reproduce after their own ___ ___ ___ ___.

5. Read Genesis 2:17

Problem: There was no death prior to Adam & Eve's ___ ___ ___, which occurred after they were already human (see also Romans 5:11-21).

6. Read Rev. 4:11

Problem: God created ___ ___ ___ things. Evolution can't create something out of nothing. Only God can create something from nothing.

*Look at the objects around you, in the house and outside.
Do they look like they were designed by an intelligent being or by chance?*

Creation Facts That Make You Think!

Read the text and then fill in the blank.

1. Romans 8:39

No creature can separate us from the _____ .

2. Col 1:16

_____ things were created by God.

3. Genesis 9:12-16

God will never again destroy the entire world by a _____ .

4. Hebrews 4:12-13

No _____ can hide anything from God.

5. Revelation 5:13

Eventually every living thing will _____ God.

6. Isaiah 45:18

God created this world to be _____ .

7. Psalm 51:10

His creative works didn't end after creation week.

He creates in us a _____ when we ask Him in faith.

8. Genesis 1:28

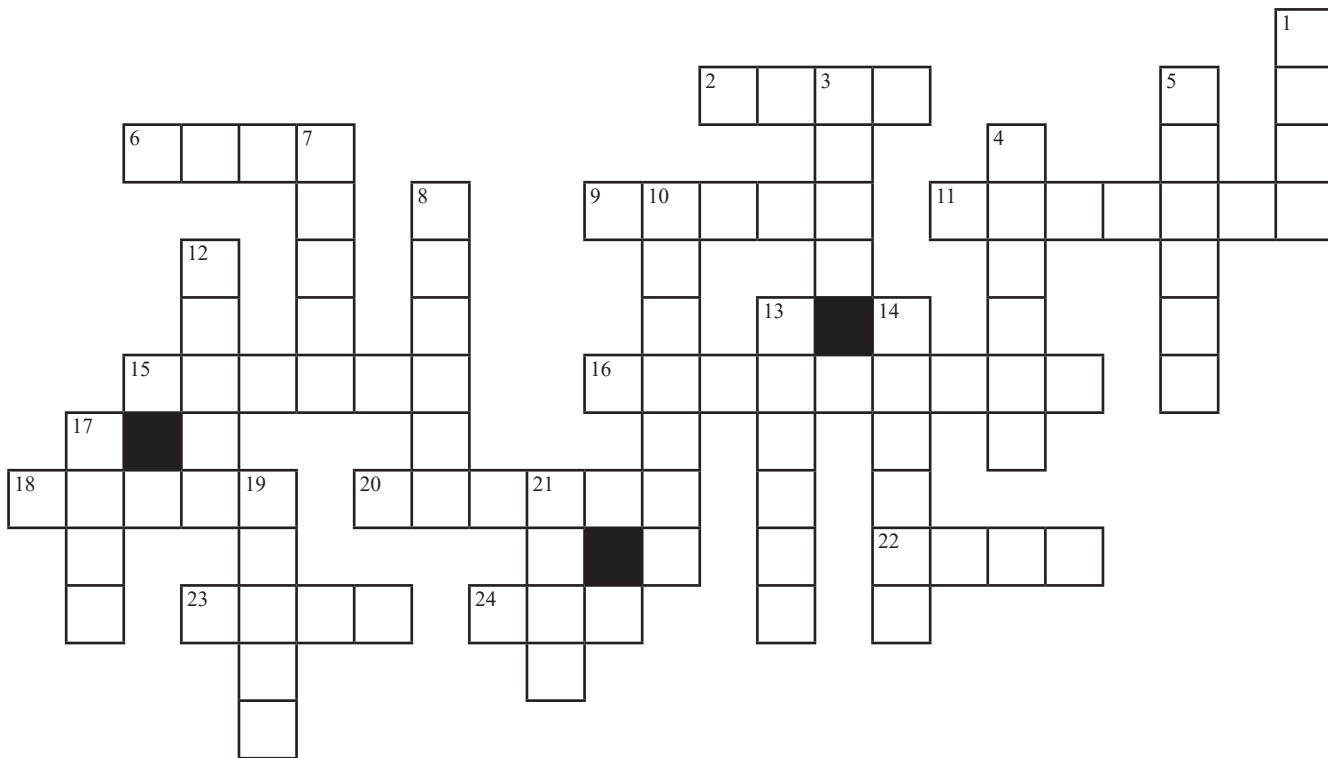
God gave humans _____ over His creation. We are stewards of this earth and are directly accountable to God for how we treat His creatures and use the earth's resources.

9. Romans 8:21-23

All of creation _____ in pain, and suffers the results of sin. But all will be healed.

Activity: Creation Crossword

How well do you know what the Bible teaches about creation?



Across

- 2 Instead of rain, this watered the ground (Gen 2:6)
- 6 Dust plus breath (Gen 2:7)
- 9 Man is in God's own... (Col 3:10)
- 11 Lucifer was this when created (Ezekiel 28:15)
- 15 God did this the day after creation (Gen 2:3)
- 16 God formed the earth to be (Isaiah 45:18)
- 18 Remember your creator while you are this (Eccles 12:1)
- 20 Another name for firmament (Gen 1:8)
- 22 The garden of God (Ezek 28:13)
- 23 The lesser light (Gen 1:16)
- 24 Woman was made from this (Gen 2:22)

Down

- 1 Mans food, consisting of herbs and fruit (Gen 1:29)
- 3 Things created on day #3 had this in itself (Gen 1:11)
- 4 What God did to the 7th day (Gen 2:3)
- 5 Hebrew "bara" for what God did for 6 days (Gen 2:4)
- 7 Let there be... (Gen 1:2)
- 8 God told man to do this to the earth (Gen 1:28)
- 10 The end of each day of creation (Gen 1:23)
- 12 God creates this type of heart (Psalm 51:10)
- 13 This was gathered together on day #3 (Gen 1:9)
- 14 Type of fowl created on fifth day (Gen 1:21)
- 17 Humans were created to do this type of work (Ephes 2:10)
- 19 The creator is worthy of this (Rev 4:11)
- 21 The state of the earth pre-creation (Gen 1:2)

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 8 - Believe in Creation

Why Do So Many People Doubt Creation?

A. Ignorant, B. Advice, C. Commandments, D. Devils

Why Is It Important to Acknowledge and Believe in Creation?

1. Romans 1:18-20
2. Exodus 20:8-11
3. John 1:10-11
4. Romans 1:24-32
5. Revelation 14:6-7

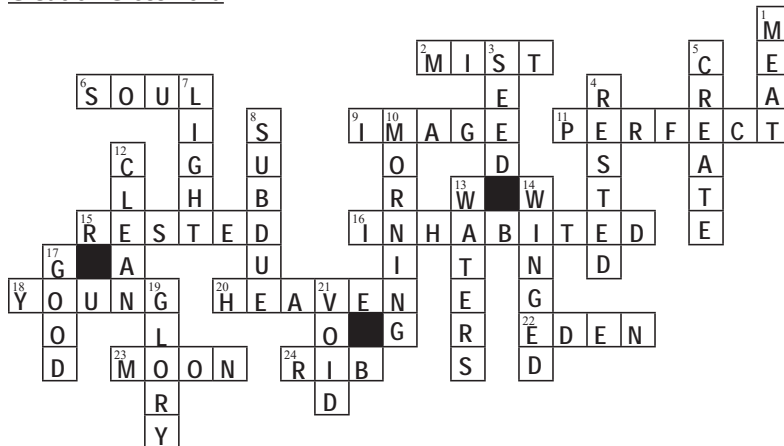
What Evidence Does the Bible Provide Against Other Theories?

1. Day
2. Rest
3. Evening, Morning
4. Kind
5. Sin
6. All

Creation Facts That Make You Think!

1. Love, of, God
2. All
3. Flood
4. Creature
5. Honour
6. Inhabited
7. Clean, Heart
8. Dominion
9. Groaneth

Creation Crossword



Notes

Pray For

Faith

***"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."
James 5:16***

How Should I Pray?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

A) Psalms 55:17, Psalm 5:3, I Thessalonians 5:17, Romans 1:9

T A R L E R U G A M E S T I

B) Matthew 6:5-6, Acts 10:9

O N L A E

C) I Corinthians 14:14-15

I W H T L U L F S N A R E W A S E

D) Mark 12:40

T H O W I U T W O U T D R A

S W I N G O H

E) II Chronicles 7:14

T W I H A E R I D E S O T

R U N T O R M F C K E W I D Y A S W

F) Jeremiah 29:12-13

T H W I L A L R U Y O T R E H A

G) Luke 18:10-14

B L U M H Y

H) Matthew 6:7

T H O U I W T P E E R T I T N O I

I) Mark 11:23-24

N I L E I B F E A T T H R O Y U

Y E A R P R S I W R E E S N A D

J) Mark 11:25-26

W H I T A L I N G S W E S L I N

O T G I F O V R E T H R O E S

For What Should I Pray?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

1. I Kings 13:6	Pray	➔	for _____ L _____
2. I Samuel 12:23	Pray	➔	for O _____
3. Matthew 5:44	Pray	➔	for your _____ E _____
4. Matt. 9:36-38	Pray	➔	for _____ B _____
5. Matthew 14:19	Pray	➔	that your _____ D be _____ S _____
6. Matthew 26:39	Pray	➔	that _____ , _____ W _____ is _____ O _____
7. Mark 13:32-37 I Peter 4:7	Pray	➔	that you are _____ D _____ for the _____ C _____ C _____
8. Luke 22:40	Pray	➔	that you don't _____ N _____
9. Acts 8:21-22	Pray	➔	for _____ G _____
10. Psalm 28:9	Pray	➔	for _____ , _____ P _____
11. Daniel 9:13	Pray	➔	to _____ D _____ T _____ the _____ T _____
12. Eph. 1:16	Pray	➔	and give _____ K _____
13. I Tim. 2:1-2	Pray	➔	for those in _____ H _____

What Does the Lord's Prayer Teach Us?

Read the paragraph in the first column and then fill in the corresponding portion of the Lord's Prayer in the second column.

What the Lord's Prayer Teaches Us:	Corresponding Text from The Lord's Prayer
1. God loves us as He loves His Son. Jesus call us His brethren. We are adopted into God's family and are His heirs.	
2. Speak about the Lord with reverence, appreciation and awe. Represent God's name on earth through a life and character acceptable to God.	
3. It is a certainty that Jesus is coming to earth a second time to establish His kingdom. Pray that the gospel is preached so that all people have opportunity to give their hearts to Him and His kingdom can come.	
4. In heaven, God's law is kept willingly and joyfully. Pray that the world's selfishness and misrepresentations of God will soon end and that earth will become like heaven.	
5. Now that you have put God's interest's first, you can ask with confidence that your own needs be supplied. Ask God for what you need today, but do not worry about the future. Ask that God also fulfill the needs of others. Pray that He meet your physical and spiritual needs.	
6. We only receive forgiveness from God as we forgive others. Pray for a spirit of love and compassion for others. Know that God is able and eager to forgive you, even if you have committed awful sins.	
7. Satan tempts us and then accuses us before God. God permits us to experience hardship and troubles because it builds are character. Put your trust in God because under His guidance, we will experience only the temptations that are for our own good and that we are able to overcome. As the Holy Spirit softens our heart, temptation loses its power.	
8. Acknowledge God's authority and ultimate power over all things. He will never forget us and is continually at work to accomplish good.	

**The Lord's Prayer is found in Matthew 6:9-13
Can you fill in the text from memory?**

There Is Help For Inadequate Prayer!

**Do you ever have difficulty expressing your thoughts?
Help is available! Read the text and then fill in the blanks.**

1.

Read I Kings 8:39

God knows your _____ .
Thankfully, we don't have to depend
on our vocabulary or ability to speak.

2.

Read Romans 8:26-27

The Holy Spirit makes _____ for us.
We don't know what to say in our prayers,
but they can be "fixed" by the Holy Spirit.

3.

Read Hebrews 7:25-27

Christ is our _____ .
Also read Revelation 8:3-4, Exodus 30:8 and Revelation 5:8.
Christ intercedes for us and His merits perpetually accompany our prayers.
Our prayers are represented as odours in golden vials
and are mingled with the incense before reaching God.

My Prayer Life - Points to Ponder

1. *Where is your favorite place to pray? Why?*

2. *Do you ever have difficulty praying? Why?*

3. *Do you ever ask God for proof? What kind of proof did you ask for?*

The Bible provides several examples of people asking for proof:

- A) Read Judges 6:36-40. Gideon asked for evidence that God had indeed called him to do this work. God gave it to him. However, Gideon asked for reassurance a second time, asking that the Lord not be angry with him. And God answered his prayer again.
- B) Read Matthew 4:5-7. Satan tempted Jesus to prove that God cared about Him. Jesus did not go along with it. We already have proof from the Bible and creation that God cares for us.
- C) Hebrews 11:6. To pray for proof that God exists, is not OK. We need faith.

4. *Have you ever received an answer to prayer? Describe it.*

Activity: "Express It"

Instructions:

It can sometimes be difficult to express yourself in prayer, but it does get easier. The more you take the time to intentionally form your thoughts into words, the better you will get at expressing yourself to God and others. Take a moment to think about the first answer on the list below. Try describing it clearly with as few words as possible. Do the same with the next answer. Practice making each word count.

Groups: Divide participants into two teams. Make a copy of this page and cut out the answers below onto individual pieces of paper. Place them in a bucket so no one can see the answers. Have the first team select a person to start. That person will try to get her team to guess as many of the answers (word or phrase) as they can in one minute. She withdraws an answer from the bucket and describes it in order to get her team to say the answer. She can't make motions, spell the word(s), rhyme with it or say a form of the word. Once the team guesses correctly, she draws another answer. The team tries to guess as many as they can within the allotted one minute. They score one point for each correct answer. After one minute is up, the second team gets their turn. The teams take turns until each person on each team has had a chance to give the clues. Note: Bonus points can be given for guessing the answer correct after looking up the Bible text when the time is over.

Answers:

John the Baptist (Matthew 3:1)	Zion (Micah 3:10)	Mercy Seat (Exodus 25:17)
Sadducees (Matthew 3:7)	Balaam (Micah 6:5)	Frankincense (Leviticus 2:1)
Dog (Psalms 22:20)	Ahab (Micah 6:16)	Ephesus (Acts 18:19)
Idolatry (Gal. 5:20)	Corpse (Nahum 3:3)	Christ Jesus (Acts 19:4)
Temperance (Gal. 5:23)	Egypt (Nahum 3:9)	Speaking in Tongues (Acts 19:6)
Cedar (Psalms 29:5)	Grasshopper (Nahum 3:17)	Babylon the Great (Rev. 17:5)
Enemy (Psalms 43:2)	Jerusalem (Zechariah 3:2)	Bottomless Pit (Rev. 20:1)
Sacrifice (Psalm 54:6)	High Priest (Zechariah 3:8)	Alpha and Omega (Rev. 21:6)
Winepress (Revelation 14:20)	Herod (Matthew 2:1)	Book of Life (Rev. 22:19)
Thorns (Hosea 2:6)	Nazareth (Matthew 2:23)	Esau (Genesis 27:1)
Forget (Hosea 4:6)	Tempt (Matthew 4:7)	Potiphar (Genesis 39:1)
Anger (Hosea 11:9)	Fishers of Men (Matthew 4:19)	Covenant (Ex. 6:5)
Nation (Joel 3:1)	Torment (Matthew 4:24)	Cyrus (Ezra 1:2)
Judah (Joel 3:8)	Kingdom of Heaven (Matthew 5:3)	Nehemiah (Nehemiah 1:1)
Gentiles (Joel 3:9)	Possessed (Matthew 8:28)	Deborah (Judges 4:14)
Transgression (Amos 2:6)	Sinner (Luke 13:4)	Dagon (1 Samuel 5:2)
Bread (Amos 4:6)	Straight Gate (Luke 13:24)	City of Refuge (Joshua 21:13)
Rain (Amos 4:7)	Lost Sheep (Luke 15:4)	Jericho (Joshua 16:1)
Jonah (Jonah 2:1)	Passover (John 13:1)	Congregation (Exodus 35:1)
Vomit (Jonah 2:10)	Repent (Acts 3:19)	Hypocrite (Matthew 6:5)
Vision (Micah 3:6)	Reconciliation (Hebrews 2:17)	Outer Darkness (Matthew 8:12)

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 9 - Pray for Faith

How Should I Pray?

- A. At regular times
- B. Alone
- C. With full awareness
- D. Without outward showing
- E. With a desire to turn from wicked ways
- F. With all your heart
- G. Humbly
- H. Without repetition
- I. In belief that your prayer is answered
- J. With a willingness to forgive others

What Should I Pray For?

- 1. Healing
- 2. Others
- 3. Enemies
- 4. Labourers
- 5. Food, Blessed
- 6. God's, Will, Done
- 7. Ready, Second, Coming
- 8. Sin
- 9. Forgiveness
- 10. God's, People
- 11. Understand, Truth
- 12. Thanks
- 13. Authority

What Does the Lord's Prayer Teach Us?

- 1. Our Father, which art in heaven
- 2. Hallowed be thy name
- 3. Thy kingdom come.
- 4. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
- 5. Give us this day our daily bread.
- 6. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors
- 7. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- 8. Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

There Is Help for Inadequate Prayer!

- 1. Heart
- 2. Intercession
- 3. High Priest

Persevere

for

Experience

***“My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.”
James 1:2-3***

What is Personal Experience?

One of the best ways to increase your faith is to witness God's involvement in your life. Whether you are aware of it or not, God is involved in your life. He does allow trials in your life, but for a purpose, and he doesn't leave you alone during those trials. He puts many influences in your path, helps ease your burdens and provides strength. If you begin to look for His activities in your life, you will see them. As your faith increases, your reliance on Him will increase and He will do more and more amazing things in your life. These personal experiences are a necessary part of your "Journey of Faith" and become a solid part of your faith.

1. What was one of the most difficult experiences in your life?

2. Did that difficult experience help make you a better person? In what way?

3. Do you see ways that God works in your life? Describe them.

God works in a variety of ways. We're not just talking about extraordinary miracles. We're also talking about God's daily work to mold your character, to influence you and to help you.

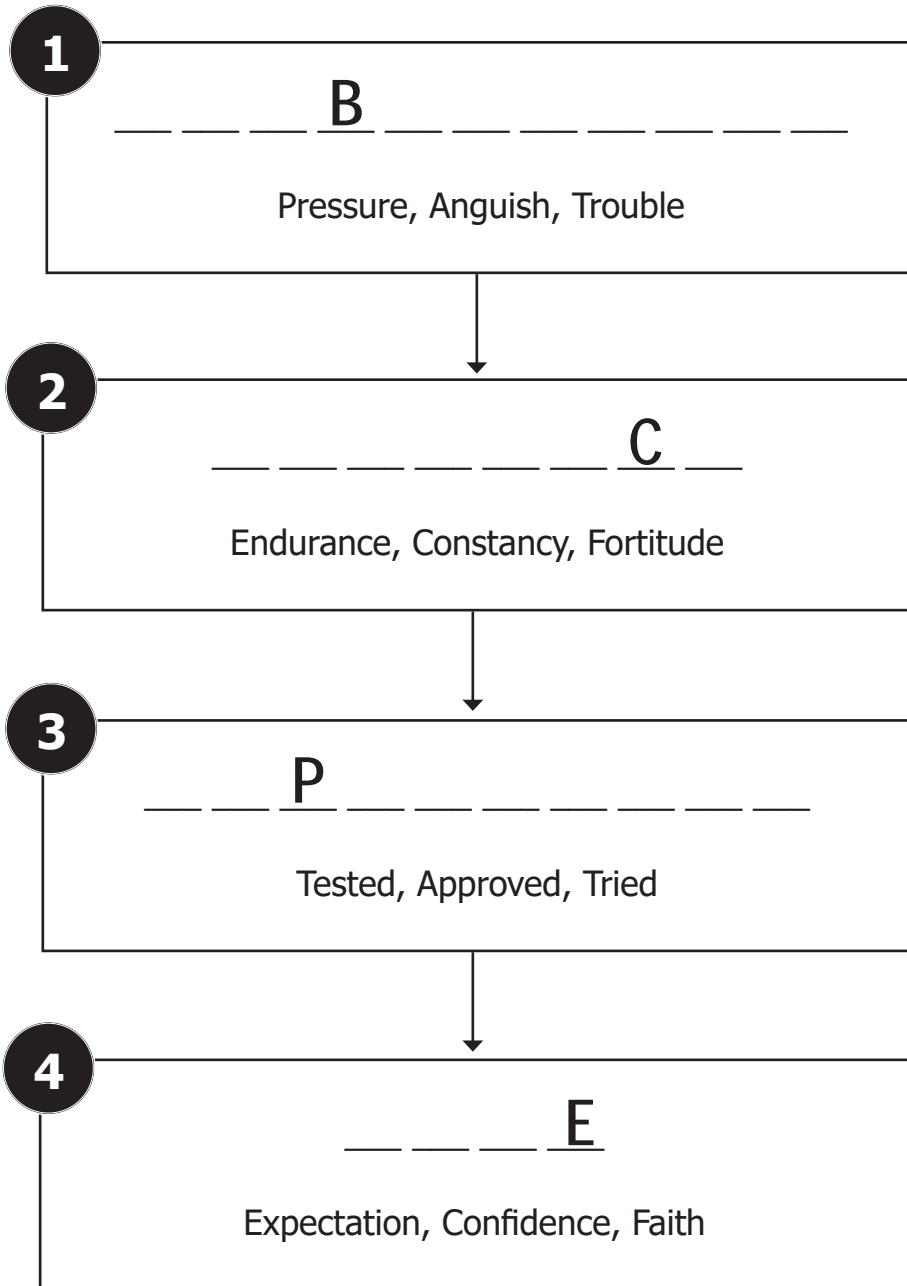
4. Do you think that God wants to be involved in your life?

Read I Peter 5:7 and John 14:27 and then write down some of the things God wants to do for you.

How Do I Gain Experience?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

Romans 5:3-5



What's So Great About Trials?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

1. *Why should I be happy about experiencing affliction and temptation?*

- A) James 1:2-4 - It gives you _____ .
- B) James 1:12 - You receive the _____ of _____ .
- C) Psalm 119:67-71 - You learn God's commandments and _____ them.
- D) Hebrews 12:6-7 - It shows you that God _____ you. He is allowing temptations in your life in order to make you a better person.

2. *How long should my patience last?*

- A) Matthew 10:22 - To the _____ .
- B) James 5:7-8 - Until the _____ of the Lord

3. *Why is my experience (passing the trial/test) so important?*

- A) II Timothy 2:12-15 - You will be _____ unto God. If you suffer, endure, and gain the experience because of it, you are accepted by God.
- B) Hebrews 3:14 - You will be _____ with Christ, which means to be a partner, sharer or associate.
- C) I Peter 1:6-7 - You receive _____ . Your trials last a short time while here on earth, but your honour and glory will last forever.

What Limits God's Involvement in My Life?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

Problem	Remedy
1. I don't ask Mark 1:40-41	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> Y - Make your requests known to God. Even though God is constantly at work in your life for your own good, there are some cases, where if you don't ask, God doesn't do it.
2. I'm too busy Psalm 46:10	B <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - Too often, you may be too busy to notice God's leading in your life.
3. I have fear Matthew 14:29-30	T <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> D - Allowing fear to distract you, causes you to lose sight of God and the source of your strength.
4. I have pride Psalm 10:4	<u> </u> <u> </u> C <u> </u> S <u> </u> O <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - Sometimes you might think you are responsible for the good things that happen. You trust in your own ability. Let go of these thoughts of self, which leave no room for God in your thoughts, and readjust your focus.
5. I think God is too busy Luke 12:6-7	I <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> V <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> G - You may think he is too important and has too big of plans to worry about your small life or to perform day-to-day miracles in your life. However, there is plenty of evidence in the Bible proving that God cares about every detail in our lives.
6. I'm not honest in heart Ephesians 4:18	W <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> M <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> T <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - If you feel guilty, yet convince yourself that you are doing right, you are not being honest in heart and gradually your heart becomes calloused (blinded). This process forces God to withdraw more and more from your life as you choose to live without Him. Study and pray that you may know the right decision and then follow through with it. This is the path to a guilt-free and peace-filled life.
7. I lack patience Romans 8:28	W <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - God knows best and all things will work out for the best.
8. I don't pay attention John 13:18-19	<u> </u> <u> </u> O <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> V <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - Notice the details, consider how things come together and why. God shows us things and plants clues ahead of time so that our faith may increase.
9. I lack love John 14:21	<u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> E <u> </u> <u> </u> <u> </u> - God promises to manifest (inform, declare, appear) Himself to you if you love Him. You love God by keeping His commandments.
10. I don't take risks Matthew 25:24-25	<u> </u> <u> </u> B <u> </u> L <u> </u> - God gives us abilities and when we use them, He gives us even more good things. Take action and use your talents.

Activity: "Experience It"

Instructions:

Experiences give us opportunity to shape the type of character we want to develop. They are tools we can use to develop into the type of person we want to be. God allows us to experience all kinds of different events in order to give us exactly the opportunities we need to become trustworthy, kind, generous, loving and more like Jesus.

Take a few minutes to think about an experience you've had that has had a significant effect on you. What was your response to the experience and how has it helped you shape your life?

Groups: Have each participant write down a brief reference to their experience on a piece of paper (e.g. "traveled to Cuba", "my father wrote me a special letter", "tamed a wild cat", etc.). Place all pieces of paper in a bucket. Randomly draw one out and read it out loud. Have participants guess to see if they know who experienced it. Then have the person who really experienced it reveal themselves and share more of the story if they like.

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 10 - Persevere for Experience

How Do I Gain Spiritual Experience?

1. Tribulation
2. Patience
3. Experience
4. Hope

What's So Great About Trials?

- 1-A. Patience
- 1-B. Crown, Life
- 1-C. Keep
- 1-D. Loves
- 2-A. End
- 2-B. Coming
- 3-A. Approved
- 3-B. Partakers
- 3-C. Honour

What Limits God's Involvement in My Life?

1. Pray, 2. Be still, 3. Trust God, 4. Focus on God, 5. Involve Him in everything, 6. Welcome truth, 7. Wait, 8. Be observant, 9. Love God, 10. Be bold

Notes

Learn from the

Faith

of

Others

***“And these all, having
obtained a good report
through faith, received
not the promise:”
Hebrews 11:39***

What Do People of Faith Have in Common?

Read the text and then fill in the blanks.

A) I John 5:14-15

They ask for things C to the will of God.

B) 1 John 3:22

They E God's commandments.

C) I Cor. 13:2

They have T .

E) James 2:17-18

 O accompany their faith.

F) James 4:3

They don't make requests of God for F reasons.

G) James 4:6

They ask B .

H) Romans 4:20-22

They trust in God's R .

Have you ever known someone who had great faith? Who are they?

Why do you think they had great faith?

Faith Fakers & Facts

True or False

The faith of others can inspire us to also increase our faith. However, when we look at other people, certain outward signs do not necessarily indicate true faith.

True False

- 1. Being a good speaker means a person has faith. Having smooth words and knowing a lot about the Bible, means a person has faith.
- 2. Attending Church means a person has faith. The people you meet at church all have good motives for being there.
- 3. A person of great faith will have an extensive knowledge of the Bible. Because they have read and learned so much, they will have allowed those truths to change their lives.
- 4. When someone begins to experience a relationship with God, they will exhibit emotional displays, such as shouting, waving hands and jumping. These actions always accompany people of great faith.
- 5. Paying tithes, donating money and giving offerings is a sure sign that someone is a person of faith.

When discovering the faith of others and reading stories of faith in the Bible, there are some important lessons we can learn.

True False

- 6. Race, culture, gender, age doesn't matter. God can work through anyone.
- 7. No matter what sins you have committed, God can help you stop sinning and do great things. People of faith in the Bible were murderers, adulterers, harlots, etc.
- 8. Nothing is impossible with God.
- 9. When God doesn't answer in the way you want, you should immediately give up.

Activity: "Guess Who"

Instructions:

How well do you know the characters in the Bible who had great faith? As you participate in this activity, think about the faith each person had and how it can inspire you to have more faith in God.

Read one clue at a time and try to guess the correct Bible character in the least number of clues. Points are awarded according to the list below. After guessing, read the Bible verse to hear the character's story of faith.

5 points are awarded if the Bible character is guessed after the first clue.

4 points are awarded if the Bible character is guessed after the second clue.

3 points are awarded if the Bible character is guessed after the third clue.

2 points are awarded if the Bible character is guessed after the fourth clue.

1 point is awarded if the Bible character is guessed after the fifth clue.

Groups: Divide participants into two teams. Read the clues to the first team one at a time. The team can give only one guess after each clue. If the correct Bible character is not guessed after all clues are read, the other team may guess once. If they are correct, they get two points.

Clues:

- A) 1. She met Jesus on the coasts of Tyre.
2. The disciples wanted her to go away.
3. Her daughter was vexed with a devil.
4. She wanted Jesus to cast her a crumb.
5. Her daughter was made whole.

Who is she? _____
(Matthew 15:21-28)

- B) 1. He tended sheep.
2. He offered a "more excellent sacrifice".
3. He had a selfish brother.
4. He was the first human ever killed.
5. His mother really liked fruit.

Who is he? _____
(Genesis 4:8, Hebrews 11:4)

- C) 1. He refused to be called someone's son.
2. His dead body was disputed over.
3. He was a beautiful child.
4. He chose Christ's reward over all of Egypt's treasures.
5. He married Zipporah

Who is he? _____
(Jude 1:9, Hebrews 11:23)

- D) 1. He prophesied about the second coming.
2. He lived a life pleasing to God.
3. His father's name was Jared.
4. He lived 365 years.
5. God took him.

Who is he? _____
(Genesis 5:18, Jude 1:14, Hebrews 11:5)

- E) 1. He went out, though not knowing where he was going.
2. He laughed at something God told him.
3. Many people claim him as their father.
4. He believed God would resurrect his son.
5. His descendents would be like the stars.

Who is he? _____
(Gen 17:17, Gen 15:5)

- F) 1. He was a ruler.
2. He had problems with a woman.
3. He gave instructions regarding his bones.
4. His brothers betrayed him.
5. He had meaningful dreams.

Who is he? _____
(Genesis 50:25)

- G) 1. He could say "Go" or "Do this", and it would be done.
 2. His servant was paralyzed.
 3. He met Jesus in Capernaum.
 4. He was a soldier in the Roman army.
 5. Jesus said this man had more faith than that found in Israel.

Who is he? _____
 (Matthew 8:5-10)

- H) 1. She lived with unbelievers, but didn't perish with them.
 2. Two men lodged at her house.
 3. Her faith saved her whole household.
 4. She rerouted some messengers.
 5. She was a harlot.

Who is she? _____
 (Joshua 2:1, 6:17, James 2:25, Heb 11:31)

- I) 1. He saw the Lord face to face and thought he would die.
 2. He named an altar "Jehovahshalom".
 3. He asked God not to be angry with him.
 4. He put God to a test.
 5. He led an army that had dwindled to only 300 people.

Who is he? _____
 (Judges 6:24)

- J) 1. He was the son of Abinoam.
 2. He traveled with Deborah.
 3. He sang a song.
 4. His opponent died with a nail through his head.
 5. He defeated Sisera's army and not a man was left.

Who is he? _____
 (Judges 4:9)

- K) 1. His Mom didn't drink wine while pregnant with him.
 2. His parents disapproved of his choice of wife.
 3. He killed a lion.
 4. He came up with a riddle.
 5. He exhibited great strength.

Who is he? _____

(Judges 14:3)

- L) 1. He was the son of a harlot.
 2. His people chased him away, but when attacked, asked him to be their captain.
 3. He fought and won the Ephraimites.
 4. His only daughter spent two months wailing in the mountains.
 5. He judged Israel six years.

Who is he? _____
 (Judges 11:1)

- M) 1. His brothers accused him of being proud.
 2. His grandfather was Obed.
 3. He cut off his opponent's head.
 4. A king tried to kill him with a Javelin.
 5. He had a legendary friendship.

Who is he? _____
 (Ruth 4:22, I Samuel 17:28, 17:51, 18:11)

- N) 1. He hewed a king into pieces.
 2. His death was greatly lamented.
 3. He anointed kings.
 4. His mother was Hannah.
 5. After he died, a spirit impersonated him.

Who is he? _____
 (I Samuel 28:7-20, 1:20, 10:1, 15:33)

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 11 - Learn From Faith Stories in the Bible

What Do People of Faith Have in Common?

- A. According
- B. Keep
- C. Charity
- D. Works
- E. Selfish
- F. Humbly
- G. Promises

Faith Fakers & Facts

1. False, 2. False, 3. False, 4. False, 5. False, 6. True, 7. True, 8. True, 9. False

Activity: Guess Who

- A. Woman of Canaan
- B. Centurion
- C. Abel
- D. Enoch
- E. Joseph
- F. Moses
- G. Abraham
- H. Rahab
- I. Gideon
- J. Barak
- K. Samson
- L. Jephthah
- M. David
- N. Samuel

Rejoice in the

Results of **F**aith

"But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you."

1 Peter 5:10

What Are the Benefits of Faith?

Completing your "Journey of Faith" offers endless rewards!

- A) Hebrews 12:11 - You start producing _____ .
- B) I John 5:2-3 - Keeping the _____ be-comes easier.
- C) John 10:14 - You get to _____ Jesus, your shepherd.
- D) Ephesians 3:17-19 - You will comprehend the _____ of Christ.
- E) Col. 2:10 - You become _____ in Jesus. The Greek word is "pleroo," which means to fill up, satisfy and finish. Jesus supplies what we don't yet have.
- F) Romans 4:5 - You are counted as _____ .
- G) Acts 3:16 - You become _____ . The Greek word is "stereoo," which means to solidify, confirm and establish. You will be confident and solidly rooted in your faith.
- H) Romans 1:12 - You will be _____ by others who also have faith.
- I) Ephes. 6:16 - You will be able to resist the _____ .
- J) I Tim. 4:12 - You become an _____ to others.
- K) I Peter 1:9 - Your soul receives _____ .
- L) John 3:15 - You receive _____ life.

**Your character gets developed and molded
into what God would have you to be.
Your faith becomes solidified, unmovable
and resolutely turned towards God.**

The Fruits of the Spirit

Read Galatians 5:16-25 and then write down each fruit of the Spirit in the left column. Then, check the appropriate column(s) on the right.

Name of Fruit:	Is it evident in my life?		Do I want more of it?	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

When you ask God to change your life, you will see more and more "Fruits of the Spirit" and less and less "Works of the Flesh."

Take a moment to ponder each of the following "Works of the Flesh" (Gal. 5:19-21) and determine if they are present in your life (you may want to use a dictionary to look up some of the words).

Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings.

Ahhhh...Perfection!

Can we really be perfect? What does perfection mean?

Bible Text about Perfection:	Greek meaning of the word:
Ephes. 4:13 - "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."	"Teleios" = Complete, of full age
Matthew 5:48 - "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."	Same as above
Hebrews 13:21 - "Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."	"Katartizo" = To complete thoroughly, mend, restore, to join together
II Tim 3:17 - "That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."	"Artios" = Fresh, Complete

What word do all these definitions have in common?



**Perfection (completion) is possible!
But only by believing in and cooperating with Christ.**

Christ's power enables the transformation of your character to be completed. This process equips you with an understanding of God's word, discernment between right and wrong, self-control, willingness and a loving heart. You are brought into harmony with God's law and reflect the character of the law-giver!

Christ completes you!

The Result of Your "Journey Of Faith"

Fill in the blanks in the text below, review the meanings and then complete the questions below.

The Greek word is "sterizo," which means to turn resolutely in a certain direction. When you take your "Journey of Faith," turn to God with **all your heart**. **Do not waver** or change directions.

"But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you _____, _____, _____, _____ you." I Peter 5:10

The Greek word is "katartizo", which means to complete, fit and perfectly join together. Hold on to your faith, and Christ supplies the good qualities that you don't yet have. **Together, Christ in you, equals perfection.**

The Greek word is "sthenoo", which means to confirm and have vigor. Your faith will **produce energy** within you and make you a **strong warrior** for Christ.

The Greek word is "themelioo," which means to lay a foundation and ground. You will be **firmly rooted** in your faith because it is built on the solid foundation of Christ.

1. Consider your "Journey of Faith." Have you experienced any of the results listed above? Which ones?

2. Have you had any set-backs on your journey? What were they?

3. What do you think would help improve your journey or to hold fast to what you've gained?

Now What?

Commit. Pray. Remember.
Check the boxes below with which you agree.

Hebrews 10:23 - "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;)"

I will hold fast. I will not let go of my faith!

I Cor. 2:5 - "That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."

I will trust only in God for my faith!

"Rev. 14:12 - "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus."

I will be on the right side during the last days!

Luke 11:13 - "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?"

I will ask God to send the Holy Spirit to help me!

Hebrews 12:2 - "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

I will remember who makes faith possible!

Thank God for your faith, enjoy it and share it!

Activity: Faith Word Search

Find the hidden words in the puzzle below. The words may go across, down, up, backwards or diagonal.

Q C R E A T I O N H V D L M W L X
 C D I E J L U N T H Z K I T E N L
 C O N M C E F I F E J R Y N T O P
 R U L O L N A E N T I R E G W I K
 C B W L I F A F M Q U X U E R S N
 X L X D Y T N R K I J L P P J I L
 J E E F G X A B U Y R A M L H V N
 H M R V U T Z D T S T A S K R O W
 O I V A I O K I N I S Y C C Y R W
 P N H G E D R Z E U Z A O L W J G
 E D H B A U E N R C O M Y W E C N
 L E L R T I C N V S C F G D P L I
 B D W A C E O S C A X Q P D O L H
 I U M H O R G Z B E L I E V E G T
 B M O R N C M H X T H K S H X O O
 I D O U B T H P T W S F C I T E N
 G F K T A G N I R E F F U S D Y V

Assurance	Miracle	Evidence
God	Double Minded	Vision
Believe	Nothing	Faith
Hope	Doubt	Works
Bible	Patience	Foundation
Immaturity	Entire	
Creation	Suffering	

Answers to Worksheets

Lesson 12 - Savor the Results of Faith

What Are the Benefits of Faith?

- A. Fruit
- B. Commandments
- C. Meet
- D. Love
- E. Complete
- F. Righteous
- G. Strong
- H. Comforted
- I. Wicked
- J. Example
- K. Salvation
- L. Eternal

The Fruits of the Spirit

- 1. Love
- 2. Joy
- 3. Peace
- 4. Longsuffering
- 5. Gentleness
- 6. Goodness
- 7. Faith
- 8. Meekness
- 9. Temperance

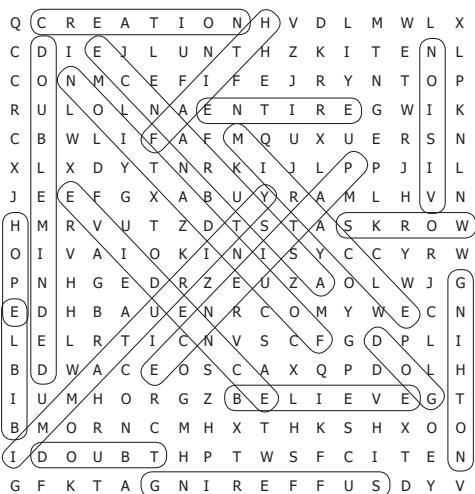
Ahhhh...Perfection!

Answer: Complete

The Result of Your "Journey of Faith"

Perfect, Stablish, Stengthen, Settle

Faith Word Search



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