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But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

II Peter 3:18

Identification with Christ



Harvest
Baptist Church

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Curepe, Trinidad

Sunday	10:00am
Sunday	6:00pm
Thursday	6:00pm

- Three Types of Sins (I John 2:16)
 - The lust of the flesh
 - The lust of the eyes
 - The pride of life
- Genesis 3:6
- Three Areas of Identification
 - people (II Corinthians 6:14)
 - places (Psalm 37:23)
 - things (Philippians 4:8; I Corinthians 10:31)

Where are some places that a Christian should not go?

What are some things that a Christian should not do?

“If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?”

- David Otis Fuller

III. Our Reward (I Corinthians 3:9-16)

- Our sins were judged on the cross but our works will be judged before God.
- Things done for God are compared to gold, silver, and precious stones.
- Things done for self are compared to wood, hay, and stubble.

“This one life will soon be past only what’s done for Christ will last.”

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Lesson Five



I. Our Rival

A. Who he is

- Satan is a fallen angel.
Ezekiel 28:13-15; Luke 10:18
- Because of his sin of rebellion he and his angels were cast out of heaven.
Isaiah 14:12-16; Revelation 12:7-9
- Satan in the form of a serpent tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden.
Genesis 3:1-6
- Satan is our adversary.
I Peter 5:8

B. What he does

- Blinds the minds of them that don't believe.
II Corinthians 4:4
- Attacks believers overtly and covertly.
I Peter 5:8; II Corinthians 11:14
- Accuses believers before God.
Job 1:6-12; Revelation 12:10

C. What his future is

- Satan will be cast into the lake of fire.
Revelation 20:10; Matthew 25:41

II. Our Responsibility

- Satan provides options but the choice to sin is ours.
Matthew 4:3-11; James 1:14
- The Sin Cycle (James 1:15)
 - lust
 - sin
 - death

Course Outline

- 🌲 Gift of Eternal Life
 - Salvation by Grace
 - Eternal Security
 - Assurance
- 🌲 Relationship with God
 - Baptism
 - Communication
 - Fellowship
- 🌲 Only One God
 - The Triune God
 - Father
 - Son
 - Holy Spirit
- 🌲 Word of God
 - Old Testament
 - New Testament
 - Inspiration
- 🌲 Identification with Christ
 - Our Rival
 - Our Responsibility
 - Our Reward
- 🌲 Need of the Nations
 - Go
 - Tell
 - Train
- 🌲 Giving Back to God
 - Church Giving
 - Missions Giving
 - Special Giving

According to II Corinthians 6:14 who are we not suppose to “unequally yoked” (joined in close fellowship) with? unbelievers

What five questions are posed regarding close fellowship between believers and unbelievers?

1. What fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?
2. What communion hath light with darkness?
3. What concord hath Christ with Belial (or satan)?
4. What part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
5. What agreement hath the temple of God with idols?

Day 34

Read Matthew 16:24-27

Fill in the blanks for Matthew 16:24

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Day 35

Read James 1:12-20

According to James 1:14, every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own what? lust

According to James 1:12, what reward is promised to those that endure temptation? crown of life





Fill in the blanks for I Peter 5:8

Be sóber, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour :

According to verse 9 what are we encouraged to do about our adversary the devil? (circle one)

A. Don't take him seriously.

B. Resist him steadfast in the faith.

Day 31

Read II Corinthians 5:14-20

According to verse 15 who are we suppose to live for? He who died for us (Christ)

According to verse 17, if we are in Christ, what happens to the "old things"? _____

they are passed away

Day 32

Read I John 2:3-6, 15-17

According to I John 2:3 how do we know that we know Him? _____

if we keep His commandments

Fill in the blanks for 1 John 2:15

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Day 33

Read II Corinthians 6:11-18

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Introduction

The ultimate goal of the Christian life is that everything we do bring honour and glory to God. The Bible informs us that when we receive the gift of eternal life we become, "a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." This transformation should be evident in every aspect of our life. The people that we associate with should be different, the places that we frequent should change, and the things that we do should identify us as a followers of Jesus Christ. No longer should we live our lives to please ourselves, instead we should live our lives for the one who died to give us life. . . Jesus! He is the perfect pattern for a life that pleases God, therefore we should strive to be like Him.

There is a popular slogan represented by the letters "WWJD". It stands for "What Would Jesus Do?". This is a good question to ask ourselves when faced with life's decisions, "What would Jesus do?" As we live our lives with this in mind, people will begin to see a difference. They will begin to see Jesus in us!

However, identifying ourselves with Christ in this manner is not an easy undertaking. Be-





cause we are sinners, we have an enemy within. The first obstacle that we face is ourselves. We do not naturally want to do things that please God. This problem is compounded by the fact that we also have an enemy from the outside, Satan. He doesn't want to see us please God either. With these two forces pulling us away from doing what is right, it is an uphill battle to do the things God wants us to do. A battle that we could not win by ourselves, but thankfully God has given us some divine aid in the person of the Holy Spirit. As we yield to the Holy Spirit's control in our life we will be able to overcome the tendencies of our sin nature and the outside attacks of Satan.

Indeed, the Christian life is a battle, and just like any battle that is fought, there are casualties. Many Christians give in to sin constantly and end up bearing no resemblance at all to their commander, Jesus Christ. On the other hand there are those that emerge from the battlefield as heroes. Christians who can say along with the Apostle Paul, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:" For these loyal soldiers, their faithfulness will not go unnoticed. God promises rewards for those who faithfully serve Him!

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Daily Bible Readings

Memory Verse

Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

- II Corinthians 5:17

Day 29

Read Ephesians 6:10-18

According to Ephesians 6:12 what do we wrestle against?

1. _____ principalities _____
2. _____ powers _____
3. _____ rulers _____ of the darkness
4. Spiritual _____ wickedness _____ in _____ high _____ places.

Fill in the blanks for the armour of God.

Helmet of _____ salvation _____ (v. 17)

Breastplate of _____ righteousness _____ (v. 14)

Loins girt about with _____ truth _____ (v. 14)

Feet shod with the _____ preparation _____ of the _____ gospel _____ of peace (v. 15)

Shield of _____ faith _____ (v. 16)

Sword of the _____ Spirit _____ which is the _____ word _____ of God (v. 17)

Day 30

Read I Peter 5:5-11

