

Name? John 17:8 (1st part).

4. What was accomplished through the acceptance of His Word? John 17:8 (last part).

5. What is the first step to knowing the Lord? Romans 10:17.

6. When asked, whom did Peter declare Jesus to be? Matthew 16:13-16.

7. What was the source of Peter's revelation? Matthew 16:17.

8. Why does it take divine revelation to know Jesus? 1 Corinthians 15:45-50.

9. Whence did Jesus claim to have come? John 6:38; John 17:5.

10. What was the Jews' attitude to this claim, and whom did they believe was His father? John 6:41,42.

11. How does Paul say we should know Christ? 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Colossians 1:13-20; Hebrews 1:1-3.

**NOTE:** It would be good for us, if we would study such Scriptures as 1 John 2:4-6, and 1 John 1:3-7, and also the 3rd chapter of 1 John. Now it is seen why it is life eternal to accept Jesus, for in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead. If we have Jesus in this manner, He possesses us and in us we have the fulness of heaven. Colossians 1:26,27.

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not interested enough in the truth to study for themselves.

12. How did Jesus warn about deceivers in these last days? Matthew 24:4,5,11,24.

13. How are we to try the spirits? Isaiah 8:20.

14. On what foundation must we build in order to be certain we will not be deceived? Ephesians 2:20-22 Galatians 1:8;2 Corinthians 13:1; Romans 3:4.

15. What unwillingness will some ministers show towards accepting the truth of God's Holy Word? Ezekiel 22:26-31.

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*"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." Psalms 122:6*

Memory Verse: "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of the prophecy of this book, and keep these things written therein for the time is at hand." Revelation 1:3.

1. For what purpose and to whom was the book of Revelation given? Revelation 1:1.

2. Where is the beast first introduced in the Scriptures? Daniel 7:2,7.

3. What happens immediately after the time given for these four beasts to rule? Verse 9, 10.

4. Was Daniel troubled about this vision, and what did he do? Verses 15,16.

5. What information did the angel give? Verses 17,18.

6. Which one of these four beasts was Daniel particularly concerned with? Verses 19,20.

7. How long did Daniel see this beast (under the little horn dominion) making war with the saints? Verses 21,22.

**NOTE:** Inasmuch as this fourth beast power is to be here and exercising its power against the true remnant people now, and in the future until the time comes for us to possess the kingdom, it is surely of great importance to know just what and where it is. It

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is against this beast, therefore, that the last message of warning is to be given.

8. What did the angel tell Daniel this beast represented, and also its ten horns? Verses 23, 24.

9. How do these beasts compare with the beasts of Revelation? Revelation 13:1,2.

**NOTE:** Let us examine this beast. The beasts in Daniel were the lion, the bear, the leopard, and the other beast without a name. Notice further it says this Revelation beast was like a leopard, with the feet of the bear, and the mouth of the lion. Hence we have these three beasts of Daniel composing this one in Revelation. But notice further that this Revelation beast also had seven heads and ten horns. Also notice that this was the exact number of all of the heads and horns of the beasts of Daniel. Hence the Revelation beast is a perfect incarnation of all of the four beasts. Also the Roman empire, the fourth to rule the world, controlled all of the territory formerly under all of these four beasts, hence it was an amalgamation of them all into the one.

10. What is said further (comparing Daniel and Revelation) concerning the beast -- the work and persecuting power and the extent of his power? Daniel 7:25 (last part of verse)

Lesson for January 7, 2017.

### PROOF OF REGENERATION

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3.

Memory Verses: 1 John 4:7,8.

1. What was said of the Corinthian believers that is true of us today? 2 Corinthians 3:2.

**NOTE:** Christianity in its true form cannot be hidden from view. It is equally true that the lack of it cannot be concealed by any professing man or woman. We must not only carry the name of Christian, we must strive to be all that the title implies.

2. By what age-old rule are we still being measured? Matthew 7:20.

**NOTE:** This is about the only verse some Bible critics seem to have learned. Nevertheless it is true that we should produce fruit to His glory. It is a serious thing to lay claim to another's name and attempt to perpetuate the characteristics of that individual.

3. What are two marks of regeneration? 1 John 5:1-3.

**NOTE:** Moffatt renders this: "Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God; and everyone who loves the

becoming stronger, David still continued his exploits and remained a true servant to God and the king.

9. When Saul made his last attempt to kill David, what strange incident occurred? 1 Samuel 26:2,7-12.

10. What sorrowful lamentation did David make over Saul and Jonathan? 2 Samuel 1:23-27.

**NOTE:** "Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil." Verse 21.

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Lesson for March 4, 2017.

### KNOWING THE LORD

Scripture Reading: John 17.

Memory Verse: John 17:3.

1. How essential is it to know the Lord? John 17:3.

2. In order for the disciples to know the Lord, what did Jesus do? John 17:6.

3. In what way did He manifest His

follow the teaching of man? Colossians 2:20-22.

3. Did the disciples understand the gospel or mission of Christ at first? Luke 9:51-56.

4. Even after Pentecost how did Peter fail in leading the church? Galatians 2:11-13.

5. In what way are people easily deceived? 2 Peter 2:1-3.

6. What unfavorable condition developed at Corinth that may have been the result of deception? 1 Corinthians 1:11-13.

7. What were some converts trying to bring into the church in the time of Paul? Galatians 4:8-11; Acts 15:5.

8. With what strong words did Paul withstand these teachings? Acts 15:10.

9. What present day trend hindered even the early church? 2 John 9,10.

10. How did John warn the Christians about deceivers in his day? 2 John 6,7.

11. What must a Christian do in order to know the truth and not be deceived? 1 John 4:1.

**NOTE:** Those who are willingly deceived may be divided into two classes. There are those who love the traditions of men so well that they refuse to consider evidence from the Bible — God's Holy Word may disturb their present thought. There are also those who are

rejoices over the one who falls away. Paul says: Those who are spiritual should restore the fallen. Galatians 6:1. Samuel would have done this, but God had already rejected Saul. Saul's disobedience was willful.

2. How did Samuel feel about anointing another? How was he advised to disarm Saul's suspicion? Verses 2,3.

3. On coming to Bethlehem, how was he regarded? What was his mission? Verses 4, 5.

4. What was the prophet Samuel's first impression of Eliab? Verses 6,7.

**NOTE:** Man-made plans and guess work are sapping the vitality of the church today. The Almighty has an overall plan for man. He wants us to fit into His plan, not try to fit Him into ours.

5. How many of Jesse's sons were made to pass before Samuel? Verses 10-12.

6. Did the Spirit alight on the youngest son of Jesse after he was anointed by Samuel? Verse 13.

7. What is said of king Saul's spiritual condition from then on? Verse 14.

8. How did David behave "in all his ways" before the people? 1 Samuel 18:14,16.

**NOTE:** In spite of all the hatred in Saul's heart and his purpose to kill David

of Life? Revelation 20:15; also 21:27.

10. What will happen to the beast, and also to the beast worshippers, when the books of heaven are opened? Daniel 7:9-11; Revelation 14:9,10; also Revelation 20:13-15.

### A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

"...They that spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him." Malachi 3:16,17

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Lesson for March 25, 2017.

### GUARD AGAINST DISCORD AND DECEPTION

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 3.

Memory Verse: Romans 16:17.

1. Is there any danger of being deceived? Colossians 2:8; 1 John 4:1.

2. What will become of those who

and also Revelation 13:5-7.

**NOTE:** Now let us again compare Daniel and Revelation. The length of time (the 42 months in verse 5) that the Revelation beast was to have power over the saints, is also identical with the "times and half a time" of Daniel 7:25.

11. What is said about this beast under one head domination, being wounded by the sword? Was the deadly wound healed? Revelation 13:3, 12-18.

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Lesson for February 4, 2017.

### REPENTANCE

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:22-42.

Memory Verse: 2 Peter 3:9.

1. What does the Holy Bible, God's Word, teach about repentance? Ezekiel 18:31-32.

2. Is it possible to be saved without repentance? Luke 13:1-5.

3. Of what must we repent? Acts 3:19; 8:20-22.

4. Did the great Apostle Paul tell the people they must repent? Acts 20:20,21.

5. Did Peter preach repentance?

Father loves the sons born of Him. This is how we are sure that we love God's children, by loving God and obeying His commands."

4. How is this stated elsewhere? John 13:34,35.

**NOTE:** Reversing the logic Christ used in the 35th verse would it not follow that if brotherly love did not exist between one another we would not be His disciples?

5. What is the fulfilling of the law? Romans 13:1-13.

6. How completely must we be separated from the world? John 17:14.

7. When fully surrendered to God, what will be our experience? 1 John 3:9.

8. How could we make our Christian life more pleasant and profitable? 2 Corinthians 6:14.

**NOTE:** This no doubt includes the marriage question but it is not restricted to it. Many Christians have been greatly hindered in their missionary work, and in keeping the Sabbath as a result of being "unequally yoked together" in business enterprises.

9. How else will our lives show that we have been born again? Galatians 5:24-26.

10. In the final analysis what will we be doing? 1 John 3:24.

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Acts 2:38.

6. Are we to confess to man or to God in seeking forgiveness of our sins? Acts 20:21; Romans 14:11.

7. Is it necessary for every soul to repent of his or her sins in order to become a child of God? Why? Romans 14:11, 12; Romans 3:23; 5:12; Mark 16:16.

**NOTE:** God will not exclude any from the Kingdom if they have repented and have had their sins blotted out. God grants complete forgiveness to every penitent sinner.

8. Will anyone who has not repented of his sins be given eternal life? 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; John 3:3; Proverbs 28:13.

9. What did Jesus teach about repentance? Matthew 4:17; Mark 1:14,15.

10. What words did John the Baptist use when expressing the same thought? Matthew 3:5-8.

11. What does the Bible reveal about the life of Paul (Saul) before he had repented? Acts 9:11-18; 1 Corinthians 15:9; Galatians 1:13.

12. After his repentance was Paul's life different from what it had formerly been? Acts 9:20,23-25,29.

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Lesson for January 14, 2017.

### **SOBRIETY**

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 4th. Chapter.

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 4:7.

1. To what extent did the wise man test the pleasures of the world? Ecclesiastes 2:10.

2. How much true enjoyment did such a course afford? Ecclesiastes 2:11; Proverbs 14:12-13.

3. To whom is such mirth enjoyable? Proverbs 15:21.

4. What conclusion did the wise man reach? Ecclesiastes 2:13,14.

5. Why is sobriety preferable to levity? Ecclesiastes 7:2,3.

6. What differentiates between the wise and the foolish? Ecclesiastes 7:4.

7. Of what does the wise man bid the young man to be mindful of even in the pursuit of pleasure? Ecclesiastes 11:9.

8. What injunction of sobriety is given in: Titus 2:2-8; Romans 13:13; 1 Peter 1:13?

9. Does this mean that the people of the Lord should be of a sad countenance all the time? Psalms 100:2; Isaiah 12:2-3; Luke 6:22,23.

with a horse-shoe magnet when we were children, or a piece of steel charged with magnetic electricity, and observed how it will pick up smaller pieces of metal, and hold them tightly. We may pull these away a number of times and let it lift them again and again. Soon this metal will also become charged with the same magnetic power, until it will pick up smaller pieces also. This illustrates how the person who spends time in daily prayer becomes charged with a divine magnetic virtue from Heaven, by which the dross of sin is driven from our mortal body, and it becomes a temple for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

11. After the Master had spent time in prayer, what happened to the woman who touched the hem of His garment? Luke 8:43-47.

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Lesson for February 25, 2017.

### **DAVID ANOINTED KING**

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 16.

Memory Verse: 1 Samuel 16:13.

1. What question did the Lord ask, when Samuel mourned for Saul? 1 Samuel 16:1.

**NOTE:** Every true servant in all ages has compassion. It is a wicked heart that

of those whose names are to be found written in this Book of Life? Malachi 3:17; also Daniel 12:1.

3. What effect should it have upon the faithful ones, to know their names are written in heaven? Luke 10:19,20.

4. Are there any other books opened besides the Book of Life at the time of judgment? Revelations 20:12

5. After people have been adopted into the heavenly family, and their names written in the Book of Life, and continue in righteousness, is it possible for their names not to be there on the day of judgment? Revelations 3:5.

6. After Paul had preached the gospel, and was actually one of this holy family, what did he say about the danger of being a castaway? 1 Corinthians 9:27.

7. What are we told further about the danger of falling away, after once having been anointed and experienced in the gift of the Holy Spirit? Hebrews 6:4-8; 1 Corinthians 10:12.

8. What will be the result when a person having spent their life in sin turns to righteousness in their closing days, or when a righteous person turns away? Ezekiel 33:12,15-19.

9. What will be the fate of those whose names are not found in the Lamb's Book

**NOTE:** This Holy Spirit is spoken of also as the Holy Ghost, as “virtue”, and “power”. It is a portion of the Father Himself, a divine power from heaven that comes into these human temples of ours and makes us spiritual. It fills us with goodness, and imparts to us those heavenly attributes that so miraculously adorned the Messiah our Saviour. It is only by the reception of this power into our body that we will be filled with righteousness.

7. Is it necessary for us to become hungry for, and really desire this power that will make us righteous? Matthew 5:6.

**NOTE:** Most of the people, at this present time, are hungering and thirsting after the things of this world, popularity, position, money and pleasure, all of which is vanity, and will soon pass away.

8. Who opened the way, and taught us about this law for the Spirit of eternal life? John 8:12.

9. Did our Saviour who came to show us the way, often spend time tarrying before His Father, in prayer? Luke 6:12.

10. After spending the night in prayer, what passed from Him into the people by which they were healed? Luke 6:19.

**NOTE:** Most of us have played

10. How will the Lord remedy this situation? Ezekiel 34:23,24.

11. What promise does God make with them and what blessings will follow? Ezekiel 34:25,26.

12. What other promise will be fulfilled to them? Ezekiel 34:27,28.

13. What more will be done for them? Ezekiel 34:29.

14. What will they finally know? Ezekiel 34:30,31.

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Lesson for March 18, 2017.

## HEAVENLY RECORDS THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE

Scripture Reading: Revelation 3rd chapter.

Memory Verse: “He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed with white raiment, and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but will confess his name before my Father, and before His angels” Verse 5.

1. Has there been a book arranged in heaven for records of people living on this earth? Malachi 3:16.

2. What is said about the deliverance

Lesson for February 11, 2017.

## OUR CONDITION BEFORE GOD

Scripture Reading: Romans 3:10-31.

Memory Verses: 1 John 3:2,3.

1. Under what condition does man find himself? Romans 3:9, 23.

**NOTE:** Paul, as a Jew, could say that the same law that points out sin in one group does so for the other. In the sight of God all mankind stands as unclean and therefore needs the cleansing blood which Jesus shed on Calvary's cross.

2. From what line of evidence does Paul draw to prove universal condemnation? Romans 3:10-18.

3. What then is the purpose of the law? Romans 3:19.

**NOTE:** When one realizes his guilt before God, it is an easy matter to show him the way of life. Were it possible to remove the law, then the detection of sin and the persuasion of guilt by the authority of God's Word and Will would also be removed.

4. Today, what class can Christ not reach? Matthew 8:10-13.

5. What great parable teaches this

10. How should the Christian rejoice? Philippians 4:4.

11. Why is vigilance and sobriety especially necessary? 1 Peter 5:8.

12. What other consideration should lead us to sobriety? 1 Peter 4:7.

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Lesson for January 21, 2017.

## CONFORMITY WITH THE WORLD

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 2:1-22.

Memory Verse: Romans 12:2.

1. What sound advice must every Christian constantly heed? 1 John 2:15-17.

2. What is the Christian's aim in life? Colossians 3:1-3

3. What Old Testament example of worldliness do we have which was of major importance to the children of Israel, but condemned by God? Isaiah 2:6-8.

4. How does James express the necessity of separation from the world? James 1:27; 4:4-6.

5. On what final point did Satan tempt Jesus in the wilderness? Matthew 4:8,9.

6. What desire caused Israel to fall

lesson? Luke 18:11-14.

6. What is sin in the sight of God?  
1 John 3:4.

7. Bearing the guilt alone (without the Saviour) brings what results? Romans 6:23.

**NOTE:** Those who reject the call of the Holy Spirit to become converted will one day have to bear their guilt alone. The atonement for sin was made for all, but all will not accept the free forgiveness through the shed Blood.

8. Who alone can lift the burden of sin and guilt? Isaiah 53:8,11.

9. For what personal admonition does Paul plead? 2 Corinthians 7:1.

10. In Christ, what is our new status before God? 1 John 3:1.

11. So long as we have this hope within us what should be our spiritual condition as we await His return? 1 John 3:2,3. See also Daniel 12:9 and 10.

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Lesson for February 18, 2017.

## **CHARGING THE HUMAN MAGNET WITH OVERCOMING POWER**

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:1-14.

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in the days of Samuel? 1 Samuel 8:5-7.

7. How does Peter's admonition concur with the attitude of the modern "emancipated" women? 1 Peter 3:1-6. What about the men? Verses 7,8.

8. What will a true Christian always take into consideration? Romans 14:7,21; 1 Corinthians 8:13.

9. What good admonition does Peter give us that we should keep in mind whatever we do or wherever we go? 1 Peter 2:9,10.

10. When Peter suggested something which was against the will of God what did Jesus say to him? Matthew 16:21-23.

11. Will those who possess the Holy Spirit have fellowship with evil work? Ephesians 5:8-12.

12. What will the grace of God teach us? Titus 2:11-13.

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Lesson for January 28, 2017.

## **THE BOOK OF REVELATION AND THE BEAST WHOSE DEADLY WOUND IS HEALED**

Scriptural Reading: Daniel 7th chapter; also Revelation 13:1-3.

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Memory Verse: Romans 8:28.

1. Is there a law that governs the operation of the Spirit in our bodies? Romans 8:2.

2. What will this law of the Spirit of Life do for us in regard to the law? Romans 8:2.

**NOTE:** When this divine law of the Spirit is allowed to operate in us, we will by nature bear the fruit of the Spirit, and therefore walk in perfect obedience to all of the commandments. Consequently we will be free from the condemnation of this law, which brings death.

3. Is there a special place in every person's body for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit? 1 Corinthians 3:16 and also 1 Corinthians 6:19,20.

4. If our bodies are void of this Spirit power, and therefore defiled by the presence of evil spirits, worldly desires, emotions, and sin, what is the result? 1 Corinthians 3:17.

5. In order for us to receive this Spirit, do we need to make the first move, or wait for the Father to move on us? James 4:8-10.

6. Is the heavenly Father as willing to give this power from above to us as we are willing to give food to our children when they are hungry? Luke 11:11-13.

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Lesson for March 11, 2017.

## **THE LITTLE FLOCK**

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 34.

Memory Verse: Ezekiel 34:31.

1. What term did the Savior use to designate His church? Luke 12:32 (first part).

2. What is the relationship of the Savior to this flock? Micah 4:8 (first part).

3. What has the Lord promised to this little flock? Luke 12:32 (last part); Micah 4:8 (last part).

4. What complaint did the Lord have against the ancient shepherds? Ezekiel 34:3,4.

5. As a result of this neglect, what happened to the flock? Ezekiel 34:5,6.

6. What was God's attitude toward the shepherds? Ezekiel 34:10.

7. What did He promise to do for His scattered flock? Ezekiel 34:12-15.

8. With what did those ancient shepherds feed the flock? Ezekiel 34:18,19.

**NOTE:** This refers to the priests and prophets that hid the truth from the people in their day.

9. What did the shepherds do to scatter the flock? Ezekiel 34:21.

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