### Lesson for September 11, 2021 OUR CONVERSATION

Scripture Reading: James 3:1-10 Memory Verse: Proverbs 25:11

- 1. In debates in church assemblies, in councils, in the congress of our nation etc, words go on seemingly without end until finally, someone say the right word which ends all further discussion. How does the Bible speak of saying the right word? Prov. 25:11
- 2. How does the Bible describe man and the use of his tongue? James 3:3-8
- 3. What terrible sin is often committed with the tongue? James 3:9-12; Prov 6:17-19
- 4. What good instruction is given in the use of our tongue in Eccl. 5:1,2
- 5. James speaks of words setting on fire the course of nature. Is this what happened in the garden of Eden? James 3:5; Gen. 3:1-4; Rom 5:12
- 6. Are words still being used to contribute to man's death? 2 Peter 2:1-5; Eph 5:4
- 7. How is the word of God described in the following references? Matt 4:4; John 6:6-8; Heb. 4:12
- 8. Some people are restless and must talk, it seems. What instructions are given in 1Tim 5:13; Prov. 18:8;26;28

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

## Lesson for July 24, 2021 ENVY AND JEALOUSY

Scripture reading: Prov. 27<sup>th</sup> chapter Memory verse: Job 5:2.

- 1. What did Solomon say in his proverb about envy? Prov. 27:4.
- 2. How cruel is jealousy? Songs of Solomon 8:6.
- 3. What was the result of Cain's jealousy? 1 John 3:12
- 4. Does a man have to slay one in order to be a murderer? 1 John 3:15.
- 5. With what were the Jews filled when they saw the multitudes come to hear Paul? Acts 13:44-48.
- 6. What are some of the fruits of envy? James 3:16.
- 7. How does Job explain envy? Job 5:2.

**Note**. — Envy and jealousy are sin and come because of a lack of the Holy Spirit. If we are to overcome these sins, one must seek power from Heaven, and the Lord will give it to change our life

- "A sound heart is life of the flesh". What is envy? Prov. 14:30.
- 9. Is it possible for anyone to have envy in their hearts and still be saved? Gal 5:21.

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- 10. What did the Apostle Paul say we should put away? Eph 4:31
- 11. How can this be done? Eph. 4:32.

**Note**. — Truly jealousy is as cruel as the grave, and often exists among church members, yea even among ministers. Oh that might learn to esteem others better than self.

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### Lesson for July 31, 2021 MALICE

Booker T. Washington once said, "Iam determined to permit no man to narrow or degrade my soul by making me hate him." Hatred and malice do just that — they degrade, defile and destroy the soul. As Christians we should avoid malice, not only as a lethal poison which kills spiritual growth, but also as the antithesis of God

Scripture Reading: Col. 3:1-17. Memory Verse: Col. 3:8.

- 1. What is a prerequisite of spiritual growth? 1 Peter 2:1, 2.
- 2. With what is worship incompatible? James 3:9-18.

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# Lesson for July 3, 2021 ACCEPTING CHRIST'S TEACHINGS

The very word "Christian" means "Christ-like." If we are to be like Christ, we must accept His teachings. The Christian cannot take the attitude of the world regarding the teachings of Christ. He cannot say: "Well, He was a super good man, and what He said is good, but it just doesn't work in reality." Or, "It just won't work for an ordinary person like me." The true Christian must believe in the reality of Christ's teachings. He must not only know them, He must live them.

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:17-30. Memory Verse: Mark 10:21, 22.

- 1. For the sake of the kingdom of God, what portion of one's lot must one give up? Luke 12:33.
- 2. What question did a certain man once ask Jesus and what was Christ's response to him? Mark 10:17-19.
- 3. What was the response to Jesus? Vs. 20.
- 4. What was the second requirement which Jesus made known? Vs. 21.
- 5. Did the man accept the above requirements? Vs. 22.

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freely converse one with another, and how wonderful this is! Therefore we should praise and thank Him for the privilege which has been given to us to enjoy.

- 7. Who will enter into life eternal? Psa. 15:2, 3.
- 8. What is necessary on our part if we wish to be blessed? Psalms 34:11-14.
- 9. What does the Lord hate, and will anyone be excused who soweth discord? Prov. 6:16-19.
- 10. Whose religion is vain? James 1:26.
- 11. To what does Paul compare the tongue? Rom. 3:13.
- 12. When there is strife among the Brethren, how can it be stopped? Prov. 26:20.
- 13. How careful should the leaders and their wives be with their tongues? 1 Tim. 3:8-11,
- 14. How is the tongue of the wise compared to the tongue of the foolish? Prov. 15:2,4, 7, 28,
- 15. If we use out tongue wisely, what will the Lord do for us? Psa. 50:23.

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**Note**. Let us be honest with the Father, and covet only heavenly treasures and virtues, seeking earthly gain to use for the Father's glory in giving bread of life to the hungry.

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# Lesson for September 4, 2021 THE POWER OF THE TONGUE

Scripture reading: James 3:1-18. Memory verse: Proverbs 18:21.

- 1. What power do we posses in our tongue? Prov. 18:21
- 2. What will happen to the tongue that is used for flattery? Psa. 5:9, 10.
- 3. What did Job say about using flattering titles? Job. 32:21, 22.
- 4. What did Solomon say about a lying tongue? Prov. 12:19, 22.
- 5. What is a perfect man? James 3:2.
- 6. How dangerous is the tongue? James 3:6.

**Note**. How carefully we should use the tongue! May we ever realize that it is equally as destructive as fire. Have you ever thought how carefully people guard against fire in their homes, and in the great forests during the dry seasons? When God created man, He created him so that he could

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**Note**. Some of the definitions of the word grudge are, "I will cherished for some remembered wrong; Reluctant; unwillingness."

- 9. What does the New Testament teach about grudging? James 5:9.
- 10. What petition and duty mentioned in the Master's prayer, is the only one to which Yahshua adds a comment? St. Matthew 6:12, 14, 15.
- 11. If we forgive will we be forgiven? St. Luke 6:37; last part.

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- 3. Can just a little malice defile the entire body? 1 Cor. 5:6-8.
- 4. Should we honor all men, or is it all right to behave maliciously to unbelievers? 1 Peter 2:12-17.
- 5. What Godly men would not hear malice for their enemies? Job 31:29, 30; Psa. 35:11-14.
- 6. What does Christ tell us to do to those who wrongfully use us? Matt. 5:43, 44.
- 7. What is the end of those who maliciously plot to harm others? Psa. 7:14-16.

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### Lesson for August 7, 2021 STRIFE AND VAIN GLORY

A rich man once invited many honored guests for a feast. His own chair, richly decorated, was placed at one end of the long table. While awaiting his arrival, each guest seated himself according to his own esteem of his position in the sight of the Master. When the time came and all were seated, the master came in and moved his chair to the other end of the table!

It is clear from the Scriptures, that our Heavenly Father, like the master in the illustration above, shuns pride. Christ, the greatest man to ever walk on earth, the Son of God himself, chose to come as a humble carpenter. He could have been born the son of an earthly king. He could

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- 6. What is the Christian's passport into the kingdom of God? Rev. 22:14; 12:17.
- 7. What type of teaching did Jesus present to the multi-tudes? Matt. 16:24-26; Luke 14:25-27, 33
- 8. Did all accept Christ's teaching? John 6:60, 66.
- 9. Did some of Jesus' disciples accept the teachings? John 6:67-68. Compare Matt. 19:27, Luke 5:11.
- 10. What was Jesus promises to those of His disciples who endured His teachings? Matt. 19:28, 29; Luke 18:29, 30.

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# Lesson for July 10, 2021 THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH

Scripture reading: Matt. 16th chapter Memory Verse: Matt. 16:26

1. What warning did Jesus give concerning the false teaching of the Pharisees and Saducees? Matt. 16:6, 12

**Note**. The teaching of these two most popular religious sects of that time was corrupted by the false beliefs of heathens about them, very much

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also have accepted kingship at many points in his earthly life. He chose, instead, to live and die a servant. This is the example that we are to follow if we want to be great in the Kingdom of Heaven.

## Scripture Reading: Luke 22:24-30. Memory Verse: Philippians 2:3.

- 1. Should the saints of God strive over who should be their leader? 1 Cor. 3:3-7.
- 2. What did Paul fear would become of the church at Corinth in his absence? II Cor. 12:20.
- 3. What is the result of pride? Prov. 16:18; 11:2.
- 4. What example of humility did Christ give? John 13:12-15.
- 5. Should those in honored church positions look down upon those in supposedly lower office? 1 Cor. 12:13-31.
- 6. What is the "more excellent way" spoken of in I Cor. 12:31? 1 Cor. chapter 13.
- 7. What does Christ say will happen to those who demand honor? Luke 14:8-11.
- 8. In what manner did Paul and his co-workers preach the Gospel? 1 Thess. 1:4-9.
- 9. In what way should those called of God show themselves worthy? Eph. 4:1-3.

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as the teaching of all the most popular sects of our day.

- 2. What was the question that Jesus put before them, the greatest question of the time? Verses 13, 14.
- 3. Then what was the direct question He put to the disciples? Verse 15
- 4. What was Peter's confession, by whom had this truth been revealed to him? Verses 16,17

**Note**. The possession of this knowledge, the savior Himself declared to be the way of eternal life. It was not for any self-glorification.

5. Upon whom is the church founded? Matt 16:17, 18; Eph. 2:20, 21

Note. Note carefully the language in the foregoing. "Flesh and blood hath not revealed this unto thee, but My Father Which is in Heaven", and "thou art Peter, and upon this rock (not upon you), Will I build My church; and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.

- 6. What authority is illustrated by the keys of the kingdom? Matt 16:19.
- 7. How are the sinful and offensive members to be handled? Matt 18:11-18

## Lesson for August 28, 2021 THE SIN OF COVETOUSNESS

Scripture reading: 1 Tim. 6:1-19. Memory verse: Luke 12:15.

- 1. How does Paul describe the condition of the people in the last days? 2 Tim 3:2.
- 2. Does the Lord bless the covetous, wicked people? Psa. 10:3. (see Margin) also verse 4.
- 3. What striking example do we have of covetousness in Acts 5:1-10?
- 4. What did Jesus say in regard to covetousness? Luke 12:15-20.
- 5. What did Paul say about covetousness? 1 Tim. 6:10.
- 6. When Jesus told the young man to sell what he had, what did he do? Matt. 19:17-22.
- 7. Is there more than one way to covet? 1 Cor. 12:31.
- 8. Which one of the Apostles was a covetous man, and what was the result? Matt. 26:14-16; 27:3-5.
- 9. Will the covetous people inherit the Kingdom of God? 1 Cor. 6:9, 10.
- 10. What about Felix and Paul was Felix a covetous man? Acts 24:24-26.
- 11. How should we use surplus earthly gain that we may have eternal blessings? Matt. 6:19-21.

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# Lesson for September 25, 2021 FORGIVINGAND BEING FORGIVEN

Scripture Reading: St. Matthew 18:23-35. Memory Verse: St. Mark 11:25.

- 1. What instruction concerning forgiving did the Saviour give to Peter when he asked how often it would necessary for him to forgive his brother? St. Matthew 18:21-22.
- 2. Will our Heavenly Father forgive those who are unforgiving? St. Mark 11:25-26; James 2:13.
- 3. On what basis did the Saviour say that we should ask forgiveness? St. Matthew 6:12.
- 4. What terrible judgment did Yahshua say would be pronounced upon the servant who was forgiven but in turn refused to forgive his fellow servant? St. Matthew 18:32-34.
- 5. Unto whom is this an example and how complete must be forgiveness be? St. Mathew 18:35.
- 6. With what attitude must we forgive in order to be forgiven? Romans 12:8; Ephesians 4:32; St. Luke 6:36,
- 7. If we forgive as the Bible Teaches, whose example are we following? Colossians 3:13.
- 8. Did Elohim anciently forbid grudging? Leviticus 19:18; Proverbs 20:22.

- 8. Must we expect false accusers to be on the increase in these days in which we live; and will those who are good be despised? 2 Timothy 3:1-5.
- 9. Who is the father of all false witnessing and lies? John 8:44.
- 10. Will there be a people in the last days who will be deluded and believe and trust in lies? 2 Thessalonians 2:11, 12.
- 11. What happened to a man and his wife when they had agreed to lie to Peter? Acts 5:1-10.
- 12. Why did a young prophet lose his life? 1 Kings 13:18, 19, 24-26.
- 13. In what class are the liars? Revelation 22:15.

**Note.** When we as Christians hear a report about anyone or anything, we should be very sure that it is correct before we believe it or repeat it to the detriment of somebody, lest we become guilty of believing and loving a lie. It is important for us to seek the truth in all things. We should always keep our minds open for the truth and on guard against deception.

14. What terrible fate awaits all liars? Revelation 21:8.

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- 10. How can we know that we are the children of God? Romans 8:9.
- 11. How willing is the Heavenly Father to give us the Holy Spirit? Luke 11:10-13.

Note. There is a divine power constantly being broadcast from Heaven's throne. It is part of the Father Himself, being the precious Holy Spirit; but unless we desire it, hunger and thirst after it, and ask the Father earnestly to give it to us - our life will be void and empty of this power. We will be like the car with the generator disconnected; there will be no light or strength within us. The Holy Spirit is the power that ignites virtues in the soul. It gives us light and noble aspirations. The Father is more willing to give it to all who ask than an earthly father is willing to give food to his hungry children.

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# Lesson for August 14, 2021 THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT

Scripture Reading: Joshua 7. Memory Verse: Ephesians 4:28.

- 1. Why did Achan steal the Babylonish garment and the gold and silver? Joshua 7:21.
- 2. How did Joshua warn the people; and did Achan know that he had sinned? Joshua 6:17-19.
- 3. Does this prove that Achan's heart was not right with God? Matthew 15:19.

**Note.** When Achan saw the gold and silver he coveted them; and took them for himself. The gold and the silver were consecrated, and were to be used in the work of the Lord. When Achan took that which was rightfully the Lord's, he brought a curse upon himself and upon all that belonged to him.

- 4. How exacting must we be in all of our dealings? Leviticus 19:35-37; 1 Thessalonians 4:4-8.
- 5. What did two of the greatest Kings of Israel say about unjust gain; and borrowing without returning? Psalms 37:21; Proverbs 28.8.
- 6. What did the prophet Jeremiah say about unjust dealings against one's neighbour? Jeremiah 22:13.

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**Note**. The offender after being admonished according to this first and second admonition is to be treated as a heathen man.

8. What is said about self denial in relation to our entering into the kingdom? Matt 16:24,25.

**Note:** "The trial of our faith is more precious than gold", 1 Peter 1:7. Often firely trials are permitted to burn out the dross of sin. Trials are a part of education in the school of salvation that prepares us for greater affliction, through which we can successfully pass.

9. In what way does Jesus show us that He Himself and not the world holds the secret of life? Matt 16:26, 27.

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- 7. What portion of our increase belongs to God? Leviticus 27:30-32.
- 8. Stealing from man is a very serious offence, and the jails and houses of correction are full of people who have committed this grave sin. How about stealing from the Lord our God? Will the good Lord leave such a one unpunished? Malachi 3:9.
- What sin are people guilty of when they fail to give the Holy portion of their increase unto the Lord? Malachi 3:8.

**Note.** Whenever a person who has stolen money or goods is found out, they are punished for their evil deed. Those who steal the Holy tithes from the Lord, shall also be punished. The Scriptures tell us about a certain class of people who gather money and put it into bags which have holes, let us not be numbered among these.

- 10. Does the Lord our God bless those who are faithful in paying the Holy tithes? Malachi 3:10.
- 11. Has the Lord promised to rebuke the devourer for our sake if we are faithful tithe payers? Malachi 3:11.

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## Lesson for July 17, 2021 DIVISION AND DISCORD

Scripture reading: 1 Corinthians 12:14-31. Memory verse: 1 Corinthians 1:10.

- 1. How long did Jesus say that the Church would stand? Matthew 16:18.
- What would be the duration of the Church of God if division and discord were prevailing factors? Matthew 12:25.
- 3. Does discord and confusion come from God? 1 Corinthians 14:33.
- 4. Was it the will of the Apostle Paul that there be divisions in the church? What did he beseech the people to do? 1 Corinthians 1:10.
- 5. What is the cause of division and jangling (quarrels)? 1Timothy 1:5, 6.
- 6. A warning is given to those who fail to keep the law of love in dealing with their fellow man, what is it? Galatians 5:14, 15.
- 7. What steps are we to follow if a brother or sister does us wrong? Matthew 18:15-17.
- 8. How does the Lord regard a person that sows discord among brethren? Proverbs 6:16-19.
- 9. What great care should be exercised in restoring a brother who has been at fault? Galatians 6:1.

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# Lesson for August 21, 2021 THE NINTH COMMANDMENT

Scripture Reading: Matthew 26:57-75. Memory Verse: Exodus 20:16

- Whose testimony was accepted at the trial of Jesus when He was condemned before the high priest? Matthew 26:59-60.
- 2. What lie did they tell? Matthew 26:61.

**Note.** Jesus had said "Destroy this temple" and in three days I will raise it up again; But the people being carnal, understood not that Jesus was speaking about His Body and not about a building made by man. John 2:19.

- 3. In what strong words did the great apostle Paul admonish the converts at Ephesus? Ephesians 4:24, 25.
- 4. Will the forgers of lies go unpunished? Proverbs 19:5; 6:16-19.
- 5. Dare we as brethren think evil of one another? Zechariah 7:9, 10, 13.
- 6. What class of people will use their mouth to destroy their fellow man? Proverbs 11:9, 12, 13.
- 7. How does God warn against raising a false report? Exodus 23:1.

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- 9. What is the eternal effect our words will have in the judgment? Matt. 12:36, 37;5:37
- 10. What should be our attitude and prayer at all time relative to our conversation. Psa. 19:14

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## Lesson for September 18, 2021 THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture reading: John 14 12-16 Memory verse: John 16:13.

- 1. What is the Holy Spirit and what will the Holy Spirit do? John 14:26
- 2. Did the Holy Spirit dwell in to prophets? Psa. 51:11
- 3. What did Peter say in regard to the Holy Spirit? 2 Peter 1:20-21
- 4. How many right Spirits are there? Eph. 3:4.
- 5. How was the Holy Spirit manifested on the day of Pentecost? Acts. 2:1-8.
- 6. What did Paul tell the church about the evil Spirit? 1 Tim. 4:1-3.
- 7. What did John admonish the Christians to do? 1 John 4:1.
- 8. How can we know that we have the right spirit? The Hoy Spirit of God? Romans 8:16; James 1:26, 27.
- 9. Are there other spirits in the world besides the Holy Spirit of God? Isa. 8:19, 20.