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Lesson 1: A New You

☆ You Are A Spirit

1Thessalonians 5:23 "May the God of peace set you apart for Himself. May every part of you be set apart for God. May your spirit and your soul and your body be kept complete. May you be without blame when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again" (NLB)

You are made up of three different parts according to 1Thess 5:23 (Scripture Above). You are a spirit, you have a soul, and you live inside a body. Your body is like an earth suit. It's what you need to live in this world. Your soul is your mind, your will, and your emotions. It's what you thing with and where your feelings are. That is where your thoughts are and where your feelings are. Whenever you feel mad, sad, happy, shy, and many more feelings it comes from your soul. Your spirit is what connects you to God. It's the part of you that lives forever.

☆ You Have A New Nature

2 Corinthians 5:17 "For if a man belongs to Christ, he is a new person. The old life is gone. New life has begun." (NLB)

When we accept Christ, we receive more than having our sins forgiven. You get a brand new spirit with the life and nature of God in it. We call this being born again. That means you can begin to live and act like Jesus. Your new spirit has righteousness in it (2Corinthians 5:21). Righteousness means you're in right standing with God. That puts you into a place to receive everything God has for you (2 Corinthians 1:20). The Spirit has nine Fruits that help make up your new nature (Galatians 5:22-23). They are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, and self-control. Theses Fruits will begin to grow in your life as you water them with God's Word, and practice them, and pray.

Lesson 4 Activity

1) What is eternal life and when do you get it?
2) What is going to happen when Jesus returns?
3) What will Heaven be like?

Where are you going?

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Lesson 4 Continued

1 Corinthians 15:51b-52a, "We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet." (NAS)

There are two ways you can get to Heaven. You can live out your full length of days and die and go home to be with Jesus (Psalm 91:16), or you can be caught away, or raptured, with other believers who are alive when Jesus returns (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18).

When a believer's physical body dies, his spirit man goes to be with Jesus in Heaven. He doesn't stop living. He just doesn't live any longer on the earth (2 Corinthians 5:8). When Jesus returns to take us to heaven these believers will come with Him and receive their new bodies first. Then those believers who are alive when Jesus comes will be changed in a flash. They will receive their new bodies and rise with all the other believers to meet the Lord in the air. We will then go to Heaven.

☆ Heaven is a Real Place

John 14:2 "There are many rooms in My Father's house. If it were not so, I would have told you. I am going away to make a place for you."

Heaven is a real place. God and Jesus live there. All believers who have died in Christ live there. You will live there someday. No one will ever die in heaven. In fact, there is nothing there that causes any kind of hurt or pain (Revelation 21:4). You will never have to go to bed early in heaven. There is no night there (Revelation 21:25). You will have a new body just like Jesus that can go through doors without even opening them (John 20:19) Heaven is the neatest place you will ever see!



☆ You Must Feed Your New Spirit

1 Peter 2:2 "You must crave pure spiritual milk so that you can grow into the fullness of your salvation. Cry out for this nourishment as a baby cries for milk" (NLT) Growing up spiritually is a lot like growing up naturally. You

start out as a baby and grow up over time.

For your new spirit to grow and develop you must feed it the Word of God. The Word of God feeds your spirit and helps it grow strong, just like food feeds your body and helps it become strong. You feed your spirit the Word of God by reading your Bible. You should read your bible everyday. You also feed your spirit by going to church and hearing the Word of God preached. You should go to church every week. You also feed your spirit by speaking with your mouth what God's word says about you. Speak God's Word everyday to make your spirit grow.

Lesson 1 Activity

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2) What are three ways you can feed your new spirit?

1) Name the tree parts that make up who you are.

3) What happens to your spirit when you receive Jesus in your heart?

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FAITH
PEACE
KINDNESS
GENTLENESS

LOVE JOY
PATIENCE
SELFCONTROL
GOODNESS

Lesson 4: I'm Going to Heaven

☆ You Have Eternal Life Now

1 John 5:12 "He that has the Son has life. He that does not have the Son of God does not have life."

Eternal life is not something that you are going to have someday. It is something that you have right now. Jesus came to give you eternal life. When you accepted Him as your Lord, eternal life was given to your spirit (1 John 5:11) Those who do not have Jesus as their Lord are dead, or separated from God, in trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1). You have passed out of that kind of death and have come into eternal life (John 5:24).

Eternal life means three things:



you get to know God and Jesus personally (John 17:3)



you get to experience life as God has it (John 10:10)



you are going to live forever (John 11:26)

Lesson 3 Activity

1) What is the number one reason you should be baptized in water?
2) What is water baptism a picture of?
3) When you are baptized in water it means you have made a decision of faith to do what?

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Lesson 2: Uh, Oh. I Sinned.

☆ Your Spirit Will Not Sin

1 John "No person who has become a child of God keeps on sinning. This is because the Holy Spirit is in him. He cannot keep on sinning because God is his Father."

You have learned that you have a spirit. Because your spirit has God's life and nature in it, it no longer wants to sin and do wrong. Now your spirit wants to obey God and do what is right. Every time you are tempted (lead on) to do something wrong, the Holy Spirit will tell your conscience not to do it then your conscience will tell you. Your conscience is the voice that tells you the difference between right and wrong (Romans 9:1). Your conscience is like an inward feeling. Your conscience will feel good when you do what is right. It will feel bad when you do what is wrong. Always listen to and obey the Holy Spirit and your conscience.

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Lesson 2 Continued

☆ Why Do I Still Want to do Wrong Sometimes?

Romans 6:12 "So do not let sin have power over your body here on earth. You must not obey the body and let it do what it wants to do."

Just because you've become a Christian that does not mean you will never be tempted to do wrong things again. The desire to do wrong does not come from your spirit. It comes from you body and soul. These two parts of you were not born again. Your body (or flesh) will want to do wrong things sometimes. You must choose not to let it sin and to keep it under control (1 Corinthians 9:27). Your mind (or soul) will still want to think wrong thoughts sometimes. You must capture those thoughts and make them obey the Word of God (2 Corinthians 10:5).

Having these thoughts and desires does not mean you are not saved. Remember, your spirit wants to do what's right and has the power to control your body and your mind with the Word of God.

☆ What Happens If I Sin?

1John 1:9 "If we tell Him our sins, He is faithful and we can depend on Him to forgive us of our sins. He will make our lives clean from all sin."

Being tempted to sin and actually sinning are two different things. You may feel a desire to do wrong, but that's not the same as actually doing it. It's not wrong to be tempted. It is wrong to sin. When you sin, you don't have to ask Jesus to come into your heart again. He didn't leave (Deuteronomy 31:6). You will feel guilty and ashamed in your spirit, though, and your sin does need to be cleansed away (1John 3:20). Go to God and ask Him to forgive you for whatever you did wrong and make a decision not to do it again. God loves you and will forgive and cleanse you every time you do this. Sin will not have dominion over you!

☆ An Outward Picture

Colossians 2:12 "When you were baptized, you were buried as Christ was buried. When you were raised up in baptism, you were raised as Christ was raised. You were raised to a new life by putting your trust in God. It was God who raised Jesus from the dead."

Water baptism is an outward picture of what Jesus has done for you. Jesus died for your sins, was buried, and then was raised from the dead with resurrection life.

When you asked Jesus into your heart, there was a death, a burial, and a resurrection that happened in your spirit in a moment's time (1 Corinthians 12:13). That's why you go all the way under the water when you are baptized. You are showing people that your old spirit and all your past sins are buried with Christ. When you come up out of the water, you are saying Jesus has given you new life and that you have been born again. Everyone sees a picture of the change that has taken place inside you heart.

☆ A Decision of Faith

Romans 6:4 "We were buried in baptism as Christ was buried in death. As Christ was raised from the dead by the great power of God, so we will have new life also"

Water baptism does not save you. It has no purpose or meaning until after a person has asked Jesus into his heart. But water baptism is a very important step in your new Christian life. When you accepted Jesus as your Lord, you made a decision of faith to receive Him into your heart and follow Him all the days of your life. By being baptized, you are obeying His command! You are continuing to choose to let Jesus and your new born again spirit be in charge of your life. Your water baptism will always be a reminder of your decision to follow the Lord.

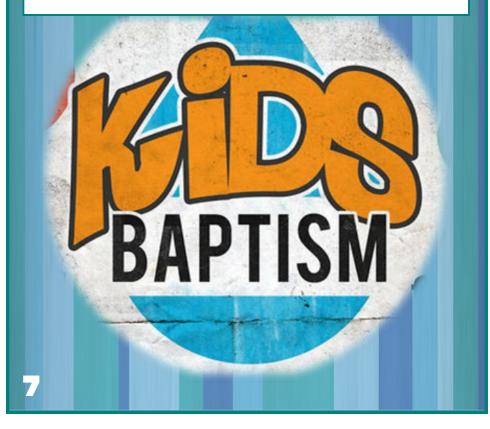
Lesson 3: I'm Getting Baptized

☆ Obeying Jesus' Commandment

Matthew 28:19,20 "Go and make followers of all the nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to do all the things I have told you. And I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

Being baptized in water is one of the first steps you take in becoming a disciple (follower of Jesus). A disciple is not just one who learns about the ways of Jesus, but one who follows those ways as well. The number one reason you should get baptized in water is because Jesus commands you to. Being saved has brought you out of Satan's kingdom and control and put you into God's kingdom under Jesus (Colossians 1:13).

That means you have decided to do what Jesus says and follow His example. By being baptized in water He, Jesus set an example He expects all of us to follow.



Lesson 2 Activity

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