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### GOD MADE OUR WORLD AND ALL LIVING THINGS "In the beginning God created the heaven and the

–Genesis 1:1 earth." "For by him were all things created, that are in heaven,

and that are in earth." –Colossians 1:16a "Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and

earth. The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's:

but the earth hath he given to the children of men."

-Psalm 115:15, 16

The earth was perfect when God gave it to man. Read this booklet to find out what happened.



"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion [rule] ... over all the earth."

—Genesis 1:26a

"And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul\*."

—Genesis 2:7

"And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet. And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; and the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man."

—Genesis 2:18a, 21, 22

<sup>\*</sup>A living soul means we shall be somewhere forever.

## 4 ADAM AND EVE DISOBEYED GOD



We should never listen to the voice of Satan.

God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." —Genesis 2:15-17

"And the LORD God took the man, and put him into 5 the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD

TIONED GOD'S AUTHORITY AND TOLD A LIE.

"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for

THE SERPENT, ALSO CALLED THE DEVIL OR SATAN, QUES-

food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took...and did eat, and gave also unto her husband...and he did eat." —Genesis 3:4, 6

## ADAM AND EVE COULD NO LONGER STAY IN THE GARDEN



"The LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. He placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword...to keep the way of the tree of life."

-Genesis 3:23b, 24b



"... As by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men...."

-Romans 5:12

#### Something to Remember

Every person is born with the sin nature and will someday die because death came by sin. (Read Romans 5:12 again.)

## WAS TO SEND HIS ONLY SON

8 GOD'S PLAN TO RESCUE US FROM SIN



the Son of God had to come as a human baby.

forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

"And she shall bring

-Matthew 1:21

"For in him [Christ Jesus] dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily." —Colossians 2:9

with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt [lived] among us." —John 1:1, 14a "Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled,... Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a

son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."—Matthew 1:22a, 23
"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his

name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

—Isaiah 9:6

#### JESUS CHRIST— OUR PERFECT SACRIFICE

"... Who knew no sin ...."

"Who did no sin."

No sacrifice (offering) man could make was PERFECT enough to take away sin.

–2 Corinthians 5:21

-1 Peter 2:22a

"For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins."

-Hebrews 10:4

Jesus is the Lamb of God. "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." -John 1:29b JESUS GAVE HIS LIFE TO SAVE US

Jesus said, "No man taketh it [My life] from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again." -John 10:18a

WE ARE REDEEMED BY THE BLOOD OF GOD'S LAMB "... Ye were not redeemed [bought back] with corruptible things, as silver and gold....but with the precious blood

of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." -1 Peter 1:18, 19

NO OTHER SACRIFICES CAN TAKE AWAY SIN "We are sanctified [made holy] through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." -Hebrews 10:10b

12 "Being now justified [counted righteous] by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him." —Romans 5:9b "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy king-

This thief "Verily I say did not This thief unto thee. Tobelieve believed day shalt thou on Jesus. on Jesus be with me in so he was and was paradise." not saved. saved. -Luke 23:43b

-Luke 23:42b

dom."

"While we were yet sinners [disobedient to God], Christ died for us."

ALL WHO BELIEVE IN GOD'S SON

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

-John 3:16

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated [transferred] us into the kingdom of his dear Son: in whom we have redemption\* through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins." -Colossians 1:13, 14

\*Redemption means we have been bought back.

#### 4 "HE IS RISEN!"



"And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay."

-Matthew 28:5, 6

"Because I live, ye shall live also." —John 14:19b Because Christ has conquered death and has the keys to death, we no longer need to fear death.

"What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee." -Psalm 56:3
(See page 46 for the promises of God.)

JESUS CAN SAVE YOU AND IS PRAYING FOR YOU

"But this man, because he continueth ever,...he is able also to save them to the uttermost [completely] that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession [pleading] for them." —Hebrews 7:24a, 25b

#### 16 YOU AND I CAN HAVE ETERNAL LIFE



## Which road are YOU taking?

Jesus Christ is the WAY to eternal LIFE with God.

The devil (Satan) is the way to eternal DEATH.

This boy makes the right choice to eternal life.

-Deuteronomy 30:19b

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"Therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed

may live."

JESUS IS THE WAY TO ETERNAL LIFE

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

-Acts 4:12

"I, even I, am the Lord; and beside me there is no saviour."

## 18 WHY MUST WE CHOOSE JESUS IF WE WANT ETERNAL LIFE?

life . . . . "

1. It is Christ who came.



2. It is Christ who loved us and died for us.

"The Son of God ... loved me, and gave himself for me." —Galatians 2:20b

"... I am come that they might have

-John 10:10

Jesus became a man, flesh and blood like we are, "that through death he might

devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage."

—Hebrews 2:14b, 15

3. Only the blood of Jesus is the remedy for our sins.

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destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the

"It is the blood that maketh an atonement [pardon] for the soul."

—Leviticus 17:11b

"The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

—1 John 1:7b

"In whom we have redemption [salvation] through his

blood, even the forgiveness of sins." -Colossians 1:14



4. It is Christ who rose from the dead.

"Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion [rule] over him."

-Romans 6.9

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"And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again."

-2 Corinthians 5:15

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Jesus said, "Because I live, ye shall live also."

-John 14:19b

"Christ in you, the hope of glory." -Colossians 1:27b

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5. We must have the Spirit of Christ in us

to be raised to life eternal (to live forever).

"But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal [physical] bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you."

-Romans 8:11

MAKE SURE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST LIVES IN YOU

"If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his [does not belong to Christ]." -Romans 8:9b

#### 22 JESUS LOVES ALL THE CHILDREN

"And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them."

-Mark 10:16



"Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." -Luke 18:16b "Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish

Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto 23

[be destroyed or lost forever]." -Matthew 18:14 No matter who you are or where you live. Jesus loves you and died for you. Jesus wants your love, too. You can show your love for Jesus by obeying Him.

"If ye love me, keep my commandments."

-John 14:15 "Even a child is known by his doings."

-Proverbs 20:11a

## 24 HOW TO FIND YOUR WAY TO GOD 1. Admit you are a sinner (See page 7).

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

-Romans 3:23

2. Come to God through Jesus Christ.

"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." -1 Timothy 2:5

"Wherefore he [Jesus] is able also to save them...

that come unto God by him." —Hebrews 7:25a

Jesus said, "Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast [throw] out."

#### 3. Repent of your sins.

(To repent means to be "sorry enough to quit sinning.")

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out." —Acts 3:19a

"The Lord is...longsuffering [patient] to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

—2 Peter 3:9

4. Confess your sins to Jesus.

(To confess means to "tell or admit.")

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins." -1 John 1:9a

26	1:9 found on the praying hands on page 25.

## 5. Forsake your sins. (To forsake means to "give up, leave alone.") "He that covereth his sins shall not presper; but wh

"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy."

"Depart from evil, and do good." —Proverbs 28:13



"For by grace are ye saved through faith; . . . it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast."

–Ephesians 2:8. 9

6. Believe on Jesus Christ

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

-Romans 10:9b

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

-Acts 16:31b

## 7. Receive Jesus Christ into your heart and life.

Only you can open the door of your heart and

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invite Jesus to come in Jesus said, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with -Revelation 3:20 me."

"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his -John 1:12 name."

If you have never prayed before and you need help to pray, you may follow the prayer below as a guide:



Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank You for dying on the cross to take away my sins. I am sorry for all the wrong things I have done. I ask You to please come into my heart and live in my heart forever. I am trusting You right now to make my heart clean. I take You to be my very own Savior and Lord.

In Your name I pray, Amen.

## WITH JESUS IN YOUR HEART, YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE

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"God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life." —1 John 5:11b, 12a "He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent

me... is passed from death unto life." -John 5:24b When your body dies, you are present with the Lord (2 Corin-

thians 5:8). "Christ in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians

1:27b). If you have asked Jesus to forgive your sins, and you believe

on the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior, write your name below:



Read verses from the Bible (the Word of God) every day and hide them in your heart by memorizing special verses which help you. (Many are in this little book.)

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine [what you believe], for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."

–2 Timothy 3:16

## 32 TALK TO JESUS IN PRAYER ANY TIME



Thank Jesus for all the good things in life. Praise Him for things He has done for you and for saving your soul. Pray for any need you have. Pray in Jesus' name.

"If we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us." —1 John 5:14b

"Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you." –John 16:23b

"... Pray one for another...." –James 5:16

"Pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." –Matthew 5:44b

Jesus told His disciples to pray in this way:

"Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed [Holy] be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

—Matthew 6:9b-13

This prayer should be memorized. Believers often pray this prayer out loud together.

# TEACH US HOW TO LIVE (Exodus, chapter 20) The First Four Are About Our Love for God

GOD'S TEN COMMANDMENTS

- The Thist Tour Are About our Love for God
- 1. "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

any likeness of any thing....Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them."

2. "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or

- 3. "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain."
  - 4. "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy."

The Last Six Are About Our Love for Man

7. "Thou shalt not commit adultery" (Adultery is sexual

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THE 10 COMMANDMENTS (CONTINUED)

unfaithfulness of a husband or wife.)

8. "Thou shalt not steal."

9. "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."

10. "Thou shalt not covet... any thing that is thy neighbour's."

OBEDIENCE TO GOD BRINGS ANSWERS TO OUR PRAYERS

"And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."

-1 John 3:22

# 36 THE TWO GREATEST COMMANDMENTS

#### Love for God

1. "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment."

—Matthew 22:37. 38

### Love for Man

2. "And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself." —Matthew 22:39

All the Ten Commandments (pages 34 and 35) are included in the Two Greatest Commandments.

The Great "Love Chapter" (1 Corinthians 13:1-8, 13)

angels, and have not charity [love], I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. <sup>2</sup>And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

<sup>1</sup>Though I speak with the tongues of men and of

<sup>3</sup>And though I bestow [give] all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. <sup>4</sup>Charity suffereth [endures] long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity

ly provoked, thinketh no evil; <sup>6</sup>rejoiceth not in iniquity [wrong], but rejoiceth in the truth; <sup>7</sup>beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. 8Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease: whether there be knowledge, it shall van-

38 vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, 5doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easi-

ish awav. <sup>13</sup>And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

GOD IS LOVE "God is love: and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him." —1 John 4:16b



(at home, at school, at church, anywhere)

Jesus said, "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee."

—Mark 5:19b

# 40 HOW TO KNOW A TRUE CHILD OF GOD "Wherefore by their fruits ve shall know them."

-Matthew 7:20

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering [patience], gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance."

—Galatians 5:22, 23a

A TRUE CHILD OF GOD FORGIVES OTHERS
"For if ye forgive men their trespasses [wrongs], your

heavenly Father will also forgive you." –Matthew 6:14
7 THINGS GOD HATES
"A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed inno-

"A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, an heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, a false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

—Proverbs 6:17-19



envyings, murders, drunkenness,...
and such like:...they which do such
things shall not inherit the kingdom

"...Adultery, fornication [sex between unmarried persons], ...idolatry, witchcraft, hatred,...wrath, strife....

"... Nor effeminate,...nor thieves,

-Galatians 5:19, 21

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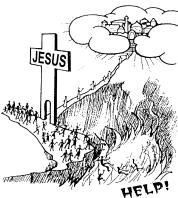
nor covetous." –1 Corinthians 6:9, 10a

of God."

"And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified [made holy],...in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God."

—1 Corinthians 6:11

# **HELL IS A REAL PLACE**



(Read Luke 16:19-26.) Make sure you are trusting

in Jesus Christ. He will put your name in His Book of Life.

"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

-Revelation 20:15

# JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY TO GOD

Son."

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

—Romans 6:23

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and

"God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his

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-1 John 5:11b

-John 14:6

he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

—John 3:36

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

#### 4 HEAVEN IS A REAL PLACE



In John's vision in Revelation 21 he saw a new heaven and a new earth.

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new."

—Revelation 21:4. 5a

John also saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven. "The city was pure gold, like unto clear glass. And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones."

-Revelation 21:18b, 19a

also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ve may be also." -John 14·1-3

TELL THIS GOOD NEWS TO OTHERS

Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gos-

-Mark 16:15b

pel to every creature."

"He that winneth souls is wise." -Proverbs 11:30b

# 46 PROMISES OF GOD TO HIS CHILDREN

"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

-Hebrews 13:5b

"For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways."

-Psalm 91:11

"No man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."

—John 10:29b

"I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

—Matthew 28:20b

"Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer:...be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

-Revelation 2:10

"When I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me."

—Micah 7:8b

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee."

 —Jeremiah 33:3a

#### **JESUS IS COMING AGAIN**

Everybody will be raised from the dead.

"The hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation."

—John 5:28b, 29



The dead in Christ shall rise first.

"Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

-1 Thessalonians 4:17

"Watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is."

-Mark 13:33b

#### **HOW WILL JESUS COME?**



"Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him."

—Revelation 1:7a

Beware of false christs and false prophets.

"If any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. If they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not."

—Matthew 24:23b. 26b

#### JESUS WILL COME QUICKLY IN CLOUDS OF HEAVEN

"For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. All the tribes of the earth...shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."

-Matthew 24:27, 30b

#### THE SHEPHERD'S PSALM

(Psalm 23)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. <sup>2</sup>He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. <sup>3</sup>He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. <sup>5</sup>Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

<sup>6</sup>Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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