

BIBLE STUDY

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Opening thoughts:

- ❑ A person that thinks he does not need God is in worse condition than the dirtiest sinner who knows he needs God (**Luke 18:9-14, Matt 9:10-13**)
- ❑ Jesus said in **Mark 8:36** For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?
- ❑ Please look up the verses for yourself and answer the questions. You will probably have a table of contents at the front of your Bible to assist you in finding the Scripture references.
- ❑ God has not left us here on earth without truth. God has given us the absolute truth in the Bible. All of our problems can be traced to believing a lie, this study is deigned to give you freedom from the lies that you might right now believe. Remember, the truth shall make you free! John 8:32
- ❑ You should get a King James Bible for this study.
- ❑ This study will only be in the Bible, which is the Word of God.
- ❑ We do not need a religion or a man to tell us the words of God we can read them ourselves! This is why I am a Baptist. Baptist's historically only go by the Bible.
- ❑ This study was put together so that a person can read with their own eyes the main message that God wants them to know.
- ❑ If you start this study Satan will do everything he can to distract you, so be prepared for interruption. He simply does not want you to know the truth. If you quit before you finish you will eternally regret it.
- ❑ Concentrate; think about each verse you read and remember these words are God's words. Read the verses with an open heart ready to believe them.
- ❑ Ask God to teach and give you understanding you as you do this study.

According to the last part of **Revelation 4:11** The Lord created _____

_____, and for His pleasure they are and were _____.

According to **Psalms 145:17** God is _____ in all his works and

_____ in all his ways.

According to **Romans 7:12** God's Law and His Commandments are _____,

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_____ and _____

Exodus 20:1-17 lists 10 of God's Commandments please write them below:

Have you broken any of these commandments Read **I John 1:8 & 10**?

Circle Yes or NO

Are you guilty of breaking **all** of them? Don't answer to quickly! Before you answer read **James 2:10-11**.

Circle Yes or No

If you tell a lie are you breaking one of God's laws? **Exodus 20:16** (note: bearing false witness is the same as telling a lie, see **Proverbs 6:19 & 14:5**)?

Circle Yes or NO

Do you think God will punish those who are liars? Read **Revelation 21:8** it

Says "All _____ shall have their part in the lake which burneth with
fire and brimstone."

Read **Matthew 23:33** in this verse Jesus is speaking. Do you think that Jesus taught that there was a real place called hell?

Circle Yes or NO

The Bible is clear that there are only two places that we can go when we die, please read **Matthew 25:46** for the answer? What are the two places? _____ or _____

Do you think God will let us into heaven if we die in our sins? Read **John 8:24**

Circle Yes or NO

According to **Romans 3:10** none are _____

None of us are Righteous because **Romans 3:23** says we have all _____

HOPEFULLY IT HAS BEEN CLEAR FROM THE BIBLE THAT GOD IS HOLY (**Psalm 145:17**) AND THAT WE ARE NOT (**Romans 3:23**). GOD DESPISES SIN. WE ARE SINNERS AND COULD NEVER BE PERFECT IN GOD'S SIGHT ON OUR OWN. THE REST OF THE STUDY WILL FOCUS ON HOW GOD HAS MADE A

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WAY FOR US TO BE MADE RIGHTEOUS IN HIS SIGHT AND TO GO TO HEAVEN WHEN WE DIE. IF WE ARE NOT JUSTIFIED BY GOD THAN WE CAN NOT GO TO HEAVEN.

Definition of the word
"Justified":
The term "Justified" simply means to be made **Just, Perfect, or Righteous** in God's sight.

You may be surprised by what you are about to learn.

Galatians 2:16 says: knowing that a man is not justified by the _____ of the _____

Titus 3:5 says we can never be saved by

_____ of Righteousness which _____

have done

Ephesians 2:8-9 says "For by _____ are ye saved through _____; and that

not of _____: it is the _____ of God: not of _____, lest any man should boast."

READ **Galatians 4:24-26** The Law does not justify but it shows us our guilt and brings us to _____ that we might be justified by _____. Verse 26 says we become children of God by _____ in _____

PLEASE REREAD AND THINK ABOUT **GALATIANS 4:24-26** IT IS SO VERY CLEAR. GOD'S LAW SHOWS US THAT WE ARE SINNERS AND LIKE A SCHOOLMASTER IT TEACHES US THAT WE NEED CHRIST WHO DIED FOR OUR SINS. WE CAN ONLY BE MADE RIGHTEOUS BY FAITH IN CHRIST!

Our works can never make us righteous. Many religions of the world lie to people by teaching that good works can make us just or righteous in God's sight. But we are just or righteous in God's sight only by faith in Christ. God counts faith in Christ as righteousness.

Galatians 2:21 If we could be made righteous by law than Christ died in _____

Think about that if you or I could save ourselves by our works why would Christ have to come and die?

John 19:30 When Jesus died on the cross and shed His blood he said it is _____

Romans 10:4 Christ is the _____ of the law for righteousness to everyone _____

WRITE YOUR NAME IN THE BLANK (next page)

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I _____ am a sinner according to **Romans 3:23**.

I _____ can not be saved from hell by my own works according to **Ephesians 2:8-9**.

Now, you _____ can know that you are saved. I plead with you to
(write your name)
continue this important part of the study.

When a man asked this question **“Sirs what must I do to be saved”** what was the answer according to **Acts 16:30-31?** _____ on the _____

_____ and thou shalt be _____

Even though we are sinners Christ _____ for us according to **Romans 5:8**.

So you could say “Even though I am a sinner Christ died for _____”
(Put your name)

He died for you because he loves you according to **John 3:16**, Please read also **I Corinthians 15:3-4, Galatians 1:3-4, I Timothy 1:14-15, I Peter 2:24, I John 4:9-11**

Those who got saved in **I Thessalonians 1:9** turned to who _____?

They turned **from what?** _____?

Definition of “idol”: An idol is an <i>image</i> . It can be something that is worshipped or prayed to.
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The people in **I Thessalonians 1:9** used to worship idols, these idols had probably been past down from generation to generation. These idols represented their religion. They had to turn from believing in their religion to believing only God.

In order for you to be saved you have to turn from your idols to God In fact if you are trusting in your religion than turn and only trust the finished work of Jesus Christ, His death burial and resurrection and be saved. If your religion says you have to do works to be saved than right now turn from believing that and only believe Christ. If your religion teaches that Christ is not God in the flesh (**I Timothy 3:15, Colossians 2:9**) than turn from believing the lies they have taught you. Turn and trust Jesus the Son of God, who is also God the Son (**John 1:1**).

If you are trusting in anything other than the blood of Jesus Christ than you have to turn from that to God. What will you trust to save you?

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Check which one applies to you only check one box for your answer:

- I _____ will trust my Church to save me.
(put your name)
- I _____ will trust my good works to save me.
- I _____ will trust in a combination of three things to save me: Jesus, my church, and my good works.
- I _____ will trust only the blood of Jesus that was shed on the cross when He died, was buried and rose again for my sins. He alone will be my saviour.

Read **I John 5:7** God is three persons in one. List the three persons here _____,
_____, _____.

Read **John 10:28-30** Jesus said I and my Father are _____.

Please go to **John 14:6** Jesus is the _____, the _____, and the _____
_____ No man can go to the father but by who? _____.

According to **John 10:9** who is the only door to heaven? _____

According to **Acts 4:10-12** Who is the only one that can save? _____
Please read **Luke 13:1-5** to answer the following questions.

Jesus said Except ye _____ ye shall all likewise perish in **Luke 13:3 & 5**

In **Luke 13:2** Jesus said "...Suppose ye that these Galileans were _____
_____ all the Galileans because they suffered such things."

Some people from Galilee (called Galileans) were brutally killed and Jesus asked if it is because they were worse sinners than other Galileans. The answer is in the next verse, **Luke 13:3**

"_____, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Nay is the same as "NO". Jesus is saying "NO" those who were killed were not worse. In fact all are sinners in God's eyes and all have to repent or they will perish! We are all guilty. We all need to repent. *Repent* simply means to have a change of mind that results in a change of action.

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We have to repent. Like the Thessalonians turned from idols we also have to turn from sin. Jesus said Repent or ye shall all likewise perish Luke 13:3-5.

Thankfully we do not have to do good works. We simply have to have a change of mind about our sin. We must understand how much God hates sin. After all SIN HUNG JESUS ON THE CROSS! Your sin and my sin hung Him on the cross! Therefore we must turn to God and only trust Jesus to be saved from our sins. We must repent or we will perish!

Please turn to **Romans 10:9** read it carefully. What does it say we have to confess with our mouth? _____ Jesus.

What does **I Corinthians 12:3** about confessing or saying that Jesus is **Lord**?

Do you believe He is Lord? (That means that He is creator and God over all the universe none is above Him.)

Circle Yes or No

Please go back to **Romans 10:9**. We not only have to confess the Lord Jesus but we also have to _____ in our heart that _____ hath _____ him from the _____.

Do you believe that? Do you believe that Jesus died for your sins, and was buried and rose again the third day! Circle Yes or NO

Please read **Romans 10:9** and answer this question: If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe that God raised him from the dead than you shall be

_____.

Now read over verses 9-13 and answer this question from verse 13.

According to **Romans 10:13** who do you need to call on to be saved?

Please check one:

- A priest
- A Baptist preacher
- A baptismal tank
- A church
- A good person
- THE LORD HIMSELF

Now read the next verse, **Romans 10:14** and fill in the blank:

How shall they call on him in whom they have not _____, and how shall they

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_____ in him of whom they have not heard...”

Some Closing Thoughts:

If you call on the Lord but you really do not **believe** that Jesus died to save you than you are still in your sins.

If you call on the Lord and you do not **believe** that Jesus is the Lord God, the creator and master of the universe but just some great teacher than you are still in your sins.

If you call on the Lord and yet you still **trust your own works** than you are still in your sins.

If you call on the Lord turning to Him from your sin and trusting only what He did on the cross than you will be saved.

If you do not **believe** please read **Romans 10:17** and the entire chapter of **John 3** and continue to study the Bible until you understand and believe the message of the Gospel. Contact www.chicagolandbaptist.org for more Bible Study info.

Please check the statement and put your name on the one that applies to you:

- I _____ right now trust Jesus Christ and call on Him to save me. I believe with all my heart that He is Lord and that He died for my sins. I turn to Him from my sin and look to His blood as the only thing that can wash away my sin.
- I _____ have completed the study and decide not to trust Christ alone to save me.
- I _____ have completed the study and I want to know more. (please give contact info if you would like more Bible material)
- I _____ have completed the study and do not believe the Bible. (If you have checked this please read **John 12:48 and John 3:18 and 36**)
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