

STUDY OUTLINE

TO BE STUDIED: June 20

DIVISION: Special Summer Courses
COURSES: Great Characters of the Bible

COURSE NUMBER: Bible 170
WHEN OFFERED: Summer
Quarter, 1965, Sunday
Evenings.

Lesson Two

ANDREW

INTRODUCTION:

- A. We don't know but a little of him (been called "the hidden helper"), but what we do know of him is most inspiring and instructive.
 - 1. Simon Peter's Brother.
 - 2. Perhaps not as gifted.
 - 3. Not envious.
 - 4. Did his own work.
- B. A disciple (Matt. 4:18-20) and an apostle of Christ. (Matt. 10:2-4)
- C. We will dedicate our lesson to three of the outstanding events of his life, all of which are recorded by John.

1. ANDREW AND HIS BROTHER PETER--John 1:40-42.

- A. His brother was his first gift to Christ.
 - 1. Have you ever given a soul to Christ?
 - 2. "Must I Go An Empty Handed?"
- B. He had first come to Christ himself.
 - 1. First requisite to soul-winning is genuine conversion.
 - 2. Nothing convicts like conviction.
 - 3. We must come to Christ before we can bring people to Him.
 - 4. "Can the blind lead the blind?"
- C. Consider whom he brought--his brother.
 - 1. Cain and Abel, Joseph's brothers compared to Andrew and Peter.
 - 2. It was the natural thing to do. Love hastened him to his brother. No one said "Go find your brother."
 - 3. No greater thing could he have done for his brother.
 - 4. He was not afraid or ashamed to speak to his kin. (make mad, hurt feelings, say wrong thing, laugh at someone else) Speak to father, mother, brother, sister, wife, and etc.
- D. He began immediately, Rom. 13:11. 2Cor. 6:2. What about you?
- E. What great and tremendous results came from Andrew's act.
 - 1. Name some of the works of Peter.
- F. Observe "brought."
 - 1. We take our friends fishing, hunting, to town, etc., but do we ever consider bringing them to Christ? Isa. 2:1 ff.

2. Enthusiastically and persuasively he brought his brother to Christ.
Picture.

- a. With wisdom, tact, and persuasiveness we should lead our friends and kinsmen to Christ. Story of young man having fallen through ice holding on to edge in agony of a death-struggle, pushed plank to him-covered with ice. Again and again his fingers slipped. In despair, he cried, "Don't give me the frozen end." God doesn't! Jn. 3:16.

G. Gen. 43:5.

III. ANDREW AND THE LAD---John 6:5-14.

- A. Here he is introducing a child, a young person, to Christ. One to direct the Bible School.
- B. Let us bring our young people to Christ.
 1. Be interested in them.
 2. Keep an open eye to their capacities. . . . though may seem to have capacities as limited as five loaves for 5000 men.
 3. There is no way to estimate the great good that can come from bringing our young people to Christ.

III. ANDREW AND THE GREEKS---John 12:20-22.

- A. Still at his great work of introducing people to Christ!
- B. This shows his interest in the foreigner.
 1. Our's is a world-wide mission. Matt. 28:18-20; Mk. 16:15.
 2. "The Gospel Is For All."
 3. Those who have the most interest in doing mission work among those in foreign countries have the most interest in the work at home. "Why be interested in foreign work when we have so much to do at home?"
 4. Give an analysis of the foreign work being done by the church.

IV. RECAPITULATION AND LESSONS TO BE LEARNED.

- A. Learn the greatly needed lesson on the power of personal influence in leading men to Christ. The power of personal evangelism!
 1. This is a great work
 2. This is a work sorely needed
 3. This is a work all can do
- B. Andrew had first been with Jesus; thus, he became a true worker for Him.
 1. Knowledge of, and companying with Jesus leads to action.
- C. Review the areas of his activity.
- D. WHEN YOU MEET HIM HE IS INTRODUCING PEOPLE TO CHRIST!
- E. God, who made Andrew a great personal worker, can make you one, too.
Will you let him?
- F. List other verses on personal evangelism and list excuses given for not doing such work.

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Lesson Four

STEPHEN

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Trace history of church from Acts 2 to Acts 6.
 - B. Read Acts 6-8:2.
 - C. Stephen a wonderful man, with many great principles exemplified in his life--principles we should emulate.
- I. HE WAS FULL OF THE HOLY GHOST Acts 6:3,5.
- A. Though we cannot possess any miraculous power, we can be filled with the fruit of the Spirit.
 - 1. Gal. 5:22, 23.
 - B. We need to be spiritual men.
 - 1. Rom. 8:1-9.
- II. HE WAS FULL OF WISDOM Acts 6:3.
- A. Like the Lord. Lk. 2:52.
 - B. Thus, he made the correct use of his knowledge.
 - 1. Col. 4:6; Isa. 50:4; Matt. 10:19.
 - C. Comes through experience and prayer. Jas. 1:5-7.
- III. HE WAS FULL OF FAITH Acts 6:8.
- A. Like Christ.
 - 1. Even His enemies said He trusted in God. Matt. 27:43.
 - 2. He had faith in God.
 - 3. He had faith in man.
 - B. Stephen's faith so great he was willing to lay down his life.
 - 1. He, therefore, pleased God. Heb. 11:6.
 - C. Let us have great faith--an active, living one--which will lead us into a life of service and consecration. Gal. 5:6.
- IV. HE WAS FULL OF POWER Acts 6:8.
- A. "Power" is from word from whence we get the word "dynamite".
 - B. We need men of power--elders, deacons, preachers, teachers in Bible classes, members.
 - C. Cannot have strong churches with weak member! Thus, to have a strong and powerful congregation, must have members who are strong and powerful.

V. HE WAS FULL OF COURAGE Acts 7.

A. Had the courage to preach what they needed, though death the result.

1. Type preaching needed today, and type preachers needed today.

B. Had the courage to stand by his convictions.

1. Stand by and with the truth though you stand alone. God will be with you. 2Tim. 4:16, 17.

VI. HE WAS FULL OF FORGIVENESS Acts 7:60.

A. Like the Lord. 1k. 23:34.

B. What is forgiveness?

C. How necessary is forgiveness?

VII. HE WAS OF HONEST REPORT Acts 6:3.

A. Influence predicated upon what others think of us.

B. The early church had favour with all the people. Acts 2:47.

C. 1Tim. 3:2, 7, 10.

VIII. HE CONTRIBUTED TO THE GROWTH OF THE CHURCH Acts 6:5-8.

A. What are we contributing to the growth of the church?

B. Eph. 4:15, 16.

IX. HIS DEATH Acts 7:54-60.

A. The council was cut to the heart, but not pricked in their heart.

1. Acts 7:54; 2:37.

B. They stopped their ears. Acts 7:57.

1. We can stop our ears with prejudice and anger.

C. Observe concerning his death:

1. Jesus standing.

2. Jesus present at death of His saints. Ps. 116:15.

3. He did not believe man wholly mortal. "Receive my spirit".

4. Died in triumphs of a living faith--for thus he lived.

5. Did not wait till dying to make preparation.

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Lesson Five

BARNABAS

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Men like him needed today.
- B. His life and history:
 - 1. First name was Joses. Surnamed Barnabas. (Discuss "surname.")
 - 2. Of the priestly tribe. Acts 4:36.
 - 3. Of Cyprus, largest island in Mediterranean Sea.
 - 4. Read: Acts 4:31-37; 9:26-31; 11:19-30; 12:24, 25; 13:1-14:28; 15:1-41.

I. A GOOD MAN.

- A. Does the word "good" signify what it should today? Why?
- B. Acts 10:38.
- C. Observe the manifestations of his goodness.

II. MAN OF EXHORTATION.

- A. Remember his surname. Acts 4:36.
- B. Acts 11:23.
 - 1. "With purpose of heart."
 - 2. "Cleave unto the Lord."
- C. Heb. 3:13.

III. A GENEROUS OR LIBERAL MAN.

- A. Acts 4:36, 37.
- B. Should be sacrificial in giving.
 - 1. 2Cor. 8:1-5.
 - 2. Mk. 12:41-44.
- C. According to 1Cor. 16:2 what are some principles of New Testament giving?
- D. See also Rom. 12:8; 2Cor. 9:6; 8:7.
- E. Discuss the stewardship of the Christian and Divine ownership.

Ps. 24:1, Hag. 2:8; 1Cor. 6:19-20; Acts 17:24, 25.
- F. In being a member of the church, a child of God, Barnabas gave himself and his money.
- G. God, society and the individual enter into the making of money and must be considered in the distribution of it. Lk. 16:19-31; 12:13-21.

IV. A MAN OF FAITH.

- A. Faith in God and Christ.

B. Faith in men.

1. What occasion showed his faith in Paul?
2. Did Jesus have faith in men? How do we know?

C. Christianity a life of faith.

1. 2Cor. 5:7; 2Pet. 1:5-11; Gal. 5:22, 23; 1Tim. 4:12; Gal. 5:6.
2. Heb. 3:12.

V. A MAN FREE OF ENVY.

A. Acts 11:19-23.

1. "Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad," though he had no hand in the work that had been done.

B. Prov. 14:30.

C. 1Pet. 2:1.

D. Matt. 27:18.

E. Jas. 3:16.

VI. A MAN FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

A. Acts 11:24.

B. We should be filled with the fruit of the Spirit. Gal. 5:22, 23.

VII. A MAN INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING SOULS TO CHRIST.

A. Acts 11:24.

1. Note the influence of his godly life.

B. Have we ever been instrumental in bringing a sould to Christ?

C. What are our plans for this year in bringing souls to Christ?

D. Discuss these points:

1. How can we be instrumental in bringing souls to Christ?
2. Why should we be so concerned about bringing souls to Christ?
3. Why are not more souls brought to Christ than are?

VIII. HE WAS A WORKER, TEACHER, SERVANT AND MISSIONARY.

A. Worker. Acts 13:2.

B. Teacher. Acts 13:1.

C. Servant. Acts 11:22, 30; 12:25; 15:25, 26.

D. Missionary. With Paul on first journey.

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Lesson Six

PHILEMON

INTRODUCTION:

A. The book of Philemon:

1. By whom was the book written?
2. What was the purpose of writing the book?
3. From where was the book written?
4. About when was the book written?

B. Let us study the character of Philemon.

I. HE WAS A WORKER

- A. He is spoken of as a "fellow-labourer." Verse 1.
B. Observe these texts on the theme of work:

1. Jn. 9:4.
2. Matt. 20:1-16.
3. 1Cor. 15:58.
4. Jas. 1:25.
5. 1Thess. 1:2,3.

- C. Make a list of the reasons why people do not work in the church.
D. Make a list of some things we can do as workers in the church.
E. Notice that Philemon was a "fellow-labourer".

1. 1Cor. 3:9.

- a. Labour.
- b. Labour together.
- c. Labour together with God.

2. 2Cor. 6:1; Phil. 1:27.

II. HE WAS A GOOD FAMILY MAN.

- A. Apphia was his wife and Archippus was his son. Verse 2.
B. God is concerned about the kind of homes we build.
C. Describe the home as God would have it.
D. Make a list of the qualities that should characterize each member of the family in building and maintaining a Christian home.

III. HE WAS A WORSHIPFUL MAN.

- A. "...and to the church in thy house." Verse 2.
B. See Jn. 4:24; Heb. 10:25; Acts 2:42.

IV. A MAN WHO HAD LOVE TOWARD THE LORD JESUS AND TOWARD ALL SAINTS.

A. Verse 5.

B. Toward the Lord Jesus:

1. Matt. 22:37, 38; 1Cor. 8:3; Jas. 1:12; 1Pet. 1:7, 8.

C. Toward all saints:

1. Locate the passages in 1John on the subject of brotherly love.

V. A MAN WHO HAD FAITH TOWARD THE LORD JESUS AND TOWARD ALL SAINTS.

A. Verse 5.

B. Toward the Lord Jesus:

1. Jn. 3:14-18, 36; 8:24; 20:30; Acts 10:43; 16:30-34.

C. Toward all saints:

1. See lesson on Barnabas.

VI. A MAN WHO DID MORE.

A. Verse 21.

B. He did not see just how little he could do.

VII. HE WAS HOSPITABLE.

A. Verse 22.

B. "Given to hospitality". Rom. 12:13.

C. Give examples of hospitality.

VIII. HE WAS A PRAYERFUL MAN.

A. Verse 22.

B. All men of God have been men of prayer.

1. List examples.

C. Jesus the great example of prayer.

1. Discuss his prayer life.

D. When, for what and for whom should we pray, and what are the conditions of acceptable prayer?

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Lesson Seven

THE RICH YOUNG RULER

INTRODUCTION:

A. Matt. 19:16-22; Mk. 10:17-22; Lk. 18:18-24.

I. HIS POSITION AND STATUS IN LIFE.

A. Young.

1. God concerned with young people.
2. Obey gospel when young.

B. Rich.

1. We should properly use our material goods.
2. Never let riches occupy first place in life and thus neglect the spiritual and eternal.

C. Ruler.

1. Never let position hinder your obedience to gospel, or keep you from living Christian life.

II. HIS CHARACTERISTICS.

- A. He had kept the commandments.
- B. Interested - came running.
- C. Believer - in God and eternal life.
- D. Reverent - knelt.
- E. Been taught - kept commandments from youth.
- F. Wise - came to Jesus.

III. HIS GREAT QUESTION.

- A. "What shall I do to inherit eternal life."
- B. The question analyzed:
 1. "What" - indicates that something is required.
 2. "Shall I" - the question is an individual one.
 3. "Do" - thought that eternal life depended upon doing, and the Lord taught such.
 4. "To inherit eternal life" - the object of the question.

IV. THE LORD'S ANSWER.

A. "Keep the commandments."

1. Jn. 14:15; 15:14; 1Jn. 2:3,4; 5:4; Matt. 7:21; Lk. 6:46; Rev. 22:14; Heb. 5:8,9; 2Thess. 1:7-9.

2. None of the Lord's commands are non-essential.

B. Salvation not dependent upon:

1. Loyalty to religion of relatives.
2. Mental assent.

C. But upon doing - true in each dispensation.

V. HIS SECOND QUESTION.

- A. "What lack I yet."
- B. As one faulty link makes the chain weak, so one evil may destroy a Christian character.
- C. Not teaching sinless perfection, but rather entire surrender to Christ.

VI. THE LORD'S ANSWER.

- A. "Beheld him."
- B. "Loved him."

1. Told him the truth.

C. "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven."

1. Lord looked in his heart and could see that his heart was centered on riches. Such had to be corrected.
2. In others it might be a farm, business, social prestige, pleasure.
3. What would you have done if you had been the young man?

D. "Come follow me."

E. He was put to the test.

VII. "HE WENT AWAY SORROWFUL".

- A. He saw the right road, but turned away from it. He made a choice.
- B. Not willing to pay the price.
- C. He would not make the exchange.
- D. When given right answer, he was disappointed. Same today.

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Lesson Eight

PAUL

INTRODUCTION:

- A. One of the greatest and most influential men who ever lived.
- B. Read of his conversion to Christ in Acts 9:1-22; 22:1-16; 26:1-21.
 1. In what work was he engaged before his conversion?
 2. Where was he going and for what purpose when the Lord appeared to him?
 3. What question did the Lord ask Saul?
 4. What questions did Saul ask of the Lord?
 5. What was Saul told to do?
 6. What was Saul's physical condition after seeing the Lord?
 7. Who was the preacher in the conversion of Saul?
 8. According to the Lord's words to Ananias, what was to be Saul's mission?
 9. What was Saul told to do in order to wash away his sins?
 10. After his conversion what did Saul do?
- C. Let us observe the following points from a study of the life of Paul:
 - I. IGNORANCE WILL NOT BE EXCUSED.
 - A. 1Tim. 1:13.
 - B. What did Paul tell the Athenians concerning this matter? Acts 17:30.
 - C. Upon whom will the Lord render vengeance? 2Thess. 1:7-9.
 - D. Ignorance is inexcusable on the part of (1) aliens, and (2) members.
 - II. GOD WILL SAVE THE CHIEFEST OF SINNERS.
 - A. 1Tim. 1:15.
 - B. Of what great sin were the people on Pentecost guilty? Acts 2. Yet they were saved.
 - III. THINKING A THING IS RIGHT DOES NOT MAKE IT RIGHT.
 - A. Acts 23:1; 24:16.
 - B. Possible to be honestly mistaken.
 - C. What is the end of the way that seemeth right? Prov. 14:12.
 - D. What did Jesus say in Jn. 16:2?
 - E. It is possible to believe a lie. 2Thess. 2:11, 12.
 - IV. SAUL AN EXAMPLE OF ZEAL WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE.
 - A. Acts 22:1-3.
 - B. Gal. 1:14.
 - C. Rom. 10:1-3.
 - D. Which is worse: zeal without knowledge, or knowledge without zeal.
 - E. Both qualities should be possessed.

V. HE HAD A GOOD CONSCIENCE, BUT HE WAS WRONG.

A. What did Paul affirm in Acts 23:1: 24:16 and 26:9?

1. What had he previously done to the cause of Christ?

B. Is a good conscience necessary? Rom. 14.

C. Is a good conscience only enough?

VI. NOT ENOUGH TO BE JUST RELIGIOUS.

A. Acts 26:5.

B. List the cases of conversions of religious people in the book of Acts.

VII. PRAYER NOT THE WAY OF SALVATION FOR THE ALIEN SINNER.

A. What did Saul do before the coming of Ananias? Acts 9:11.

B. What did Ananias tell him to do? Acts 22:16.

C. How did Paul enter Christ? Rom. 6:3.

D. List and give scriptures for each of the conditions of pardon to the alien sinner.

VIII. GOD USES HUMAN INSTRUMENTALITY.

A. Acts 9:10-18.

B. Rom. 10:13-17.

C. What did Paul and Barnabas rehearse with the disciples upon completing their first missionary journey? Acts 14:27.

IX. BAPTISM IS NECESSARY TO SALVATION.

A. Acts 22:16.

B. Acts 9:6: 22:16.

C. What other scriptures in the writings of Paul express the necessity of baptism?

X. SAUL HAD THE COURAGE TO CHANGE.

A. He was honest.

(Make a list of the characteristics of Paul. Observe his attitude toward death and his words when approaching death. Acts 21:13; 2Tim. 4:6-8).

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Lesson Nine

PHILIP

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Be able to review from Acts 2-8; especially 6-8.
- B. The Philip for our discussion is not Philip the apostle (Matt. 10:2-4); but is rather the Philip chosen as one of the seven appointed in Acts 6:1-7. See also Act 21:8-9.
- C. Let us now observe his characteristics:

I. OF HONEST REPORT.

- A. Acts 6:3-5.
- B. Why is it necessary that we be of honest report?
- C. Concerning this point, what is one of the qualifications of the bishops?
1Tim. 3:2.

II. FULL OF THE HOLY Ghost.

- A. Acts 6:3-5.
- B. We should be filled with the fruit of the Spirit.
 - 1. Can you name the fruit of the Spirit? Gal. 5:22,23.
 - 2. List scriptures for each of the qualities given.

III. FULL OF WISDOM.

- A. Acts 6:3-5.
- B. What is wisdom?
- C. How is wisdom obtained? Jas. 1:5.

IV. OBEDIENT.

- A. Acts 8:26, 27.
- B. God commands us to "go ye therefore, and teach all nations." Matt. 28:19.
 - 1. Are we obeying this commission?
 - 2. What was Paul's instruction in 2Tim. 2:2?
- C. What do the following scriptures teach on the necessity of obedience:
Matt. 7:21; Rev. 22:14; 1Sam. 15:22, 23.

V. ENTHUSIASTIC.

- A. Acts 8:29, 30.
- B. What was wrong with the church in Ephesus? Rev. 2:4,5.
- C. The Lord gave himself to redeem us and to purify unto himself what kind of a people? Titus 2:14.
- D. Rom. 10:2.
 - 1. Do you think people in some of the human religious institutions show more zeal than we do?

- E. How enthusiastic are we in working for a gospel meeting, in visitation programs?

VI. COULD CORRECTLY DISCUSS THE SCRIPTURES.

A. Acts 8:35.

1. Observe that he "opened his mouth."
2. We, too, need to open our mouths to speak of Jesus.

B. A knowledge of the scriptures is necessary to personal evangelism.

1. How is this knowledge obtained? 2Tim. 2:15.
2. Those who say they do not know enough to teach others should be busy learning more.

C. What is the instruction given in 1Pet. 3:15.

VII. HE KNEW THE LORD.

A. Acts 8:35.

B. What was one of the sins that crucified Jesus? Acts 3:17; 1Cor. 2:8; 1k. 23:34.

CONCLUSION:

- A. Philip a great example of Christian character.
- B. Philip a great example of personal evangelism.
- C. May we resolve to cultivate in our lives these great characteristics.

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Lesson Ten

James 3

Scriptures to Read

James 3; Matt. 12:36,37; James 1:26;
Prov. 12:18; Prov. 15:3,4; Matt. 15:8,9,11

Memory Verses:

James 1:26 Matt. 12:36,37

INTRODUCTION

Back in the first chapter, James informs us that no matter how righteous a man may appear to be, his religion is vain unless he can bridle his tongue, James 1:26. When a doctor diagnoses a man's case, he often begins by saying: "Let me see your tongue." In diagnosing a man's religion, it might be well to begin by saying "Let me see your tongue." The tongue is a very small member of the body, but a most important member. "Death and Life are in the power of the tongue." (Prov. 18:21) "He that keepeth his tongue, keepeth his soul." (Prov. 13:3). So important are our words that a record is being kept of each uttered, and "by thy words thou shalt be justified and by thy words thy shalt be condemned." (Matt. 12:36,37).

- I. IF ANY MAN AMONG YOU SEEM TO BE RELIGIOUS, LET THAT MAN'S TONGUE BE BRIDLED THAT HIS BODY MIGHT BE HARNESSSED FOR GOD. James 3:1-2.
 - A. Be not many masters. James 3:1-2.
 1. Consider Heb. 5:12; Matt. 7:1.
 - B. The tongue as the control of the body. (The tongue though so small yet can control the body like a bridle controls a horse.) Jam. 3:3-5.
 - C. The tongue is a fire, uncontrollable, a thing which cannot be tamed. Jam. 3:6-8; Prov. 16:27; Matt. 15:8,9,11.
 - D. With the same tongue bless we the Father and also curse we men who were made in the similitude of God. Jam. 3:9-12.
- II. IF ANY MAN AMONG YOU SEEM TO BE RELIGIOUS LET THAT MAN'S CONDUCT BE GUIDED FROM ABOVE.
 - A. If a man seems to be religious, see if he is a wise man, and endowed with knowledge. How? "Let him show out of a good conversation his words with meekness of wisdom." Jam. 3:13; Gal. 6:4.

- B. If bitterness and strife are within a man, how could he be guided from above? Such is not the part of wisdom, "that is from above." Jam. 3:14-16.
- C. This heavenly wisdom is defined as being first pure then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy, and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. Jam. 3:17.
- D. The fruits of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. Jam. 3:18.

STUDENT'S WORKSHEET

1. According to Jam. 3:1, should a Christian abstain from teaching? _____
2. What is the responsibility of every Christian according to Heb. 5:12?

3. Discuss how the tongue can control the whole body. _____

4. According to Matt. 12:36,37, by what shall men be judged? _____

5. Is it important to control our tongue? _____
6. Is it better to think evil and not speak it? Why? _____

7. According to Jam. 3:6, the tongue is what? _____
8. How can the tongue kindle a fire? _____
9. Can the tongue be controlled? _____
10. Can the tongue be tamed? _____
11. Discuss the difference between controlled and tamed. _____

12. Can a man bless God, curse man, and be a Christian? _____
13. Can a true Christian be fervent in spirit on Sunday and speak evil on Monday? _____
14. Who is wise among you? _____
15. If a man is religious he is guided from where? _____
16. The wisdom that is from above is first _____, then _____,

and easy to be _____, full of _____, without _____
_____, and without _____

17. How are the fruits of righteousness shown? _____

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Lesson Eleven

JAMES

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Make a list of the ones in the New Testament who are called James.
- B. The James for our study is James the apostle.

I. BACKGROUND STUDY

- A. Who was his father? Matt. 4:21; 10:2; Mk. 1:19; 10:35.
- B. Who was his brother? Matt. 4:21; 10:2; 17:1; Mk. 1:19; 5:37; Acts 12:2.
- C. What was his occupation? Matt. 4:21; Mk. 1:19; Lk. 5:1-11.
- D. What surname was given to him and his brother? Mk. 3: 17.
- E. Make a list of the events in the life of Christ with which James was associated.

II. CALLED OF CHRIST

- A. Matt. 4:18-22; Mk. 1:19,20.
- B. How soon did he answer the call?
 - 1. In the book of Acts, when the people understood what to do to be saved, when did they obey the gospel?
 - 2. 2 Cor. 6:2; Heb. 3:15.
- C. What did it cost him to answer the call?
 - 1. What was the Lord's promise to those who followed Him? Matt. 19:27-30.
 - 2. What is the cost of discipleship? Matt. 16:24.
- D. Jesus calls men now. Matt. 11:28-30.

III. ORDAINED AN APOSTLE

- A. Matt. 10:2-4; Mk. 3:13-19; Lk. 6:13-16.
- B. What is the meaning of "apostle"?
- C. What were the qualifications of an apostle?
- D. Being an apostle, list the events in Acts in which he had a part.

IV. A REQUEST FOR A POSITION AT THE HAND OF CHRIST

- A. Mk. 10:35-45; Matt. 20:20-29.
- B. Whom did Jesus teach will be great?
 - 1. In serving others whom are we serving? Matt. 25:31-46.
 - 2. As a good steward what is one to do? 1 Pet. 4:10.
 - 3. How is one to minister? 1 Pet. 4:11.
 - 4. For what purpose is one to minister? 1 Pet. 4:11.
 - 5. What did the Hebrew writer say God was not unrighteous to do? Heb. 6:10.

V. A QUESTION CONCERNING THOSE WHO DID NOT RECEIVE CHRIST

A. 1k. 9:51-56.

B. We should be patient, forbearing and longsuffering toward others.

1. What is the Lord's attitude? 2Pet. 3:9; 1Pet. 3:20.

C. What did Jesus say His mission was?

1. Since the church is identified with Him, what is its mission?

2. How is this mission fulfilled?

VI. HE WAS PRAYERFUL

A. Acts 1:13,14; 6:1-6.

B. Prayer is a privilege and duty, from which great blessings are received.

1. How can one develop a more meaningful prayer life?

2. Discuss the efficacy of prayer in the life of a Christian.

VII. HE GAVE HIS LIFE FOR CHRIST

A. Acts 12:1,2.

1. By whom was he killed?

2. How was he killed?

B. Who was the first martyr for Christ? Acts 7.

C. What did Paul say concerning those who will live godly in Christ Jesus?
2Tim. 3:12.

D. What is the eighth beatitude? Matt. 5:10. See also verses 11,12.

E. What promise is made to them who are faithful unto death? Rev. 2:10.

F. James was a member of the church (Acts 12:1,2), and it cost him his life.

1. What is membership in the church costing us?

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Lesson Twelve

JOHN

INTRODUCTION:

A. Distinguish between the four in the New Testament who are called by the name John.

1. Matt. 3:1.
2. Matt. 4:21.
3. Acts 4:6.
4. Acts 15:37.
5. We will discuss the John of Matt. 4:21, John the apostle.

B. Who was his father? Mk. 10:35; Lk. 5:10.

C. Who was his brother? Matt. 4:21; 10:2; Mk. 1:19; 3:17; Acts 12:2.

1. See Mk. 10:35-45; Lk. 9:51-56.

D. What was the surname given to John and his brother? Mk. 3:17.

I. HE WAS A DISCIPLE, AND APOSTLE, AND AN AUTHOR OF SOME OF THE BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT,

A. His call to discipleship. Matt. 4:21,22; Mk. 1: 19,20.

B. He was an apostle of the Lord. Matt. 10:2-4; Mk. 3:14-19; Lk. 6:13-16.

1. Being an apostle, list the events in the life of Christ with which he and Peter and James were associated.
2. What are the events in Acts in which John had a part, being an apostle?
3. What are the events in Acts in which Peter and John are associated?

C. How many books of the New Testament did John write?

II. HE WAS A SERVANT OF CHRIST

A. Rev. 1:1.

B. Concerning serving, what did Jesus say was impossible? Matt. 6:24.

C. What is necessary to become a servant of righteousness? Rom. 6:16-18.

D. According to John 12:26, (1) What is one to do who will serve Christ?
(2) Where will the Lord's servants be? and (3) What is the reward for serving Christ?

E. What will the Lord's servants do in heaven? Rev. 22:3.

F. See Matt. 4:10; 1Thess. 1:9; Heb. 9:14; Acts 20:19; Rom. 12:11.

III. HE WAS A CITIZEN OF THE KINGDOM

A. Rev. 1:9.

1. This scripture proves that the kingdom has been established.

2. List other references which prove that the kingdom had been established.

- B. How does one enter the kingdom? Matt. 18:3.
- C. What does Paul tell us in Col. 1:13-14 which proves that it is necessary to enter the kingdom?
- D. What commandment is given in Matt. 6:33?

IV. HE ENDURED PERSECUTION FOR THE CAUSE OF CHRIST

- A. Rev. 1:10; Acts 4:1-3
- B. Who are some others who have been persecuted for Christ?
- C. What should be our attitude toward persecution and the persecutors? Matt. 5:11,12,44; Rom. 12:14; 1Pet. 4:12-16.

V. HE WAS COURAGEOUS

- A. Acts 4:13-22.

1. Observe the statement, ".... and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus."

- B. How did Daniel manifest his courage? Dan. 6.
- C. Have the courage to stand for the right though you must stand alone, for God will be with you. 2Tim. 4:16-17.

VI. HE WAS A PRAYERFUL MAN

- A. Acts 1:13,14; 6:1-6; 8:14-17.

VII. HE IS KNOWN AS THE APOSTLE OF LOVE

- A. What did John write concerning God's love? Jno. 3:16; 1Jno. 3:1; 4:8-11, 16,19; Rev. 1:5,6; etc.
- B. What did John write concerning our love for God and Christ? Jno. 14:15, 21,23; 1Jno. 4:19-21; 5:3; etc.
- C. What did John write concerning brotherly love? Jno. 13:34,35; 1Jno. 2:9-11; 3:10,14,15; 4:20,21; etc.
- D. What did John write concerning things we should not love? Jno. 3:18-21; 1Jno. 2:15-17; 3Jno. 9:10.