Lesson 2: SALVATION

"What happened when I got saved and what is my relationship to God now?"

 Your decision to follow Jesus Christ, and trust Him as your personal Savior is the greatest decision you could ever make. *Do you understand the significance of what has happened in your life?* The purpose of this lesson is to explain briefly what took place and how your decision has affected your basic relationship to God.

1. There are only two spiritual families in this world.

**A. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ family.**

1. *John 8:44* Jesus speaks to of a group of people who claim to be God followers but are not...

“For you are the children of your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_the devil... – John 8:44

1. You enter this family by birth through your physical father, who is a descendant of Adam. *All* descendants of Adam are born in Adam's *image* and *likeness* which is that of a *fallen sinner.*

When Adam was 130 years old, he became the father of a son who was just like him—in his very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ He named his son Seth. - **Genesis 5:3**

1. You inherited your sin nature from your father Adam.

“When Adam sinned, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ entered the world. Adam’s sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for \_\_\_\_\_\_ sinned. - **Romans 5:12**

1. The Bible also states that as a result of your sin you were *sentenced to die*.

"The wages of sin is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_" - **Romans 6:23;**

Just as everyone \_\_\_\_\_\_ because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. - **1 Corinthians 15:22**

 **B. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ family.**

But to all who believed Him and accepted Him, He gave the right to become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God. They are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. - **John 1:12-13**

1. You also enter God's family by birth; but it is a spiritual birth by your Heavenly Father.

"I tell you the truth, no one can see the Kingdom of God unless he is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ again." **John 3:3**

1. This new birth puts you into God's family in exactly the same way your physical birth puts you into your father's family. You are now a child of God by birth.
2. As a result of your new birth, you have inherited God's divine nature, and you now have eternal life.

*"*He that believes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everlasting life." - **John 6:47;**(present tense)

"He that believes in the Son \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_everlasting life..." - **John 3:36;**(present tense)

"He that has the Son \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ life..." - **1 John 5:12**;(present tense)

2. Being in God's family separates you from the devil's family.

 A. Your body is now the temple of the Holy Spirit. God's Holy Spirit lives inside you.

Don’t you realize that your body is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit, who lives \_\_\_\_ you and was given to you by God? **- 1 Corinthians 6:19.**

 B. The Bible commands the believer to maintain a difference between themselves and the unsaved world

Don’t team up with those who are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. How can righteousness be a partner with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? How can light live with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? What harmony can there be between Christ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? How can a believer be a partner with an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? And what union can there be between God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and idols? - **2 Corinthians 6:14-16**

 C. The new life is perfectly summarised for you in *2 Corinthians 5:17-18,*

This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ person. The old life is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; a new life has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to him. *-* ***2 Corinthians 5:17-18***

 3. What is my relationship with God now?

1. He is your Heavenly Father, and you are His child.

So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Instead, you received God’s Spirit when he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you as his own children. Now we call him, “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Father.”For his Spirit joins with our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to affirm that we are God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. – **Romans 8:15-16**

1. Now that you are saved; God no longer deals with you as a sinner, He deals with you as His child.

Endure hardship as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**;** God is treating you as his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. For what children are not disciplined by their father? If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, not true sons and daughters at all. Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them for it. How much more should we \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Father of spirits and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_! – **Hebrews 12:7-9**

1. A good father will never do anything to purposely hurt his child. He will only do those things which will help them grow and mature into the adult he wants them to be. Your Heavenly Father operates in the same way, only his ways are perfect. Unlike earthly fathers who sometimes make mistakes, God never makes a mistake in his dealings with his children.

If \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people know how to give good gifts to their children, how much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will your heavenly Father give good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to those who ask Him. - **Matthew 7:11**

4. You did not lose your physical nature at the time of your spiritual birth.

 A. That is obvious because you are still \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!

 B. You now have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ natures.

 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature ---- physical, sinful, in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_image.

 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature ---- spiritual, perfect, in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ image.

 C. Both natures are present \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The one that controls you is the one you \_\_\_\_\_\_the most.

 1. *Colossians 3:5-10*

 2. *2 Corinthians 4:14-18*

 5. Basic questions.

 A. Will I sin after I am saved?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, you still have your old \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature. *(Romans 7:25)*

 B. How does my sin affect my relationship with my Father?

God will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ kick you out of His family. When you sin, He \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you as a child. *(Hebrews 12:5-11)*

C. What should I do when I Sin?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_it and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to trust that the Blood of Jesus Christ has cleansed you. *(1 John 1:6-10, Prov. 28:13)*

# SALVATION - Lesson 2 QUESTIONS

1. Who are the two spiritual fathers mentioned in John 8:38?

 Give a Scripture reference to support each answer.

 A.

B.

2. How does an individual enter the devil’s family?

3. How does an individual enter into God’s family?

4. Why are people sentenced to die after their physical or first birth?

5. List three verses that promise you eternal life.

 A.

 B.

 C.

1. List two reasons why a Christian in God’s family is different to a non-Christian in the devil’s family.

 A.

B.

7. God now deals with you as His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rather than a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

8. Briefly explain the two natures you now possess.

 A.

B.

9. What would be the reason for one nature to overpower the other nature?

10. When a Christian chooses to continue in a particular sin, what can he/she expect from God?

11. According to 1 John 1:9, when we confess our sins to God, then He will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us from all unrighteousness.

12. Briefly explain the primary purpose of this lesson.

Key memory verses:

 Romans 5:12; John 3:3; 1 John 1:9

NOTE: In many churches today, some popular teachings are:

1. All mankind is part of one large family of God.

2. All mankind must earn their way to Heaven.

3. All mankind can get to heaven through anyway they choose.

4. If there is such a thing as sin, it must be confessed to another man or a church leader.

From the Bible principles taught in this lesson, you should understand that these teachings are false, and know why.

Write down any questions you have concerning the subjects in this lesson and share them with your discipleship leader or group: