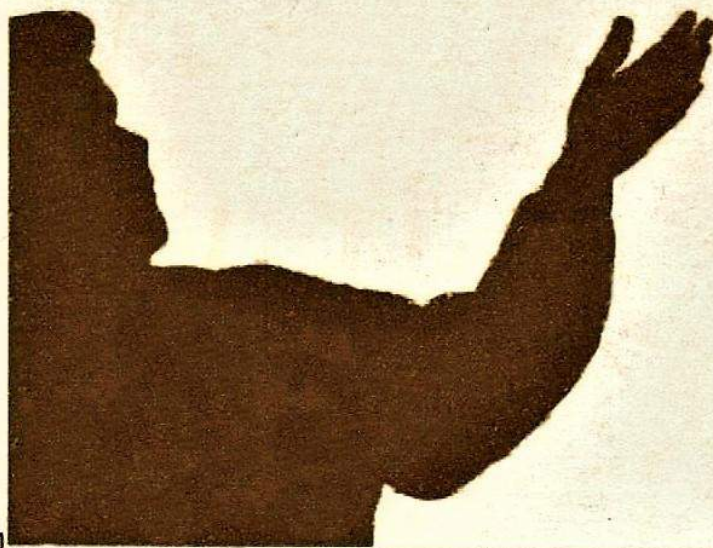
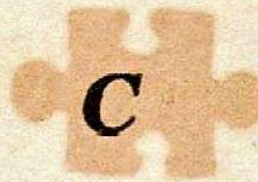


# *The Bible Made Simple*

*Step-by-Step instructions that anyone can follow.*



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## The Hidden Treasure of the Bible

About 30 years ago I began to see parts of the Bible that I could not understand. As an example, "casting bread on water and finding it many days later", (Eccl. 11:1) did not make sense to me. "Always wearing white clothes and keeping oil on my head" (Eccl. 9:8) didn't make any sense either. I began a diligent search to try to find someone to help me understand the Bible. To make a long story very short, I received the most help from the Bible itself.

I began to read statements in the Bible about the "**hidden treasure**" of the Bible. By studying the parables I saw how Jesus revealed truth by using real objects and giving them each a Spiritual meaning. I began to realize that many parts of the Bible are not meant to make literal or physical sense, but are meant to be understood Spiritually. The Bible became its own interpreter for me and I saw that one verse of the Bible was the **key** to understanding another verse of the Bible. I began compiling a list of the Spiritual meanings of the objects used in the Bible and found to my great joy, that I was able to understand parts of the Bible that previously had not made sense to me.

Soon, I was sharing what I had learned with anyone who would listen. I found that friends who would not listen to "straight doctrine" were intrigued by how the Bible explained itself and would listen to the parables and their explanation. I started to write books to make the Bible simple so that my friends could understand it. These were not books about the Bible, but books that let **you** understand the Bible yourself!

Most people are "*surface readers*" and have no idea of what they are missing by not understanding the "**hidden wisdom**" in the Bible. On the following pages you will discover like never before the beauty and depth of the Bible as **you** discover its meaning that is **hidden** from the "*surface seeker*". Best of all **you** will fall in love with Jesus as you really begin to understand the Bible!

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## How To Understand Our Father's Words

### Bible Text:

Ecc. 9:8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.

We don't understand our Father's Words because it doesn't make sense for us to: **"always wear white clothes and keep ointment on our heads."**

If we will let our Father speak to us by "Comparing His Words" then we will be able to understand. We must follow Jesus' example and find the REAL THINGS in the Scripture and then discover what the Spiritual Meaning is for each REAL THING or Key Word.

### Real Thing

Or

#### Key Word

#### Spiritual Meaning

#### Bible Reference

Garment

character

Gen. 35:2, Zech 3:4

White

purity

Dan 12:10, Rev 19:8

Head

the mind

Daniel 2:28,29

Ointment

the Holy Spirit

1 Sam16:13, Ex 30:25

Relate the real things to the spiritual by substituting the spiritual meaning for each real thing back into the Bible Text.

### Bible Text:

Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.

### Paraphrase:

Let your character be always pure and let your mind lack not the Holy Spirit.

## BIBLE WORD PICTURES

Key Word



GARMENT = ?

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### GARMENT = CHARACTER

Genesis 35:2 “. . . Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments.

Zechariah 3:4 “. . . Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.”

Key Word



COLOR - WHITE = ?

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### COLOR-WHITE = PURITY (Righteousness)

Daniel 12:10 “Many shall be purified and made white. . .”

Revelation 19:8 “. . . Fine linen, clean and white for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.”

Key Word



HEAD = ?

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### HEAD = THE MIND

Daniel 2:28,29 “. . . Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these: as for thee, O king, thy thoughts came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter. . .”

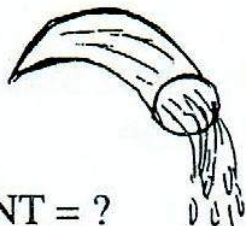
Key Word



OIL = ?

or

OINTMENT = ?



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### OIL = HOLY SPIRIT

1 Samuel 16:13 “Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward...”

### OINTMENT=HOLY SPIRIT

Exodus 30:25 “And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, and ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.

# Principles For Bible Study

## Study Principle 1

Pray for the Holy Spirit  
to **guide you** as you study  
the Bible and search for truth.

James 1:5 If any lack wisdom let him **ask** of God.

John 16:13 When He the Spirit of truth is come  
He will **guide you** into all truth.

## Study Principle 2

Let the **Bible** explain itself.  
One text will prove to be a **key**  
that will **unlock** other texts,  
and in this way you will discover  
the **hidden meaning** of God's Word.

1Cor. 2:13 ..Not in the words which man's  
wisdom teacheth, but which  
the **Holy Ghost** teacheth;  
**comparing** spiritual things  
with spiritual.

Study the illustration on the next page  
and you will see how this is done.

**DROSS = THE WICKED**

Psalms 119:119

"Thou putttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross . . ."



DROSS=?  
(IMPURITIES)

**COMPARE  
SCRIPTURE WITH  
SCRIPTURE**

**SILVER = God's people**

Zech.. 13:9 "... and will refine them like silver is refined, and ... I will say, it is My people."



SILVER = ?

**PROVERBS 25:4**

4. Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer

**VESSEL = Person**

Jere. 18:4-6 "And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter. Behold as the clay is in the potters hand, so are you in mine hand, O house of Israel."



VESSEL = ?

**FINER = THE LORD**

(REFINER)

Zech 13:9 "...I will ..refine them as silver is refined.. they will say, The LORD is my God."

( )

Take away the dross from

( )

the silver, and there shall come

( ) ( )

forth a vessel for the finer.

Isaiah 1:22

Thy silver is become dross

Thy wine mixed with water.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

SILVER

DROSS

WINE

WATER

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURE

God's People

Wicked People

Doctrine

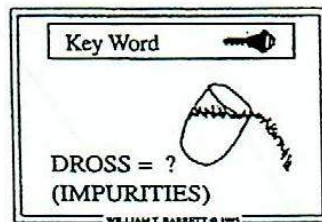
People

BIBLE WORD PICTURES



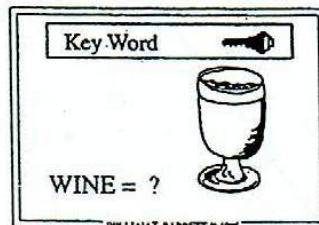
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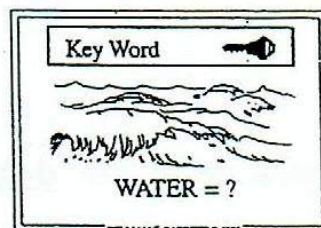
DROSS = THE WICKED

Psalms 119:119 "Thou putttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross..."



WINE = DOCTRINE

(old) Wine = False Doctrine  
Isaiah 28:7 "...They also have erred through wine and ... are out of the way"  
(new) Wine = True Doctrine  
Song of Sol 8:2 "instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine"  
Deut 32:14 "...Thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape"



WATER = PEOPLE

Revelation 17:15 "...The waters, which thou sawest ... are peoples"

4. REWRITE THE VERSE: (Substitute the Spiritual Meaning of the Real objects back into the Bible verse and REWRITE it to discover what God is saying to us Spiritually!)

Paraphrase:

Thy people (silver) have become wicked (dross),

Thy doctrine (wine) mixed with words of men (water).

Isaiah 1:22

( people ) (wicked )

Thy silver is become dross

( doctrine ) ( people )

Thy wine mixed with water.

The silver is no longer pure but contains **impurities**.

Similarly, the **People** of God (silver)  
have become impure or **wicked** -(dross).

The wine is no longer pure but has been **diluted** by **water**.

Similarly, the **Doctrines** of God (wine)  
have been **diluted** with *changes* by **people** (water)  
and are no longer the Pure Doctrines that God gave us.

What are your "**Options**" then, and what are the  
"**Spiritual implications**" of this Bible verse?

Your "**Options**" are:

- 1 Be satisfied with **impure doctrines** of men.
- 2 Search for the **pure doctrines** of God.


The "**Spiritual implications**" for you are:


- 1 Be Lost (impure silver)
- 2 Be Saved (pure silver)

By identifying a **real object** in a Bible text and then looking it up in the Bible Word Pictures you can discover the **Spiritual meaning** of the **real object**.

# BIBLE WORD PICTURES

This is a sample of a separate  
*Reference booklet* containing  
240 BIBLE WORD PICTURES.

Key Word 





LAMP = ?  
(LIGHT)

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**LAMP=GOD'S WORD**  
(LIGHT) (THE BIBLE)

Ps. 119:105 "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path".

Key Word 




LIGHT = ?

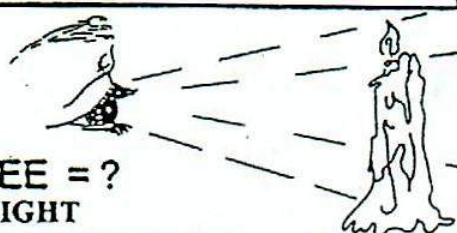
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**LIGHT=TRUTH**

Ps. 43:3 "O send out thy light and thy truth...."

John 3:21 " But he that doeth truth cometh to the light ..."

Key Word 



SEE = ?  
LIGHT

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**SEE LIGHT=Understand Truth**

Ps. 119:130 "... The entrance of thy words giveth light: it giveth understanding unto the simple.

It is of **great value** to be able to use a Concordance to help you study, so a brief description of "How to use a Concordance" will now be given.

## USING A CONCORDANCE:

You use a concordance much like a dictionary. The words in a concordance are placed in alphabetical order and the concordance contains every word in the Bible and gives the location or Bible text where each word is found. When you want to explore a topic or subject you simply look up the word that describes your subject, (such as "Angels") in your concordance and then proceed to read the Bible texts the concordance has listed for you.

## MAIN CONCORDANCE

Location of Bible texts using the "word"

Your Subject or "word"

### ANGELS

1. Angels belong to God

2. God has thousands of angels

3. There are also evil angels

4. "Something" is prepared for the devil and his angels.

5. God has given His angels to have charge over us.

there came two <i>a</i> to Sodom at even.....	Gen 19:1	4397
then the <i>a</i> hastened Lot, saying,.....	Gen 19:15	4397
behold the <i>a</i> of God ascending and .....	Gen 28:12	4397
his way, and the <i>a</i> of God met him .....	Gen 32:1	4397
his <i>a</i> he charged with folly .....	Job 4:18	4397
him a little lower than the <i>a</i> .....	Ps 8:5	430
thousand, even thousands of <i>a</i> .....	Ps 68:17	8136
by sending evil <i>a</i> among them .....	Ps 78:49	4397
shall give his <i>a</i> charge over thee .....	Ps 91:11	4397
Bless the LORD, ye his <i>a</i> , that.....	Ps 103:20	4397
Who maketh his <i>a</i> spirits .....	Ps 104:4	4397
Praise ye him, all his <i>a</i> .....	Ps 148:2	4397
He shall give his <i>a</i> charge .....	Mt 4:6	32
<i>a</i> came and ministered unto him .....	Mt 4:11	32
and the reapers are the <i>a</i> .....	Mt 13:39	32
Son of man shall send forth his <i>a</i> .....	Mt 13:41	32
the <i>a</i> shall come forth, and sever .....	Mt 13:49	32
glory of his Father with his <i>a</i> .....	Mt 16:27	32
That in heaven their <i>a</i> do always .....	Mt 18:10	32
but are as the <i>a</i> of God in heaven .....	Mt 22:30	32
he shall send his <i>a</i> with a great .....	Mt 24:31	32
not the <i>a</i> of heaven, but my .....	Mt 24:36	32
glory, and all the holy <i>a</i> with him .....	Mt 25:31	32
prepared for the devil and his <i>a</i> .....	Mt 25:41	32
me more than twelve legions of <i>a</i> .....	Mt 26:53	32
the <i>a</i> ministered unto him .....	Mk 1:13	32
of his Father with the holy <i>a</i> .....	Mk 8:38	32
but are as the <i>a</i> which are in .....	Mk 12:25	32
And then shall he send his <i>a</i> .....	Mk 13:27	32
not the <i>a</i> which are in heaven, .....	Mk 13:32	32
as the <i>a</i> were gone away from them .....	Lk 2:15	32
shall give his <i>a</i> charge over thee .....	Lk 4:10	32
in his Father's, and of the holy <i>a</i> .....	Lk 9:26	32

Notice how much you can learn by reading the texts.

# BIBLE STUDY PRINCIPLES

A concordance such as "Strong's" contains a complete Hebrew and Greek Dictionary that will be a great help to you in trying to learn the meaning of words used in the Bible that are not used today or are hard to understand.

NOTE: Always use the King James Bible to study from.

## BIBLE TEXT

1. Grace (hard to understand word) — Ephesians 2:8
2. Bible text is Ephesians 2:8 — (8) For by grace are ye saved through faith: (where hard word is located) and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

## MAIN CONCORDANCE

3. Look up hard word "Grace" — Grace in Concordance

G be to you and peace from God the.....	Gal 1:3	5485
him that called you into the g of.....	Gal 1:6	5485
womb, and called me by his g.....	Gal 1:15	5485
perceived the g that was given.....	Gal 2:9	5485
I do not frustrate the g of God.....	Gal 2:21	5485
ye are fallen from g.....	Gal 5:4	5485
the g of our Lord Jesus Christ be.....	Gal 6:18	5485
G be to you, and peace, from God.....	Eph 1:2	5485
the praise of the glory of his g.....	Eph 1:6	5485
according to the riches of his g.....	Eph 1:7	5485
with Christ, (by g ye are saved.....	Eph 2:5	5485
his g in his kindness toward us.....	Eph 2:7	5485
For by g are ye saved through.....	Eph 2:8	5485
of the dispensation of the g of.....	Eph 3:2	5485
the g of God given unto me by the.....	Eph 3:7	5485
of all saints, is this g given.....	Eph 3:8	5485
unto every one of us is given g.....	Eph 4:7	5485
may minister g unto the hearers.....	Eph 4:29	5485
G be with all them that love our.....	Eph 6:24	5485
G be unto you, and peace, from God.....	Phil 1:2	5485
ye all are partakers of my g.....	Phil 1:7	5485
The g of our Lord Jesus Christ be.....	Phil 4:23	5485

4. Find the exact text in the Bible — where hard word is used

5. Find the "number" of the hard word in the Greek Dictionary since the word is used in the New Testament. (If word is in the Old Testament, then you use Hebrew Dictionary to look up number.)

## GREEK DICTIONARY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

6. The meaning of the hard word "Grace"

(5485) χάρις charis, khar'-ece; from 5463; graciousness (as gratifying), of manner or act (abstr. or concr.; lit., fig., or spiritual; espec. the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life; incl. gratitude):— acceptable, benefit, favour, gift, grace (-ious), joy, liberality, pleasure, thank (-s, worthy).

# The Bible Made Simple

## Lesson 1

### The House Upon The Rock

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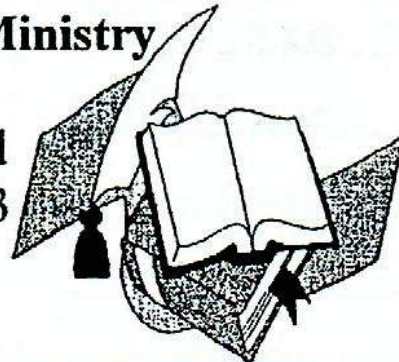
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## PARABLE

We must follow Jesus' example and find the "REAL THINGS" in the Scripture and then discover what the Spiritual Meaning is for each REAL THING or Key Word.

BIBLE VERSE: Matthew 7:24-27

- :24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine,  
and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man,  
which built his house upon a rock:
- :25 And the rain descended, and the floods came,  
and the winds blew, and beat upon the house;  
and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.
- :26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine,  
and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man,  
which built his house upon the sand:
- :27 And the rain descended, and the floods came,  
and the winds blew, and beat upon that house;  
and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

HOUSE

\_\_\_\_\_

ROCK

\_\_\_\_\_

RAIN

\_\_\_\_\_

FLOODS

\_\_\_\_\_


WIND


\_\_\_\_\_

SAND

\_\_\_\_\_

## BIBLE WORD PICTURES

Key Word






HOUSE = ?

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**HOUSE = Church**  
(God's people)

**Hebrews 3:8** "But Christ as a son over His own house; whose house are we . . ."

Key Word






ROCK = ?  
(True)

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**ROCK = Christ**  
(True)

**1 Corinthians 10:4** "...They drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ."

Key Word






RAIN = ?

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**RAIN = Doctrine**  
(Teaching)

**Deuteronomy 32:2** "My doctrine shall drop as the rain . . ."

Key Word






FLOODS = ?

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**FLOODS = Ungodly men**

**Psalms 18:4** "...The floods of ungodly men made me afraid."

Key Word





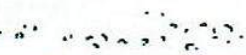
WIND = ?

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**WIND = Doctrine**

**Ephesians 4:14** "Be no more children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive."

Key Word




SAND = ?

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**SAND = People**

**Joshua 11:4** "And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand upon the seashore . . ."

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the Bible Vocabulary Word Pictures)

HOUSE

Church

ROCK

Christ

RAIN

Doctrine (of the Lord)

FLOODS

Ungodly men

WIND

Doctrine (of men)

SAND

People

3. REWRITE THE VERSE: (Substitute the Spiritual Meaning of the Key Word back into the Bible verse and paraphrase it.)

Whoever hears the words of Jesus and **does what He says** is like a **wiseman**, whose \_\_\_\_\_ (house) was built upon the words of \_\_\_\_\_ (rock). And when the \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) of Christ were challenged by the \_\_\_\_\_ (winds) of \_\_\_\_\_ (floods), the \_\_\_\_\_ (house) founded upon the words of \_\_\_\_\_ (rock) **maintained its position** (fell not) from the Bible!

Everyone that hears the words of Jesus and **does not do what He says** is like a **foolish man** whose \_\_\_\_\_ (house) was built upon the words of \_\_\_\_\_ (sand). And when the \_\_\_\_\_ (rain) of Christ were challenged by the \_\_\_\_\_ (winds) of \_\_\_\_\_ (floods), that \_\_\_\_\_ (house) could **not maintain its position** from the Bible and great was its fall!

## PARABLE (Spiritual)

We must follow Jesus' example and find the "REAL THINGS" in the Scripture and then discover what the Spiritual Meaning is for each REAL THING or Key Word.

BIBLE VERSE: Matthew 7:24-27

:24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and

(spiritually)

doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

his house upon a rock:

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

:25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

:26 And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine,

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(spiritually)

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

foolish man which built his house upon the sand:

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

:27 And the rain descended, and the floods came and

(spiritual)

(spiritual)

the winds blew and beat upon that house; and it

(spiritually)

fell: and great was the fall of it.

## DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

BIBLE VERSE: Matthew 7:24-27 "The House Upon the Rock"

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

3. REWRITE THE VERSE: (Substitute the Spiritual Meaning of the Key Word back into the Bible verse and paraphrase it.)

Whoever hears the words of Jesus and does what He says is like a wiseman, whose Church (house) was built upon the words of Christ (rock). And when the doctrines (rain) of Christ were challenged by the doctrines (winds) of ungodly men (floods), the Church (house) founded upon the words of Christ (rock) **maintained its position** (fell not) from the Bible!

Everyone that hears the words of Jesus and does not do what He says is like a foolish man whose Church (house) was built upon the words of men (sand). And when the doctrines (rain) of Christ were challenged by the doctrines (winds) of ungodly men (floods), that Church (house) could **not maintain its position** from the Bible and great was its fall!

(This Bible verse teaches us the great importance of basing all our beliefs on the words of God (Bible) instead of the words of men.)

## Summarizing

The differences between these two foundation materials:

### Physical rock

1. Immovable
2. Changeless with respect to time.
3. Anything attached to it is secure and can't be moved.
4. It will support anything that stands upon it and will not let it sink.
5. The Physical elements of rain, wind, floods will not affect it.

### Spiritual rock

1. Spiritually Immovable.
2. Spiritually Changeless.
3. Anything attached is Spiritually Secure.
4. Spiritual Support for anything that stands upon it.
5. Spiritual Elements will not affect it.

### Spiritual "Rock" (Christ)

1. God is Immovable.
2. God is Changeless.
3. Anyone "attached" to God is (Spr.) Secure.
4. God will "Support" anyone who "stands" or depends upon Him and He will not let them "sink" Spiritually.
5. God is not affected by the Spiritual "Elements" of Satan and is never deceived.

### Physical sand

1. Easily moved
2. Changes constantly.
3. Anything attached to it is unsecure and can be easily moved.
4. It will not support anything that stands upon it, but will allow it to sink.
5. The Physical elements of rain, wind, floods will affect it.

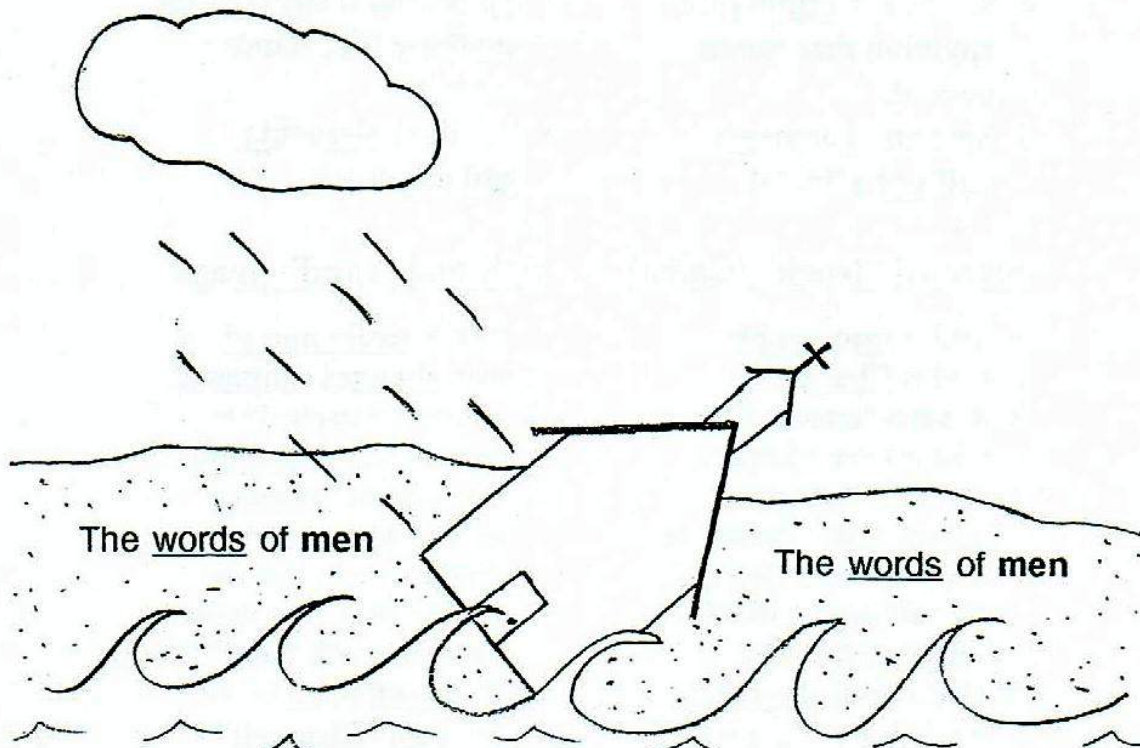
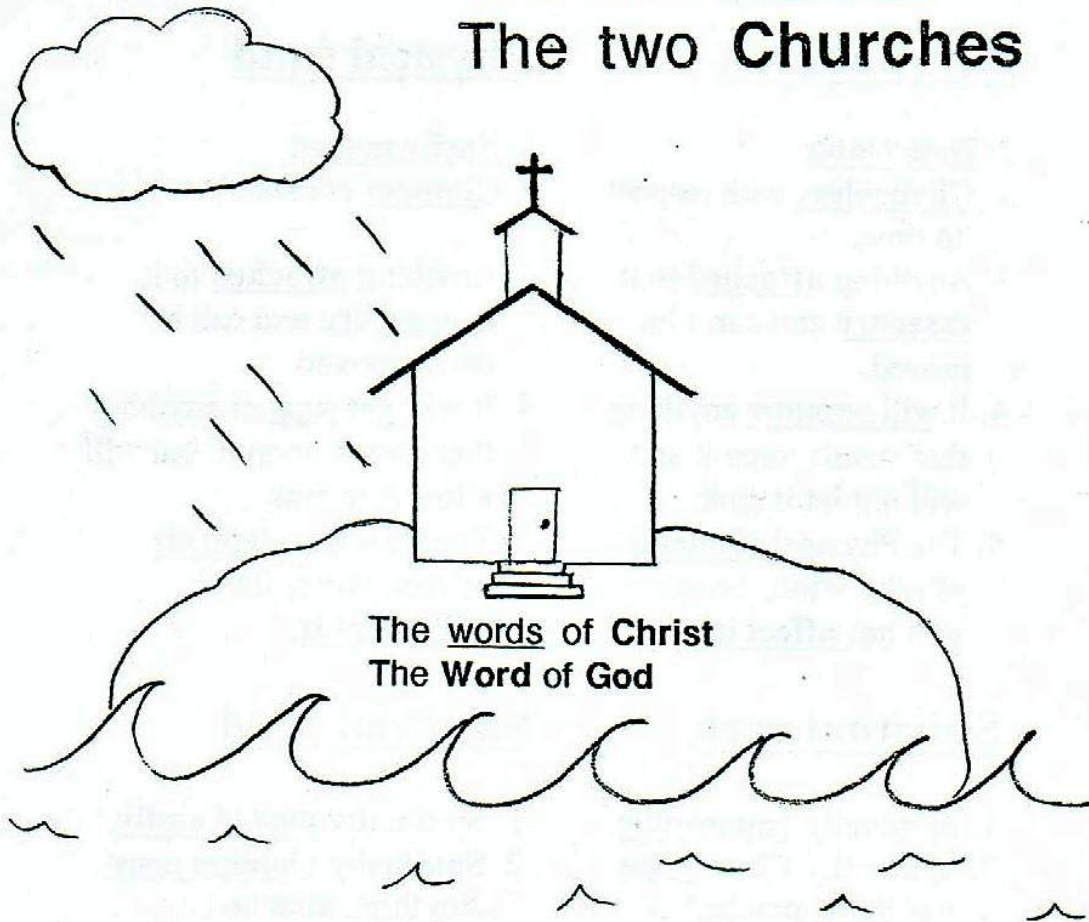
### Spiritual sand

1. Spiritually moved easily.
2. Spiritually changes const.
3. Anything attached is Spiritually unsecure.
4. No Spiritual support for anything that stands upon it.
5. Spiritual elements will affect it.

### Spiritual "sand" (man)

1. man is easily moved.
2. man changes constantly.
3. Anyone "attached" to man is (Spr.) unsecure.
4. man cannot "support" anyone who "stands" or depends upon him and anyone who does depend upon man will "sink" (Spr.).
5. man is affected by the Spiritual "Elements" and is easily deceived.

# The two Houses The two **Churches**



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## **Lesson 2**

### **Cast Thy Bread Upon The Waters And The Despised Lamp**

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## DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

Eccl. 11:1

Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.

If we took real bread and threw it on the water we would not be able to find it many days later. A fish would eat it or it would disintegrate. Therefore the verse cannot be talking about real bread. The verse must therefore be talking about Spiritual bread.

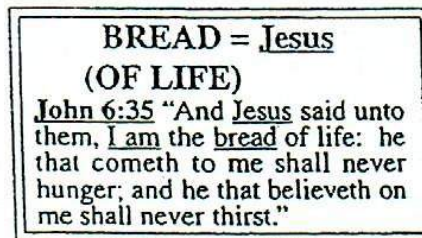
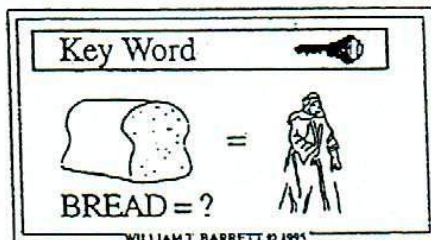
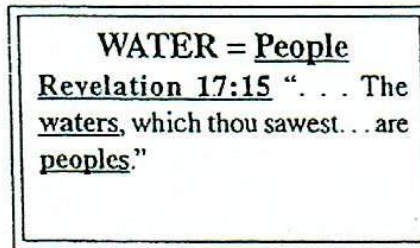
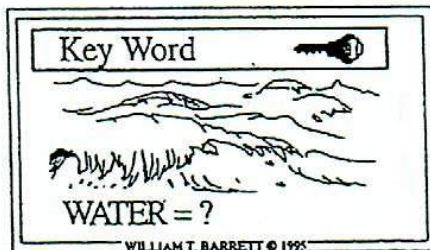
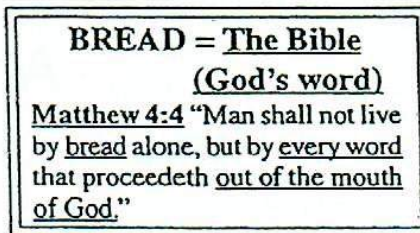
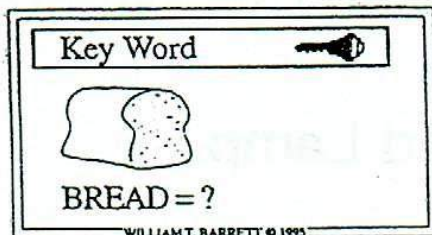
2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

BREAD

WATERS:

IT (BREAD)

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)



### Meaning

If I take the \_\_\_\_\_ (bread) to the \_\_\_\_\_ (waters), many days later I will see \_\_\_\_\_ (bread).

# The Despised Lamp

## Bible Text:

Job 12: 5 He that is ready to slip with his feet is as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

Think about the (Physical) and (Spiritual):

What is a (phy.) **lamp** used for?. To give (phy.) **light**.



What is a (spr.) **lamp** used for?. To give (spr.) **light**.

If I despise or reject a (phy.) **lamp**,  
I am rejecting (phy.) **light**.

If I despise or reject a (spr.) **lamp**,  
I am rejecting (spr.) **light**.

If I try to (phy.) **walk** in a (phy.) **dark place**  
without (phy.) **light**, I am going to **fall down** (phy.)  
or **slip** with my **feet**.

If I try to (spr.) **walk** in a (spr.) **dark place**  
without (spr.) **light**, I am going to **fall** (spr.)  
or **slip** with my **feet**.

Key Word	
	
LIGHT = ?	
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LIGHT = <u>Truth</u>
<b>PSALMS 43:3</b> "O send out thy <u>light</u> and thy <u>truth</u> . . ."
<b>JOHN 3:21</b> "But he that doeth <u>truth</u> cometh to the <u>light</u> . . ."

Now, let's discover the (Spiritual) meaning of  
the **real** objects in this verse.

## "The Despised Lamp"

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JOB 12:5 He that is ready to slip with his feet is as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

FALL OR SLIP

to sin

FEET

the actions

LAMP

(The Bible) God's Word

Key Word



FALL OR SLIP = ?

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**FALL OR SLIP = To Sin**  
PSALMS 57:3 deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?  
JEREMIAH 23:12 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall.

Key Word



FEET = ?

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**FEET = The actions**

PSALMS 119:101 "I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word."

Key Word



LAMP = ?

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**LAMP = God's Word**  
**(The Bible)**

PSALMS 119:105 "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

JOB 12:5

PARAPHRASE:

He that is ready to \_\_\_\_\_ (slip or fall)  
with his \_\_\_\_\_ (feet) is like someone  
who despises the \_\_\_\_\_ (lamp).

## The Despised Lamp

This Bible verse teaches us that:

If we “despise” or neglect the Bible,  
we will just as surely sin  
as  
we will surely fall down if we try  
to walk in a dark place without a lamp!

The Spiritual implication for us is:

- 1.



Thy **Word** is a **Lamp**  
unto my feet



The Despised **Lamp**  
The Despised **Bible**



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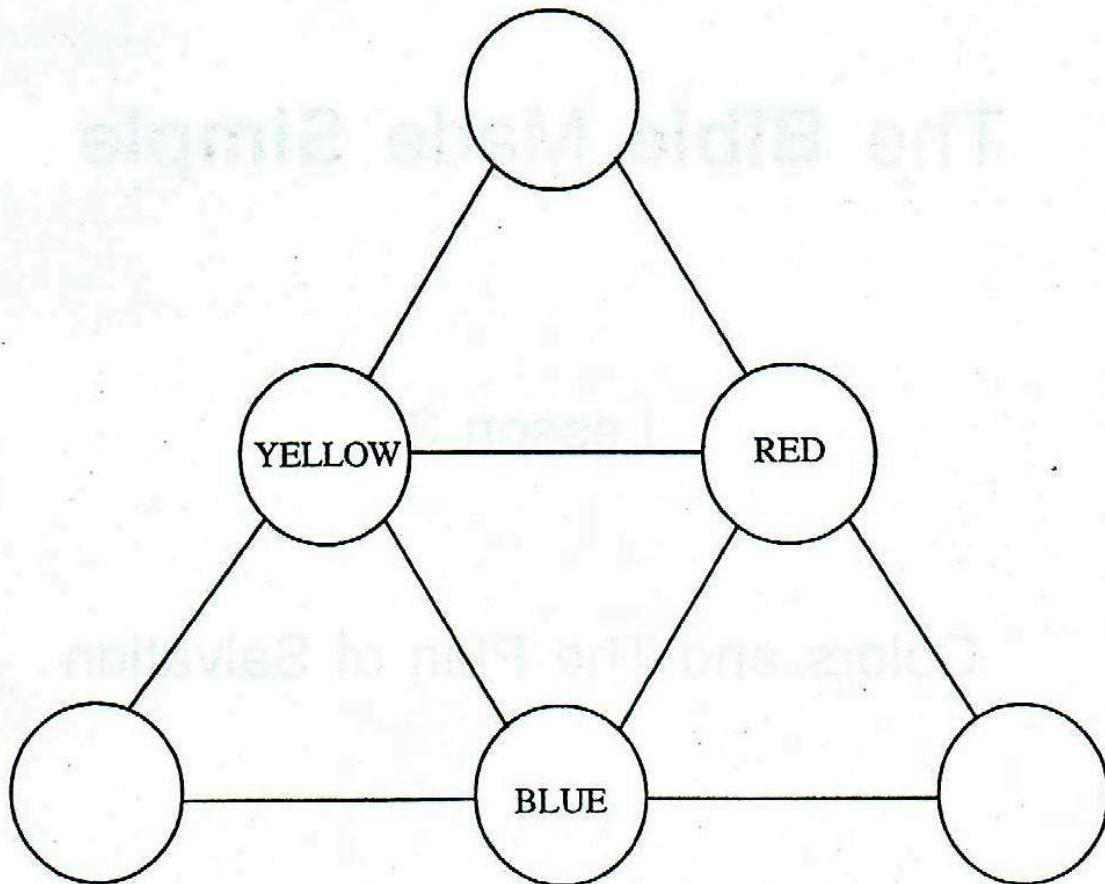
## **Lesson 3**

### **Colors and The Plan of Salvation**

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1. Look up the Spiritual meaning of each color in the Bible Word Pictures, and write the meaning beside the color.
2. Combine two connected colors to obtain a new color and look up the meaning of each new color.



## COLORS AND THE PLAN OF SALVATION

Yellow + Blue = Green      Red + Blue = Purple  
Red + Yellow = Amber or Fire Color or Orange

COLOR - RED = Sin / Death  
(Jesus' shed blood)

Isaiah 1:18 “. . . Saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, . . . though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”

## BIBLE WORD PICTURES

Key Word

COLOR - BLUE =?

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**COLOR - BLUE = God's Law**  
**(10 Commandments)**  
Numbers 15:38,39 "...Put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue... that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the Lord, and do them..."

Key Word

COLOR - YELLOW =?

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**COLOR-YELLOW=God's love**  
Psalm 68:13 "...The wings of a dove... & her feathers with yellow gold."  
John 1:32 "...I saw the spirit descending from heaven like a dove"  
Romans 5:5 "...the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost..."

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Key Word

COLOR - GREEN =?

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**COLOR - GREEN = Hope & Trust in the Lord**  
Jeremiah 17:7, 8 "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree...her leaf shall be green."

Key Word

COLOR - ORANGE =?

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**COLOR-ORANGE=God's glory**  
**(Amber or Fire Color)**  
Ezekiel 1:27,28 "...I saw as the color of amber, as the appearance of fire...this was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord..."

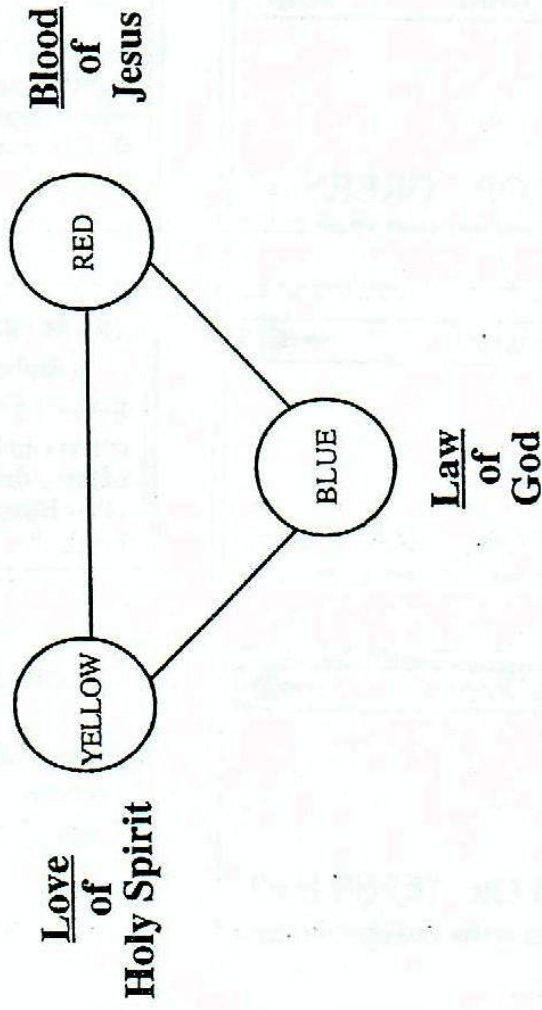
Key Word

COLOR - PURPLE =?

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**COLOR - PURPLE = Royalty**  
Judges 8:26 "...and purple raiment that was on the kings..."

**THERE ARE 3 PRIMARY COLORS FROM WHICH ALL OTHER COLORS ARE MADE.**



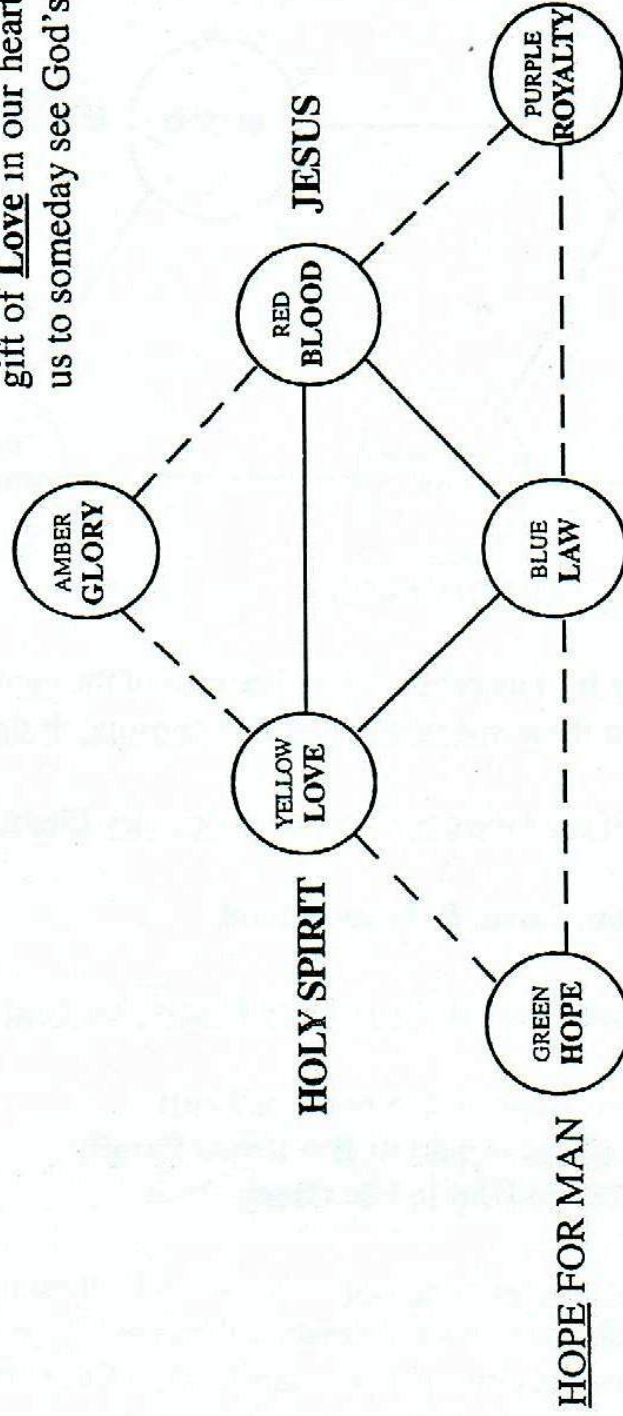
**The Plan of Salvation in the Colors**

Just as all Colors are made from the 3 Primary Colors of (Blue, Red, Yellow), everything that exists was made by the 3 Members of the Godhead. (The Father, Jesus the Son, the Holy Spirit)

Each member of the Godhead is represented by one of the Primary Colors (Blue, Red, Yellow) as well as by one of the Primary Elements of the Plan of Salvation. (Law, Blood, Love)

TO SEE GOD'S  
GLORY

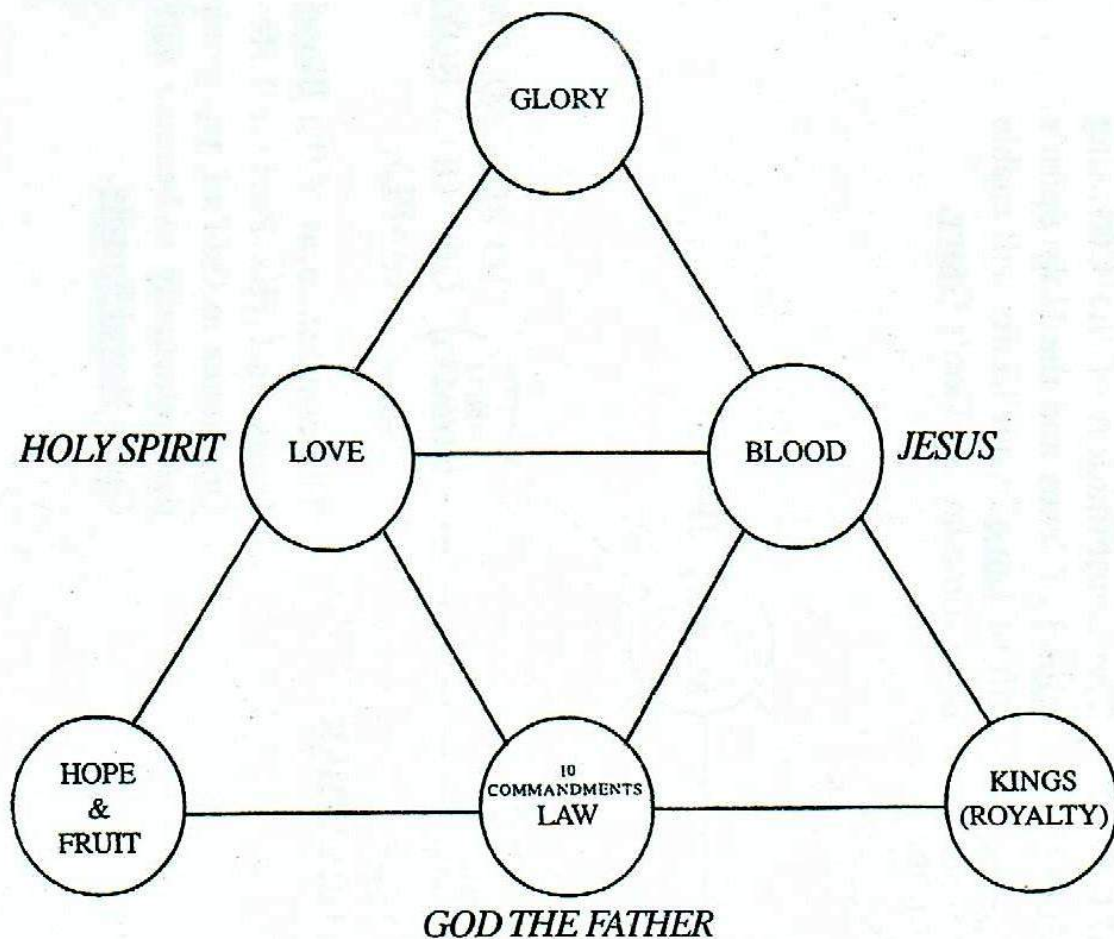
The combination of the Cleansing  
Blood of Jesus and the Holy Spirit's  
gift of Love in our hearts will enable  
us to someday see God's Glory.



The combination of the Love of  
God given to us by the Holy Spirit  
and the Perfect obedience to God's  
Law offered to us by Jesus gives us  
Hope and produces the Fruit of a  
changed life.

GOD THE FATHER

The combination of the Blood of  
Jesus and His Perfect Life of  
Obedience to God's Law, gives us  
the opportunity to become part of  
God's Royal Family.



We know that everything is in its proper place because of the connection the Bible makes between these specific colors and spiritual things.

We see the 3 members of the Godhead and the 3 primary Elements of the Plan of Salvation:

**Law, Love, & Jesus' Blood**

Connected to these elements are the 3 primary Goals that God has for us:

To have **Hope** and to produce **Fruit**  
 To become **Kings** as part of **His Royal Family**  
 To see Him in **His Glory**

The way these Goals can be realized is seen and understood by following the lines which connect the primary colors (red, blue, yellow) with the other colors (green, purple, amber). Everything is interdependent, or each depends on the other. Just as there are physical limitations, there are spiritual limitations.

You cannot make green without yellow and blue. Even so, you cannot have Hope, nor produce Fruit, without first having the Love of the Spirit and Gods' 10 Commandment Law written in your heart.

As you cannot make purple without red and blue, even so to become Kings in God's Royal Family, we must first allow Jesus to cleanse us from all unrighteousness, through His Blood and then to believe in His Perfect Life of Obedience in keeping God's Law.

As you cannot make amber without the colors of yellow and red, even so in order to see God's Glory, we must first have the Love of the Holy Spirit in our hearts and be cleansed by Jesus' Blood.

The 3 primary Elements of Salvation:

Law, Love, & Jesus' Blood are supplied by God Himself.

God & His 10 Commandment Law (blue)

(Ezk. 11:20) (Heb. 10:16)

Jesus & His Blood (red)

(John 3:16) (Luke 22:20)

Holy Spirit & His Love (yellow)

(Rom. 5:5) (2 Tim. 1:7)

The 3 primary Goals for us are actually Gifts, which are given to us on condition:

#### The Gifts

(green) Hope (2 Thes. 2:16)

&

Fruit (Isa. 32:15,16)

(amber) Glory (2 Cor. 3:18, 4:6)

(purple) Royalty (Rev. 1:6)

#### The Condition

(Psm. 78:7, Jer. 18:12)

(Jer. 17:13)

(John 15:2,5)

(John 11:40)

(Rev. 2:26, 3:21)

May God help us to "fulfil the conditions", so that we may obtain the "Gifts" that God wants to give us!!!

*Red is for the blood He shed,  
that spilled for you and me.*

*Blue is for the Law of God,  
I follow willingly.*

*Yellow is the Love He showed,  
while hanging on the tree.*

*These are the first three colors,  
leading to eternity.*

*Red and Yellow give us Amber,  
shining down God's glory.*

*Red and Blue make Purple,  
giving us God's Royalty,*

*Blue and Yellow give us Green,  
that's Hope for you and me.*

*These colors are the Plan of God,  
now Salvation we can see.*

*By Maelyn McMillan  
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# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 4**

### **The Old and New Garments**

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## The Old and New Garments

**Bible Verse:** Matthew 9:16 - No man putteth a piece of  
 ( ) ( )  
new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to  
 ( ) ( )  
 fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made  
 worse.

**Bible Verse:** Luke 5:36 - And he spake also a parable  
 ( )  
 unto them; No man putteth a piece of new garment upon  
 ( ) ( ) ( )  
 an old: if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and  
 ( )  
 the piece that was taken out of the new agreeth not with  
 ( )  
 the old.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
 (usually nouns or "real things")

Matt 9:16

RENT Luke 5:36

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3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
 (by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

#4978 gap, split

#4977 open, split

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## BIBLE WORD PICTURES

Key Word

GARMENT = ?

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**GARMENT = Character or life**  
Genesis 35:2 "... Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments.  
Zechariah 3:4 "... Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment."

Key Word

NEW  
GARMENT = ?  
(Clean, White)

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**NEW GARMENT = New righteous life**  
 (Clean, White)  
Isaiah 61:10 "... My soul shall be joyful in my God for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness. . ."  
Revelation 19:8 "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints."

Key Word

OLD  
GARMENT = ?  
(Filthy; holes in it)

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**OLD GARMENT = Old sinful life**  
 (filthy, holes in it)  
Zech 3:4 "... Take away the filthy garment from him. . . behold I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee. . ."  
James 5:12 "Go to now, ye rich men. . . Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten."

Key Word

WEAR APPAREL = ?  
(CLOTHED WITH GARMENT)

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**WEAR APPAREL = Clothed with EITHER the Lord's Righteous Character or our own works**  
Job 29:14 "I put on righteousness, and it clothed me; my judgment was as a robe."  
Isaiah 59:6 "Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity."  
Zech 1:8 "I will punish such as are clothed with strange apparel."

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

GARMENT

Character or life

NEW GARMENT

New righteous life

NEW CLOTH

New righteous life

NEW

New righteous life

OLD GARMENT

Old sinful life

OLD

Old sinful life

4. Substitute **Spiritual** meaning for the **Real** objects and then **paraphrase the verse.**

No man can put a "piece" of a \_\_\_\_\_ (new cloth) onto an \_\_\_\_\_ (old garment) because the \_\_\_\_\_ (new) will "take away" or remove part of the \_\_\_\_\_ (old), and the result will be that less of the \_\_\_\_\_ (old garment) remains. The "piece" that was taken out of the \_\_\_\_\_ (new) is completely different than the \_\_\_\_\_ (old) and you can see that there is a difference.

Note: This Parable assumes that the person wants to "keep his old clothes" and simply "patch them up". However, each time a "new patch" is put on, the "patch" tears a bigger hole in the old clothes because the "new patch" is stronger than the old cloth. Also the "new patch" would not look like the old faded cloth.

Now we are beginning to “get the picture”. An **old** garment with “patches” of **new** garment over the “holes”, represents the **life** or character of a person who is a **sinner** (old garment) who tries to “patch up” his sinful life with “a little righteousness” (piece of new garment). The result is a **sinner** who is trying to “look good”, but who remains a **sinner**!

Since the “patch” will **not** work but tears an even **bigger** hole in the garment, which reveals even more “nakedness” or **sinfulness**, the sinner attempts to “work even more righteousness” to cover his now greater sin.

Eventually, the “hole” in the garment becomes so large that in effect there is no garment left and the person is left **completely naked**!

Thus, a person has only **two choices**:

1. To become **completely “naked”**.

or

2. To become **completely “covered”**  
with a new garment.

Similarly, the **sinner** has only **two choices**:

1. To become **completely sinful** (naked)

or

2. To become **completely righteous**  
(covered with new garment)

Now the question is how does the **sinner** become “**completely righteous**” if he can’t do it a “**little** at a time” (“patches”)?

The answer is that the **sinner** must become “completely righteous” **all at once!** How can this be done? When a “**completely naked**” person puts on a new garment, they are immediately “**completely covered**” by the “new garment”.

Similarly, when a “**completely sinful**” person puts on the Robe of **Christs Righteousness** (new garment) they are immediately “**completely covered**” by His **Righteous life** (new garment)! Their “**nakedness**” or **sinfulness** is no longer visible!

### **Isaiah 61:10**

10 “...My soul shall be joyful in my God for He hath clothed me with the garment of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness....”

As far as the **judgment** is concerned, the person “covered” by the Robe of **Christs Righteousness** is as **perfectly sinless** as Christ is!

### **Job 29:14**

14 “I put on **righteousness**, and it clothed me; my **judgment** was as a robe.”

But there is a problem that this parable brings out. The “new garment” cannot be **put over** the “old garment”. It is necessary to get **rid** of the old garment **before** you can put on the “new garment”! This illustrates the principle that we cannot continue to **hold on** to our **old sinful life** (old garment) and expect Jesus to give us a **new life!** (new garment). We must allow Jesus to **change us** and to “**take away our filthy garment**” or sinfulness.

## The Change of Garments (The Change of Character)

GEN 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

GEN 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (Adam and Eve were originally **“clothed” by God**. After they sinned they lost their garments given to them by God.)

GEN 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. (Adam and Eve tried to make “garments” or clothing for themselves.)

GEN 3:21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.  
(The Lord God made new garments for Adam and Eve and took away their old garments of fig leaves. The **“new garments”** made by the Lord were **“coats of skins”**. An animal had to die in order to provide them with “new garments”.)

PRO 27:26 The lambs are for thy clothing, and the goats are the price of the field. (Jesus The Lamb had to die to provide us with **“New Garments”**.)

GEN 35:2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments:  
(We need a **“change of garments”** but we can’t make “new garments” for ourselves - only Jesus can provide us with **“New Garments”**.)

ZEC 3:3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.  
ZEC 3:4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.  
(Jesus will “take away” our **“filthy garments”** (our sins) and will clothe us with “change of raiment” or **“New Garments”** (His Righteousness).)

ISA 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.  
(We can’t “change our characters” (garments) but Jesus can change us.)

## DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

Bible Verse: Matt 9:16, Luke 5:36

Matthew 9:16 - No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.

This Parable Literally or “**Physically**” says:

“If you have an old garment with holes in it, you can't patch it up using a piece of a new garment!”

What are your “**options**” then, and what are the **Spiritual implications** of the Parable?

Your “**options**” are:

1.

2.

The “**Spiritual**” **implications** are:

1.

2.

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 5**

### **The Old and New Wine Bottles**

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## PARABLE

We must follow Jesus' example and find the "REAL THINGS" in the Scripture and then discover what the Spiritual Meaning is for each REAL THING or Key Word.

BIBLE VERSE: Luke 5:37-39

:37 "And no man putteth new wine into old bottles;

else the new wine will burst the bottles,

and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish."

:38 "But the new wine must be put into new bottles;

and both are preserved."

:39 "No man also having drunk old wine

straightway desireth new: for he saith, the old is better.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

WINE (NEW)

WINE (OLD)


BOTTLES (NEW)


BOTTLES (OLD)

DRUNK (DRINK)

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)


# BIBLE WORD PICTURES


Key Word 

BOTTLE = ? 

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**BOTTLE = Person**  
**Psalms 119:83** "For I am become like a bottle."  
**Jeremiah 19:10, 11** "Then shalt thou break this bottle. . . so will I break this people. . ."


Key Word 

BOTTLE = ?  
(Old) 

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**BOTTLE (OLD) = Unconverted person**  
**Jeremiah 19:1,10,11** "Thus saith the Lord, go and get a potters earthen bottle. . . then shalt thou break the bottle. . . even so will I break this people. . . as one breaketh a potters vessel that cannot be made whole again."  
**Jeremiah 13:12,13** "... saith the Lord. . . every bottle shall be filled with wine. . . behold I will fill all the inhabitants with drunkenness."


Key Word 

BOTTLE = ?  
(New) 

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
**BOTTLE (NEW) = Converted person**  
**Jeremiah 19:1** "Thus saith the Lord, go and get a potters earthen bottle. . ."  
**Jeremiah 18:3,4,6** "Then I went down to the potters house. . . and the vessel he made of clay was marred. . . so he made it again another vessel. . . saith the Lord, behold as the clay is in the potters hand so are ye in mine hand. . ."


Key Word 

WINE = ?  
(Old) 

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**WINE (Old) = False Doctrine**  
**Isaiah 28:7** "... They also have erred through wine and. . . are out of the way. . ."  
**Isaiah 29:9** "... they are drunken but not with wine. . ."  
**Proverbs 20:1** "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."


Key Word 

WINE = ?  
(New) 

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**WINE (New) = True Doctrine**  
**Song of Solomon 8:2** "Instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine."  
**Deuteronomy 32:14** "... Thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape."

Key Word 

DRINK = ? 

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**DRINK = (To Receive Instruction)**  
**Song of Solomon 8:2** "I would lead thee, and bring thee into my mothers house, who would instruct. . . I would cause thee to drink. . ."

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

WINE (NEW)  
WINE (OLD)  
BOTTLES (NEW)  
BOTTLES (OLD)  
DRUNK (DRINK)

True Doctrine (Truth)  
False Doctrine (Error)  
Converted Person  
Unconverted Person  
Receive Instruction  
Be Taught

### REWRITE THE VERSE

(Paraphrase)

No man can teach \_\_\_\_\_ (new wine)  
to an \_\_\_\_\_ (old bottle);  
because the \_\_\_\_\_ (new wine)  
will be rejected (burst) by the \_\_\_\_\_ (bottle),  
and the \_\_\_\_\_ (bottle) will be lost (perish).

But \_\_\_\_\_ (new wine) must be  
taught to \_\_\_\_\_ (new bottles);  
and both the doctrine and the person will be saved.

No man having \_\_\_\_\_ (drunk)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (old wine)  
immediately desires \_\_\_\_\_ (new wine):  
for he thinks the \_\_\_\_\_ (old wine) is better.

## **“Old and New Wine Bottles”**

**Luke 5:37-39**

This parable literally or “**Physically**” says:

The **type of container** (bottle) that “**wine**” is placed in is **very important**, and it **must be new** in order to preserve “**wine**”.

What are the **Spiritual implications** of this parable, and what are your “**options**”?

The “**Spiritual**” **implications** are:

1.

Your “**options**” are:

1.

2.

## DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

### BIBLE VERSE: Luke 5:37-39

- :37 "And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish."
- :38 "But the new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved."
- :39 "No man also having drunk old wine straightway desireth new; for he saith, the old is better."

### REWRITE THE VERSE

(Paraphrase)

No man can teach true doctrine (new wine) to an unconverted person (old bottle); because the true doctrine (new wine) will be rejected (burst) by the person (bottle), and the person (bottle) will be lost (perish).

But true doctrine (new wine) must be taught to converted people (new bottles); and both the doctrine and the person will be saved.

No man having been taught (drunk) false doctrine (old wine) immediately desires true doctrine (new wine): for he thinks the false doctrine (old wine) is better.

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What are the Spiritual implications of this parable, and what are your “options”?

The “Spiritual” implications are:

1. We must become “new bottles” or converted before we will be willing to accept Doctrinal Truth.

Your “options” are:

1. Allow the Lord to “change your heart” and convert you so that you will accept Truth or True Doctrine when you see it.

OR

2. Remain unconverted and reject truth and be lost.

Discovering the **Spiritual** meaning of: "Wine"  
(Through Inductive Bible Study)

Proverbs 20:1

"**Wine** is a mocker, strong drink is raging:  
and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

Conclusion: "**Wine**" represents something that causes  
someone to be deceived.

Isaiah 28:7

"But they also have erred through wine,  
and through strong drink are out of the way;  
the priest and prophet have erred through strong drink. . ."

Conclusion: "**Wine**" represents something that causes  
someone to err or leave the right way.

Deuteronomy 32:33

"Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps."

Revelation 12:9

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan which deceiveth the whole world."

Conclusion: "**Wine**" represents something that Satan  
uses to deceive people.

Habakuk 2:5

"Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine."

Conclusion: "**Wine**" represents something that causes a  
person to transgress or sin.

Final Conclusion: "**Old Wine**" or "Strong drink"  
must represent False Doctrine.

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 6**

**Thy Teeth are as a Flock of Sheep**

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## DISCOVERING HIDDEN TREASURE

**BIBLE VERSE:** Song of Solomon 6:6

“Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep  
which go up from the washing,  
where of everyone beareth twins,  
and there is not one barren among them.”

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or “real things”)

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. Substitute Spiritual meaning for the Real objects and then paraphrase the main (Spiritual) thought:

Paraphrase: Song of Solomon 6:6

Your teeth are like \_\_\_\_\_ (sheep)


who have been \_\_\_\_\_ (washed)


and everyone has \_\_\_\_\_  
(beareth twins)

and there is not one \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (barren) among them.

## BIBLE WORD PICTURES

Key Word 





SHEEP = ?

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SHEEP = God's people

**Psalm 79:13** "So we Thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks forever. . ."

Key Word 





WASH = ?

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WASH = Cleanse from sin

**Isaiah 1:18** "Wash you, make you clean put away the evil of your doing from before mine eyes; cease to do evil."

Key Word 





GIVE BIRTH = ?  
(Beareth, travail, or labor)

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GIVE BIRTH = Bring to spiritual conversion

**Galations 4:19** "My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you."

Key Word 



BARREN = ?  
(childless, unfruitful)

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BARREN = No converts for Jesus  
**2 Peter 1:8** "... Neither be barren not unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."

**1 Peter 1:23** "Being born... again by the word of God."

**Genesis 11:30** "... Was barren, she had no child."

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(usually nouns or "real things")

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

SHEEP

God's people

WASHING

Cleansing from sin

BEARETH (Twins)

Labor to bring someone to

BARREN

Spiritual birth (conversion)

BARREN

Spiritually childless or no

BARREN

converts (unfruitful)

4. Substitute **Spiritual** meaning for the **Real** objects and then paraphrase the main (Spiritual) thought:

### **Song of Solomon 6:6**

"Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them.

Paraphrase: Song of Solomon 6:6

Your teeth are like people (sheep)

who have been cleansed from sin (washed)

and everyone has labored to convert someone  
(beareth twins)

and there is not one who has been unsuccessful  
in converting someone (barren) among them.

## The Clean and Fruitful Sheep

Song of Solomon - chapter 6

Verse 6: "Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them."

### PHYSICAL

Let's think about this verse in the real or physical world first.

1. "Teeth are like a flock of sheep" - a persons teeth are positioned close together. A flock of sheep stay close together.
2. When you look at a person's teeth, each tooth has a twin.  
"Everyone beareth twins", in the text each sheep bears twins.
3. Teeth are white. Most sheep are white.
4. Teeth get dirty and need "washing" or cleaning. In the text the sheep are washed. Sheep are actually "dipped" or immersed by running them through a trough like tank to wash or clean them.

### SPIRITUAL

1. What does a sheep represent spiritually?  
A sheep represents a person. Jer. 50:6. The sheep needed to be washed or immersed. So, like sheep, people need to be washed or immersed or baptized so they can be spiritually clean.
2. What else is special in the verse about the sheep? - "not barren"--  
"gives birth to twins" Barren means to have no children. So "not barren" would mean to have children or baby sheep".
3. What does a "child" or "baby sheep" represent? - a new convert or spiritual baby.
4. Each "tooth" has a twin and each sheep has a twin. So, each "sheep" or person will go and teach another person and make a convert for Jesus.

In Lesson 4 (about the Old & New Garments) we learned that we must give our life completely to Jesus and be converted.

In Lesson 5 (about the Old & New Wine Bottles) we learned that we must be converted before we will accept Doctrinal truth.

Now, Lesson 6 is teaching us that we must be baptized (washed) and then go and teach others or make converts for Jesus.

## The Woman in Travail

John 16:19-22

19 Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, that ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

21 A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

22 And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

What does a "woman in travail" or a woman about to give birth to a baby have to do with Jesus "going away for a little while" and then returning?

Find the Spiritual meaning of the Key Words or Real Objects and you will discover the Spiritual meaning of the "Acted Parable".

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")


3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

WOMAN


TRAVAIL

BABY. CHILD

BORN

Key Word 

**WOMAN = ?**  
(pure, dressed in white)




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**WOMAN = God's church**  
(Pure) (True Church)

**ISA 54:5,6** "Thy Maker is thy husband, the Lord of Hosts is His name. . . the Lord hath called thee, as a woman. . . and a wife. . ."

**REV 19:7,8** ". . . the marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife. . . arrayed in fine linen, clean and white. . ."

Key Word 


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Key Word 

**BABY = ?**  
(babe, child)



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**BABY = Newly converted**  
Christian

**1 PETER 2:2** "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby."

**1 PETER 1:23** "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. . ."

**JOHN 16:21** A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

**Paraphrase:** A Church when she is in labor to bring people to conversion hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as spiritual birth or conversion occurs, she remembers no more the anguish, for joy that a man has been converted or "born again" into the Church.

**Summary:** Thus, Jesus was trying to tell His disciples, through the means of the "Acted Parable", that He had to leave them and return to Heaven, but while He was gone they had "work to do", to labor with people and bring them to conversion and into the Church.

**INTRODUCTION:** The following study shows that Jesus did **not** put His "private interpretation" on the real objects he used in His parables, but rather, He "searched the scriptures" to determine their spiritual meaning.

The Bible clearly tells us that Jesus was "in **all things**....made like unto his brethren." (Heb. 2:17) He **took not** on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham." (Heb. 2:16) Thus, Jesus did not use His Divinity for Himself, but would have had to grow up and do things as an ordinary man would do. This means that He would have had to study the Scriptures like an ordinary man would have to do in order to understand them. The Bible tells us that the knowledge or wisdom that Jesus possessed was **progressively obtained**.

"And the child (Jesus) **grew**, and **waxed (1)** strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him."

"And **Jesus increased (2) in wisdom** and stature, and in favor with God and man." Luke 2:52

From Strong's Concordance:

- |     |           |       |                           |
|-----|-----------|-------|---------------------------|
| (1) | Waxed     | #2901 | Increase, be strengthened |
| (2) | Increased | #4298 | To advance, to grow       |

God already has all knowledge and wisdom. He doesn't "increase in wisdom" as the Bible stated about Jesus. Thus, Jesus could not have been using his divinity or "God nature", but rather he was using his "human nature" as he learned and then taught.

By the age of 12 years old (Luke 2:42), Jesus already had an "**astonishing**" understanding of the Scriptures. (Luke 2:47)

His understanding of the scriptures was **far different** than the PhD's in Religion of his day. (Luke 2:46, 47) (Matt. 7:29)

Jesus said:

"The seed is the Word of God." (Luke 8:11) How did Jesus know that?  
By comparing the Old Testament Scriptures.

### **Seed**

Psalms 97:11 "Light is sown for the righteous..."

Psalms 119:105 "Thy Word is...a light unto my path."

Eccl.11:6 "In the morning sow thy seed."

### **Conclusion:**

"Light" is sown. But "light" is the Word.

Therefore, the Word is sown. Also the "seed" is sown.

Therefore, the "seed" is the Word which is sown. Just as Jesus said!!

Thus Jesus compared Scripture with Scripture in order to determine the spiritual meaning of the real objects in the parable.

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 7**

### **The Tongue of the Sucking Child**

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## Discovering HIDDEN TREASURE

BIBLE VERSE: Lamentations 4:4

**Lamentations 4:4** "The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the young children ask bread, and no man breaketh it unto them."

Think about the Physical:

Young (Physical) children are (physically) thirsty and hungry and no one will (physically) feed them.

Think about the Spiritual:

Young (Spiritual) children are (Spiritually) thirsty and hungry and no one will (Spiritually) feed them.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or "real things")

SUCKING CHILD (BABY)

YOUNG CHILDREN

BREAD

MILK (SUCKING)

EAT OR DRINK

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

Key Word



BABY = ?  
(Babe, child)



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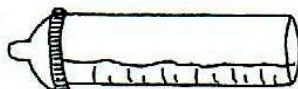
BABY = Newly Converted Christian

**1 Peter 2:2** "As newborn babies, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby."

Key Word



MILK = ?



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MILK = God's Word

(Basic principles)

"...The milk of the word..." **Heb 5:12**  
"... Ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God, and are become such as have need of milk..."

Key Word



CHILDREN (My) = ?

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CHILDREN (My) = God's People

1 John 3:10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: "who-soever doeth not righteousness is not of God," neither he that loveth not his brother.

1 John 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

Key Word



EAT = ?  
(break bread)

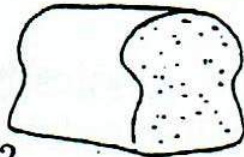
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EAT = Read (to gain knowledge)  
to "feed" = to "teach"

IERE 15:16 "Thy words were found and I did eat them: and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart"

ACTS 2:46 "... and breaking bread from house to house, did eat . . ."

Key Word



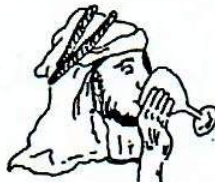
BREAD = ?

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BREAD = The Bible  
(God's Word)

MATTHEW 4:4 "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Key Word



DRINK = ?

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DRINK = To receive instruction

SONG OF SOL 8:2 "I would lead thee, and bring thee into my mother's house, who would instruct . . I would cause thee to drink."

Key Word



DRINK MILK = ?

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DRINK MILK = Unskillful  
in the use of the Bible

HEBREWS 5:13 "For everyone that useth milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness for he is a babe."

## Discovering HIDDEN TREASURE

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EAT OR DRINK

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

Newly converted Christian

more mature Christian

God's word (Bible)

The Gospel  
or

first principles of God's word

receive instruction

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4. Substitute the **Spiritual** meaning for the **real** objects and then paraphrase the **Main (Spiritual) thought**:

The \_\_\_\_\_ (sucking child)  
is thirsting for \_\_\_\_\_ (milk).  
The \_\_\_\_\_ (young children)  
asks for \_\_\_\_\_ (bread) but  
no one will \_\_\_\_\_ (feed him bread).  
(break it unto them)

(Answers on page 64 )

## The Parable of:

### “The Salt Of The Earth ”

(Matt. 5:13)

13 “Ye are the **salt** of the earth: but if the salt have lost his **savour**, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.”

In order to determine the (Spiritual) meaning of this parable we will have to “Compare Scripture with Scripture” to determine the (Spiritual) meaning of the real objects (salt).

(Spiritual)

**SALT = Gods’ People**

**Matt. 5:13**

13 Ye are the **salt** of the earth

(Spiritual)

**SALT = Gods’ Covenant**

**Leviticus 2:13**

13...neither shalt thou suffer the **salt** of the **Covenant** of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offerings with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

↑↑

↑↑

↑↑

**OR**

↓↓

↓↓

(Spiritual)

**SALT = God’s LAW**

(Ten Commandments)

**Deu. 4:13**

13 And He declared unto you **His Covenant**, which He commanded you to perform, even **Ten commandments**; and He wrote them upon two tables of stone.

So, the Bible says that “Salt” represents both God’s People and God’s Covenant or Law.

The *character* of salt is shown by its “savour”.  
 Similarly, the *character* of God is shown by His Law.

God is	The Law is	God	Law
Love	Love	I John 4:8	Rom.13:10
Eternal	Eternal	Gen. 21:33	Ps. 111:7,8
Unchangeable	Unchangeable	James 1:17	Matt. 5:18
Faithful	Faithful	I Cor.1:9	Ps. 119:86
Righteous	Righteous	Jer. 23:6	Ps.119:172
Spiritual	Spiritual	I Cor.10:4	Rom. 7:14
True	True	John 3:33	Ps. 19:9
Just	Just	Deut.32:4	Rom. 7:12
Pure	Pure	I John 3:3	Ps. 19:8
Perfect	Perfect	Matt. 5:48	Ps. 19:7
Holy	Holy	Isa 5:16	Rom. 7:12
Good	Good	Luke 18:19	I Tim.1:5

Thus, when the Bible says that “salt” represents God’s Law, it is saying that “salt” represents God’s **character**. Similarly, when the Bible says that “salt” represents God’s people, it is saying that “salt” represents the **character** of God’s people.

In the parable the salt had lost its “savour” or lost its “character”. Since salt represents God’s people (ye are the salt), then the parable is saying that Christians can lose their “character” just like salt can. Since God’s Law represents God’s “character”, when Christians stop obeying God’s Law, they stop representing God’s “character”! They no longer should be called “Christ”ians because they do **not** represent the “character” of **Christ**. They have lost their “savour”!

## Conclusions:

1. The literal meaning of the lost **"savour,"** when used to describe the salt means to **"become insipid."** The dictionary defines **"insipid"** to mean something that is weak and **characterless** and applies the meaning to both **food** and **persons**.
2. The (Spiritual) use of the word **"savour"** describes how Christ's **sacrifice** and **offering** of Himself for us is as a **"sweet smelling savour"** to God. Then the Bible compares the **"witness"** that we give of the knowledge we have of Christ, to being a **"sweet savour"** to God.

## Summary of Conclusions:

When Jesus described the salt and said **"Ye are the salt"** and then went on to say that **"if the salt have lost his savour,"** it was good for nothing, He was Spiritually saying:

### Paraphrase:

**You are like salt.** When salt loses its **"savour"** it becomes **"insipid"** or **"weak"** and loses the **"character"**, that salt is known for, which is to permeate and influence and change whatever it is put into. If it doesn't do this, then it is good for nothing but to be thrown out.

Similarly, you like the salt can become **"insipid"** or weak and lose the **"character"** that **Christians** are known for, which is to **witness** about **Jesus** with their mouth and to **represent Him in character** by the **actions** of their life. If Christians don't do that, they are good for nothing but to be **"cast out"**.

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The newly converted Christian (sucking child) is thirsting for basic Bible study (The Gospel) (milk).  
The more mature Christians (young children) asks for more advanced Bible study (bread) but no one will teach them the Bible (feed him bread).  
(break it unto them)

(This verse teaches the importance of continued Bible study after conversion and the hunger and thirst that exists because people are not being taught how to study the Bible by their leaders.)

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 8**

### **Butter and Honey Shall He Eat**

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## **“Butter and Honey Shall He Eat”**

**BIBLE VERSE: Isaiah 7:15**

Isaiah 7:15 **Butter** and **honey** shall he **eat**,  
that he may know to refuse the evil,  
and choose the good.

1. Think about the **PHYSICAL**:  
(What is the **Physical** thought about?)

**Physically** or literally this Bible verse says,  
“If I **eat butter** and **honey**, then I will know  
how to choose between good and evil.”

1 CO 2:14 But the **natural man receiveth not the things\***  
(Spiritual truth) of the **Spirit of God**: for they  
are **foolishness** unto him: **neither can he**  
**know them, because** they are **spiritually**  
**discerned**.

Eating **Real** or **Physical Butter** **cannot** help  
me to know how to choose between good  
and evil! Therefore, this Bible verse **must**  
be talking about **Spiritual Butter** and  
**Spiritual Honey**.

Let us “**discover**” what the Bible says that “**Spiritual Butter**” represents. But first we must **learn how to study**  
a “**word**” or subject in the Bible, so that we can “**discover**”  
its Spiritual meaning.

## How to Study a “Word” in the Bible

### 1. Use Inductive Reasoning

#### Inductive Reasoning

Inductive Reasoning is the process of bringing forward facts to prove something. It is the act or process of reasoning from parts to a whole or general conclusion. Many facts are examined, which apply to the subject being studied, in order to draw a general conclusion which is in agreement with all the facts.

#### Inductive Reasoning Applied to Bible Study

Many texts of Scripture, which apply to the subject being studied, are examined in order to draw a general conclusion based on the harmony or agreement of all the many texts studied.

2. Think about each text first as to the Physical meaning and then apply the Spiritual meaning of the real objects in the verse.

Now that we know the “Rules”, let us proceed to examine all the texts in the Bible that mention the word “butter”.

## **EXAMPLE:** A Bible study of the “word” **butter**

A. “word” **butter**

B. **Strong’s Concordance** lists the following texts in this order:

1. Genesis 18:8
2. Deuteronomy 32:14
3. Judges 5:25
4. 2 Samuel 17:29
5. Job 20:17
6. Job 29:6
7. Psalm 55:21
8. Proverbs 30:31
9. Isaiah 7:15
10. Isaiah 7:22

### **Bible Quote**

**Gen 18:8** And he took **butter** and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set it before them: and he stood by them under the tree, and they did **eat**.

**Deuteronomy 32:14** **Butter** of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat: and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.

**Judges 5:25** He asked water, and **she** gave him milk; she brought forth **butter** in a lordly dish.

**2 Samuel 17:29** And honey, and **butter**, and sheep, and cheese of kine, for David, and for the people that were with him, to eat: for they said, The people is **hungry**, and weary, and **thirsty**, in the wilderness.

**Job 20:17** He shall **not see** the rivers, the floods, the brooks of honey and **butter**.

### **Own Words**

1. **Literal meaning**
2. **Spiritual meaning**

1. Butter is something that can be **eaten**.
2. Butter is something that can be **read** or help you **gain knowledge**.

1. Butter is **physical food**.
2. Butter is **spiritual food or spiritual knowledge**.

1. Butter is something the **woman** gives us in a **lordly object**.
2. Butter is something the **church** gives us in an **object from the Lord!**

1. Butter is something that will satisfy our **physical hunger** and **physical thirst**.
2. Butter is something that will satisfy our **spiritual hunger** and **spiritual thirst**.

1. Butter is something that is **phy. hidden**.
2. Butter is something that is **spr. hidden**.

### Bible Quote

### Own Words

1. Literal meaning
2. Spiritual meaning

**JOB 29:6** When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil;

1. Butter is used to phy. wash my phy. steps.
2. Butter is used to spr. wash my spr. steps.  
(Butter is used to remove sin from my actions.)

**PSALMS 55:21** The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords.

1. Butter represents phy. words
2. Butter represents spr. words

**PROVERBS 30:33** Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

1. Butter comes from phy. churning phy. milk.
2. Butter comes from spr. churning spr. milk.  
(Butter comes from going back and forth in the Bible.)  
(Butter comes from comparing scripture with scripture.)

**ISAIAH 7:15** Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

1. Butter helps you to know to refuse evil and to choose good.

**ISAIAH 7:22** And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk that they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall everyone eat that is left in the land.

1. It takes an abundance of milk to be able to eat butter, but everyone that will be left in the land will eat butter.
2. It takes an abundance of Scripture to be able to understand the hidden treasure in the Bible, but everyone that will be left in the land will understand hidden truth.

**Conclusion:** Butter represents the Hidden treasure of the Bible that is not on the surface of scripture, but requires the comparison of scriptures to see the truth.

(“Spiritual Butter”)  
**THE HIDDEN TREASURE OF THE BIBLE**  
**(the knowledge of God)**

- Proverbs 2:3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge. . .  
Proverbs 2:4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her  
as for hid treasures;  
Proverbs 2:5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD,  
and find the knowledge of God.

Now, let us examine our original Bible Verse:

**BIBLE VERSE: Isaiah 7:15**

Isaiah 7:15 **Butter** and **honey** shall he **eat**, that he  
may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

2. Locate KEY WORDS in the verse:  
(usually nouns or “real things”)

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3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

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Paraphrase:

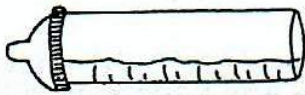
\_\_\_\_\_ (butter)

and \_\_\_\_\_ (honey) shall he

\_\_\_\_\_ (eat), that he may

know to refuse the evil and choose the good.

Key Word



MILK = ?

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MILK = God's Word  
(Basic principles)

"...The milk of the word..." Heb 5:12  
"... Ye have need that one teach you again  
which be the first principles of the oracles of  
God, and are become such as have need of  
milk..."

Key Word



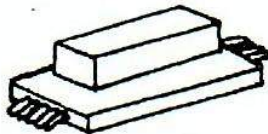
CHURN MILK = ?

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CHURN MILK = Compare Scripture  
with Scripture

To Churn = Go back and forth  
milk = God's word Hebrews 5:12  
Therefore: To "churn milk" means to "Go  
back and forth in God's Word" or  
"compare Scripture with Scripture"  
I Corinthians 2:13

Key Word



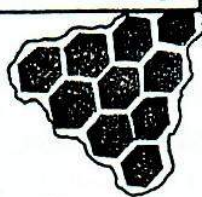
BUTTER = ?

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BUTTER = The hidden treasure  
in God's word

PROVERBS 30:33 "The churning of  
milk bringeth forth butter. . . (To "churn  
milk" go back and forth in God's word.)  
JOB 20:17 "He (the wicked) shall not  
see the rivers, the floods, the brooks of  
honey and butter."

Key Word



HONEY = ?  
(Honeycomb)

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HONEY = God's words  
(Honeycomb) (10 commandments LAW)

PSALM 119:103 "How sweet are Thy words  
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perfect. . . the commandment of the Lord is pure.  
. . . sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb."

Key Word



EAT = ?  
(break bread)

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EAT = Read (to gain knowledge  
or understanding)

JERE 15:16 "Thy words were found and  
I did eat them: and thy word was unto  
me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart."

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BUTTER

HONEY

EAT

3. Discover their SPIRITUAL MEANING:  
(by using the BIBLE WORD PICTURES)

The hidden treasure in God's word the knowledge of God.

God's words  
(10 commandments LAW)

(To gain knowledge or understanding)

Paraphrase:

*(hidden treasure)*  
The Hidden knowledge of God (butter)

and God's Law (honey) shall he

gain understanding of (eat), that he may

know to refuse the evil and choose the good.

## ISAIAH 7

14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

Thus, the Bible prophesied that Jesus or "Immanuel" would study the Bible and "compare scripture with scripture" so that he could understand (eat) the hidden wisdom of God (butter) and his Law (honey).

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 9**

### **The Two Edged Sword and The Strange Woman**

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## The Two-Edged Sword

In Class #8 we learned how to use **Inductive Reasoning** to examine Bible texts with the word “butter” to determine their Physical as well as their Spiritual meaning.

In Class #9 we are again going to use **Inductive Reasoning** to examine the phrase “Two-Edged Sword” and see if we can “discover” its Spiritual meaning as we “compare Scripture with Scripture”.

1. Use Inductive Reasoning

### **Inductive Reasoning applied to Bible Study**

Many texts of Scripture, which apply to the subject being studied, are examined in order to draw a general conclusion based on the harmony or agreement of all the many texts studied.

2. Think about each text first as to the Physical meaning and then apply the Spiritual meaning of the real objects in the verse.

**Example: A** Bible study of the “word” twoedged

A) “Word”: Twoedged

B) Strong’s Concordance lists the following texts in this order:

1. Psalm 149:6                      3. Hebrews 4:12
2. Proverbs 5:4                    4. Revelation 1:16

C) There are only four places in the Bible where the “word” twoedged is used. We will write out the full text as given in the Bible and then think about each verse to discover the most important fact that each verse is revealing about the “word” twoedged. Then we will write our conclusion in our own words.

### Bible Quote

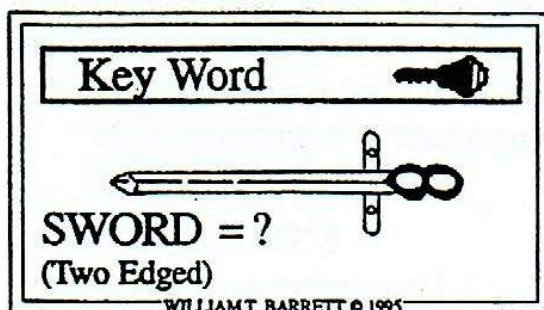
### Own Words

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| <p>1) Psalm 149:6<br/>“Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a <u>twoedged</u> sword in their hand.”</p> <p>2) Proverbs 5:4<br/>“But *her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a <u>twoedged</u> sword.”<br/>*Key word: Woman=church<br/>Proverbs 5:5 show to be <u>evil woman</u> or <u>false church</u></p> <p>3) Hebrews 4:12<br/>“For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any <u>twoedged</u> sword. . .”</p> <p>4) Revelation 1:16<br/>“And He had in His right hand seven stars and out of His mouth went a sharp <u>twoedged</u> sword: and His countenance was as the sun shineth in His strength.</p> | <p>1) Literal Meaning<br/>2) Spiritual Meaning</p> <p>1) The <u>twoedged</u> sword is to be in our hand.<br/>2) The <u>Bible</u> is to be in our hand.</p> <p>1) The <u>twoedged</u> sword will end the life of a woman.<br/>2) The <u>Bible</u> will end the power of the false <u>church</u>.</p> <p>1) The <u>twoedged</u> sword is the Word of God.<br/>2) The <u>twoedged</u> sword is the <u>Bible</u>.</p> <p>1) The <u>twoedged</u> sword came from the mouth of God.<br/>2) The <u>Bible</u> came from the mouth of Jesus.</p> |
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D) Now we will go back and look at the story that the “word” twoedged has told us: twoedged sword=the Bible.

1. The Bible is to be in our hand.
2. The Bible will end the power of the false church.  
(Because we will see the truth.)
3. The Bible is the twoedged sword.  
(It is our powerful weapon to overcome evil.)
4. The Bible has come from the mouth of Jesus Himself.  
(We can trust what Jesus has told us.)

We have just learned that the  
“**Two-Edged Sword**” represents the **Bible**.



**SWORD = God's word**  
(Two Edged) (Bible)  
**Heb 4:12** “For the Word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword . . .”  
**Eph 6:17** “And take . . . the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God.”

Why do you think the Sword has “**Two**” Edges ?

What is this telling us about the Bible?

(Note: to prove this a study of the word “**edges**” should be made.)

Now, let's look at a Bible verse that speaks of a “**Strange Woman**” who “meets her end” by the “**Two-Edged Sword**”.

## The Strange Woman

BIBLE VERSE: (Proverbs 5:3,4)

“For the lips of the strange woman drop as the honeycomb,

and her mouth is smoother than oil:

But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword .”

2. Locate Real Objects in the verse:  
(Things you can see or touch)

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3. Discover their Spiritual Meaning:  
(by using the Bible Word Pictures)

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**Key Word** 

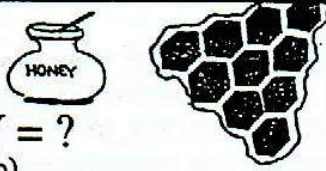


**STRANGE WOMAN = ?**

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**STRANGE WOMAN = False church**  
Proverbs 2:16,17 "To deliver thee from the strange woman . . . from the stranger which . . . forgetteth the covenant of her God."  
I Kings 8:41 "... concerning a stranger that is not of thy people..."  
 (See also: Proverbs 6:23,24)

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**OIL = ?**  
**OR**  
**OINTMENT = ?**

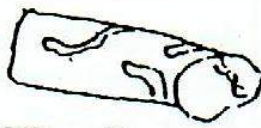


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**OIL = HOLY SPIRIT**  
1 Samuel 16:13 "Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the spirit of the Lord came upon David from that day forward..."

**OINTMENT = HOLY SPIRIT**  
Exodus 30:25 "And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, and ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil."

**Key Word** 



**WORMWOOD = ?**

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**WORMWOOD = Judgement**

Amos 5:7 "Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth. . ."

2. Locate Real Objects in the verse:  
(Things you can see or touch)

Woman (strange)

Honeycomb ("as the")

Oil ("smoother than")

Wormwood

Sword (two edged)

3. Discover their Spiritual Meaning:  
(by using the Bible Word Pictures)


False Church


("as the") (Counterfeit)  
Law of God = Commandments

("smoother than") (Counterfeit)  
Holy Spirit = Spirit

Judgment

Word of God, Bible


Key Word 

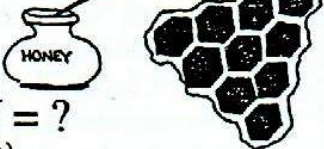


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## The Strange Woman

**BIBLE VERSE:** Proverbs 5:3,4

“For the lips of the strange woman drop as the honeycomb,

and her mouth is smoother than oil:

But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.”

4. **REWRITE THE VERSE:** (Substitute the **Spiritual Meaning** of the **Real Objects** back into the Bible verse and Paraphrase the verse to discover what God is saying to us **Spiritually!**)

The words (lips) of the \_\_\_\_\_ (strange)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (woman)

sound like \_\_\_\_\_ “as the”  
\_\_\_\_\_ (honeycomb),  
(but they aren’t)

and her voice (mouth) sounds like

\_\_\_\_\_ “smoother than”  
the \_\_\_\_\_ (Oil):  
(but it isn’t)

But her end will be bitter as she

is \_\_\_\_\_ (wormwood)

by the \_\_\_\_\_ (two-edged)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (sword).

## **Spiritual Implication:**

So, the **Bible** warns us that there will be  
**False Churches**  
that will **counterfeit God's Words**  
and even **counterfeit His Holy Spirit!**

The **Bible** also tells us **how to tell** if the  
Church is a **False Church**--by **judging it**  
**by the Bible itself!**

In other words, **to Compare**  
  
the teachings of the **Bible**  
to  
the teachings of the **Church**.

### **Note: 1**

If the teachings of the Church  
are different from the Bible,  
they are false teachings and  
it is a False Church.

### **Note: 2**

No one believes they attend a  
False Church, yet many people do  
according to the Bible.  
Each of us should "check out"  
The Church we attend and  
be sure its teachings agree  
with the teachings of the Bible!

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 10**

### **The 23rd Psalm**

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Discovering the Hidden Treasure in:  
"The 23rd Psalm"

The 23rd Psalm has comforted people for many years. On the surface we cannot help but see Gods' Love and Care for us! But is there more, below the surface, that perhaps we have not seen as clearly?

Lets take a look at this beautiful part of the Bible and see what we can learn. First we will look at the 23rd Psalm Physically  
and then  
we will see what it is saying to us Spiritually

The 23rd Psalm

- :1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
- :3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- :4 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.
- :5 Thou preparest a table in the presence of  
mine enemies: thou anointest my head  
with oil; my cup runneth over.
- :6 Surely goodriess and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in  
the house of the LORD for ever.

Now, lets see what God offers us "Physically."

On the Surface of Scripture, God wants to provide these **"Physical"** things for us:

1. Someone to care for us (shepherd)
2. Assurance that our needs will be met (I shall not want)
3. A place to rest (lie down)
4. Food to eat (green pastures)
5. Guidance (leadeth me)
6. Water to drink (still waters)
7. Restoration of our whole being (restoreth my soul)
8. A path for us to follow (paths of righteousness)
9. Freedom from fear (I will fear no evil)
10. Friendship (Thou art with me)
11. Physical protection and security (thy rod and staff comfort me)
12. An invitation to dine with Him (thou preparest a table before me)
13. Oil to anoint our head with (thou anointest my head with oil)
14. A place to live, a full cup, and goodness and mercy all the days of our life.

Now, lets see what God offers us **"Spiritually."**

## The "Spiritual meaning of the 23rd Psalm

In order to determine the "Spiritual" meaning we must locate the Key words which are usually Real Objects and then discover their Spiritual meaning by using the Bible Word Pictures.

Since there are so many Key words in this Psalm, in order to save space, they will be listed and no Bible Word Pictures will be shown, but the Bible Texts will be listed.

### The 23rd Psalm

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<u>Key Word</u>	<u>Spiritual Meaning</u>	<u>Text</u>
shepherd	Pastor or Minister	Jer. 50:6, 23:1,2
lie down	rest, Sabbath	Prov. 3:24
green	hope, living	Jer. 17:7,8
pastures	spr. food for spr. sheep (the Bible-Gods Word)	Ezk. 34:14
waters (still)	people of God	Isa. 8:6,7, Psa. 65:7
path	the way (Jesus)	Job 6:18, Psa 25:4
name	character	Ezk. 36:20-27 Ex. 34:5-7
walk	go, do	Ex. 16:4
valley	low point, decision	Isa. 40:4, Joel 3:14
shadow of	doing evil	Job 34::22, Job 38:17
death		
rod and staff	strength	Psa. 110:2
table	Bible, Word of God	Isa. 30:8, Psa. 69:22, 23
head	mind	Dan 2:28, 29
oil	Holy Spirit	1 Sam. 16:13
cup	life experience	Mat. 23:25-28; 26:39

### The 23rd Psalm

- :1 The Lord is my \_\_\_\_\_ (shepherd);  
I shall not want.
- :2 He maketh me to \_\_\_\_\_ (lie down)  
in \_\_\_\_\_ (green) \_\_\_\_\_ (pastures):  
he leadeth me by \_\_\_\_\_ (still waters).
- :3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the  
\_\_\_\_\_ (paths) of righteousness for  
his \_\_\_\_\_ (name's) sake.
- :4 Yea, though I \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) through  
\_\_\_\_\_ (valley) of  
\_\_\_\_\_ (shadow of death),  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
\_\_\_\_\_ (thy rod and staff)  
comforts me.
- :5 Thou preparest \_\_\_\_\_ (table) before me  
in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my \_\_\_\_\_ (head)  
with \_\_\_\_\_; (oil)  
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### The 23rd Psalm

- :1 The Lord is my pastor (shepherd); I shall not want.
- :2 He maketh me to rest (lie down)  
in the hope (green) of His Word (pastures):  
he leadeth me by His People (still waters).
- :3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the  
way (paths) of righteousness for  
his character's (name's) sake.
- :4 Yea, though I go (walk) through  
low points of bad decisions (valley) of  
doing evil (shadow of death),  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
your strength (thy rod and staff) comforts me.
- :5 Thou preparest Spr. Feast-The Bible (table)  
before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my mind (head)  
with the Holy Spirit ; (oil)  
my life experience (cup) runneth over.
- :6 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.

### The 23rd Psalm (Paraphrased)

- :1 The Lord is my **Pastor**: I have all I need.
- :2 He gives me **spiritual rest** and **hope** as I study **His Word** with the help of **people who serve Him**.
- :3 He repairs my life and shows me the **right way** to do things so that I may show what **His Character** is like.
- :4 Yes, though I go through some **low points making bad decisions and doing evil**, I will not be afraid of sin or Satan: for Jesus is with me: **His strength** and the **Holy Spirit** are mine.
- :5 He has prepared **His Word** to protect me when enemies are all around me: He has sent the **Holy Spirit** to guide my mind. My **life experience** is full and overflowing.
- :6 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.

Now, we see all the things that the Lord wants to do for us "**Spiritually**" to **change us** and **make us like Him!!!**

John 10:11 “I am the Good Shepherd; the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.”



# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 11**

### **The Plan of Salvation**

(Shown by the Order and Names of Adam  
and his 9 "sons" as listed in Luke 3:36-38)

**and**

### **The Plan of Salvation**

(Shown by the Order and Names  
of the Books of the Bible)

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## Using the Concordance to Discover the "Plan of Salvation"

At the very beginning of this class, in the Workbook, before class #1, we learned "How to use a Concordance" and how to discover the meaning of a word by using the Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries in the back of the Concordance.

By looking up the meaning of the names of Adam and his nine descendents in their order until the flood, we will discover the Plan of Salvation!

This remarkable illustration shows the Divine Inspiration of the Bible, very clearly! It also shows what a LOVING GOD we serve! 2 Timothy 3:16 - "All scripture is given by inspiration of God. . ."

The "chance" that these names just "happened" to be in the right order and just "happened" to have the right meaning is beyond coincidence!

See for yourself as you see the Plan of Salvation unfold before your eyes in the:

"Names of Adam and his nine descendents"

## THE PLAN OF SALVATION

(SHOWN BY THE ORDER AND NAMES OF ADAM AND HIS NINE "SONS" AS LISTED IN LUKE 3:36-38)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>PARAPHRASE</u>
<u>ADAM</u> (0120)	MAN	A <u>MAN</u>
<u>SETH</u> (08352)	SUBSTITUTED	WILL BECOME A <u>SUBSTITUTE</u>
<u>ENOS</u> (0583 → 0582)	MORTAL MAN	FOR <u>MORTAL MAN</u> . (SUBJECT TO DEATH)
<u>CAINAN</u> (07018 → 07064)	DWELLING	HE WILL LEAVE HIS <u>DWELLING PLACE</u> ,
<u>MAHALALEEL</u> (04111 → 04110 → 01984) ↓ (0410)	GIVE LIGHT, ALMIGHTY	AND COME TO BE THE <u>LIGHT</u> OF THIS WORLD. THE <u>ALMIGHTY</u> GOD HIMSELF.
<u>JARED</u> (03382 → 03381)	TO DESCEND	WILL <u>DESCEND</u> TO THIS EARTH,
<u>ENOCH</u> (02585 → 02596)	TO INITIATE, DISCIPLINE	TO <u>INITIATE</u> LOVE AND <u>DISCIPLINE</u> IN MANKIND.
<u>METHUSELAH</u> (04968 → 04962 → 07973)	MAN OF THE SPEAR, TO BRING	A <u>SPEAR</u> WILL PIERCE HIS SIDE, BUT HIS DEATH <u>WILL</u> <u>BRING</u> ,
<u>LAMECH</u> (HEB. 03929) (GRK. 2984 → 2982 → HEB. (04100 → 04101)	MIGHTY, POWER	<u>POWER</u> AND
<u>NOAH</u> (05146 → 05118)	REST	<u>REST</u> TO THE HUMAN RACE.

Now, lets use our Concordance and look at the names of the Books of the Old Testament in the Bible in their order.

## THE PLAN OF SALVATION

(Shown by the Order and Names of the Books of the Bible O.T.)

GENESIS--**Beginning**, Origin  
(Greek-see Dictionary)

In the **beginning**

EXODUS--**Departure**, Leaving  
(Greek-see Dictionary)

Man **departed** from

LEVITICUS--Book of **Laws**

Keeping Gods' **Laws**

NUMBERS--to **Mark**  
(5615, 5608) - Heb. Dict.

The human race was  
**marked** for death because  
of disobedience.

DEUTERONOMY--**2nd Law**  
(Greek-see Dict.)

The **law** was given a **2nd**  
time and God promised to

JOSHUA--Jehovah Saved, **Saviour**  
(3091, 3467) - Heb. Dict.

Send a **Saviour** to deliver  
His people from

JUDGES--Pronounce **sentence**  
(8199) - Heb. Dict.

The **sentence** of death that  
had been pronounced  
upon them.

RUTH--**Friend**  
(7327)

He was to be their **friend**.

I, II SAMUEL--**Heard** of God  
(8050)

One who was **heard** by God.

I, II KINGS--**King**, Royal  
(4428)

A **King**, part of the Royal  
Family.

I, II CHRONICLES--A **matter** spoken  
(1677, 3117)

He **spoke** of the **matter**  
with His Father and

EZRA--Aid, **Helped**  
(5830)

Offered His **help** and aid.

NEHEMIAH--**Sorry**, Consolation  
(5166)

He felt **sorry** for man and  
came to earth to console us.

ESTHER--Hadassah-Myrtle **tree**  
(653, 1919)

He knew He would have to  
die on a **tree** and

JOB--**Hated**, Persecuted  
(347)

Become **hated** and persecuted  
for our sakes.

PSALMS--To **Strike**, Song  
(2167, 2172)

They **struck** Him, but his song  
was always praise for His Father.

PROVERBS--**Superior**  
(4912)

He overcame and was  
**superior** to our enemy Satan.

<u>ECCLESIASTES</u> --The <b>Preacher</b> (Greek-1577) (Heb. - 6953)	He was a <b>preacher</b> of good tidings to the people, and
<u>SONG OF SOLOMON</u> -- <b>Peaceful</b> (8010)	A man of <b>peace</b> instead of war.
<u>ISAIAH</u> --To be <b>Free</b> , (3470) Jehovah saved	He spoke to men of being <b>free</b> from the captivity of Satan and of their hope of being <b>saved</b> by God.
<u>JEREMIAH</u> --Jehovah will rise (3414)	He told them that He would <b>rise</b> from
<u>LAMENTATIONS</u> -- <b>Funeral dirge</b> (7015)	The <b>grave</b> after being crucified.
<u>EZEKIEL</u> --God will <b>strengthen</b> (3168)	After returning to heaven, God would <b>strengthen</b> His people.
<u>DANIEL</u> --Judge or <b>judgement</b> (1840) of God	During the <b>judgement</b> He would
<u>HOSEA</u> -- <b>Deliverer</b> (1954)	Be their <b>deliverer</b> as He represents them before
<u>JOEL</u> --Jehovah is his God (3100)	His Father, who is God.
<u>AMOS</u> -- <b>Burdensome load</b> (5986)	Through mediation He would remove their <b>burdensome load</b> of sin,
<u>OBADIAH</u> -- <b>Serving Jehovah</b> (5662)	As they served God.
<u>JONAH</u> -- A Dove, warmth (3124)	He promised to send the <b>Holy Spirit</b> to <b>warm</b> them with God's love.
<u>MICAH</u> --Who is like Jehovah (4318)	Who is like our God?
<u>NAHUM</u> --Comfortable, Console	He comforts and <b>consoles</b> us.
<u>HABAKKUK</u> -- <b>Embrace</b> (2265)	He <b>embraces</b> us with His arms of love and
<u>ZEPHANIAH</u> --Jehovah has (6846) <b>covered</b>	Has <b>covered</b> our sins.
<u>HAGGI</u> -- <b>Festive</b> (2292)	It will be a <b>festive</b> and joyous occasion when
<u>ZECHARIAH</u> --Jehovah has (2148) <b>remembered</b>	He <b>remembers</b> His promise to return for His
<u>MALACHI</u> --Messenger, (4401) to <b>minister</b>	Messengers who have <b>ministered</b> to the needs of others as He did.

Once again, we have seen an astounding thing! All 39 Books of the Old Testament are in the exact order and have the exact meaning to plainly tell us the Story of the Plan of Salvation!

In our very first lesson #1, we discovered the Plan of Salvation in the Colors.

Now, we have seen "The Plan" in the Names of Adam and his Nine decedents and also in the Names and Order of the Books of the Old Testament.

The Bible Stories themselves also reveal the Plan of Salvation.

The story of Abraham and his willingness to sacrifice his only son, and Isaac's willingness to die, reminds us of Gods' willingness to give His only Son, Jesus and His willingness to die for us.

Jesus and His Father have revealed their LOVE for US so plainly, that as the Bible says, only

"The fool hath said in his heart there is no God."

If you have concluded that there is a God, what are YOU doing to show YOUR LOVE for HIM?

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE OF UNDERSTANDING AN "ACTED PARABLE"  
THROUGH THE USE OF "KEY WORDS"

Acted Parable of : JESUS HEALING THE MAN WITH Palsy

MAT 9:2 And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.

Comment 1 In order to learn more about this man that was healed, we need to "compare scripture with scripture". To do this we locate a "Key Word" in the scripture we have started with and then using a Concordance we can discover other scriptures discussing the same subject.

Key Word: Palsy

MAR 2:2 And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them.

MAR 2:3 And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.

MAR 2:4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.

MAR 2:5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

LUK 5:18 And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before him.

LUK 5:19 And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with his couch into the midst before Jesus.

LUK 5:20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.

Thus, by "comparing the scriptures" written by Mark and Luke we have discovered a lot more about this man with palsy.

Comment 2: In order to learn more about this man with Palsy, we could use the Greek Dictionary in the back of Strong's Concordance and discover what kind of illness "Palsy" is.

Strong's Greek Dictionary —Ref # 3885--paralutikos--paralytic  
from---Ref# 3886--paralyzed

Thus, the man with Palsy was Physically paralyzed (not able to physically move on his own)

Comment 3: In order to learn still more about "Palsy" we could again "compare scripture with scripture" and look at other texts that talk about Palsy besides the texts that describe the particular man and story in the above texts.

Key Word: Palsy

MAT 4:24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

MAT 8:6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

Thus, Palsy was associated with devil possession or "being controlled by Satan".

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### Summarizing What We Have Learned (on the surface of scripture about the Physical )

1. The man with Palsy was physically paralyzed and not able to physically do what he wanted to do.
2. Palsy was associated with devil possession or being controlled by the devil.
3. Four friends brought the man with Palsy to Jesus.
4. There were many people that blocked the way as the four friends tried to bring their friend, the man with Palsy, to Jesus.
5. The four friends would not give up when people blocked their way. They went up on the roof and opened it so that they could bring their friend with Palsy, physically, to Jesus.
6. Because of the faith of the four friends , Jesus was able to physically heal the man with Palsy.
7. When Jesus healed the man with Palsy He said, "Thy sins be forgiven thee" instead of "thy illness be cured". This can only mean that He wanted us to consider the man as being Spiritually healed rather than Physically healed in this "Acted Parable".

Physical or Literal : On the surface of Scripture the words tell us what Jesus wanted to do Physically for the man with Palsy.

Spiritual: Below the surface of Scripture, the deeper hidden meaning, tells us what Jesus wanted to do Spiritually for the man with Palsy.

### Summarizing What We Have Learned (below the surface of scripture about the Spiritual )

1. In the "Acted Parable" the man with "Palsy" represents a person who is "Spiritually Paralyzed" and not able to do what he wants to do Spiritually. In other words a typical human being like Paul who said "...how to perform that which is good I find not. For the good that I would I do not : but the evil which I would not , that I do." Rom. 7:18,19
2. Spiritual Paralysis is associated with devil possession or "being controlled by the devil". We want to do good, but we can't by our selves, because the devil is too strong for us.
3. Friends can "bring a friend to Jesus", Spiritually, through prayer and Bible study.
4. As we try to "bring our friends to Jesus" by studying with them and praying for them, the devil will use many people to "block the way to Jesus" .
5. We are not to give up when people block our way, but we are to continue to take our friends to the highest possible point ,heaven, through our prayers and Jesus will hear and answer them !
6. Because of our faith, Jesus will be able to heal our friend Spiritually and free them from the control of Satan !
7. Jesus will say "Thy sins be forgiven thee" and our friend will be Spiritually well , and able to do what he wants to do spiritually , with the Help of Jesus !!!

# **The Bible Made Simple**

## **Lesson 12**

### **The "Plan"**

**and**

### **Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus**

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Understanding an "Acted Parable" Using **KEY WORDS**  
**Acted Parable of: "Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus"**

- MAR 10:46 And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, **blind** Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the highway side begging.
- MAR 10:47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me.
- MAR 10:48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, Thou son of David, have mercy on me.
- MAR 10:49 And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.
- MAR 10:50 And he, casting away his **garment**, rose, and came to Jesus
- MAR 10:51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my **sight**.
- MAR 10:52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

The relationship of a real Bible Story to Spiritual truth.

1.) Examine the Bible story in terms of what happened in the real world with respect to each real object (physical). Place the word "real" or "physical" before each real object, as you read the story. (It helps to write a paraphrase of your own and write the word "real" "physical" before each real object in the story.

**Physical:** On the surface of Scripture, the words of the "Acted Parable" tell us that a man who was **physically blind** called out to Jesus, as the "son of David", to heal him and give him physical sight. Jesus heard his call, and commanded him to **physically** come to Him. The blind man responded by casting his physical garment away and coming physically to Jesus. The blind man received the gift of physical sight from Jesus and **physically followed Jesus in the way**.

It was the faith of the blind man that allowed Jesus to "make him whole".

- 2.) Then, re-examine the Bible story by placing the word "spiritual" before each real object, and re-read the story.

**Spiritual:** Below the surface of Scripture, the "Acted Parable" tells us that a man who was \_\_\_\_\_ blind called out to Jesus, as the "son of David", to heal him and give him \_\_\_\_\_ sight. Jesus heard his call, and commanded him to \_\_\_\_\_ come to Him. The blind man responded by casting his \_\_\_\_\_ garment away and coming \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus. The blind man received the gift of \_\_\_\_\_ sight from Jesus and followed Jesus in the way. It was the faith of the blind man that allowed Jesus to "make him whole".

- 3.) Now, substitute the "spiritual" meaning of each real object back into the story to see spiritual truth.

#### Key Words

blind- without light  
-in darkness

receive sight

son of David

Jesus (a son of David)

old garment

old garment (cast away)

follow Jesus (in the way)

made whole (by faith)

#### Spiritual Meaning

without understanding of truth  
Psm 119:130, Eph 4:18  
spiritually lost, without salvation  
2 Cor 4:3,4,6, Mark 4:11,12

receive "light" or truth Psm 119:130  
receive Jesus -the "Light"

Dauids' sons were given  
"a light forever" 2 Chron 21:7

Jesus--The Light of the World  
Isa 9:2, Mat 4:14-16, Jn 8:12

sinful life or character Zech 3:3,4,

sinfulness rejected Isa 64:6

follow the truth Jn 14:6  
Jesus the Way, the Truth

given the gift of salvation,  
spiritual wellness Eph 2:8, Rom 5:17

#### WHOLE

thy faith hath made thee w ..... Mk 10:52 4982

4982. σωζω sōzō, sode'-zo; from a primary σωs sōs (contr. for obs. σδος saōs, "safe"); to save, i.e. deliver or protect (lit. or fig.):— heal, preserve, save (self), do well, be (make) whole.

Understanding an "Acted Parable" Using **KEY WORDS**  
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**Spiritual:** Below the surface, the deeper hidden meaning, of the "Acted Parable" tells us: We are **spiritually blind, without understanding of truth and without salvation**. We need to "call out to Jesus", as the **Light of this world**, to heal us and give us **spiritual sight**. Jesus will hear our call and command us to **"come to Him spiritually"**. As we respond and **reject our sinful life**, He will receive us and **we will receive Jesus** and the **ability to understand truth**! We are then to **follow that truth**, that Jesus, the Way, The Truth, and The Life, has revealed to us. By faith in Him, we will be given the **gift of salvation and be made spiritually well**.

## APPENDIX: (Bible verses giving the Spiritual Meaning of the Key Words)

<u>Key Word</u>	<u>Spiritual Meaning</u>
<u>blind</u> (without light) -in darkness	(without understanding of truth, without salvation)
PSA 119:130	The entrance of <u>thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding</u> unto the simple.
2CO 4:3	But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to <u>them that are lost</u> :
2CO 4:4	In whom the god of this world hath <u>blinded the minds</u> of them which believe not, lest the <u>light of the glorious gospel of Christ</u> , who is the image of God, should shine unto them.
<u>son of David</u>	(Davids' sons were given a "light forever")
2CH 21:7	Howbeit the LORD would not destroy <u>the house of David</u> , because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as <u>he promised to give a light to him and to his sons for ever</u> .
<u>Jesus (a son of David))</u>	(Jesus--The Light of the World)
ISA 9:2	The people that <u>walked in darkness</u> have seen a <u>great light</u> : they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
JOH 8:12	Then spake <u>Jesus</u> again unto them, saying, <u>I am the light of the world</u> : he that followeth me <u>shall not walk in darkness</u> , but shall have the <u>light of life</u> .
<u>garment (cast away)</u>	(old life- old garment---(sinfulness rejected)
ZEC 3:3	Now Joshua was <u>clothed with filthy garments</u> ,.....
ZEC 3:4	And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, <u>Take away the filthy garments</u> from him. And unto him he said, Behold, <u>I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee</u> , and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.
<u>receive sight</u>	(receive "light" or truth (receive Jesus)
PSA 119:130	The entrance of <u>thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding</u> unto the simple.
JOH 8:12	Then spake <u>Jesus</u> again unto them, saying, <u>I am the light of the world</u> : he that followeth me <u>shall not walk in darkness</u> , but shall have the <u>light of life</u> .
<u>follow Jesus (in the way)</u>	(follow the truth - Jesus the Way, Truth, and Life)
JOH 14:6	<u>Jesus saith</u> unto him, <u>I am the way, the truth, and the life</u> :....
<u>made whole (by faith)</u>	(given the gift of salvation, (spiritual wellness)
EPH 2:8	For <u>by grace are ye saved through faith</u> ; and that not of yourselves: <u>it is the gift of God</u> :

## THE PLAN

Long ago there lived a man,  
He walked this earth,  
He had a plan.

From Heaven's Gates  
He traveled far,  
Past blinding sun  
and distant star.

Until He reached  
this planet small,  
He came for one,  
He came for all.

Not as a king,  
came He to earth,  
But a lowly babe  
came He by birth.

Born in a manger,  
on straw He laid,  
In the home of animals,  
He had made.

Why did He do this?  
This great King,  
This Ruler and Maker  
of everything!

Because of HIS LOVE  
for you and I,  
Because of HIS LOVE,  
that's why!!

I don't understand,  
you say to me,  
So I'll explain it  
so you can see.

Long ago  
when the world was new,  
This King made a person  
like me or you.

He gave him a brain  
to think and choose,  
And gave him power  
to obey or refuse.

Things went fine  
until one day,  
This person chose wrong,  
to disobey!

Because of his sin  
the man must die,  
Because of our sin  
so must you and I.

Was there no way out,  
to right this wrong?  
Must this be the end  
of a beautiful song?

All Heaven watches  
with bated breath,  
Is there a way  
to gain victory over death?

Yes, cries the King,  
I have a plan.  
I'll gain the victory  
over death for man!

There's a hush in Heaven,  
There is no more mirth.  
As the King tells his plan,  
To come to this earth.

Listening intently,  
the tears start to flood,  
As they learn their Creator,  
must shed His own blood!

Despised and rejected,  
Acquainted with grief,  
Crucified to death  
with a common thief!

Hung on a cross  
between earth and sky,  
The beings He loves,  
will cause Him to die!

To millions of angels,  
To His home in the sky.  
To His dearly loved Father,  
Our King says goodbye.

His journey has started,  
Let the contest begin.  
He will battle with Satan,  
Our freedom to win!

To Mary, a virgin,  
A baby is born.  
His birth will be questioned,  
And many will scorn.

But wise men will travel,  
From places afar.  
With gifts for our Saviour,  
They followed His star.

This helpless babe, Jesus,  
Satan now tries to kill.  
Through Herod the king,  
Satan works out his will.

To the land of Egypt,  
They fled in the night.  
And Satan was helpless,  
Though he used all his might.

When the danger was over,  
To Nazareth they came.  
A town very wicked,  
It had little fame.

Now a young boy,  
Jesus learns as we do.  
By studying the Bible,  
And the book of Nature too.

His Father Joseph,  
He helped as He could,  
In the carpenter shop,  
His hands worked with wood.

He increased in wisdom  
and stature and might,  
And to Mary His mother,  
was a joy and delight.

Jesus studied the scriptures,  
He knew they were true.  
He learned of His mission,  
And Work He must do.

To the synagogue  
He went one day,  
To hear the Pharisees  
teach and pray.

The message He heard,  
So proud and aloof,  
Jesus knew from His study,  
Was far from the truth!

Though only twelve,  
Jesus stood His ground,  
And taught from the Scriptures,  
Truths deep and profound!

Those learned men,  
With all their "schooling",  
Saw that with Jesus,  
There would be no "fooling".

When Jesus was thirty,  
To the river He went.  
To hear John the Baptist,  
Say confess and repent.

Behold the Lamb,  
the Holy One,  
John recognized Jesus  
as God's own Son.

Baptized with water  
and power from above,  
On Jesus, the Spirit,  
descends like a dove.

Into the wilderness,  
the Spirit led,  
Forty days fasting  
without any bread.

Satan tempts Jesus  
with power and might,  
But our Saviour stands firmly  
for truth and for right!

For each temptation,  
Satan tried to rehearse,  
It is written said Jesus,  
Quoting scripture and verse!

To the temple or church  
Jesus now pays a visit,  
Magnificent structure,  
The work is exquisite.

But inside the temple  
are robbers and thieves.  
It's too much for Jesus,  
His heart how it grieves!

He cleanses the temple  
and casts them out.  
My house is for prayer,  
He says with a shout!

The sick come to Jesus  
His LOVE is compelling.  
His touch brings comfort,  
To even the rebelling.

To the blind he gives sight,  
The lame can now walk.  
The deaf can hear,  
And the dumb can talk!

The children love Jesus,  
They run for His arm.  
They know that He loves them,  
He will do them no harm.

Jesus tells his disciples,  
As He holds one so small,  
You must love like this little one,  
Though you've grown up so tall.

To your neighbor show kindness,  
Whenever you can.  
Show My Love to others,  
Become a real man.

For a boat ride went Jesus,  
Out on the lake.  
He was tired and sleepy,  
So a nap He did take.

The wind came up,  
And the waves began to grow.  
His disciples were frantic,  
As the boat they did row.

As Jesus was sleeping,  
So peaceful that day,  
His disciples awoke Him,  
We perish! said they.

Then Jesus stood up  
and looked at the sea,  
The wind was howling,  
the waves high as could be.

PEACE, BE STILL said Jesus,  
words only three,  
But the wind stopped howling  
and the waves ceased to be!

All nature obeys Him,  
Both earth and sky.  
If mankind had obeyed Him,  
He wouldn't have to die!

If you love me,  
keep my commandments,  
Jesus said to his friends.  
But to many, this test,  
Seems to offend.

Only Jesus was perfect,  
No one can deny.  
But still Jesus tells us,  
My friends please try!

I will give you the power,  
To overcome sin.  
If you will open your heart to me,  
I will come in.

When you do your best,  
to obey My will,  
I've made provision,  
To save you still!

Though you fall short,  
And perfection lack,  
I died on the cross,  
By My blood, Bought you back!

By My-Righteous Life,  
I showed you how to live.  
And My Robe of Righteousness,  
To you I will give.

When your name comes up,  
In the records above,  
I'll be there to defend you,  
I'll show you My Love!

Though your sins were as scarlet,  
They will be white as snow.  
For your sins will be pardoned,  
Only My Life will show!

Jesus died for us,  
His life was not in vain!  
The words of the Bible,  
Make His Love very plain!

But the tomb of death,  
Could not hold Him!  
The stone was rolled away.  
Our Lord and Savior Jesus,  
Came forth at break of day!

When His work on earth  
was finished,  
His work in heaven  
would begin.

With words of  
"I am with you always",  
Jesus left for heaven again.

What has He been doing,  
Since He went away?  
He is our Great Mediator,  
In heaven every day.

When you take your eyes off Jesus,  
And Satan causes you to sin,  
He is there to help you,  
To forgive, and help you win!

When you confess your weakness,  
And tell Him all your pain,  
He will comfort you in trouble,  
Bring you sunshine, out of rain.

Many years have passed now,  
And His story has been told.  
His children dearly love Him,  
Be they young or be they old.

Black or yellow, brown or white,  
All are equal in His sight.

When will He come back?  
The signs are all foretold.  
Study Matthew 24 to see,  
What Jesus said of old.

The signs of Jesus coming,  
Show He's coming very soon!  
Once again our King will travel,  
Past distant star and golden moon.

To gather up His people,  
Who have loved Him,  
One and all.  
His voice will raise the dead,  
Who come forth at His call.

He will take us to a glorious land,  
Where all are happy and free.  
There will be no death or sadness,  
And the face of Jesus we will see.

On through endless ages,  
We will live and work and play.  
All because at one time,  
We stopped long enough to pray.

Our Saviour dearly loves us,  
He has formed a Perfect Plan!  
But without cooperation,  
He can't save a single man!

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