



STUDY GUIDE – STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 2

-The Sinners Need of Christ-

Memory Verses: Job 14:4 ; Acts 4:12 ; John 14:6

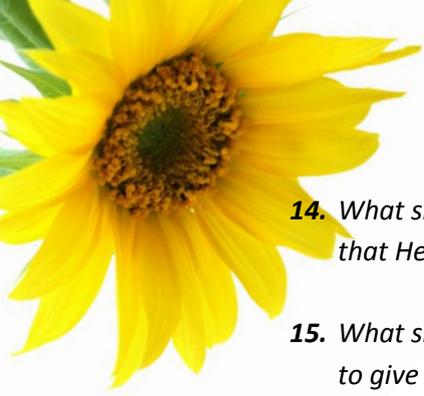


"Christ was the foundation of the whole Jewish economy. In the service of the Jewish priesthood we are continually reminded of the sacrifice and intercession of Christ. All who come to Christ today are to remember that His merit is the incense that mingles with the prayers of those who repent of their sins and receive pardon and mercy and grace. Our need of Christ's intercession is constant. Day by day, morning and evening, the humble heart needs to offer up prayers to which will be returned answers of grace and peace and joy. "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name. But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifice God is well pleased"

– **Bible Commentary Volume 6, 1078**

1. *What was man originally endowed with?*
2. *What happened through disobedience?*
3. *What was the condition of the unrenewed heart after sin?*
4. *Can the sinner be happy in God's presence?*
5. *Is it by arbitrary decree on the part of God that excludes the wicked from Heaven?*
6. *Is it possible for us to escape from the pit of sin?*
7. *What is needed before men can be changed from sin to Holiness?*
8. *What is the power referred to in question 7?*
9. *By which way could a sinner be restored to communion with God?*
10. *Through what did man alienate himself from God?*
11. *In what does Christ connect fallen man with the Source of Infinite Power?*
12. *Is there true excellence of character apart from Christ?*
13. *In giving up His Son, God has poured out what to us?*





14. *What should we try to do regarding the labour and energy that Heaven is expending to reclaim the lost?*
15. *What should be mighty incentives and encouragements to urge us to give the heart's loving service to our Creator and Redeemer?*
16. *What is presented in God's word to warn us against the service of Satan?*
17. *We should place ourselves in right relation to who?*
18. *We should avail ourselves of the means provided for us that we may be?*

"Remember that just as you are in your family, so will you be in the church. Just as you treat your children, so will you treat Christ. If you cherish an un-Christlike spirit, you are dishonoring God. . . . Position does not make the man. It is Christ formed within that makes a man worthy of receiving the crown of life, that fadeth not away. . . .

This is our washing and ironing time--the time when we are to cleanse our robes of character in the blood of the Lamb. John says, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." . . . Shall we not let Him take them away? Shall we not let our sins go."

– ***Bible Commentary Volume 5, 1131***





ANSWER SHEET – STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 2

1. **A. Noble Powers B. Well-Balanced Mind**
2. **A. His Powers were perverted B. Selfishness took the place of Love**
3. **A. Man could no longer find joy in Holiness B. He sought to hide from the presence of God**
4. **No**
5. **No, they are shut out by their own unfitness for it's companionship.**
6. **No, it is impossible for us of ourselves.**
7. **A. A Power working from within B. A new life from above**
8. **It is Christ**
9. **The Mystic Ladder = JESUS**
10. **Apostasy**
11. **In man's weakness and helplessness**
12. **No**
13. **All Heaven in one gift**
14. **Appreciate it**
15. **A. Exceeding rewards for right doing B. Enjoyment of Heaven
C. Society of the Angels D. Communion and Love of God and His Son
E. Elevation and Extension of all our powers throughout eternal ages**
16. **A. Judgments of God pronounced against sin B. Inevitable Retribution
C. Degradation of our character D. The final destruction**
17. **Him who has loved us with AMAZING LOVE**
18. **A. Transformed into His likeness B. Restored to fellowship with the ministering Angels. C. Restored to harmony & communion with the Father and the Son**





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OLD TESTAMENT

Job 14:4

NEW TESTAMENT

John 1:4, 29, 51 ; 3:3, 7 ; 14:6

Acts 4:12

Romans 7:12, 14, 16, 24 ; 8:7

1 Corinthians 2:14

Colossians 2:3

James 1:17





WHAT DOES IT MEAN? – STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 2

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Alienate

To estrange; to withdraw, as the affections; to make indifferent or averse, where love or friendship before subsisted; with from; as, to alienate the heart or affections; to alienate a man from the friends of his youth.

Apostasy

An abandonment of what one has professed; a total desertion, or departure from one's faith or religion.

Arbitrary

Depending on will or discretion; not governed by any fixed rules; as, an arbitrary decision; an arbitrary punishment.

Decree

In general, an order, edict or law made by a superior as a rule to govern inferiors. Established law, or rule.

In theology, predetermined purpose of God; the purpose or determination of an immutable Being, whose plan of operations is, like himself, unchangeable.

Endowed

Furnished with a portion of estate; having dower settled on; supplied with a permanent fund; indued.

Holiness

The state of being holy; purity or integrity of moral character; freedom from sin; sanctity.

Noble

Great; elevated; dignified; being above every thing that can dishonor reputation

Retribution

Repayment; return accommodated to the action; reward; compensation.



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