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[Note: Exercises #1,2,3,8,9 (#1 - prayer, #2 - worship, #3 – Quotes, #8 – Scripture Memory, #9 – Closing prayer) are similar. Exercises #4 through #7 (above) vary throughout the book]

CHAPTER 1

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Christianity isn't the only way to God.

Jesus said "He" is the only Way to God in John 14:6. Religion can't get us to God but putting our faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ brings God to us. We are imperfect and unholy. Because God is perfect and holy, He can only fellowship with people perfect and holy. Jesus was our "substitution" on the cross for our sins. Actually, if you think about it, Jesus who is God, came to us. He showed us the way to God through his death and resurrection on the cross. No other religious leader claimed to be God, did the miracles Christ did, or fulfilled prophecies the way Christ did.

4) NOW LET'S DO A "WARM UP" ACTIVITY. [12]

First, let's learn some ways to ask the teacher for help. These can be used anytime.

Teacher, how do you pronounce this word?
Teacher, what does this word mean?
Teacher, how do you spell (Jesus)?
(write a sentence). Teacher, could you correct my sentence please?

DIRECTIONS

1) Go into groups of 2. Choose a topic from the box below. Then write a short conversation with your partner. **THEN WRITE YOUR CONVERSATION. FINALLY, "SING" IT USING ANY CHRISTIAN SONG YOU WANT TO.**

Some Topics to Talk About:

Biblical figures, the fruit of the Spirit, Jesus Christ, ministry, marriage, family, the Scriptures, worship songs, prayer, future goals, Christian books, missions, your vision, etc.

FOR EXAMPLE:

A: How are you doing today brother? (All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name)
B: God is richly blessing my family and I'm so thankful to Him (As the Deer)
A: I'm happy to hear that. Jesus is good. (Blessed Assurance)
B: He sure is. Praise the Lord. He's always been good to me (Amazing Grace)

Song Names: (YOU MAY USE ANY “CHRISTIAN SONG” YOU WANT TO)

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| a) All Hail King Jesus b) All Hail the Power c) All That I Am d) All To Jesus e) Amazing Grace
f) As The Deer g) Blessed Assurance h) Christ the Lord Is Risen Today i) Crown Him With Many
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hh) What Child Is This |
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5) LET’S NOW DO AN EXERCISE ON “TIME MANAGEMENT”.

Everybody says there is not enough time in a day to do all the things they want to do. The problem isn’t the amount of time, but the lack of managing the hours in a day. [12]

DIRECTIONS

1) Go into groups of 3. Ask each other the following questions and make notes for later.

a) Do you feel you have enough time in a day to do everything you want to? (work, exercise, relax, entertainment, school, family, friends, etc.)
b) What things in your life do you spend too much time on?
c) What things in your life do you spend too little time on?
d) What are some things you wish you had more time for?
e) How could you find time to do the things you would like to do?
f) When people ask you to do something with them, do you have trouble saying “no” (you want to say “NO” but you just can’t)?
g) Do you feel you need to manage your time better?

2) Now here are some things that people usually do in their lives. Look at the list and “add” anything that is important to you. Then write down how many hours you think you spend a week doing them. (Just guess).

<u>PRAYER</u>	<u>EXERCISE</u>	<u>STUDYING TIME</u>	<u>SLEEPING</u>
<u>BIBLE MEDITATION</u>	<u>HOBBIES</u>	<u>FUN/RELAXATION</u>	<u>FRIENDS</u>
<u>CHRISTIAN SERVICE</u>	<u>WORK</u>	<u>CLASS TIME</u>	<u>FAMILY LIFE</u>
<u>BIBLE READING</u>	<u>EATING</u>		

3) Now, did you know there are 168 hours in a week (7 days times 24 hours/day)? See how many hours the above chart adds up to.

6) NOW LET'S MAKE A CHART OF YOUR LIFE. [12]

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Now, you are going to write down what you usually do every day of the week. This is **YOUR LIFE NOW**. Be honest so you can look at what you want to change.
- 2) When you are finished, go home and write/adjust your chart to fit the kind of lifestyle you would like to be living. It is a good idea to check your chart every month to see how you are doing. There is lots of time in a day. We just need to learn to manage it.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7:00 – 7:30							
7:30 – 8:00							
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11:30 – 12:00							

7) NEXT, LET'S PLAY A "CATEGORY" GAME. In your groups, you will compete to give the answers to these different categories.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break up into groups of three. One person will read the category.
- 2) Then, working together, try to guess the answers.

a) words that rhyme with "LOVE"	b) BIG THINGS in the Bible
c) Christian words that begin with "J"	d) Christian words that begin with "Z"
e) Famous Biblical cities	f) Biblical stories about "WATER"
g) MIRACLES of Jesus	h) famous "PRAYERS" in the Bible
i) BIBLICAL MIRACLES	j) famous BIBLICAL WOMEN
k) famous CHRISTIANS	l) biblical instances of NATURE (trees, etc.)
m) famous THREE'S in the Bible	n) famous CITIES in the Bible
o) times when Jesus was OPPOSED	p) CHRISTMAS SONGS
q) famous Christian HYMNS	r) famous PARABLES

3) Now, write down "five" of your own and share with your group.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW. This exercise will have you memorize a Bible verse from the 27 New Testament books.

[TEACHER: If you have time each week, after the Bible verse, have a student a) sing a worship song, b) share their testimony, c) share what God is doing in their life, or d) have them share a verse and talk about it. This can be done here EACH WEEK]

Matthew 9:37-38

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 2

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Christians are so judgmental of other religions.

If you use this kind of thought, you are making a "judgment" right there. Remember, other religions judge Christianity by saying "Jesus is not God", "Jesus is a myth", etc. Other religions talk against Christianity and nobody ever says anything against them. These other religions believe they are right also. But do you know any other religion that claims that their founder is God. Christianity claims that Jesus Christ is God. JESUS CHRIST NEVER SPENT HIS TIME JUDGING RELIGIONS - HE SPENT HIS TIME LEADING PEOPLE TO THE FATHER.

4) TODAY YOU ARE GOING TO LEARN HOW TO MAKE A "BUDGET" IN ENGLISH. A BUDGET HELPS YOU BE A GOOD STEWART OF THE TALENTS GOD HAS GIVEN YOU. [12]

DIRECTIONS

1) Go into groups of 2. This is a "Role Play". You will pretend to be a Christian couple making a "monthly budget" for the first time. Ask each other the questions and then make a budget for yourselves. Then fill in the budget below. Use your imaginations.

a) What is our monthly income?
b) How much do we pay for taxes each month? What is left over after taxes?
c) How much should we "tithe" this month? (10 % is the minimum – everything is God's)
d) How much are our monthly apartment maintenance fees (security, water, electricity, T.V., etc.)?
e) What do we pay for "gas" each month?
f) How much are our monthly car payments?
g) What do we pay each month for car repairs? ...for gas? for car insurance?
h) What's our monthly telephone bill?
i) What do we average each month for food?
j) How much do we spend for toiletries (toilet paper, Kleenex, shampoo, soap, etc.)?
k) What's the average monthly amount we spend on clothes?
l) How much do we pay for entertainment (movies, restaurants, etc.)?
m) How much do you give to charities (Red Cross, orphanage, Cancer fund, etc.) each month?
n) What are we putting aside (away) each month for our future vision?
o) How much do we save each month?

MONTHLY BUDGET:

Revenue	Expenses
Wages:	Tithe
Bank interest:	Maintenance Fee
Other income:	Gas
Total Revenue/Income:	Car payments
	Car insurance
	Car repairs/gas
	Telephone bill
	Food
	Toiletries
Revenue – Expenses = Savings	Clothes
	Entertainment
	Charities
	Our future vision

5) IN THIS EXERCISE YOU WILL PRETEND TO BE THE PERSON I TELL YOU TO BE. You're at a world conference on Prayer, Evangelism, and Missions. You're going to walk around the room and talk to people about different topics. [1,12]

[Teacher: There are 8 people below. If you have 18 students, make 3 groups of 6. **Don't allow the different groups to intermix**]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) I will give each one of you a different person to be. Write your information on a piece of paper. You will walk around your group and ask the other leaders their opinions about all these Christian issues.
- 2) It is important to remember to **a) stay in your group b) don't speak your native language and c) stay in small groups of 2 or 3 to talk.**

<p><u>BILLY JOHNSON</u> YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HOW WE CAN BETTER EVANGELIZE THE WORLD FOR JESUS CHRIST</p>	<p><u>RHONDA HILL</u> YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ORPHANS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.</p>	<p><u>MARY STEWART</u> YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SETTING UP PRAYER MOUNTAINS FOR PEOPLE TO COME TO AND PRAY</p>	<p><u>JOHN SCHMER</u> YOU WANT TO SET UP CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES TO TRAIN PEOPLE FOR GOD'S SERVICE</p>
<p><u>PETER GRANGER</u> YOU WANT TO SET UP COUNSELING OFFICES TO HEAL THE BROKEN HEARTED.</p>	<p><u>SUSAN PIERCE</u> YOU WANT TO SET UP CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES FOR THE SEXUALLY ABUSED</p>	<p><u>HAROLD SHORT</u> YOU WISH TO HELP SET UP PRAYER AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MISSIONARIES</p>	<p><u>SALLY JONES</u> YOU WANT TO HELP TRANSLATE BIBLES INTO LANGUAGES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD</p>

6) LET'S NOW LOOK AT THE SOME GUIDELINES FOR MARRIAGE. This is an excellent way to prepare for marriage or help counsel others who are thinking of getting married. Marriage is the second most important commitment we make. Its purpose is to glorify God. Many people think that "ministry" is more important then their marriage. Yet nothing undermines Christianity more than poor Christian marriages and divorce.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of three. Take some time to study about marriage preparation.
- 2) Then, answer the questions below.

Genesis 2:15-22

The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it you will surely die." (15-17)

Here we see that Adam was in right relationship with God. He was looking after God's business. Adam was willing to be obedient to God. His concern was not about finding a wife but obeying God.

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." (18)

God recognized Adam's need for companionship and a helper. He is the same God. He knows that man needs companionship and a helper. Note that Jesus (bridegroom) is waiting for His bride (the church) also. He knows what we feel. So as we recognize our need for "help" then God will bring a "suitable helper" for us. We are not to look, God is to bring. When we look, or others look for us, it is not of God. God is the matchmaker and His helper for us is "suitable." The woman's role is to recognize the person God is calling her to marry. She should ask God to remove any fear, doubt, or lack of faith from her heart. Marriage is not "romantic love" (that comes). It is "commitment and faith".

So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. (21)

Here, we see God working on the man's "flesh". The man ready for marriage must have his "flesh" or "carnal nature" dealt with. Otherwise, it will not be a spiritual union but a "carnal" or "fleshly" union. It is far better to have had the "flesh/carnal nature" dealt with to a large degree before the marriage than during.

Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, **and he brought her to the man.** The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh. The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame. (22-25)

God brought the woman to the man. God takes time to prepare a man and woman's heart for each other. He wants "godly offspring". He knows that only that which is spiritual pleases Him and will please us. God's timing is perfect.

1) Should we be looking for a wife or husband? Why or why not?
2) What is the reason for marriage?
3) Why are there so many divorces even in Christianity?
4) What is the best way to prepare for marriage?
5) Should couples be "intimate" before marriage? (kiss, hold hands, etc.)
6) What did you learn from this teaching? How would you counsel those planning on getting married?

7) NEXT, LET'S DO A DRAWING EXERCISE.

There are thousands of scriptures that use good "imagery" in the Bible. The Bible is an artist's playground as far as finding pictures to draw. In this exercise you will draw a picture from The Scriptures. [D]

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Break up into groups of 3 or 4.
- 2) Draw a picture using one of the Scriptures below.
- 3) Then "briefly" talk about your picture and the scripture with your partners.

Scripture	Teaching	Scripture	Teaching
Creation	<i>Genesis 1</i>	The Fall	<i>Genesis 3:1-7</i>
Cain & Abel	<i>Genesis 4:8-16</i>	Noah & the Flood	<i>Genesis 6:9 – 8:22</i>
The Tower of Babel	<i>Genesis 11:1-9</i>	Abraham and Isaac	<i>Genesis 22:1-19</i>
Esau and Jacob	<i>Genesis 25:27-34</i>	Joseph's Life	<i>Genesis 37-59</i>
Moses' Infancy	<i>Exodus 2:1-10</i>	Rahab & the Spies	<i>Joshua 2:1-7, 22-24</i>
The Fall of Jericho	<i>Joshua 6:15-21</i>	Ruth and Naomi	<i>Ruth 1-4</i>
David Anointed King	<i>1 Samuel 16:1-13</i>	David and Goliath	<i>1 Samuel 17:12-54</i>
The Fiery Furnace	<i>Daniel 3:8-30</i>	Daniel in the Lion's Den	<i>Daniel 6</i>
Jonah's Mission	<i>Jonah 1-4</i>		
Jesus' Birth	<i>Matthew 1:18-25</i>	Jesus' Birth	<i>Luke 2:1-20</i>
Visit of the Wise Men	<i>Luke 2:1-12</i>	The Boy Jesus (Temple)	<i>Luke 2:41-52</i>
The Baptism of Jesus	<i>Matthew 3:13-17</i>	Temptations of Jesus	<i>Matthew 4:1-11</i>
House on a Rock	<i>Matthew 7:24-27</i>	The New Birth	<i>John 3:1-8</i>
Woman at the Well	<i>John 4:1-42</i>	Fisher's of Men	<i>Luke 5:1-11</i>
Story of the Sower	<i>Matthew 13:1-23</i>	The Way of Life	<i>John 14:1-7</i>
The Prodigal Son	<i>Luke 15:11-32</i>	Jesus' Transfiguration	<i>Matt.16:28-17:1-8</i>
Mary and Martha	<i>Luke 10:38-42</i>	Zaccheus	<i>Luke 19:1-10</i>
Mary Anoints Jesus	<i>John 12:1-8</i>	The Last Supper	<i>Matthew 26:17-30</i>
Betrayal of Jesus	<i>Luke 22:1-6</i>	Jesus' Death	<i>Matthew 27:27-50</i>
Jesus' Resurrection	<i>Matthew 28:1-10</i>	Risen Jesus Appears	<i>Luke 24:13-35</i>
Birth of the Church	<i>Acts 2:37-47</i>	The Beautiful Gate	<i>Acts 3:1-16</i>
Ananias and Sapphira	<i>Acts 5:5:1-11</i>	Saul's Conversion	<i>Acts 9:1-9</i>
Peter Rescued	<i>Acts 12:1-19</i>	Paul and Silas	<i>Acts 16:19-34</i>
A New World	<i>Revelation 21:1-8</i>		

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A COUPLE OF BIBLE VERSES NOW:

Mark 14:38

*Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation.
The spirit is willing, but the body is weak."*

Luke 24:27

*And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets,
he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 3

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Christians put too much emphasis on the Bible.

It shows how we got here, man's fall, God's plan for salvation, and shows the future of mankind. The Bible is a unified book. Even though written by some 40 different authors over 1600 years, it is one book. Only God could have written such a unified book. Jesus Christ recognized and spoke of the Old Testament's credibility. History and archaeology provide many proofs of the biblical characters, events, and dates of the Bible. In many cases, the N.T. writers were eyewitnesses to Christ's miracles, fulfilled prophecy, life, death, resurrection, and ascension. The Bible was written by people from different time periods, social standings, and backgrounds. Yet the unity, literary expertise, and wonder of it is amazing. The total account of N.T. manuscripts is now around 5,000 with a 99+% accuracy of copy. No other book from history compares to it. Finally, Christians believe that it is literally God speaking to man. It's comforting to be spoken to by God on a daily basis.

4) NOW LET'S GUESS WHAT SOMEONE'S DOING BY LISTENING TO THE DESCRIPTION THEY GIVE. [7]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Cut up the descriptions below. Put them into a pile on the desk. Then take turns choosing a "phrase" from the pile.
- 2) "A" goes first and describes the action. Then the other two members try to guess what "A" is describing. (Let's look at the example.)

Example:

A: (Your phrase to talk about is "writing a letter of encouragement")

A:

"I'm taking out a pen and paper from my drawer."

"I'm sitting down at my desk"

"I'm thinking what to say to my friend"

"I'm addressing an envelop"

B: "You're 'writing a letter'".

DESCRIPTIONS:

MAKING LUNCH FOR THE CHURCH PICNIC	WORSHIPING JESUS	BUYING THE PASTOR LUNCH
DOING A BIBLE STUDY	PROPOSING MARRIAGE	PRAYING FOR SOMEONE
GETTING DRESSED FOR CHURCH	TAKING BIBLES TO CHINA	PRAYING AT THE DINNER TABLE
PLAYING THE DRUMS AT CHURCH	BUYING SOME SHOES FOR ORPHANS	DOING YOUR DEVOTIONS
OPENING THE DOOR FOR SOMEONE	OPERATING A COMPUTER	BOARDING AN AIRPLANE FOR CHINA
PACKING A SUITCASE FOR A MISSIONARY TRIP	FELLOWSHIPING WITH YOUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS AT CHURCH	GIVING MONEY TO A BROTHER FOR A MISSION TRIP
WITHDRAWING MONEY FOR A TITHE	SINGING CHRISTMAS CAROLS	INTERCEEDING FOR A NON-BELIEVER
WORKING IN THE CHURCH KITCHEN	FEEDING A BABY IN THE CHURCH NURSERY	COUNSELING A BROTHER OR SISTER
GOING TO A PRAYER MEETING	PREACHING THE GOSPEL AT CHURCH	PICKING SOMEONE UP FOR SUNDAY CHURCH
HUGGING YOUR MENTOR	HELPING AT AN ORPHANAGE	ASKING A BROTHER FOR FORGIVENESS
SINGING HYMNS	TAKING COMMUNION	STREET WITNESSING

5) LET'S DO SOME "ROLE PLAYS" NOW ABOUT "DESCRIBING" PEOPLE AND THINGS.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Divide into groups of 3. "A" will be the teacher/helper/encourager. "B" and "C" will do the role play. Then take turns changing the roles.

Role Plays:

a) Describe your pastor to your partner.
b) If you are single, talk about the man/woman God is preparing for you. If you are married, talk about the wonderful man/woman that God gave you.
c) Describe Jesus to your partner..
d) Describe your favorite place in the world and why you want to go there someday.
e) You have just written a Christian book. Describe the book to the publisher.
f) Your friend just phoned you from the Mission Field. Ask them to describe the country.
g) Go to your doctor's office and describe the "symptoms" of your illness.
h) Describe what you would like to be doing in 30 years from now.
i) Describe the nicest place you've ever hiked to your friend.
j) Describe the kind of person you think would best run this country.

6) NOW, LET'S STUDY ON HOW TO BE A BETTER FATHER.

Our earthly fathers have a strong influence on us. Many times, the way we see our earthly father is very similar to how we see our heavenly Father. If our fathers were not available for us, we too can see God the Father as being unavailable to us. It is so important that we understand the important role of being a good father. It is something our children will take with them for life.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Read and discuss the following thoughts about fatherhood.
- 2) Then read the poem below. (You may want to write your own poem later)

The father is the shepherd of the family (family shepherd). He should be aware of the condition of his flock at all times. He must constantly communicate with his wife and children about how they are doing spiritually, emotionally, socially, and physically.
The father is a committed servant. He is not there to lord over his family but to serve it.
The father is to lead his home as an important part of multiplying God's kingdom.
The father's functions are to lead, unify, love, and equip his family.
The father must understand, honor, love, and praise his wife.
The father's priorities should be: 1) God 2) his family 3) Christians 4) non-believers
The father should make sure his family is learning the principle of biblical tithing. The family should be involved in supporting their church, missions, and the kingdom of God.
They should: spend time in prayer, walk in Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit; equip himself with biblical principles, and make himself accountable to other fathers.
The father should be in right relationship with God, his family, and others.

Fatherhood

**Watching me day and night are those little eyes
And my father in Heaven is watching from the sky
My children are listening to every word I say
My words are being recorded by the Lord each day.**

**It's an overwhelming responsibility that God has given me
To mold, shape, and nurture my child for eternity
But He has not left me alone, He has sent help from above
He has sent His Comforter to help me give them His love**

**So Lord we can do it, I no longer have any doubt
For raising these children is what fatherhood is about
And now I rejoice with You that You've given to me
The chance to be a part of my children's eternal destiny.**

7) LET'S WORK ON MAKING APPOINTMENTS. In this way you'll be prepared to ask someone out to an event or special occasion. [12]

DIRECTIONS: [Teacher: groups of 9 or less]

- 1) I'll give you an appointment. You should walk around the room and make appointments with your classmates. **Make sure they understand you by getting them to repeat what you said.** [Teacher: The underlined statements are in the exercise below]

Example:

A: <u>Do you want to go to the "REVIVAL MEETING" Saturday afternoon?</u>
B: That sounds great.
A: <u>Then let's meet at the stadium on Saturday at 3 PM in front of McDonald's.</u>
B: Sounds good. We'll meet at the stadium on Saturday at 3 PM in front of McDonald's.

a) A: Do you want to go to the "REVIVAL MEETING" Saturday afternoon?
A: Then let's meet near the stadium on Saturday at 3 PM in front of McDonald's.
b) A: Do you want to go "Street Witnessing" Sunday evening?
A: Okay, then let's meet in front of the Cultural Center, Sunday evening at 6:30 PM.
c) A: Do you want to go to John's for a Bible Study on Saturday?
A: Great, then let's meet in front of the library on Saturday at 2:30. We can go from there.
d) A: Would you like to meet for "fellowship" Friday night?
A: Sounds great. Then let's meet at "Noah's Ark" on Friday night at 8:30 "sharp".
e) A: Would you like to go swimming with me on Saturday morning?
A; Alright, then let's meet at the "Going Down for the Last Time" Swimming Pool, Saturday morning at 8 AM. I'll meet you at the ticket office.
f) A: Would you like to go to a Prayer Meeting on Tuesday night?
A: Okay, then let's meet in front of the stadium near the ticket office at 6:30 PM, Tuesday night.
g) A: Would you like to go to Church on Friday night?
A: Alright, then let's meet in front of the Church Friday night at 7:45.
h) A: Would you like to go to the library on Saturday afternoon and do some research on Christ?
A: Okay, then let's meet in front of the theater in the mall on Saturday afternoon at 2:30.
i) A: Would you like to come to my friend's wedding with me Saturday afternoon?
A: Great. We'll meet in front of the church downtown on Saturday afternoon at 2 PM.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A COUPLE OF BIBLE VERSES NOW:

John 17:4

I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do.

Acts 2:33

Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 4

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Jesus Christ is not God.

In the Virgin Birth, it says that "God is with us" (Immanuel). We see Jesus forgiving sins and the Jews knew that only God can forgive sins (Mark 2:7). Jesus says, "For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them." He claimed omnipresence. Jesus was all-knowledgeable (omniscient). He prophesied about his death, resurrection, and ascension. Jesus was all-powerful by calming storms, by curing diseases, by creating fishes and loaves, and by his conquering death. Jesus Christ had the power to create. He created and is maintaining the world (John 1:1-3; Heb.1:3). He created fishes and loaves for the 5,000, turned water into wine, etc. Jesus Christ showed power: over storms by calming them, over gravity by walking on water, and over death by conquering it. Jesus Christ received worship from men. Only God was to be worshiped (Luke 4:8), yet He readily accepted worship from man (John 9:38). God was manifest in the flesh (1 Tim.3:16). Jesus possessed the attributes of God. Eternal (Micah 5:2; John 8:58; Col.1:17; Rev.1:8). Unchangeable (Heb.13:8). Omnipotent (Luke 8:24; Matt.28:18); Omnipresent (Matt.18:20; John 1:48; John 3:13; Matt.28:20); Omniscient (Mark 11:2-6; John 2:24,25; Luke 5:22; Matt.24:3-31); Holy (Mark 1:24); Sinless (1 Peter 2:22; John 19:4); Just (John 2:14-17; Acts 17:31); Loving (John 15:13; John 11:36); Merciful (Titus 3:5); Faithful (2 Tim.2:13). Jesus co-exists with the Father. They are "one". They are one in nature (eternal Spirit), but they have different offices and responsibilities. They are both indivisibly linked together (Matt.11:27; Luke 10:22; John 12:45) The Father was the Jehovah of the O.T. (Psalm 23:1) and Jesus the Jehovah of the N.T. (John 10:11; Heb.13:20; 1 Pet.2:25; Rev.7:17) In John 5:18, Jesus called God his Father. Again to a Jew they saw this as making himself equal with God and tried to stone him. In John 14:9, "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father..." In John 10:33 the Jews again tried to stone Jesus because they believed He was only a man claiming to be God. Jesus emptied himself (Phil. 2:5-8) of His glory for our sakes to come to earth and die for us. We saw Jesus Christ's glory at the Transfiguration.

In Col.2:9 we see that "For in Him (Christ) dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily." In Jude 25, Jesus is addressed as, "To the only wise God our Savior." In Col.1:15, "Who (Christ) is the image of the invisible God..." Jesus was equal with the Father (Phil.2:5,6). Jesus had glory before He came to earth as a man (John 17:5; see Isaiah 48:11). In John 1:1, we see that Jesus (the Word) was God. Only the J.W's Bible says "The Word was a god". Are all those Greek scholars wrong? In 1 John 5:20, Jesus is called the "true God and eternal life." In Titus 2:13, "..... the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ.

4) LET'S DO SOME DISCUSSIONS NOW.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. One person will start talking about the topic. The other two will listen. Then the second person will talk. The third person is the “teacher”. They are there to help with any language or support you can give.

Discussion Topics:

1) Talk about what you hope to do for ministry in the future
2) Talk about what you've been studying in the Bible.
3) Talk about what God has been saying to you lately.
4) Talk about your biggest fear.
5) Talk about why you love Jesus so much.

5) NOW LET'S DO SOME "ROLE PLAYS" ABOUT "MUSIC, MOVIES, AND ENTERTAINMENT". "USE YOUR IMAGINATION."

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. “A” will be the teacher/helper/encourager. “B” and “C” will do the role-play. Then take turns changing roles.

ROLE PLAYS ABOUT “MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT and SPORTS”

a) Your friend wants you to go to Michael Jackson concert with you. Tell him/her that you are not interested because you don't like rock 'n roll. Talk about your Christian belief.
b) You are watching your son/daughter play soccer with your husband/wife. Talk about him/her and how he/she is playing. Talk about your child's growth in the Lord, their Sunday school, etc.
c) You're sitting watching a badminton match with your friend. You really like badminton, ping pong and tennis (racquet sports) but your friend doesn't play sports. Talk about your friends reasoning for this.
d) Your friend asks you out for a drink. Explain why you would rather go to a coffee shop than go for a drink.
e) Your friend phones you up and wants to go to a movie. You don't believe Jesus would want you to see this film. Talk about your reasons for preferring not to see the movie.
f) You are sitting with your grandfather. He thinks the worship music today is terrible. He likes the “old hymns” but you like the new way of “worshiping God”. Discuss this.
g) Your friend tells you he/she doesn't have a TV. You can't believe it. Discuss his/her Christian reasons for not having a TV and your reasons for having one.

6) LET'S WORK WITH DEFINITIONS NOW.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3 or 4. Choose a leader. The leader will read the definition. The others will try to guess the word. (It is alright to give "hints" sometimes)
- 2) If you want a challenge, give the word and have the others say the definition

Abba, father

Alleluia, praise the Lord

Antichrist, an adversary to Christ

Apocalypse, uncovering, revelation

Baal, master; lord

Babel, confusion; mixture

Babylon, same as Babel

Barabbas, son of shame, confusion

Bethany, the house of song;
the house of affliction

Calvary, the place of a skull

Christ, anointed

Deuteronomy, repetition of the law

Dothan, the law; custom

Ecclesiastes, a preacher

Eden, pleasure; delight

Emmanuel, God with us

Emmaus, people despised or obscure

Ephraim, fruitful; increasing

Exodus, going out, departure

Galilee, wheel; revolution

Genesis, beginning

Gethsemane, a very fat or plentiful vale

Golgotha, a heap of skulls;
something skull-shaped

Gomorraah, rebellious people

Goshen, approaching; drawing near

Hallelujah, praise the Lord

Hebrews, descendants of Heber

Hebron, society; friendship

Hosanna, save I pray thee;
keep; preserve

Ichabod, where is the glory?
no glory

Immanuel, God with us

Jehovah, self-subsisting

Jehovah-jireh, the Lord will provide

Jehovah-nissi, the Lord my banner

Jehovah-shalom, the Lord send peace

Jehovah-shammah, the Lord is there

Jehovah-tsidkenu, the Lord our
righteousness

Jericho, his moon; his month;
his sweet smell

Jerusalem, vision of peace

Jesus, savior; deliverer

Jordan, the river of judgment

Lucifer, bringing light

Messiah, anointed

Nazareth, separated; crowned;
sanctified

Nazarite, one chosen or set apart

Pentateuch, the five books of Moses

Pentecost, fiftieth

Pharisees, set apart

Philadelphia, love of a brother

Rabbi, Rabboni, my master

Raca, worthless; good-for-nothing

Sabaoth, Lord of hosts

Sadducees, followers of Sadoc or Zadok

Salem, complete or perfect peace

Sanhedrin, sitting together

Satan, contrary; adversary; enemy; accuser

Seraphim, burning; fiery

Sin, bush

Sinai, a bush; enmity

Sodom, their secret; their cement

Tetrarch, governor of a fourth part

Zelotes, zealous

7) NOW LET'S DO AN ACTIVITY THAT INVOLVES YOUR FAVORITE ENGLISH HYMN OR WORSHIP SONG. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3 with people you feel very comfortable with. Then think of your favorite song. Then answer the following questions:

a) What is your favorite song? Why? Do you remember the first time you heard the song?
a) Does this song have any fond (good) memories for you? Does it have bad memories?
b) Can you remember the first person you had a "crush" on? Where is he/her now?
d) Can you sing your favorite song for the group?

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW.

Romans 1:20

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 5

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

The Holy Spirit is not God.

The Holy Spirit possesses divine attributes of God. He is eternal (Heb.9:14); omnipresent (Psa.139:7-10); omnipotent (Luke 1:35; Gen.1:2; Job 26:13); omniscient (1 Cor.2:10,11; John 14:26; John 16:12,13); "holy" (for in the words "Holy Spirit" the word "holy" describes His character - Luke 11:13); truth (1 John 5:6); good (Neh.9:20); and communes with us (2 Cor.13:14). The Holy Spirit creates (Job 33:4; Psa.104:30); justifies (1 Cor.6:11); seals us for the day of redemption (Eph.1:13); gives life (John 6:63); is the author of the new birth (John 3:5,6); prophecies (2 Peter 1:21); convicts (John 16:8-11); and speaks (Isa.6:8-10; Acts 5:3-5). Is associated with the Father and the Son (Matt.28:19; 2 Cor.13:14; John 14:16). A Jew would never associate someone with God unless He was God.

4) NOW, WE ARE GOING TO WORK WITH "RHYMES".

We will go through a process that will help you write a POEM using "rhymes. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 2. Try to match the rhymes in the chart below.

___ wrote	a) shout
___ shoot	b) somebody
___ about	c) boring
___ enjoy	d) attack
___ rowing	e) we've
___ king	f) swinger
___ everybody	g) Heather
___ leave	h) boat
___ back	i) boot
___ roaring	j) knowing
___ weather	k) swing
___ singer	l) employ
___ walked	m) talked

(h, i, a, l, j, k, b, e, d, c, g, f, m)

2) Now with your partner write 5 sets (pairs) of rhymes. (eg. Dog – Hog)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

3) Now, each group, write your rhymes on the black board and we'll correct them.

5) IN PART 2, OF OUR WORKING WITH "RHYMES" WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT "RHYME SCHEMES" OR "RHYME PATTERNS" IN POETRY. [12]

In the following poem, the "RHYME SCHEME" is: "**abcb**". Do you know why?

Jesus is sweet
 Jesus is fine
 Jesus is love
 I'm so glad He's mine

Now, do you know why?

Jesus is sweet - a
 Jesus is fine - b
 Jesus is love - c
 I'm so glad He's mine - b

What is the "rhyme scheme" in this poem?

Jesus is from above
 Jesus is fine
 Jesus is love
 I'm so glad He's mine

Correct, the rhyme scheme in this poem is (**abab**). Some examples of rhyme schemes are: (**abcabc, aabb, abab, ababcc, etc**).

What are the rhyme schemes in these poems?

<p>Come Into My Heart, Lord Jesus Come In To Stay, Come In Today Come Into My Heart Lord Jesus</p>	<p>Lord Jesus, Help Me Day By Day To Grow Like You In Ev'ry Way. So Good, So Kind, So Gentle, Too That All May Know I Follow You.</p>	<p>Every Promise In The Book Is Mine Every Chapter, Every Verse, Every Line I Am Trusting In His Love Divine Every Promise In The Book Is Mine</p>
<p>God Said It, I Believe It 'Tis All That Faith Demands Tho' Heaven And Earth Shall Pass Away, His Word Will Stand</p>	<p>How Great Is Our God, How Great Is His Name How Great Is Our God, Forever The Same</p>	<p>Jesus Sees Me When I Sleep Jesus Sees Me When I Play Jesus Sees Me All The Time He Cares For Me Each Day</p>

6) NOW WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT A METHOD TO MAKES RHYMES. This method uses a chart to take any consonant sound and make a rhyme. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 2. Look at the words that rhyme with “old” & “all”

Eg) <u>Old:</u> bold, cold, fold, gold, hold, mold, rolled, sold, told, scold, strolled					
<u>All:</u> ball, call, fall, gall, hall, mall, Paul, Saul, tall, wall, brawl, crawl, drawl, shawl, small					
A _____	B _____	C _____	D _____	E _____	F _____
G _____	H _____	I _____	J _____	K _____	L _____
M _____	N _____	O _____	P _____	Q _____	R _____
S _____	T _____	U _____	V _____	W _____	X _____
Y _____	Z _____	BL _____	BR _____	CH _____	CL _____
CR _____	CHR _____	DR _____	FL _____	FR _____	GH _____
GL _____	GR _____	KL _____	KR _____	PH _____	PL _____
PN _____	PR _____	QU _____	RH _____	SC _____	SH _____
SK _____	SL _____	SM _____	SN _____	SP _____	ST _____
SW _____	SCR _____	SHR _____	SPR _____	STR _____	TH _____
TR _____	TW _____	THR _____	WH _____	WR _____	

Using the chart, write words that rhyme with the following: **(Don’t write in the chart)**

AT:
ATE:
ACK:
IT:
ITE:
OTHER:

Note: If you need more practice with “rhymes” and “rhyme schemes” find an English poetry book and practice with it. You may also check the internet for “Christian Poetry” websites. It takes practice but you’ll get better and better.

7) NOW WE ARE GOING TO LEARN A "SIMPLE METHOD" TO WRITE POETRY USING RHYMES. We will go through a process. After we're finished, you should be able to write a "POEM". [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 2. Use the method below to write a poem using "rhymes."

1) Pick a Topic: (love, family, mother, baseball, feelings, flowers, the sky, the ocean, nature, etc.)	Let's pick the topic of "LOVE"
2) Think of words that have to do with "love"	(love, hold, hand, smile, joy, walk, etc.)
3) Use the chart from HOUR 27 (#3) to make rhymes with these words	LOVE – above, dove, glove, love, shove HOLD - old, bold, cold, fold, gold, mold, sold, told, scold, strolled HAND – band, land, sand tanned, bland, brand, gland, planned, scanned, stand, strand
4) Choose a rhyme scheme (aabb, abab, abcb, abcabc, aabbccdd, abcabcdefdef, etc.)	Let's choose the rhyme scheme "AABBCCDD". (Sometimes you will change your rhyme scheme while writing the poem.)
5) Now write your poem:	

TO MY PRECIOUS WIFE
 YOU'RE THE ONE I LOVE
 YOU'RE MY TENDER DOVE
 WHEN I'M TIRED AND TURN OLD
 IT'LL BE YOU THAT I LONG TO HOLD
 I REMEMBER YOUR SOFT, WARM HAND
 AS WE STROLLED ALONG THE GOLDEN SAND
 I'M SO GLAD YOU SAID YOU WOULD BE MY WIFE
 AND FOREVER AND TOGETHER WE'LL SHARE THIS LIFE.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

1 Corinthians 1:30,31

*It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God--that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.
 Therefore, as it is written: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 6

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

God only talked to the Israelites in the OT and never helped Gentiles
God always reached out to other nations. He saved Rahab and her family at Jericho, many people from other nations came out of Egypt with the Israelites, and we see Jesus ministering to Gentiles on many occasions. God came through the Jewish people and used them for special purposes - to display His glory. But He has always reached out to other nations and people. Many times God has sent missionaries to foreign lands.

4) LET'S TELL SOME STORIES. [3,5,10,12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Below are some "Story Starters". Go into groups of four. Take turns adding a **"sentence"** to the story. Go around the group at least two or three times.
- 2) Then, try this exercise by using **a phrase** at a time. Then **a word** at a time.

For example:

A: When I was 30 years old, I had a crisis.

B: So, I went to see a pastor friend.

C: He told me about Jesus Christ.

A: I read "The Four Spiritual Laws."

B: And received Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

C: Now, I have joy, peace, and love in my heart.

1) This is how my mom came to know Jesus.
2) My father has been a pastor for many years.
3) I used to work on the streets ministering to drug addicts.
4) I really enjoy singing in the choir.
5) I've always wanted to be a missionary.
6) I hope to go to Bible school someday.
7) Sunday is my favorite day of the week.

5) LET'S LOOK AT SOME DIFFERENT WAYS TO BEGIN PRAYER. We will take some Bible verses and make "prayer starters" with them. These are excellent for starting prayer.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Read the following Bible verses. Then underneath, there is a prayer starter.
- 2) Then "look up" the Bible verses, and write your own "prayer starters."

<p>I will praise thee, O Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High. (Psalm 9:1,2)</p>
<p>Lord, how I praise you. I love to praise You with my whole heart. I enjoy You so much that I want to tell everyone about Your wonders. The wonders You have performed in my life and throughout all eternity. I love rejoicing and being glad in You. I want to sing praises to Your name, O Most High and loving God. My heart rejoices in You forever and ever. I love to come before You</p>
<p>I praise Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth. (Luke 10:21)</p>
<p>Oh, how I love to praise You Father God. I love to praise You because You are Lord. Yes, Lord of heaven. For heaven is perfect and You rule over heaven. Heaven is without sin and You are sinless. Father, You are Lord of earth. You understand everything about this place because You were here in Jesus and are here now in the Holy Spirit. You are ruling over this earth. Sometimes it doesn't seem that way but I know that You are in heaven and You are Lord of earth. It is so good to know that</p>
<p>Keep watching and praying, that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. (Matthew 26:41)</p>
<p>Lord, You ask me to keep "watching" and "praying". I am watching for You to return. I am watching that my life glorifies You. I am praying that I will not fall into temptation. For I know that I want to do good but my flesh is so weak. Help me to walk in Your Spirit. Help me to come above the world, sin, and the flesh. I need Your power that comes to me through faith and prayer. I love You for Your power.....</p>
<p>I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. (Luke 22:32)</p>
<p>Thank you precious Jesus. Thank you that You have prayed for me. That You are continuing to pray for me. I too want my faith not to fail. I want to trust and believe in You more and more. Lord it comforts me to know that You have prayed for me and continue to pray for me. I love You and the way</p>
<p>Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful (John 14:27)</p>
<p> </p>
<p>Since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted. (Hebrews 2:18)</p>
<p> </p>
<p>Other Prayer Starter Verses (keep adding to this list in the future): Job 42:10; Psalm 8:9; 69:1-3; 69:5; 69:13; 69:30; 118:24; 100:4; Isaiah 26:3; Matthew 6:33; 11:28,29; 15:25; 22:37; 26:40; Mark 9:29; Luke 10:21; John 13:17; 15:5; 16:20; 16:22; 17:20; Romans 14:7,8; 15:1, 3; 2 Corinthians 1:3,4; 4:16; Ephesians 2:10; 5:20; Philippians 3:8; 4:8; Hebrews 5:8; 11:6</p>

6/7) "GOSPEL TRACTS" CAN BE VERY USEFUL FOR LEADING PEOPLE TO JESUS CHRIST. It is very important that the tract you give to someone is something that you feel comfortable with. Now let's write some "GOSPEL TRACTS".

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Divide into groups of 3 or 4.
- 2) Chose a topic from the list below.
- 3) Then, write a Gospel Tract. Don't be afraid to ask the teacher for help.

RULES FOR MAKING A TRACT:

a) Decide what the purpose of your tract is. (salvation, return from backsliding, God's love, sanctification, peace with God, etc.)
b) The front page should catch the reader's attention make them curious to read more.
c) It should be colorful. Pictures can be drawn in or "pasted on" from a computer
d) It should be simple and not too complex. People are "lazy". Make it easy to read.
e) It should be presented in love and humility.
f) It should be prayerfully led.

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HOW MUCH "WORK" IS ENOUGH TO GET TO HEAVEN?	WHY ALL THIS TALK ABOUT JESUS?	IF YOU ONLY KNEW THE GIFT GOD HAS FOR YOU...	HEAVEN IS ONLY A HEARTFELT PRAYER AWAY	YES, YOU CAN BE SURE OF YOUR ETERNAL DESTINY
HAS GOD COME TO US ALREADY?	IS JESUS CHRIST REALLY GOD?	IS THE BIBLE CREDIBLE?	CAN THE BIBLE BE TRUSTED?	IS JESUS CHRIST ONLY A MYTH?
HOW GOD CHANGED MY LIFE	HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED GOD LATELY?	DOES GOD REALLY LOVE YOU?	WHY DOES GOD SEND PEOPLE TO HELL?	YES GOD REALLY LOVES YOU
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE GOING TO HEAVEN?	ARE MORMONS CHRISTIANS?	ARE JEHOVAH WITNESSES CHRISTIANS?	TRUTH OR TRADITION?	

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

*2 Corinthians 5:14,15
For Christ's love compels us,
because we are convinced that one died for all,
and therefore all died.
And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves
but for him who died for them and was raised again.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 7

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

God allows so much suffering.

Suffering is not from God. It comes from man's choices and the principle of sin. But, when we see Jesus Christ on the cross we understand that God is with us in our suffering. God did not send someone else to go to the cross. He sent Jesus, the second member of the Trinity. A perfect sacrifice for a sinful, suffering world. GOD was on the cross suffering for us. He's now suffering with us.

4) EVERYBODY LIKES A GOOD JOKE. English jokes can be very difficult to understand. It is important to continue to "hang around" the language and culture and eventually you will find yourself understanding them more and more.

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 3 and read the following jokes. Help each other if they don't understand them.

Jokes (from Church bulletins):

* This afternoon there will be a meeting in the South and North ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.

* Tuesday at 4PM, there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk, please come early.

- This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Johnson to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.

* On Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the expense of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet, come forward and get a piece of paper.

- A bean supper will be held Saturday evening in the church basement. Music will follow.

* Sign outside a Canadian church: "Sermon for Sunday: What is Hell like?"
Just below was the message: "Come in and hear our choir sing."

5) LET'S TALK ABOUT "TAKING RISKS" IN OUR LIVES. [E]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go in to groups of 2. Read the "writing" about "taking risks" or "taking chances".
- 2) Then, answer the questions that follow.

A TIME TO RISK

To Laugh Is To Risk Appearing The Fool,
To Weep Is To Risk Appearing Sentimental,
To Reach Out For Another Is To Risk Involvement.
To Expose Feelings Is To Risk Exposing Your True Self.
To Place Your Ideas, Your Dreams Before The Crowd Is To Risk Loss,
To Love Is To Risk Not Being Loved In Return.
To Live Is To Risk Dying,
To Hope Is To Risk Despair,
To Try At All Is To Risk Failure.
But Risk We Must -
Because The Greatest Hazard To Life Is To Risk Nothing.
The Man Who Risks Nothing; Does Nothing, Has Nothing, Is Nothing.
He May Avoid Suffering - But
He Simply Cannot Learn, Feel, Change, Grow, Love, Live.
Chained By His Attitudes, He Is A Slave; He Has Forfeited Freedom.
Only The Person Who Risks Can Be Called A True Man.

a) What part of this poem spoke to you the most? Why?
b) Do you think the men and women of the Bible took risks? Give examples?
c) Can you remember the last time you took a risk? How did it turn out?
d) Did you take a risk when you took this course? What happened?
e) Name some risks you have taken in your life. How did they turn out?
f) What is blocking you from taking risks for Jesus Christ?
g) What do you feel God is calling you to take a risk at right now in your life? With your partner, pray about this area of your life and about "taking risks" in general.

6) LET'S "UNSCRAMBLE" SOME BIBLE VERSES.

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 3. Look at the "scrambled" bible verse. Then try to "unscramble it without looking at the answers below.

1) is a Your word my feet lamp to and for my path a light .
(Psalm 119:105)

2) For word of the God living active and. Sharper any double-edged than sword, penetrates it dividing soul to even and spirit, and joints marrow; judges it thoughts and and heart of the attitudes.
(Hebrews 4:12)

3) Scripture All God-breathed is useful is and for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training righteousness, in the so that God of man be may thoroughly for every equipped good work.
(2 Timothy 3:16,17)

4) God glory of The heavens the declare; the proclaim skies work the of hands his.
(Psalms 19:1)

5) he When the crowds saw, had compassion he them on, because harassed were they and helpless, sheep like shepherd a without.
(Matthew 9:36)

6) know I know you that do all can things; plan yours of no thwarted be can.
(Job 42:2)

7) is what Lord says the This – King and Redeemer Israel's, Lord Almighty the; am the first I and I the last am the; from me apart there God is no.
(Isaiah 44:6)

8) Lord the Praise, my soul O; inmost being all my, his name holy praise.
(Psalm 103:1)

9) he when But, truth of Spirit the comes, guide will he you all truth into. He not speak will his own on; he only speak he hears what will, and tell will he you is yet to what come.
(John 16:13)

10) things secret The to the belong Lord God our, but things the belong us to revealed and our to children forever, may we follow that words law of the all.
(Deuteronomy 29:29)

11) Spirit The of God made me has; breath The the Almighty of me life gives.
(Job 33:4)

12) Christ when And, your life real is who, again back comes, you shine will then him, and share glories in all his.
(Colossians 3:4)

ANSWERS:

1) Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)
2) For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates to dividing even soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12)
3) All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16, 17)
4) The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (Psalms 19:1)
5) When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. (Matthew 9:36)
6) I know that you can do all things; no plan of yours can be thwarted. (Job 42:2)
7) This is what the Lord says – Israel’s King and Redeemer, the Lord Almighty; I am the first and I am the last; apart from me there is no God. (Isaiah 44:6)
8) Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. (Psalm 103:1)
9) But when he, the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. (John 16:13)
10) The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of the law. (Deuteronomy 29:29)
11) The Spirit of God has made me; The breath of the Almighty gives me life. (Job 33:4)
12) And when Christ, who is your real life, comes back again, then you will shine with him and share in all his glories. (Colossians 3:4)

7) LET'S MAKE A CONVERSATION FROM A CHRISTIAN PICTURE YOU'VE DRAWN. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 2. In your groups you are to each draw a picture of a Biblical story. **Make sure you put about 6 – 10 different objects/people in the picture.** Do this before you read # 2.
- 2) Now, take turns being two objects/people in the picture. For example, you can have **a “tree” talking to the “sun”** or **a “house” talking to a “window”** or **a “person” talking to an “object”**. Rotate between the different objects and pictures. **The idea is to have conversations between the different objects/people and to use your imagination.**

Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, Noah and the Ark, Jacob and his sons, Joseph in Egypt, Moses in the Desert, Joshua crossing the Jordan, Samson and the Lion, Saul and David, David and Goliath, The Birth of Christ, 12 year old Jesus at the Temple, Jesus Being Baptized, Jesus in the Desert, Jesus Choosing the 12 Disciple, Jesus Teaching Nicodemus, The Wedding at Cana, The Woman at the Well, The Woman Caught in Adultery, The Last Supper, Gethsemane, Jesus on the Cross, The Resurrection, Pentecost, Paul's Conversion, The Tribulation, The Rapture, The Revelation, etc.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

Galatians 5:16,17

So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

*For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit,
and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature.*

They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 8

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Jesus Christ is a made up story – a myth.

We can go to a public library and find secular (not-Christian) books about the life of Christ. He was a historical figure just as Buddha, Mohammed, Plato, etc. were. There is an incredible amount of evidence for Jesus Christ's existence.

4) LET'S DO SOME "BRAINSTORMING". "Brainstorming's" when people put their brains together to come up with alternative solutions to a problem. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Doing one topic at a time, you will compete with other groups to try to get the most answers. The teacher will time you for 45 seconds for each topic.

TOPICS FOR THE TEACHER TO READ::

Famous Biblical woman	Famous "Biblical" bad guys
The "Fruit of the Spirit" (9 of them)	Bible characters from the book of Genesis
Words to describe Jesus	"Parables" Jesus gave
"Miracles" Jesus did	Words from the Bible that start with "J"
Famous Israelite / Judean Kings	Events: "The Last Supper" to "Christ's death"

5) NOW WE ARE GOING TO ATTEND A "BIBLE SCHOOL REUNION". 20 YEARS AGO YOU ATTENDED "MOODY BIBLE COLLEGE" IN AMERICA AND YOU STUDIED ENGLISH. While you were in America you met many people from all over the world. Now, after 20 years you are returning to America to meet your old classmates. [1,12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) I will divide you up into groups. **Each group member will be given a person that they should pretend to be.** Read the person's name, nationality, etc. Then walk around your group. Talk to the classmates that you have not seen in a long time.
- 2) **Make up different things about yourself when people ask you questions.** Remember to use your imagination.

a) Pete from El Salvador. Your native language is Spanish. You're now a pastor. You have a flock of around 150 people.
b) Nancy from Russia. Your native language is Russian. You are now a successful Sunday school teacher. You also lead women's Bible Studies.
c) Tom from Brazil. Your native language is Portuguese. You love to "street witness".
d) Joanne from Cambodia. You speak Cambodian. You own a Christian bookstore.
e) Harold from China. Your native language is Chinese. You are now printing Bibles for the underground church.
f) Phil from Egypt. Your native language is Arabic. You are now ministering to Muslims.
g) Janet from France. Your native language is French. You are teaching at a Bible school.
h) John from Germany. You speak German. You are a worship leader at your church.
i) Susan from Japan. Your native language is Japanese. You are a missionary in Korea.
j) Mary from Korea. Your native language is Korean. You are own a restaurant and you are very active in your church.

6) NOW LET'S PRACTICE GIVING COMPLIMENTS. In our daily life it is very important that we want to show people we appreciate them, or thank them for things they have done for us, or even to comment on how they look. It is also important that we know how to receive a compliment by sometimes just simply saying, "thank you".

DIRECTIONS:

1) You will be given a compliment from the list below. Then you will stand up and walk around the room and compliment people.

Remember to "act" along with the compliment and respond correctly.

2) Then you will compliment people using **any compliment** you can think of.

COMPLIMENTS:

a) You are really looking at peace today. God must be working in your life?
b) What is with the big smile on your face? Is God blessing you?
c) I heard that you are going on a mission trip to Africa. I'm so excited for you.
d) I heard you passed the university entrance exam to go to Bible school. Congratulations.
e) People are talking about the wonderful bible study you are leading. Keep up the good job!
f) I hear you are going through a time of blessing.
g) You look really happy today. Did something special happen to you lately?
h) Your wife looks so happy today. God must be really blessing your marriage.
i) Is it true that your mother came to the Lord? Wow that's great!
j) Is it true you got accepted into Graduate School? Wow! Congratulations!
k) Your children are really well-behaved. God must be giving you wisdom how to raise them.
l) I wanted to thank you for your support and encouragement last week. I was having a difficult time. Thank you.
m) Thanks for praying for me last week. It was a real encouragement.
n) I really appreciated you taking me out for lunch last week. It was a real blessing.
o) I really appreciated the ride home yesterday. You are a very dear friend. God bless you.

7) NOW LET'S BUILD A PUZZLE. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups 3. **Write down 15 Biblical people on a piece of paper.**

2) **Then write the 15 words in a grid in all directions.**
(across, down, diagonally, vertically, backwards, upside down, etc.)

3) **Now, fill in the grid with extra letters. Put them in randomly to fill the chart up.**

4) Then give your "word-find" to another group along with a list of your 15 words. Have them find the 15 words in the puzzle as you try to find theirs.

[You can also use: biblical words, cities, Fruit of the Spirit, The 12 Apostles, Jacob's sons, N.T. saints, O.T. saints, famous Biblical women, etc.]

(Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, David, Bathsheba, Amos, Jesus, John, Peter, Andrew, Mary, Paul)

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8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

Ephesians 2:13

*But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away
have been brought near through the blood of Christ.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 9

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Jesus Christ never died on the cross for my sins.

The plan of God is really amazing. Many people are still trying to deal with their guilt. They do lots of works, try to become a better person, etc. This in itself shows that they have not even met their "own" standard. Yet, God's standard was perfection - which is unattainable. In Jesus we saw what perfection is. So instead of us "becoming" better, Jesus took our place on the cross and died for our sins. He arose to give us freedom from sin.

4) LET'S DO A SOME MORE "TONGUE TWISTERS". First, repeat after me once. Then repeat 3x slowly. Finally, repeat 3x quickly. [10,12]

Practice: a) right – light b) sick – thick c) red – lead d) wet – vet e) beat – Pete
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a) Samson Sought Several Philistine Citizens
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b) Just Jesus Judges Justly and Judiciously

c) Religious, Righteous Men Readily Repent Repeatedly

d) Harry Hated Hell; He's Heaven Bound
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e) Prophets Properly Prophesied Prophecies
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NOW WRITE SOME OF YOUR OWN. SHARE WITH YOUR GROUP.

5) IN THIS NEXT EXERCISE WE ARE GOING TO LEARN ABOUT "METAPHORS". The literal definition of a Metaphor is: an application of a word or phrase to something that it does not apply to literally, in order to indicate a comparison with the literal usage. Here are a couple of examples of metaphors. 1) the evening of one's life 2) food for thought. Simply put, metaphors are comparisons that you can make to something. [10]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 3. Then using the following "starters" make metaphors out of them. For example:

A teacher is a parent – he/she encourages and cares about the progress of the students.

2) The following are some "starters" for metaphors.
 3) Work in groups and try to "create" metaphors for the following:

a) A pastor is a "shepherd" –
a) The Holy Spirit is "The Counselor" –
b) Jesus is "The Way" –
d) Jesus is the "Truth" -
e) God is "Our Father" -
f) Jesus is "The Light of the World" -
g) Jesus is "The Bread of Life" -
h) Jesus is "Our King" -
i) Jesus is "Our Great High Priest" -
j) Jesus is "The Life" -
k)
l)
m)

6) NOW, LET'S DO A LITTLE BIT WITH "ROLE PLAY" .

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 2. This is a role-play so you will have to use your imagination.

Role Play Situations:

a) You are at the beach with your friend. Talk about your love for Jesus.
b) You have just come from a Bible Study. Talk about the evening.
c) You have just come from church. Talk about what happened there.
d) You are planning on going on a "mission trip". Talk about your plans for the trip.
e) You have just met your friend for coffee. Talk about your "prayer life" and what God has been saying to you personally.
f) You have just met your "non-believing friend". Share your testimony with him/her.

7) THIS NEXT EXERCISE WILL BE A BIBLE QUIZ ON NUMEROLOGY IN THE BIBLE. Numbers in the Bible have a great significance. Let's take some time to study them. [6]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Look at the significance of the different numbers.

<u>ONE:</u> The Number of "Unity". It symbolizes the Unity of God (see Mark 12:32; John 10:30)
<u>TWO:</u> The Number of "Union". The Union of: marriage (Gen. 2:23); Christ and the Church (Eph.5:31,32); the two natures in Jesus (Luke 1:35).
<u>THREE:</u> The Number of "Divinity". It is the Divine Number because it has to do with Holy Things.
<u>FOUR:</u> The Number of "The World".
<u>FIVE:</u> The Number of "Division".
<u>SIX:</u> The Number of "Man".
<u>SEVEN:</u> The Number of "Perfection."
<u>EIGHT:</u> The Number of the "New Order of Things".
<u>TEN:</u> The Number of "Worldly Completion". It's the sum of #4 (the World) and #6 (number of Man)
<u>TWELVE:</u> The Number of "Eternal Perfection". Three (Divine number) times four (Man's number)
<u>FORTY:</u> The Number of "Probation".

- 2) Now do the questionnaire about numbers.

1) What are the 7 "Unities" in Ephesians 4:4-6? (One Body, One Spirit, One Hope, One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism, One God)
2) In Matt.10:2-4, how were the disciples named? (in pairs)
3) In Mark 6:7, how were the disciples sent out? (two by two)
4) How many "Tables of Testimony" were there? (two)
5) In Lev.14:4-7, how many birds were there? In Lev.16:5-22, how many goats were there? (two – symbolizing the union of death and life in the Atonement of Christ.)
6) How many witnesses were necessary for a fair trial? (two)
7) How many witnesses will testify during the Tribulation? (The "Two Witnesses" of Rev.11:3)

8) How many persons are there in the trinity? (three - Father, Son, Holy Spirit)
9) What is the “trinity of man”? (spirit, soul, body)
10) What are the three great feasts? (Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles)
11) What is the threefold character of the Baptismal Formula in Matthew 28:19? (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)
12) What is the threefold character of the Apostolic Benediction in 2 Cor.13:14? (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)
13) How many times was Christ tempted in the desert? (three)
14) How many times did Christ pray in the Garden of Gethsemane? (three)
15) How many times did Peter deny Christ? (three)
16) How many times did Jesus ask Peter if Peter loved Jesus (three)
17) How many times did Jesus tell Peter to feed His sheep? (three)
18) How many seasons are there? (four – spring, summer, fall, winter)
19) How many points on a compass? (four – north, south, east, west)
20) How many elements are there? (four – earth, air, fire, and water)
21) How many Gospels are there? (four – Matthew, Mark, Luke, John)
22) How many “wise” virgins? (five) How many “foolish” virgins? (five)
23) How many were in the multitude that Jesus fed? (five thousand were fed with five loaves)
24) How many stones did David take from the brook to kill Goliath? (five)
25) How many “toes” and “fingers” on each hand and foot? (five)
26) How many books of Moses? (five)
27) How many senses are there? (five)
28) What day was man made? (the sixth)
29) How many days was man appointed to labor? (six)
30) How many years was the Hebrew slave to serve? (six)
31) How many years was the land to be sown? (six – rest on the seventh)
32) How many days did Moses wait on the Mount for God to reveal Himself to him (Ex.24:15-18) (6)
33) How many days did the children of Israel walk around Jericho? (six – walls fell on the seventh)
34) What is the number of the Beast? (666)
35) What day was the Sabbath? (seventh)
36) How long did Jacob serve for Rachel? (seven)
37) How many years of plenty and how many years of famine in Egypt? (seven)
38) On the seventh day of Israel’s march around Jericho, what happened? (Seven priests, with seven trumpets, marched around Jericho seven times)
39) How many “branched candlesticks” in the Tabernacle? (seven)
40) When was the land to rest? (the seventh year)
41) How many years for Solomon to build the Temple? (7) How long was the feast? (7 days)
42) How many sons did Job have? (seven)
43) How long did Job’s friend wait for him in silence? (seven days and seven nights)
44) What were Job’s friends required to sacrifice at the end of Job? (seven bullocks & seven rams)
45) How many times did Naaman wash in the Jordan? (seven times)
46) How many times was the blood to be sprinkled before the Mercy Seat (Lev.16:14)? (seven)
47) How many Feasts of Jehovah? (seven) How many days did some last? (seven)
48) How many times did Jesus speak from the cross? (seven)
49) How many men were picked to serve the church in Acts? (seven)
50) How many churches in the Book of Revelation? (seven)

51) How many times is the number seven mentioned in Revelation? (about 50 – count them)
52) How is the “eighth day”? (the beginning of the new week – Christ’s resurrection)
53) What day was Abraham commanded to circumcise every child? (the eighth day)
54) How many people were in the ark? (eight)
55) Who was the eighth son of Jesse? (David)
56) When was the leper cleansed of his leprosy (Lev.14:10,23)? (the eighth day)
57) How many commandments were there? (10)
58) How many virgins in the parable? (10)
59) How many plagues in Egypt? (10)
60) How many tribes of Israel? (12)
61) How many cakes of shewbread? (12)
62) How many wells of water at Elim? (12)
63) How many spies were sent to Canaan? (12)
64) How many stones did Joshua place in the Jordan? (12)
65) How many stones did Elijah use to build an altar? (12)
66) How old was Jesus when He visited the Temple? (12)
67) How many apostles did Jesus choose? (12)
68) How many legions of angels could Jesus’ Father have sent if He had asked? (12)
69) How long was the woman diseased for? (12 years)
70) How old was the daughter of Jairus? (12)
71) In Revelation, the New Jerusalem has how many gates? How many angels at the gates? How many foundations? How many names of the Apostles of the Lamb? How many manners of fruits does its trees bear? (12)
72) At the “Regeneration” the __ Apostles shall sit on __ Thrones judging the __ Tribes of Israel. (Matt.19:28) (twelve)
73) How long did it rain during the flood? (40 days and 40 nights)
74) How long was Moses on probation in Egypt? (40 years)
75) How long was Israel in the desert? (40 years)
76) How many days were did the spies spy out the land? (40)
77) How long were Saul, David, and Solomon’s reigns? (40 years)
78) How long did Goliath defy Israel? (40 days)
79) How long was Nineveh given to repent? (40 days)
80) How long did Elijah fast for? (40 days and 40 nights)
81) How long was Jesus tempted for in the desert? (40 days)
82) How many times did Jesus appear after His resurrection? (11 times for 40 days)
83) How many times was a person publicly flogged? (40 times minus one)

8) LET’S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

Philippians 3:20
But our citizenship is in heaven.
And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,

9) LET’S CLOSE BY HAVING (person’s name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 10

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I'd never become a Christian. They always think they're right.
Sometimes people slip from "humility" and give an outward look of 'arrogance'. But, Christians aren't right, God is. It is by the grace, love, and mercy of God that we have been revealed the truth about God. True "wisdom" is seeing things as God sees them. The Christian is seen as holy, complete, and forgiven in Christ because of what Jesus did on the cross. The process of walking with God is acknowledging that it is nothing we've done but what God's done for us.

4) NOW WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT CHRIST'S BIRTH

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of 3. Read the "Story of Christ's Birth" through one time.
- 2) After you have previewed the story, write five questions about the passage.
- 3) Then, ask each other the questions.

Matthew 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. (18)

Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. (19)

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. (20)

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." (21)

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: (22)

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" --which means, "God with us." (23)

When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife. (24)

But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus. (25)

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f) What new revelation did God show you today?

5) NOW WE ARE GOING TO PUT YOU IN A REAL LIFE SITUATION WITH A FOREIGNER. In this exercise you will describe your "Church" to the foreigner.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 2. Take turns describing your church to a foreigner.
- 2) After you have talked about your church, invite the foreigner to come sometime.

I guess the thing I like most about my church is that I know God wants me there. About ten years ago, I was very lonely. I had just moved here from another city and I didn't have many friends. I began to pray that God would send good people into my life. Then one day I met this man at my workplace. He began to talk to me and he told me about his church. I had been a Christian since I was 15, so I knew that I needed to find a good church. So we made an appointment and I went with him the next Sunday. Immediately God began to speak to my heart that this is where I was to be. I strongly believe that the most important thing about finding a church is that we should be where God wants us. It was such a joy to experience God's grace. He was very concerned that I find I church that I could fellowship in, serve Him in, and be trained to minister to others. God really knew my heart. To be honest, I have lots of very close friends at my church. I also enjoy the pastor's sermons. But, the most important thing to me is that I am where God wants me.

If you like, I would love to take you to church with me sometime. I believe that God will lead you and help you find where He wants you. Would you like to come with me sometime?

6) NEXT, LET'S TALK ABOUT "THE LAST TIME YOU DID SOMETHING". This is a good opportunity to practice speaking. [11]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Each group member will take turns talking about "The Last Time" examples from the list below.
- 2) "A" will start first. He/she will read their "Last Time" example to the other two. The other two members will then begin to ask questions about what happened. Then "B" will take a turn and finally "C". Let's do an example.
- 3) Some of these may be "personal". Please be "wise" in what you share.

The Last Time I Witnessed to Someone

A: Let's talk about the last time I witnessed to someone.

B: Okay. When was the last time you witnessed to someone?

A: It was just last week.

B: Who did you witness to?

A: A student at school.

C: How did it start?

A: Actually, she asked me why I'm so happy.

B: Really? That's a great opening to share your testimony.

A: Yes, it was. I immediately prayed and God led me to share my past and present.

C: What kinds of questions did she ask?

A:

The last time you witnessed to someone.
 The last Bible Study you attended.
 The last time you took communion.
 The last time you asked someone to forgive you.
 The last time you were afraid.
 The last time Jesus spoke to you.

The last time you prayed for an hour.
 The last time you were filled with God's presence.
 The last time God answered prayer.
 The last time you pleased God.
 The last time you worshiped God.
 The last time you walked in faith.

7) NEXT, LET'S WORK WITH "QUESTIONS/ANSWERS" ABOUT THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of 3. Chose a "Judge/Facilitator".
- 2) The "judge" will read the "Questions" below. The other two contestants will try to give the answer.
- 3) Then when you are done, have the judge give the **ANSWER** and the contestants give the **QUESTION**.

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians. Ephesians. Philippians. Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation

a) How many books are in the Bible? (66) OT? (39) NT? (27)	
b) What books in the OT have a "first" and "second" book?	(6)
c) What six OT books start with the letter "J"?	(Joshua, Judges, Job, Jeremiah, Joel, Jonah)
d) What six NT books start with the letter "J"?	(John, James, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude)
e) How many books are in the Pentateuch?	(five)
f) Who wrote the Pentateuch?	(Moses)
g) Name the five books that Moses wrote?	(Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy)
h) What NT book is needed to understand "Daniel"?	(Revelation)
i) What NT book is needed to understand "Leviticus"?	(Hebrews)
j) What OT book tells about God's people being delivered from Egypt?	(Exodus)
k) What book is about a Moabite woman who is obedient to God?	(Ruth)
l) What book is about a Jewish woman who becomes queen?	(Esther)
m) What NT book is parallel to Joshua?	(Ephesians)
n) In what book does Samuel anoint David king?	(1 Samuel 16)
o) What book is about the walls of Jerusalem being rebuilt?	(Nehemiah)
p) What book is about the temple in Jerusalem being rebuilt?	(Ezra)
q) What major prophet warns about the Babylonian captivity?	(Jeremiah)
r) What minor prophet gets swallowed by "a great fish"?	(Jonah)

s) What Gospel is written to the Jewish people?	(Matthew)
t) What Gospel is written by a doctor?	(Luke)
u) Who wrote the book of Acts?	(Luke)
v) The book of Acts has 28 chapters. Who is writing Acts 29?	(We are – the church)
w) Who wrote Revelation & from where was Revelation written? (John wrote it from the isle of Patmos)	
x) In what book is the “Great Commission” given?	(Matthew 28:18-20)
y) How many NT books did John write?	(5 – John, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Revelation)
z) What book contains the “Love Chapter”?	(1 Corinthians 13)
aa) What book comes after 2 Samuel?	(1 Kings)
bb) What book comes after Ezra?	(Nehemiah)
cc) What book comes after Malachi?	(Matthew)
dd) Name the last five books of the OT? (H_ , Z_ , H_ , Z_ , M_ . (Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi)	
ee) What book first introduces King Saul?	(1 Samuel)
ff) What book teaches about “justification”?	(Romans)
gg) What are the Jewish books of the NT? (Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation)	
hh) Which book teaches about “suffering”?	(Job)
ii) Which book has the “Hall of Faith”?	(Hebrews 11)
jj) Which book tells of a romantic story between a “lover” and “his beloved”?	(Solomon’s Song of Songs)
kk) Which book has the Israelites conquering “seven kingdoms”?	(Joshua)
ll) What book has the longest chapter in the Bible?	(Psalm 119)
mm) What book has the shortest chapter in the Bible?	(Psalm 117)
nn) Which book has the shortest verse in the Bible?	(John 11:35)
oo) Which book has the longest verse in the Bible?	(Esther 8:9)
pp) What book talks about “Creation”?	(Genesis – creation; 2 Corinthians 5:17 – new creation)
qq) What book comes after 1 Peter?	(2 Peter)
rr) What book has “numbers” in it?	(Numbers)
ss) What book is spelt “hainahpez” backwards?	(Zephaniah)
tt) What books were written to a young pastor?	(1 Timothy, 2 Timothy)
uu) What book does Matthew often quote from?	(Isaiah)

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

Colossians 1:16,17

*For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities;
all things were created by him and for him.
He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 11

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I'll get to heaven because I'm a good person.

Most people think they are fairly good person compared to others. Unfortunately, we'll always find people better than ourselves. But God's standard is Jesus. Jesus was amazing. He taught love, peace, and forgiveness while many people were trying to kill him. He prayed for his enemies and cared about His mother on the cross. He knew He was going to be crucified and yet Jesus prayed that "God's will be done". No one is even close to being like Jesus Christ. It is only by the power of God that we can become more and more like Jesus Christ.

4) LET'S TALK ABOUT "STORMS". [inspired by a book called "Storms" by Carter McKeague - loved by God; hated by the devil]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break up into groups of 3. Read the passage of Scripture.
- 2) Then talk about the questions below. They're a "guide" for the Holy Spirit to lead you

Matthew 8:23-27

Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. (23)

Without warning, a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. (24)

The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" (25)

He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. (26)

The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!" (27)

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

1 Thessalonians 4:16,17

*For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command,
with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God,
and the dead in Christ will rise first.*

*After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them
in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.
And so we will be with the Lord forever.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 12

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

There is nothing wrong with worshiping our ancestors.

As Christians, we "honor" our ancestors. We are thankful for our past family members and just as importantly we are very concerned for our future members. But we should be careful what and who we "worship". We believe that God created everything and everyone. We should worship the "Creator" and not the "creation". We also believe that God has the power over the dead. God is sovereign. We are to place our grandparents into the hands of God. He is the perfect Judge. We need to trust God with our past family members and begin praying that our present and future generations will come to know God.

4) LET'S SING. This song is called, "Jesus Christ" and it is sung to the tune of "Edelweiss".

JESUS CHRIST

*JESUS CHRIST, JESUS CHRIST
YOU'RE MY LORD AND MY SAVIOR
DIED FOR ME, ON A TREE
I WILL LOVE YOU FOREVER*

*WHEN I AM WEARY, HE COMFORTS ME
GIVES ME PEACE AND FAVOR
JESUS CHRIST, JESUS CHRIST
I WILL LOVE HIM FOREVER*

[Note: Teacher, you can write this on the board and "erase" words each time you sing the song].

5) NOW WE ARE GOING TO DO SOME "QUESTIONS" & "ANSWERS" ABOUT MINISTERING AT HOSPITALS.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. One person will ask the questions. The other two people will take turns answering the questions about "hospitals and medicine".

Hospitals and Medicine

a) Have you ever visited people in the hospital? Give an example of what happened.
b) Have you ever been in the hospital? What happened? How did you feel? Did people visit you?
c) Do hospitals scare you? Have you ever had a bad experience in a hospital?
d) What is your greatest fear about hospitals? Why do people fear going to hospitals?
e) Have you ever had the chance to visit someone in the hospital? Did you pray with them?
f) Do you think people are afraid of death?
g) How would you minister to someone who is dying in the hospital? How would you want someone to minister to you?
h) Take a moment now and pray for someone you know who is sick, or hospitalized, or suffering physically. Pray that God will comfort them and that they will sense God's love, forgiveness, & peace.

6) NEXT, LET'S LOOK AT A POEM ABOUT CHRIST'S SECOND COMING FOR HIS SAINTS AT THE RAPTURE. [6]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Read the bible verse about Jesus' coming at the Rapture for the "dead in Christ" and His Saints. Notice Jesus doesn't put his feet on the earth as at the Revelation.
- 2) Then answer the questions below about Christ's coming for us at the Rapture.

"For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage each other with these words. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18)

HE IS COMING

He is coming, coming for us; Soon we'll see His light afar,
On the dark horizon rising, As the Bright and Morning Star,
Cheering many a waking watcher, As the star whose kindly ray
Heralds the approaching morning Just before the break of day.
Oh! what joy, as night hangs round us, 'Tis to think of morning's ray;
Sweet to know He's coming for us, Just before the break of day.

He is coming, coming for us; Soon we'll hear His voice on high;
Dead and living, rising, changing, In the twinkling of an eye
Shall be caught up altogether, For the meeting in the air;
With a shout the Lord, descending, Shall Himself await us there.
Oh! what joy that great foregathering, Trysted meeting in the air;
Sweet to know He's coming for us, Calling us to join Him there.

He is coming as the Bridegroom, Coming to unfold at last
The great secret of His purpose, Mystery of ages past.
And the Bride, to her is granted In His beauty now to shine,
As in rapture she exclaimeth, "I am His and His is mine."
Oh! what joy that marriage union, Mystery of love divine;
Sweet to sing in all its fullness, "I am His and He is mine."

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| a) What excites you most about Jesus coming back for you? |
| b) Do you have in mind "heavenly things" more than "earthly things?" |
| c) What don't you love about the world? |
| d) Jesus Christ's return is called the "Blessed Hope" for Christians (Titus 2:13). Why? |
| e) How did this poem speak to you? |
| f) Do you "watch and pray" for Christ's return? Does His return motivate you to share your faith? |
| g) Say a prayer now about "Christ's return for you". |

7) LET'S DO AN "ASSOCIATION RACE" NOW. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) When the teacher says "go", you will try to fill in the lines with "10" words that remind you of the previous word. The first person who has "10" words should raise their hand and they will be declared the winner.

[Teacher write a word in the "#1" space. The students try to fill in the blanks using words that remind them of the previous word]

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| 1) _____ JESUS _____ | 6) _____ |
| 2) _____ | 7) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 8) _____ |
| 4) _____ | 9) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 10) _____ |

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

2 Thessalonians 3:3

But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 13

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I don't want to be a Christian. They are so "self-righteous".

There are many self-righteous Christians unfortunately. But the truly "humble" Christian knows that if it were not for God's love and mercy they would be in hell. The closer we get to Jesus, the more we see our own sinfulness. Many Christians are very humble by the presence of Jesus and understand "who" He is.

4) NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT "BIBLE VERSES".

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break up into groups of 3.
- 2) This is called an "expository bible study". It is when you study each "word" or "short phrase". Then you elaborate or share on it. There is no "right" or "wrong" sharing. You just speak what God is showing you.
- 3) You may even share other "Bible verses" that God brings to mind.

For Example:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

- You could talk on the word "God". Just talk about what "God" means to you, who "God" is, what He's done for you, etc.
- You could talk on "loved". How God has "loved" you, others, etc.
- You could talk on "the world".
- You could talk about how you can love others who hate you.

Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God - (John 1:12)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28)

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. (1 John 3:16)

while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, (Titus 2:13)

5) NOW LET'S "INITIATE" A CONVERSATION. Sometimes a person wants to begin a conversation but they don't know how. One of the best ways is to "Ask Permission" to talk with someone. This gives the person the chance to say "yes" or "no." [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Look at the two "model conversations" below.
- 2) Now, I am going to give some of you a "request phrase" from the bottom of the page. You will walk around the class and ask permission to speak with people.
- 3) At the very bottom are some "responses".
- 4) Then, try some of your own methods that you think might work.

Model Conversation:

A: Good afternoon. B: Good afternoon. A: Pardon me. I hope I'm not bothering you but I was wondering if you had a couple of minutes? I'm presently studying English and I was wondering if you had a little time to talk with me? B: Well, ah. I might have a little time.....
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Model Conversation:

A: Good afternoon B: Good afternoon. A: Pardon me. I can see you are very busy but I'm studying English right now and I was wondering if you had a few minutes to talk to me? B: Well to be honest, I'm very busy right now. Maybe another time. A: Alright, thanks anyways. B: Alright, bye.
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“Request phrases”

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| 1) Excuse me. Do you have a few moments to talk English with me? I would really appreciate it. |
| 2) Pardon me, sir/madam, I hope I'm not disturbing you, but do you have a little time to talk with me? You see, I'm learning to speak English and I don't have many opportunities to practice. |
| 3) Excuse me, sir/madam. I noticed you just standing here. I'm presently studying English in university and I was wondering if you had a little time to talk? It would be very helpful to me. |
| 4) Good afternoon. I hope I'm not being too forward but I was wondering if you had a little time to talk? I'm an English student and I would really appreciate the chance to practice speaking. Do you mind? |
| 5) Good morning. Please forgive me for bothering you but I was wondering if you had some time to let this English student practice his/her English? I would really appreciate it. |
| 6) Hello. I'm sure you get asked this a lot but I was wondering if you had a little time to let me speak with you. I'm an English student and I rarely get chances to practice speaking. |
| 7) Hello, I can see you are busy but do you have a couple of minutes to talk while you wait for your subway. I'm an English student and I'm really curious about foreign culture. |
| 8) I hope I'm not being too upfront (forward) but do you have a little time to speak with me? I would really appreciate it as I'm studying English and I really need to practice. |

“Response phrases”

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| -Sure no problem. I'd be happy to. |
| -I don't mind at all. It can be lonely here at times. Should we have a seat here? |
| -It would be my pleasure. You can tell me a little about the culture here. |
| -Well, I think I have a little time. But I have to get going shortly. |
| -I'm sorry. I'm on my way home and I have to get going. |
| -I'm sorry. I've had a busy day today. Maybe another time. |
| -You'll have to forgive me but I'm just a little bit too tired today. Sorry. |
| -Maybe another time. I'm feeling a little bit stressed today. |

6) LET'S DO ANOTHER "BIBLE QUIZ" ON "GENESIS".

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Chose a "judge" to read the questions. The other 2 people will try to answer the questions given.

a) Quote Genesis 1:1.	(In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.)
b) Fill in the blanks. The Lord God formed man from the _____ of the _____, and breathed into his nostrils the _____ of _____, and the man became a _____ being. Genesis 2:7 (dust, ground, breath, life, living)	
c) In Genesis 3, the story of the fall, who was the craftiest of all the wild animals? (the serpent)	
d) After Cain killed Abel, God confronted him. What did Cain say when God asked him about his brother? (I don't know. Am I my brother's keeper?)	
e) Who were Noah's three sons?	(Shem, Ham, and Japheth)
f) Fill in the blank from Gen.6:9. Noah was a _____ man, _____ among the people of his time, and he _____ with God.	(righteous, blameless, walked)
g) What did God use to remember his covenant with Noah?	(a rainbow)
h) In Genesis 11, what did God do to the people of Babel?	(He confused their language)
i) In Genesis 12:10, why did Abraham go down to Egypt?	(there was a famine in the land)
j) What was Abraham's name before God changed it?	(Abram)
k) What city did God rescue Abraham's nephew Lot from?	(Sodom)
l) What happened to Lot's wife as she left Sodom?	(she looked back and turned into a pillar of salt)
m) How was Abraham tested in Genesis 22?	(he was told to sacrifice his son Isaac)
n) What was Isaac's first wife's name?	(Rebekah)
o) What were the twins names that Rebekah bore?	(Jacob and Esau)
p) Read Genesis 33:4-9. What did Jacob say in verse 5? Who did Jacob give the glory to? In verse 9, who did Esau give the glory to?	
q) How were Joseph and Daniel's lives similar? (They were both taken captive in their youth. They were godly young men. They both served the king. They were both unjustly persecuted. The persecutions they underwent helped prepare them grow as men. Through "interpreting dreams" they were both raised to honor. They both lived pure lives in ungodly cultures. They both died in foreign lands)	
r) In the story of Joseph in Genesis, who was executed? ...the cupbearer or the baker?	(the baker)
Other Questions from Genesis	

7) NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO "WRITE QUESTIONS".

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of 3. Each person should choose a different book from the Bible. Then you will write "five questions" from this book.
- 2) Then, take turns asking your partners these questions.

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation

My "5" Questions From The Book of "_____"

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

1 Timothy 1:17

*Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 14

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I have a friend who is a Christian. He drinks, swears, and parties.

Many people claim to be Christians but only God knows the heart. In some cases, people say they are Christians but they really have not trusted in Christ's death and resurrection for their salvation. In other cases, people are in a backslidden condition where they are not really walking with God. These people often have a lot of pain in them and need to experience other's love and acceptance to bring them back to the Lord. Finally, we are told not to judge others or we will be judged. God is our judge and we should trust and pray that our lives will continually please Him. Only God has the right to judge.

4) LET'S DO SOME TRANSLATING NOW.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 2 or 3. Think of a Christian song from your language.
- 2) Then working together, translate the song into English. Make sure it is not already sung in English.
- 3) After you've translated the song into English; be prepared to sing it to another group.

5) NOW YOU ARE GOING TO "ROLE PLAY" A FAMILY HAVING DINNER AND TALKING ABOUT THEIR DAY. Each member of the family will act out a certain "role" while having "family dinner". [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 4. Each person will be a member of the family.
- 2) The "father" will lead the family and allow everyone to talk. Try to listen to everyone. Use your imagination. **For example; create family problems, solve the problems, pray for each other, support each other, etc. Don't forget to pray before you eat your meal.**

Family Roles:

FATHER: Your name is Jeremiah and your wife is Rebekah. You are 40-years old and you have been married to your wife for 15 years. You have a 12 -year old daughter named Eunice who wants to be a missionary. You also have a 12-year old son named David who wants to be a pastor. Your wife stays at home and looks after the house. She enjoys serving Jesus at church by teaching Sunday school. You are a pastor and teacher at your church. You love Jesus very much. You also love to encourage your family in their walk with Jesus Christ.

MOTHER: Your name is Rebekah and your husband's name is Jeremiah. You are 38 years old and you have been married to your husband for 15 years. You have a 15 year-old daughter named Eunice who wants to be a missionary. You also have a 12-year old son named David who wants to be a pastor. Your husband is a pastor/teacher at your church. You are a supportive Christian woman who loves to serve Jesus by teaching Sunday school.

DAUGHTER: You are 15-years old and your name is Eunice. You have a 12-year old brother named David. Your father is a pastor/teacher, your mother is a Sunday school teacher, and your brother is a Sunday school member. He plays the guitar, and wants to be a pastor. You want to be a missionary when you grow up.

SON: You are 12-years old and your name is David. You have a 15-year old sister named Eunice. Your father is a pastor, your mother is a Sunday school teacher, and your sister wants to be a missionary. You want to be a pastor when you grow up.

6) NOW LET'S HAVE A "FAMILY SING-A-LONG". You have just talked with your family members. Now it is time to "sing" about them. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) This song goes to the tune of "99 Bottles of Pop." Each member of the family will have a chance to sing. At times, the whole family will sing together. Have some fun now and sing about your family.
- 2) When you are finished singing, you can write your own verse to the song.

The Happy Family Song (Tune: 99 Bottles of Pop)

(Father:)
Oh, I have a lovely wife, for whom I nightly pray.
She cooks my meals and cleans the house. I love her everyday.
(Chorus - everybody sings together)
We are such a happy home. We watch each other grow.
We support each other daily. We love each other so.
(Mother:)
Oh, I have a special husband. His name is Jeremy.
He's so kind and works so hard and really loves me.
(Son:)
Oh, my name is David. I study everyday.
I want to be a pastor and help people find "The Way".
(Daughter:)
Oh, my name is Eunice. Someday when I get old.
I wanna serve Jesus. God help me to be bold.

7) LET'S PUT THESE "PSALMS" IN THE RIGHT ORDER.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of 2. Take some time and put the different phrases in the right order.
- 2) Then check your Bible for the answers.

<u>Psalm 1</u>
___ who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked
___ They are like chaff that the wind blows away.
___ or sit in the seat of mockers.
___ He is like a tree planted by streams of water,
___ but the way of the wicked will perish.
___ Blessed is the man
___ and on his law he meditates day and night.
___ which yields its fruit in season
___ or stand in the way of sinners
___ and whose leaf does not wither.
___ Whatever he does prospers.
___ But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
___ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
___ nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.
___ Not so the wicked!
___ For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,

Psalm 23

___ Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

___ Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

___ He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul.

___ He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

___ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

___ You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

___ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

2 Timothy 1:12

*That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet I am not ashamed,
because I know whom I have believed,
and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 15

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I want to wait until I have some more fun before I become a Christian.
Many people think that having "fun" is doing what the world does. But after people do "fun" things they still feel empty inside. But, Jesus fills those places of emptiness. More importantly, "fun is temporal" while the love, joy, and acceptance of God is "eternal". If someone born of God dies right now, the presence of God will be with them for all eternity. That is a wonderful "fun".

4) WHY DON'T WE PRACTICE REFLECTIVE LISTENING? [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Tell your partner what you did today. **Have your partner “reflect” back to you what you did.** Then have your partner tell what he/she did today and you “reflect.”
- 2) Now, tell your partner what you are going to do this weekend. **Have your partner “reflect” back what you are going to do.** Now, have your partner tell what he/she is going to do this weekend and you “reflect.”

5) IN THIS HOUR YOU ARE GOING TO LEARN ABOUT “SYLLABLES” AND HOW IMPORTANT THEY ARE TO YOUR PRONUNCIATION OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE. [12]

Definition:

A syllable is one of the units of sound into which a word can be divided.

For example: **UNITS** has 2 syllables. **SOUND** has 1 syllable. **DIVIDED** has 3 syllables.

To speak proper English a person needs to understand “syllables”. Many people pronounce words wrong because they don’t know how to “break syllables”. For example:

DIFFERENTIATE should be broken like this: **DIF / FER / EN / TI / ATE.** (5 syllables)

Many “English learners” bring their native language into English and this is difficult to change. For example:

CHURCH (1 syllable) is not **Chur chee** (2 syllables)

WALKED (1 syllable) is not **Wal ked** (2 syllables)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Let’s practice breaking some syllables. Go into groups of 2. One person will read the word in the book and the other person will break the syllables.

For example:

A: Where is the syllable break in the word “sanctification”?

B: It’s between the “c” and the “t”, the “i” and the “f”, the “i” and the “c”, the “a” and the “t”.

ABRAHAM (A BRA HAM)	ADAM (A DAM)	ADULTERY (A DUL TER Y)
ALIEN (A LI EN)	ALTAR (AL TAR)	AMEN (A MEN)
ANOINT (A NOINT)	ANTICHRIST (AN TI CHRIST)	APOSTLES (A POS TLES)
ATONEMENT (A TONE MENT)	BAAL (BAAL)	BABYLON (BA BY LON)
BAPTIZE (BAP TIZE)	BLESSING (BLES SING)	BLOOD (BLOOD)
CANAAN (CA NAAN)	CENTURION (CEN TURI ON)	CHURCH (CHURCH)
CIRCUMCISE (CIR CUM CISE)	COVENANT (CO VE NANT)	CREATION (CRE A TION)
CRUCIFY (CRU CI FY)	CURSE (CURSE)	DAVID (DA VID)
DEMON (DE MON)	DISCIPLE (DIS CI PLE)	ELDERS (EL DERS)
ETERNAL (E TER NAL)	FAITH (FAITH)	FASTING (FAS TING)
FEAST (FEAST)	FIRSTFRUITS (FIRST FRUITS)	FORGIVENESS (FOR GIVE NESS)
GALILEE (GAL I LEE)	GENTILES (GEN TILES)	GLORY (GLOR Y)
GRACE (GRACE)	HADES (HA DES)	HALLELUJAH (HAL LE LU JAH)
HEAVEN (HEA VEN)	HEIR (HEIR)	HOLINESS (HO LI NESS)
IDOL (I DOL)	INCENSE (IN CENSE)	ISRAEL (IS RA EL)
JACOB (JA COB)	JERUSALEM (JER U SA LEM)	JEWISH (JEW ISH)
JUDAH (JU DAH)	JUSTIFY (JUS TI FY)	KINGDOM (KING DOM)
LAMB (LAMB)	LAW (LAW)	LEPROSY (LE PRO SY)
LEVITE (LE VITE)	MANNA (MAN NA)	MEDIATOR (ME DI A TOR)
MESSIAH (MES SIAH)	MIRACLE (MIR A CLE)	MOSES (MO SES)
MYSTERY (MY STER Y)	NOAH (NO AH)	OFFERING (OF FER ING)
PARABLE (PAR A BLE)	PASSOVER (PASS O VER)	PHARISEES (PHAR I SEES)
PROPHET (PRO PHET)	PSALM (PSALM)	RANSOM (RAN SOM)
REAP (REAP)	RECONCILIATION (RE CON CIL I A TION)	REDEMPTION (RE DEMP TION)
REMNANT (REM NANT)	REPENTANCE (RE PEN TANCE)	RESURRECTION (RE SUR REC TION)
REVELATION (RE VE LA TION)	RIGHTEOUSNESS (RIGHT EOUS NESS)	SABBATH (SAB BATH)
SACRIFICE (SA CRI FICE)	SADDUCEES (SAD DU CEES)	SALVATION (SAL VA TION)
SAMARITAN (SA MAR I TAN)	SANCTIFICATION (SANC TI FI CA TION)	SATAN (SA TAN)
SINFULNESS (SIN FUL NESS)	SYNAGOGUE (SYN A GOGUE)	TABERNACLE (TA BER NA CLE)
TEACHER (TEA CHER)	TEMPLE (TEM PLE)	TITHE (TITHE)
UNCLEAN (UN CLEAN)	VISION (VI SION)	WORSHIP (WOR SHIP)
WRATH (WRATH)	ZION (ZI ON)	

6) NOW, YOU ARE GOING TO WRITE A POEM THAT REQUIRES YOU TO BREAK WORDS INTO SYLLABLES. [4,12]

HAIKU

A Haiku is a form of poetry that was invented over 700 years ago in Japan. They are still an important part of Japanese culture and they are also popular in English. They are usually about nature but they can be written about anything. They consist of 3 lines with the 1st line having 5 syllables, the 2nd line having 7 syllables and the 3rd line having 5 syllables.

Example #1

Jesus is my life (1st line) (5 syllables)
I live for my risen Lord (2nd line)(7 syllables)
For eternity (3rd line) (5 syllables)

Example #2

His life touches mine (1st line) (5 syllables)
In His life I live and breath (2nd line)(7 syllables)
My heart touches life. (3rd line)(5 syllables)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Now, by yourself, write a Haiku. **First, choose a topic.**
For example: **peace, joy, Jesus, Father, Savior, love, etc.**
- 2) **Then using your topic write a three-line poem using the above format.** One hint: if you are having trouble remember “contractions”. Contractions can make two words into one word or one word into two words. Alright, good luck. Just do your best.

7) NOW LET'S PLAY SOME "HANGMAN". Everyone enjoys playing a little hangman. [12]

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Break up into groups of 3. One person writes down the blanks to a word, sentence or phrase. The other 2 people take turns guessing the letters. If you guess the right letter you get another turn.

[Teacher: this can be done with “words”, “phrases” or “sentences”]

For Example:
_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
“A” guesses the letter “e”. Then “g”. There is no “g”. _ e _ _ _ _ _ e _ _ _ _
“B” guesses the letter “s”. Then “t”. There is no “t”. _ e s _ s _ _ _ e s _ _ _
It is “C’s” turn and she guesses “JESUS LOVES YOU”. She is correct so she wins. <u>JESUS LOVES YOU</u>

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

Titus 2:13

*while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing
of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 16

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I don't believe in miracles.

God is higher than our natural laws. In fact, He created natural laws. He also supersedes all natural laws by manifesting Himself supernaturally through miracles. Throughout the Bible we see many men performing miracles. God worked miracles through these men. But Jesus used His own power to perform miracles. Miracles do not save people; faith in Christ's death and resurrection do. God has not changed (Heb.11:8). God still does miracles today. In the past God used miracles to prove that He was God. Now we have the inspired Word of God to prove that Jesus is God.

4) NEXT YOU'RE GOING TO WRITE A PARAGRAPH. More importantly, you are going to learn the "rules" for writing a paragraph. A paragraph is a group of sentences about one main idea. This main idea is called the topic. Usually a paragraph looks like the following (this one's double spaced): [4,12]

(1)	(2)
<u>My</u> name is Abraham. I was born in a small town in the northwest part of London,	
(3)	(4)
England. <u>As</u> a small child I had no religious upbringing. <u>When</u> I was in university, a friend of mine	
(5)	
began to share his faith with me. <u>I</u> was really impressed with his gentle spirit and I decided to <u>AT-</u>	
(6)	
<u>TEND</u> bible studies. <u>On</u> March 18, 1975, I received Jesus Christ into my heart as my personal	
(7)	(8)
Savior. <u>It</u> was the most joyous time of my life. <u>A</u> few weeks later I felt that I should be baptized and	
(9)	
publicly proclaim that I had died to my old life and I was a new creation. <u>Thank</u> you Jesus.	

Rules for a Paragraph

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|--|
| a) Always "indent" a new paragraph. In the above paragraph "MY NAME....." is indented from the margin to <u>show it is a new paragraph</u> . This is very important. |
| b) It is also important to <u>begin each sentence with a CAPITAL letter</u> as "underlined" above. This shows the reader that a new sentence is beginning. Always capitalize first and last names, cities, countries, etc. |
| c) You should also end each sentence with a period (.), question mark (?), or exclamation mark (!). This shows the reader that the sentence is over. |
| d) Notice in the paragraph above that each new sentence <u>is not</u> started on a new line. This makes the paragraph easier to read and keeps the "flow" of the writing. (see the #'s) |
| e) If you are going to <u>have someone correct your writing</u> it is very important to <u>DOUBLE SPACE</u> . If your paragraph is double spaced it is very easy to make markings above the writing. The paragraph above is "double spaced". |
| f) On line 3, the word "attend" is broken into "at - tend". If you come to the end of a line and have no space, <u>always</u> break the word on the " syl / la / ble break". |

5) NEXT WE'RE GOING TO PRACTICE "INTERVIEWING FOR A MINISTRY POSITION" IN ENGLISH.

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Break up into groups of 2. One of you will be the "interviewer" and one of you will be the "interviewee". Practice "interviewing for a job". Use your imagination.

A: Well good afternoon Miss/Mr. _____ . It's nice to see you could make it today.
B: It's nice to be here. I've been looking forward to meeting you Mr./Mrs. _____ .
A: First, let's take some time to pray. "Heavenly Father _____"
B: Amen.
A: First, I want to ask you a few questions about your educational background. Where did you go to university?
B: In _____ at _____ .
A: Oh, really? And when did you graduate?
B: I graduated _____ .
A: I see. What did you major in?
B: I majored in _____ .
A: Aha. So you majored in _____ . Tell me about your major. Why did you choose it?
B: Well _____ .
A: I see. Did you take any courses in English?
B: Yes, I did. I took English _____
A: Do you speak any other languages?
B: _____
A: Alright. Well now, what about your work experience. What kinds of jobs have you had?
B: I had a part-time job _____ . I also _____ .
A: Well, that's very interesting. Tell me what are your greatest assets (strengths)?
B: I would have to say my greatest assets are _____ .
A: Are you looking for a part-time or full-time ministry position?
B: _____
A; Are you married?
B: Yes, I've been married _____ .
A: Do you have any children?
B: Yes, _____ .
A: Tell me something about yourself. Do you have any hobbies or interests?
B: Yes, I _____
A: Why do you want to work here?
B: I _____
A: Do you feel qualified to work here?
B: Yes, with my educational background in _____ and my experience I feel _____ .
A: Where do you see yourself in 5 years with this ministry?
B: _____
A: How much money do you feel you would like to earn to begin here?
B: _____
A: Here is a very general question. How has God led you to this ministry?

B:
A: Alright, that just about does it. Do you have any questions for me?
B: Yes, I wanted to know about _____ -
A: _____ . Any more questions?
B: No, that's all for today.
A: Alright, I want to thank you for coming. We will be making a decision in the next few days.
B: Thank you. _____ .

6) NOW WE ARE GOING TO DO A CONVERSATION INVOLVING "RELAXATION". People need to learn how to RELAX. [12]

But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed. (Luke 5:16)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 2. Take turns asking each other the questions about "relaxation."

a) How do you relax during the week? How do you relax during the weekend?
b) Which is a better way to relax ...prayer, Scripture meditation, or reading the Scriptures?
c) Do you ever exercise for relaxation? What kind of exercise do you do?
d) Do you find reading relaxing? Why? If so, what kinds of books relax you?
e) What kinds of things do you do for yourself?
f) Do you ever go to the park to relax?
g) Do you find being around children a form of relaxation or stress?
h) Do you know any people who are not "stressed out"? What do they do to relax?
i) Do you ever turn off the TV, radio, etc. and just sit and think about things?
j) If you could change one thing about your lifestyle, what would you change?
k) Do you have trouble saying "NO" to people?
l) With your partner, say a prayer about what God is showing you right now.

7) LET'S PLAY A GAME NOW.

DIRECTIONS

- 1) Go into groups of 3. The first person starts with the phrase:

A: Someday I want to be a missionary in "ARGENTINA".

- 2) Then the second and third persons will continue. "B" uses the letter "b" and "C" uses the letter "c". Then "A" uses "d", "B" uses "e", etc.

B: Someday I want to be a missionary in "BERLIN and ARGENTINA"

C: Someday I want to be a missionary in "CCANADA, BERLIN, and ARGENTINA."

Other phrases to start with:

In the Bible there is/are " <u>O</u> ne God" (<u>T</u> wo sons of Zebedee, <u>T</u> hree persons in the trinity,)
God has blessed us with " <u>A</u> n <u>A</u> utomobile" (<u>B</u> owling shoes, <u>C</u> lothes,
God has made me so wonderfully. I have " <u>A</u> nkles" (<u>B</u> rain, a <u>C</u> hin, a <u>D</u> isc)
God asks me to: (use a phrase) " <u>A</u> sk for forgiveness." (<u>B</u> e considerate, <u>C</u> are for people...)

8) LET'S MEMORIZE SOME BIBLE VERSES NOW:

Philemon 1:6

*I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith,
so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 17

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

I can't believe in a loving God who sends people to "Hell."

God didn't create "hell" for people. He created it for Satan and his fallen angels. Because God is holy, He had to create a place separate from sinless, perfect heaven. God's purpose was to eternally separate Satan and his fallen angels from God. Unfortunately, people are responsible for their eternal destiny. If they reject God's gift of salvation, they remain in their sin and cannot come to heaven. God provides "eternal life" through Jesus Christ. Finally, Hell is a created place but even worse than hell will be an eternal separation from God. We don't look forward to "heaven" as much as being in the unrestricted presence of God for all eternity. The "Creator" is always greater than the "creation."

5) LET'S LOOK AT JUST A FEW NAMES FOR JESUS IN THE BIBLE. Below are "52 Different Names for Jesus" in the Bible.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break up into groups of three.
- 2) Read the names of Jesus in the Bible. Take some time to talk about them.
- 3) Now, take some time to pray outloud using these names.

The Head of the Body

Jesus you are the "Head of the Body" Your church.

You lead us, guide us, and love us.

Thank you Lord that we are your body.

52 Names for Jesus (Every week PRAY, WORSHIP, PRAISE using one of these names)

The Head of the Body (Col.1:18)	The Rose of Sharon (Song of Songs 2:1)	The Dayspring from on High (Luke 1:78)	The Door of the Sheep (John 10:7)
The Lord of Peace (2 Thess. 3:16)	The Branch (Zechariah 6:12)	The Consolation of Israel (Luke 2:25)	The Just One (Acts 7:52)
The Righteous Judge (2 Tim.4:8)	The Lamb of God (John 1:29)	The Prophet of the Highest (Luke 1:76)	The Deliverer (Romans 11:26)
The Brightness of His Glory (Heb.1:3)	The Alpha and Omega (Rev.1:8)	The Hope of Glory (Colossians 1:27)	The Lord of Glory (1 Corinthians 2:8)
The Headstone of the Corner (Psalms 118:22)	The Bright and Morning Star (Revelation 22:16)	Savior of the World (1 John 4:14)	The Wisdom of God (1 Corinthians 1:24)
The High Priest (Heb.3:1)	The Bridegroom (Matt.25:10)	The King (Zechariah 14:16)	The Root of David (Rev.5:5)
The Mediation of a Better Covenant (Heb.8:6)	The Lily of the Valley (Song of Songs 2:1)	The Rock of my Salvation (2 Samuel 22:47)	The Captain of the Host of the Lord (Joshua 5:14)
The Propitiation (1 John 2:2)	The Son of the Highest (Luke 1:32)	The Power of God (1 Corinthians 1:24)	The Bread of Life (John 6:35)
The Lion of the Tribe of Judah (Rev.5:5)	The Sun of Righteousness (Malachi 4:2)	The Express Image of His Person (Heb.1:3)	The Author of Eternal Salvation (Heb.5:9)
The True God (1 John 5:20)	The Christ of God (Luke 9:20)	The Way (John 14:6)	The Prince of Life (Acts 3:15)
The Faithful Witness (Rev.1:5)	The Holy One of God (Mark 1:24)	The Truth (John 14:6)	The Good Shepherd (John 10:11)
The Hidden Manna (Rev.2:17)	The Lifter of my Head (Psalm 3:3)	The Life (John 14:6)	The Word of God (Revelation 19:13)
The Amen (Rev.3:14)	The Son of Man (Mark 10:33)	The Vine (John 15:5)	The True Light (John 1:9)

6) NOW LET'S LEARN TO TAKE SOME NOTES. Note-taking is a wonderful way to practicing "thinking" in English. Taking notes can be useful for many things. [12]

For example:

- You can take notes of a pastor's sermon or lecture.
- You can take notes while listening to English tapes/lectures to check your listening ability.
- You can write down homework assignments using abbreviations.
- You can practice taking notes in class. Someday you may be overseas and required to take notes
- You can write down appointments, dates, shopping lists, etc. using abbreviations.

Note-taking is very personal.

It is important to find your style and learn abbreviations that you will remember.

DIRECTIONS

1) Let's break up into groups of 3. **Take sm. time 2 wr. abb. 4 T fol. sen.** Then compare them with your partners. The first one is done for you.

a) Pick me up some carrots, tomatoes, lettuce, and milk. – Pk. up car. tom. lett. & mk.
b) Sally called for you at 4:30. Please call her back. – Sally cd. @ 4:30. Call bk.
c) Read pages 45 and 46 homework tomorrow. -
d) Read Genesis Chapters 5 to 14 for tomorrow –
e) Come to school as soon as possible for coffee. –
f) I met Pastor Jones while visiting my aunt in Canada –
g) I met Jesus while I was backpacking through Asia -

2) Now write a few abbreviated sentences down and see if your partners can tell you what your sentences are.

a) I went h. yest. 2 c my mot. – I went home yesterday to see my mother.
b)
c)
d)
e)

3) Finally, close your book and take notes as I read you the following paragraph.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

<p>There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven: (v.1) a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, (2) a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, (3) a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, (4) a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain, (5) a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, (6) a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, (7) a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.(8)</p>
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7) NOW LET'S DO A WORD GAME. This game is designed to help you to "THINK" in English. Try to keep the words on a Christian thought level. [6,12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Let's break up into groups of 3. The first student says a word. Then the next student uses the last letter of that word for the first letter of his word and so on... Try to keep going for as long as you can. I'll give you 3 minutes. Go.

DON'T LOOK AT THE WORDS BELOW UNLESS YOU ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO.

For example: A: GOD B: DELIVERANCE C: EL SHADDAI A: INCENSE etc.

Abraham, Adam, adultery, alien, altar, amen, anoint, antichrist, apostles, atonement, Baal, Babylon, baptize, blessing, blood, Canaan, centurion, church, circumcise, covenant, creation, crucify, curse, David, demon, disciple, elders, eternal, faith, fasting, feast, firstfruits, forgiveness, Galilee, Gentiles, glory, gospel, grace, Hades, Hallelujah, heaven, heir, holiness, idol, incense, Israel, Jacob, Jerusalem, Jewish, Judah, justify, kingdom, lamb, law, leprosy, Levite, manna, mediator, Messiah, miracle, Moses, mystery, Noah, offering, parable, Passover, Pharisees, prophet, Psalm, ransom, reap, reconciliation, redemption, remnant, repentance, resurrection, revelation, righteousness, Sabbath, sacrifice, Sadducees, salvation, Samaritan, sanctification, Satan, sinfulness, synagogue, tabernacle, teacher, temple, tithe, unclean, vision, worship, wrath, Zion

- 2) Now, let's try this. The first student says a sentence. The next student uses the last word from the sentence before them to start their sentence with and so on.....

For example: A: I love GOD. B: GOD is so GOOD. C: GOOD is our LORD. Etc.

Alright, I'll give you 3 minutes. Go.

- 3) Finally, we are going to make a sentence using the letters of a word.

For example: G O D : GOD OUR DELIVERER

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

Hebrews 10:12

*But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins,
he sat down at the right hand of God.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 18

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Science has the answers to everything. I don't need God.

Actually, science has a lot of theories. Evolution is still a theory and many scientists are realizing that the "Origin of Man" theory by Darwin has been disproved. Even the new theories they are coming up with have been disproved. For example, how did something come from nothing. Christianity says that everything came from something and that something is God. Science explains a lot of the natural. In fact, good science and Christianity go hand in hand. The difference is that "good science" always glorifies God. One of Jesus' greatest miracles was creation. Evolutionists tell wonderful theories of how we got here. Jesus proclaims in Mark 10:6, "But at the beginning of creation God made them male and female." Remember, Jesus is "Eternal Life". He not only states that He did it but He was there to witness His actions. True science witnesses something. Jesus is the Faithful Witness (Rev.1:5). John rightly puts it, "Jesus did many other things as well. If everyone of them were written down I suppose even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written." (John 21:25)

4) LET'S READ THE FOLLOWING STORY & PRAY. [E]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Read the story below. Then, write a prayer to God about what the story meant to you.

There was a school with a class of students no teacher had been able to handle. Two or three teachers had been run off from this school in one year by the unruly students.

A young man, just out of college, heard about the class and he applied to the school. The principal asked the young man, "Do you not know what you are asking for? No one has been able to handle these students. You are just asking for a terrible beating."

After a few moments of silent prayer, the young man looked at the principal and said, "Sir, with your consent I accept the challenge. Just give me a trial basis."

The next morning the young man stood before the class. He said to the class, "Young people, I came here today to conduct school. But I realize I can't do it by myself. I must have your help." One big boy, they called Big Tom, in the back of the

room whispered to his buddies, "I'll not need any help. I can lick that little bird all by myself." The young teacher told the class that if they were to have school, there will have to be some rules to go by. But he also added that he would allow the students to make up the rules, that he would list them on the blackboard. This was certainly different, the students thought!

One young man suggested "NO STEALING." Another one shouted "BE ON TIME FOR CLASS." Pretty soon they had 10 rules listed on the board. The teacher had then asked the class what the punishment should be for breaking these rules. "Rules are no good unless they are enforced," he said. Someone in the class suggested that if the rules were broken, they should receive 10 licks with a rod across their back with their coat off. The teacher thought that was pretty harsh, so he asked the class if they would stand by this punishment. The class agreed.

Everything went pretty good for two or three days. Then Big Tom came in one day very upset. He declared that someone had stolen his lunch. After talking with the students, they came to the conclusion that little Timmy had stolen Big Tom's lunch. Someone had seen little Timmy with Big Tom's lunch! The teacher called little Timmy up to the front of the room. Little Timmy admitted he had taken Big Tom's lunch. So the teacher asked him, "Do you know the punishment? Little Timmy nodded that he did. "You must remove your coat, then," the teacher instructed.

The little fellow had come with a great big coat on. Little Timmy said to the teacher, "I am guilty and I am willing to take my punishment, but please don't make me take off my coat." The teacher reminded little Timmy of the rules and punishments and again told him he must remove his coat and take his punishment like a man.

The little fellow started to unbutton that old coat. As he did so, the teacher saw he did not have a shirt on under the coat. And even worse, he saw a frail and bony frame hidden beneath that coat. The teacher asked little Timmy why he had come to school without a shirt on. Little Timmy replied, "My daddy's dead and my mother is very poor. I don't have but one shirt, and my mother is washing it today. I wore big brother's coat so' to keep warm."

That young teacher stood and looked at the frail back, the ribs sticking out, the spine protruding against the skin. He wondered how he could lay a rod on that little back and without even a shirt on. Still, he knew he must enforce the punishment or the children would not obey the rules. So he drew back to strike little Timmy. Just then Big Tom stood up and came down the aisle. He asked, "Is there anything that says I can't take little Timmy's whipping for him?" The teacher thought about it and agreed. With that Big Tom ripped his coat off and stooped and stood over little Timmy at the desk. Hesitatingly the teacher began to lay the rod on that big back. But for some strange reason, after only five licks that old rod just broke in half.

The young teacher buried his face in his hands and began to sob. He heard a commotion and looked up to find not even one dry eye in the room. Little Timmy had turned and grabbed Big Tom around the neck, apologizing to him for stealing his lunch, begging his forgiveness. Little Timmy begged Big Tom to forgive him. He told Big Tom that he would love him till the day he died for taking his whipping for him.

Aren't you glad that Jesus took our whipping for us, that He shed His precious blood on Calvary so that you and I can have eternal life in Glory with Him? We are unworthy of the price He paid for us, but aren't you glad He loves us that much?

5/6) NOW WE ARE GOING TO "WRITE SERMONS". Some of us think that "preaching" is only for pastors. But we must all be ready to "preach" or share God's Word at some time. We may be able to share it at missions, orphanages, hospitals, or even on the street. Let's practice "preaching".

Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage--with great patience and careful instruction. (2 Tim. 4:2)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Do the following below today. Today, you'll prepare your "sermon".
- 2) You will give your "sermon" next week to a group of 3.

• Choose a topic from below. Prepare a "five minute" sermon.
• Make sure your sermon is "biblical."
• Try to make your message applicable to three groups of people: (non-believers, new Christians, and mature Christians)
• Pray to God for wisdom and direction. Sermons aren't written; they are prepared by God in the heart usually through life experiences.
• Your sermon should have a "opening", "body" and "closing"
• Don't memorize your sermon. Go over it again and again "verbally". Fill your heart up with things you've read, studied, and prayed about.
• Record your sermon on a tape recorder to become comfortable with your voice. Time your sermon. It should not be over 5 minutes.
• Make sure you "pray" before your sermon. Don't allow the enemy to distract you, scare you, or shame you. <u>God has given you a message.</u>
• We don't just preach. God speaks through a broken, yielded vessel.
• Try to make eye contact with the audience. It is alright to look down at your notes but try not to use them. "BE YOURSELF!!!!!!"
• It is important to have your audience, look up verses in the Bible.
• End your sermon with a short prayer and invitation to receive Christ.
• After your sermon, don't allow the enemy to attack you. You have been obedient to God. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice.

Father, I love you and you love me. I love these people and you love these people. Love these people through me. This is not an audience to be feared, but a family to be loved. There is no fear in love; perfect love casts out all fear. (Rick Warren's prayer before his sermons – "The Purpose Driven Church" by Rick Warren)

SERMON TOPIC SUGGESTIONS

"AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?" (Genesis 4:9)
"NOAH FOUND GRACE IN THE EYES OF THE LORD" (Genesis 6:8)
"THE CHOICE OF LOT" (Genesis 13:10-12)
"THE EXCUSES OF MOSES" (Exodus 3:1-4:17)
"CALEB FOLLOWED THE LORD FULLY" (Numbers 14:24)
"THE ART OF CONFESSING OUR SINS" (Psalms 51:1-19)
"REMEMBER GOD IN THE DAYS OF YOUR YOUTH" (Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:1)
"DARE TO BE A DANIEL" (Daniel 1:8-21; or Daniel 6:1-10)
"BINDING THE HANDS OF JESUS" (Mark 15:1)
"REJOICE ALWAYS!" (1 Thessalonians 5:16)

SCRIPTURE SUGGESTIONS

John 3:16; Romans 3:23; 2 Samuel 14:14; Romans 8:28, 29

PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE SUGGESTIONS

John 5:1-15; John 8:1-11; John 13:1-17
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TOPICAL SUGGESTIONS

Love, Peace, Patience, Salvation, Eternal Life, Communion

7) NOW LET'S PRACTICE "HUMMING". "HUMMING" IS MAKING MUSIC WITH YOUR MOUTH WITHOUT SAYING THE WORDS. LIKE THIS.....MMMMMMM. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Break into groups of 3. One person will be the "HUMMER". The other 2 people will close their books and try to guess the songs being "hummed".
- 2) Then, take turns and make up your own songs if you like.

A: Why do "bees" hum?	B: Because they don't know the words to the songs.
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a) All Hail King Jesus b) All Hail the Power c) All That I Am d) All To Jesus e) Amazing Grace f) As The Deer g) Blessed Assurance h) Christ the Lord Is Risen Today i) Crown Him With Many Crowns j) Fairest Lord Jesus k) Faith of Our Fathers l) For The Beauty of the Earth m) God Is So Good n) Great Is Thy Faithfulness o) Have Thine Own Way Lord p) Have You Been To Jesus q) He's Got The Whole World r) Just A Closer Walk With Thee s) I Heard An Old, Old Story t) Angels We Have Heard On High u) Away In A Manger v) Go Tell It On The Mountain w) Hark, The Herald Angels Sing x) Here We Come A-Wassailing y) It Came Upon The Midnight Clear z) Joy To The World aa) O Come, All Ye Faithful bb) O Come, O Come, Emmanuel cc) O Holy Night dd) O Little Town Of Bethlehem ee) Silent Night ff) The First Noel gg) We Three Kings hh) What Child Is This
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8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

James 1:12

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 19

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

The concept of a "Trinity" is too confusing.

Three persons but one essence. Three eternal distinctions in the one divine essence. The Tri-personality of God. The triune God. If there were no trinity, there could be no incarnation for God is Holy and had to become man. There could be no objective redemption for the Father was in Heaven while the Son was on the cross; therefore no salvation for there would be no one capable of acting as Mediator between God and man (1 Tim.2:5,6). What a beautiful thing it is to right now to have our Father reigning in Heaven, Jesus our Risen Savior seated at His right hand praying for us right now as our High Priest, and the Wonderful Counselor, indwelling us, empowering us, loving us, and changing us. We don't have to understand it in my mind but accept it by faith that my God has everything covered. He is able to save us to the uttermost.

In a business, the company may be called "Jones and Company". John Jones, Jim Jones, and Peter Jones may be the heads of three different departments in the company. The three work together in unison, yet it is one company. Three persons working together in unison, yet one company. Light has three different rays. It has red heat rays (invisible like the Father), yellow light rays (that are seen giving us a picture of the Son), and blue chemical rays (seen by their effects giving us a picture of the Holy Spirit). Water comes in three forms. Liquid, ice, and steam. Yet it is still only water. A Shamrock is a three-leaved plant. It is one leaf but three distinct sections. John Clarke. John is a husband, father, and teacher. He is one person but functions in three different roles at the same time.

4) LET'S ASK QUESTIONS ON "HEALTH & EXERCISE." [12]

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 2. Take turns answering the questions.

a) Do you exercise regularly? once a week? twice a week? three times a week?
b) What kinds of exercise do you do? (swimming, walking, weights, etc.)
c) What is the best way to keep in shape?the best way to lose weight?
d) Which is more important: the condition of your mind or the condition of your body? Why?
e) Which is the most important: your spiritual life, your mental capacity, or your physical body?
f) Which is worse for your health: drinking or smoking? Why shouldn't we drink or smoke?
g) Should woman wear make-up? Why or why not?
h) "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised" (Proverbs 31:30). What is God saying here?
i) "Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight." (1 Peter 3:3,4) Discuss this.
j) How often should people get a check-up from a doctor? ... eye doctor? ... a dentist?
k) Why should we keep healthy?
l) What is the best way to develop "inner" beauty?
m) This body of ours is dying. Why does God want us to be good stewards of it?
n) Do you think we spend too much time worrying about ourselves and not about others?
o) God loves us and accepts us just as we are. Isn't this wonderful to know?
p) Now, take some time and thank God for how He has made you.

5) LET'S CHANGE PLACES WITH YOUR TEAMMATES DURING A CONVERSATION. [12]

Some Topics to Talk About:

a) Mission trip	b) My family	c) My ministry	d) My Vision
e) Prayer	f) Worship Music	g) The Bible	h) Christ's Return
i) Marriage	j) Orphans/Widows	k) Jesus	l) The Pastor's Sermon
m) Evangelism	n) Being Like Christ	o) Bible Studies	p) Christian Books
q) Famous O.T. Saints	r) Famous N..T. Saints	s) Prayer Topics	t) The Holy Spirit

DIRECTIONS FOR GROUPS OF "4":

1) Go into groups of 4. "A" will start a conversation. After "A": speaks, "C" responds. After "C" speaks, "B" responds. Then "D" responds. "A" & "B" rotate back and forth as well as "C" & "D".

For example:	A/B: Hi, how are you?
	C/D: Fine. What a great day, isn't it?
	A/B: Yes, it sure is.
	C/D: So what is new with you?
	A/B: Not much. My English is going just terrible.

CHAPTER 20

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

There is too much disharmony in the Gospels.

The Gospels harmonize with each other. They don't contradict but supplement information. Even the "so called" differences in the Gospels have been proven valid and show that the four gospel writers did not collaborate but gave four valid versions. Many times they show the same situations from another perspective. And the New Testament writer's accounts harmonize with historical figures.

4) LET'S TAKE SOME TIME NOW AND GO THROUGH A GENTLE PROCESS OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER. Intercessory prayer is coming before God on behalf of others (Jer.7:16; Romans 8:27; Heb.7:25; Isaiah 59:16). A person who wants to live a fruitful Christian life "MUST" pray. The more we pray, the deeper our relationship with God becomes. As our relationship with God improves; we find that our faith grows. PRAYER IS VITAL.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3.
- 2) Go through the following steps one at a time.
- 3) Trust that God hears your prayers.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER STEPS

1) THANKSGIVING, PRAISE AND WORSHIP (PSALM 95:6, JOHN 4:24)
All the group members should “verbally” begin to praise and worship God.
2) CONFESSION OF SIN AND REPENTANCE (1 JOHN 1:9)
The first person prays that God will forgive the group’s sins. Then, each member should quietly confess their sins to God.
3) INVITE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO BE IN CHARGE AND LEAD THE GROUP.
The second person invites the Holy Spirit to lead this time of prayer.
4) PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD (EPHESIANS 6:10-18)
Pray the following prayer “outloud” as a group:
Lord we desire to be strong in You and in Your mighty power. Right now we put on the full armor of God so that we can take our stand against the devil’s schemes. We recognize that our struggle is a spiritual battle. We wish to stand our ground firmly in You now with the belt of truth buckled around our waists and with the breastplate of righteousness in place. Lord our feet are fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. We take up the shield of faith, with which we can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. We take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Right now, we ask that Your Spirit would envelop us and empower us to pray in the Spirit with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in our minds, we will be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.
5) PRAY AGAINST ANYTHING THAT WOULD GET IN THE WAY OF CHRIST (2 CORINTHIANS 10:4-5)
Pray the following prayer “outloud” as a group.
Lord, the weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. Our weapons have divine power to demolish strongholds. So Lord we demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of You, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. Lord, we put aside our expectations, our agendas, and our opinions. We only want what is of You Lord God Almighty. We unite our minds, our hearts, and our wills to the will and purposes of You Lord.
6) GIVE THANKS TO GOD IN ADVANCE FOR WHAT HE’S GOING TO DO
The third person prays a short prayer thanking God in advance.
7) WAIT IN SILENT EXPECTATION (PSALM 27:14)
Take time to sit in God presence and let Him envelop you. God will come.
8) WRITE DOWN EACH PRAYER ITEM YOU HAVE (ISAIAH 43:26)
Write your individual requests. Then take turns praying boldly for them.
9) PLACE ALL THESE BURDENS AND REQUESTS IN GOD’S ANSWERS.
Finally, individually and outloud, give these burdens and requests to God. Then thank Him, praise Him, and worship Him.

5) NOW LET'S DO SOME MORE "ROLE PLAYS" REGARDING YOUR "LIFE GOALS". Just relax and enjoy!!!! [12]

DIRECTIONS

1) Break up into "2's". Ask each other the following questions regarding "life goals".

a) Do you think "life goals" are important? Why or why not?
b) What goals have you already accomplished in your life? How did you accomplish them?
c) What are some of your immediate life goals?
d) What are some of your life goals for the next 10 years? 20 years?
e) How do you think you can best accomplish them?
f) Do you think successful people are successful "by chance" (just lucky)?
g) Do you know deep in your heart what you want to be doing in 10 or 20 or 30 years from now?
h) Do you sometimes feel "overwhelmed" when you think about your future? If so, how do you handle that feeling?
i) What part does God play in your future?

6) NEXT YOU ARE GOING TO WRITE DOWN YOUR "LIFE GOALS" & VISION. Many of our "life goals" can change as we go along. But it's important to WRITE THEM DOWN so we can look back at them and see how we're doing. [12]

DIRECTIONS

1) Break up into groups of 2 in order to help each other. First, write down your "life goals" that you have right now. These are goals you want to accomplish in your life.

2) Next, break each goal up into decades of your life.

Decade				
Twenties				
Thirties				
Forties				
Fifties				
Sixties				
Seventies				
Eighties				

3) Finally, there is an old saying that goes like this:

IF YOU FAIL TO PLAN, YOU PLAN TO FAIL

Many people have great plans for their lives. They want to be a doctor but they never take the first class. They want to play the guitar but they never take the first lesson. In order to meet your goals you need to decide what “small” things you can do to reach the “big” goals you have. Write down each goal you have. Then write down the “small” things you can do **now** in order to reach those goals.

Goal:	First thing to do	Second thing to do	Final thing to do
Finish my Bachelors Degree.	Finish high school. Stay focused.	Enter university. Go to class & study.	Stay committed to my goal.

7) NOW, WE'RE GOING TO WRITE A CHRISTIAN POEM [12]

DIRECTIONS

1) Go into groups of 2. The format (procedure) for this poem is very simple.

a) Pick a word you want to write about
GOD
b) Write a sentence or phrase about the word
MY PERSONAL, INTIMATE FRIEND
c) Write how it makes you feel
I LOVE HIM WITH ALL MY HEART

GOD
MY PERSONAL, INTIMATE FRIEND
I LOVE HIM WITH ALL MY HEART

Love	Peace	Essence
Captivating my senses	Still as the morning calm	From where everything came
I sense your power	Exhilarating calmness	I'm awestruck by your presence

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

2 Peter 1:3,4

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 21

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Jesus Christ was not both God and man.

If Jesus were not perfect God and perfect man there could have been no redemption. Jesus had to take the characteristics of man and partake of this nature. A higher being cannot make restitution for a lower being. They had to be the same. If Jesus had not become man, there could be no objective redemption for the Father was in Heaven while the Son was on the cross; therefore no salvation for there would be no one capable of acting as Mediator between God and man (1 Tim.2:5,6). Many times while on Earth Jesus functioned as God. But many times He functioned as man. The veil was torn in two from top to bottom. God came from heaven to earth. Jesus was not a created being. He was "incarnated" or became man. "Through him all things were made, without him nothing was made that has been made." John 1:3. In Hebrews 1:8, the Father calls Jesus, God. They are the same. Jesus functioned on earth as God and as man. Jesus is the "only begotten Son of God" (John 3:16). The main word here is the word "THE". He is "THE Son of God." When Jesus said he was the Son of God, the Jews took that to mean "deity" and tried to kill him. The Jews had no doubt what the Son of God meant. To a Jew, sonship was equality. Jesus as man died on the cross but God who is immortal did not die. It was his physical body that died on the cross. The spirit does not die but returns to God. Jesus was conceived by the Holy Ghost as far as His humanity but His deity always existed.

4) LET'S TALK ABOUT "BACKSLIDING NOW". Not only can we physically "backslide" but we can "backslide" in our heart. We can begin to go through the motions and harden our heart. It is so important to keep our heart soft, yielded, and obedient to the Lord

DIRECTIONS:

1) Read the following on "backsliding". Then in groups of three, answer the questions.

"THE ANATOMY OF A BACKSLIDER"

In 2 Peter 2:20-22, the real possibility and serious consequences of backsliding:

If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them.

Peter wrote this knowing "backsliding" firsthand in his denial of Christ.

The process of backsliding

- a) PRIDE - Mk 14:27-31
- b) LAZINESS - Mk 14:32-42
- c) COWARDICE - Mk 14:54
- d) WORLDLINESS - Mk 14:54
- e) DENIAL - Mk 14:66-71

The answer to backsliding

- a) HUMILITY (1 Peter 5:5-6)
- b) DILIGENCE (1 Peter 5:8-9)
- c) GLORIFY GOD (1 Peter 4:16)
- d) ABSTAIN (1 Peter 2:11-12)
- e) GIVE A DEFENSE (1 Peter 3:15)

CONCLUSION

If we realize that we are guilty of backsliding...

* Repent now, do not wait until you stand before Jesus in shame instead of joy.

a) How can you backslide in your heart?
b) Have you ever backslid? How did you come back to God?
c) How would you lead someone back to a firm walk in Jesus if they've backslid?
d) What do you do now so that you won't backslide?

5) NEXT, LET'S TALK ABOUT "CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE."

DIRECTIONS:

1) Go into groups of 2. Take time to talk about the questions below about marriage.

a) Do you think it is better to live alone or marry?
b) Do you believe that God is a matchmaker and has the right person for you?
c) What are you or did you look for in a marriage partner?
d) Should Christian "date" a lot of people before they marry? Why or why not?
e) How long should you be engaged (time from accepted proposal to marriage)?
f) With so many divorces these days, what is the best way to stay together?
g) Do you think it is a good idea to get counseling before you marry?
h) Do you know someone whose marriage you admire? Why?
i) Should woman look after the money in the household?
j) How should we decide on the size of our families?
k) What are your best/worst characteristics that you would bring into a marriage?
l) What is more important in a marriage..... friendship or love?
m) Why is your marriage going to work?
n) What would you "slogan" be for a good marriage? (Never give up!)

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not rejoice in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. (The Bible)

*Love is what you've been through with somebody.
- James Thurber -*

*Love at first sight is no miracle.
When two people have been looking at each other for years;
that's a miracle.
- Unknown -*

*A perfect wife is one who doesn't expect a perfect husband.
- Anonymous -*

6/7) LET'S LOOK AT A PROCESS OF "INNER HEALING" NOW. Everyone has experienced hurt, pain, and wounds to one degree or another. God wants us to become "whole" so that we can experience His love in a deeper way. Secondly, so that we can share the love, forgiveness, and joy of God with others. The following is a simple method that a person can use to allow God to heal them. A person can pray through past hurts by themselves or go to a trained and committed Christian. (The person you chose should be mature, not a gossip, and gentle. Many people have been hurt by not being wise in who they chose to open their heart up to. It's recommended that it be a male/male or female/female relationship. God will lead you in finding this person) [E]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Read the following steps by yourself. Ask the teacher questions if there is something you don't understand.
- 2) TODAY, do #2 below. Write on a piece of paper your negative biography from the past. We will take about 25-35 minutes to do this.
- 3) Pray that God will lead you in taking the time to pray through your past issues when you God leads you to.

Praying Through Past Wounds

1) READ THE FOLLOWING PRAYER OUTLOUD.

Father God, I come to you in the name of Jesus Christ your Son. I thank you that I am your child and that you love me deeply and dearly. I come to you through the shed blood of Jesus Christ on the cross. Thank you Jesus for dying for me. Search me, O God, and know my heart; test my thoughts. Point out anything you find in me that makes you sad, and lead me along the path of everlasting life. (Psalm 139:23,24)

2) WRITE ON A PIECE OF PAPER YOUR NEGATIVE BIOGRAPHY FROM THE PAST. IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO DO THIS CHRONOLOGICALLY.

This can be done in one session or over a period of time. Trust that God will lead you.

3) INDIVIDUALLY OR WITH SOMEONE ELSE, PRAY THROUGH YOUR PAST.

We can resolve past hurts, resentments, guilt, and shame through prayer at the cross.

An Example Healing Prayer

Father, when I was 6 years old, my father hit me very hard in the face. Lord, it hurt so bad. I felt so betrayed and I have been unable to love since that time. But Lord, you ask me to forgive my father (Matthew 18:21-35; Matthew 5:21-26). So Lord as an act of obedience I forgive my father for hitting me in the face that day. Lord it hurt so bad but I want YOU to remove this pain from my life and set my father free. Lord, I was wrong to hate him. Forgive me for the hate I have held in my heart towards my father all these years. Thank you for your forgiveness. Now Lord, I ask you to bless my father. To work in his life and guide him. Thank you for this time of healing today. Lord, I love you and ask you for your power to continue to forgive my father. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

4) FOR AFTERCARE WHEN YOU'RE FINISHED, READ ROMANS CHAPTER 6-8 FOR 30 DAYS STRAIGHT. YOU MAY ALSO MEDITATE ON VERSES THAT SPEAK OF GOD'S LOVE TO YOU. Continue to "forgive". The 'feelings' will come later.

5) EAT, REST, AND EXERCISE. ALSO, REACH OUT TO SOMEONE IN LOVE.

PRAYER FOR HEALING THE WOUNDED SPIRIT

I SAY IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST THAT MY LIFE IS NOT A MISTAKE. GOD MADE ME OUT OF THE LOVE THAT HE IS. HE CALLED ME INTO BEING AT THE RIGHT TIME AND THE RIGHT PLACE. HE PREPARED A WAY FOR ME AND GAVE HIS LIFE FOR ME. I AM A PRIVILEGE, NOT A BURDEN; A JOY AND A DELIGHT, NOT A DISAPPOINTMENT; I AM NOT AN INTRUSION, I BELONG. I AM A TREASURE JUST BECAUSE I AM, NOT MERELY FOR WHAT I CAN DO. I AM ONE OF GOD'S OWN CHILDREN, AND HE DELIGHTS IN ME. THE LORD IS POURING HIS LOVE IN TO ME. I CHOOSE TO FORGIVE THOSE THAT WOUNDED ME. FORGIVE ME FOR REJECTING THE LIFE YOU PLANNED FOR ME. I ASK, LORD, THAT YOU EMPOWER ME TO CHOOSE LIFE.

(MATT.6:12,14-15; 18:21-35; JOHN 20:23)

COME UNTO ME

**COURAGE IS SOMETHING ABSENT FROM HUMAN KIND
BUT IN OUR LORD JESUS, THIS COURAGE WE DO FIND
TO COME BEFORE SOMEONE WHO IN QUIET CARE
WE ASK OURSELVES REPEATEDLY, “DO I DARE?”
OPEN UP MY LIFE AND BEAR THIS SHATTERED HEART?
WHAT WILL THEY THINK? WILL THEY TOO SOON DEPART?
BUT GROW WE MUST FOR IF WE DON’T – INSIDE WE DIE.
FOR TO BE LIKE JESUS IS OUR LONGING AND HEART’S CRY.
WE WANT TO COME BEFORE HIM WITHOUT HIDDEN SIN
AND EXPERIENCE THE FULLNESS OF JESUS DEEP WITHIN.**

**CAN I TRUST IN MAN? OR WILL THEY ONLY LET ME DOWN?
BUT JESUS IS “ACCEPTANCE” AND NO REJECTING FROWN.
FOR JESUS KNOWS EVERYTHING FROM WHEN I WAS A KID
FOR SHE SAID, “HE TOLD ME EVERYTHING I EVER DID.”
AND SO WE WALK TOWARDS THE HEALING WE DESIRE
AND GOD IN HIS MERCY STIRS IN US A HOLY FIRE.
AND AS WE BEAR OUR SOUL SUCH REFRESHING COMES WITHIN
OH, TO BE SET FREE FROM THIS BURDEN OF SIN.
HE KEEPS HIS WORD TO ALL; HIS PROMISES ARE TRUE
TIMES OF REFRESHING FOR ME AND FOR YOU.
OH, TO HAVE DOUBTED THE PERFECT SAVIOR’S PLEA
WHEN HE SAID SO LOVINGLY, “COME UNTO ME.”**

LORD, TEACH ME TO LOVE MYSELF

**I CANNOT LOVE ANOTHER,
IF I HAVE NO LOVE TO GIVE.
I CANNOT LIGHT ANOTHER’S WAY,
UNTIL I’VE LEARNED TO LIVE.
I CANNOT LEND A HELPING HAND,
UNLESS MY ARM IS STRONG.
OR TEACH YOU LOVELY MELODIES,
UNTIL I’VE LEARNED MY SONG.
I CANNOT TELL MY LOVED ONE,
TO BE STRONG AND PROUD AND FREE.
UNLESS I FEEL WITHIN MY HEART,
THAT’S HOW YOU FASHIONED ME.
I CANNOT TOUCH YOUR CHILDREN,
LORD, AND SHOW THEM THAT I CARE.
UNTIL I LOOK INSIDE MYSELF,
AND LOVE WHAT I SEE THERE.**

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

1 John 1:3

*We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard,
so that you also may have fellowship with us.
And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 22

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

Christians have always persecuted other religions.

We must first, define "who" a Christian is. They are people who are born again by the Spirit of God. Many claim to be Christians but are not. Also, Christianity and politics don't mix. In many cases Christianity has influenced politics positively. In the negative cases, one has to ask if it was true Christianity or not. Also, can you think of a religion that has been more persecuted than Christianity? Throughout the ages, Christians have been hung, burned, killed, raped, imprisoned, etc. This still goes on today. Finally, as Christians we should apologize for doing things against God's will.

4) LET'S WORK WITH SOME "OPPOSITES" NOW. [10,12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Choose a judge. The judge reads the word. The other two people will try to guess the opposite of the word. Then to score extra points, try to make a sentence using both words. Make sure the sentences have a Christian content.

A: What's the opposite of the word "go".

B: "Stop".

A: Now make a sentence using both words.

B: I am going to stop sinning so I can go to seminary.

Opposites:

a) cold	(hot)	b) drink	(eat)
c) far	(near, close)	d) foot	(hand, head)
e) full	(empty)	f) hard	(easy, gentle, soft)
g) buy	(sell)	h) fat	(thin, skinny)
i) light	(dark, heavy)	j) old	(new, young)
k) short	(long, tall)	l) summer	(winter)
m) begin	(end, finish)	n) black	(white)
o) broad	(narrow)	p) clean	(dirty)
q) right	(wrong, left)	r) small	(big, large)
s) common	(rare)	t) cool	(warm)
u) fail	(succeed)	v) female	(male)
w) few	(many, lots)	x) kind	(unkind, cruel)
y) simple	(complex, complicated)	z) war	(peace)
a) active	(passive)	b) asleep	(awake)
c) back	(forward, front)	d) cause	(result, effect)
e) die	(live, birth)	f) first	(last)
g) future	(past)	h) stay	(leave, go, depart)
i) guilty	(innocent)	j) maximum	(minimum)
k) polite	(rude, impolite)	l) punishment	(reward)
m) together	(apart, separate)	n) true	(false)
o) well	(bad, ill, sick)	p) bride	(groom)
q) cheap	(expensive)	r) defense	(attack, offense)
s) deep	(shallow)	t) increase	(decrease, lessen)
u) lose	(find, gain)	v) remember	(forget)
w) accidentally	(deliberately, on purpose)	x) all	(none)
y) ask	(answer, reply)	z) brave	(cowardly, chicken)
a) boring	(interesting)	b) friend	(enemy)
c) noisy	(quiet, silent)	d) admire	(despise)

5) LET'S CONTINUE WORKING WITH OPPOSITES BY "WRITING A POEM". Just relax. Writing "poetry" isn't difficult. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of 3. Choose a topic from the list below. Then make a chart like the one below. Then write a simple poem dealing with the topic you have chosen. Look at the example below.

Topics:

a) Peace – War	b) Prison – Freedom	c) Love – Hate	d) Joy - Depression
e) Together – Apart	f) Night – Day	g) Sunrise – Sunset	h) Success – Failure
i) Parting – Meeting	j) Friendship – Quarrel	k) Noise – Silence	l) Trust – Fear
m) Birth – Death	n) Dreams – Reality	o) Asleep – Awake	p) Holiday – Work

Topic: “Winter – Summer”	Descriptive Words
(Topic)	Winter
(Four Adjectives)	White, bleak, quiet, soft
(Four “ing” Words)	Skiing, skating, sleeping, freezing
(Four Nouns)	Ice, snow, boots, mittens
(Change your thinking to “Summer”)	Sunshine
(Four Nouns)	Rain, sun, shorts, sunscreen
(Four “ing” Words)	Sweating, swimming, walking, loving
(Four Adjectives)	Bright, humid, warm, yellow
(Ending Topic)	Summer
(A Prayer) Thank you Jesus for the different seasons. You show us the beauty of your heart through nature. We learn about your goodness and love through Your creation. You have made this world so beautiful and you continue to restore it. I love you Jesus.	

6) NOW YOU ARE GOING TO WRITE A “DESCRIPTIVE PARAGRAPH” ABOUT YOUR “PRAYER CLOSET”.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) By yourself, think of your “PRAYER CLOSET”. Now using the “starter” words and phrases below, write a paragraph describing it. Take out a piece of paper and try to be as descriptive as possible.

Starters:

<p>My “PRAYER CLOSET” is very (calm, peaceful, etc.).... I enjoy it because it is When I go there I like to I enjoy (sitting near, standing beside)..... All around me I can (see, hear, touch, smell).... Off in the distance I can (see, hear).... I can smell... I can hear.... I can touch..... I can feel... I can hear the sound of There is There are..... I feel so (happy, peaceful, excited, calm, etc.)..... I enjoy God there because..... God has taught me..... I go there.....</p>

7) LET'S DO SOME CHRISTIAN WORD GAMES NOW.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Go into groups of two. Think of as many Christian words that you can that begin with the letter "**G**". Write them down on a piece of paper. You have 60 seconds.
- 2) Now, words that begin with the letter "**Q**". You have 45 seconds. Go.

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Now, think of as many words possible that begin with the letter "**T**" and end with the letter "**E**". You have 60 seconds. Go.
- 2) Now, begin with the letter "**S**" and end with the letter "**Y**". Go.
[If you have more time, choose any two letters that you wish and repeat the exercise.]

8) LET'S MEMORIZE SOME BIBLE VERSES NOW:

2 John 1:3

*Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and from Jesus Christ,
the Father's Son, will be with us in truth and love.*

3 John 1:2

*Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health
and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 23

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

What is all this talk about "Faith In Jesus Christ"?

Faith is putting your trust in an "something or someone" not a "philosophy, religion, or principle." Christianity would have us put our faith in a real person who walked on this earth, died for our sins and rose from the dead as he predicted. The person who takes time to openly study Christianity is overwhelmed with the amount of evidence. It is worth trusting Jesus.

4) WHY SHOULD I TRUST CHRIST AS MY PERSONAL SAVIOR? Here's just 12 of many reasons to trust Jesus for salvation.

1) Jesus is God. His teachings are divine truth on which I can confidently build my life on. Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life."
2) Jesus died for my sins on the cross of Calvary. His shed blood on the cross was the atonement that I needed to bring me to God. "Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin."
3) Jesus rose from the dead and is alive today. He is alive and able to talk to me on a personal basis everyday. Jesus Christ has power over death. I need that.
4) Jesus Christ has divine power. He is more than a good man. He has divine power to give to me on a day-by-day basis for my life.
5) Jesus was sinless. He was not able to sin because He was God. This makes Him able to save me completely. Jesus cannot and will not ever sin. His salvation for me is perfect. For Jesus to come into my heart and live in me, gives me the power I need over sin, the world, and the devil.
6) Jesus created all things. He is bigger, mightier, and more powerful than anything. I need the best and Jesus is the best. He is God Almighty. (No other religious leader has ever pretended or said to be God).
7) Jesus was and is perfect. I can never be perfect no matter how hard I try. I need Jesus' perfection in my life or I will spend the rest of my life trying to be better. How much is enough? Only perfection is enough. I need Christ's perfection, not mine.
8) Jesus knows what it is like to be human. Jesus suffered loss, pain, affliction, rejection, heartache, etc. No body else can relate to me better than Jesus. He is able to comfort me, help me, give me rest, give me hope, and give me life.
9) Jesus loves me. He wants nothing but the best for me. He is "for" me. He will never leave me or forsake me. He promises to be with me always. His love is unchanging, perfect, complete, and ever present.
10) Jesus lived His life for His Father. He knew the Father and loved Him. If Jesus could completely trust in His Father, even enough to go to the cross, why can't I?
11) Jesus received a new spiritual body that will never die. I am promised a spiritual body when I die.
12) Jesus changes lives. Millions upon millions of people testify to the life changing power, joy, love, peace, and salvation Jesus Christ provides.

5) HOW CAN I BE SAVED?

"YET TO ALL WHO RECEIVED HIM, TO THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN HIS NAME, HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD" (JOHN 1:12)

BELIEVE + RECEIVE = BECOME

BELIEVE that God loves you and promises you eternal life in Jesus

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, what whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 1:4; 2:11; 3:14-15; 3:18; 5:24; 6:40; 6:47; 8:30; 10:42; 11:45; 12:11)

BELIEVE that you are separated from God and a sinner

Romans 3:23, "For all have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:10; 6:23) We sin because of our "sinful nature" that was imparted to us by Adam. We need a new nature – the divine nature of Jesus imparted to us by the New Birth (John 3:3-6)

BELIEVE that God provided a way for you to have forgiveness of sins

Romans 5:8, "But God demonstrated his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Ephesians 2:8,9; Titus 3:3-7). God's grace is Christ dying for our sins on the cross. Every religion says "DO". Go to church, pray, do a pilgrimage, do penance, etc. Christianity says, "DONE". Jesus did it all for us on the cross of Calvary.

RECEIVE his forgiveness, love, and acceptance.

Romans 8:9-10, "That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (John 1:12; Acts 4:12; Ephesians 2:4; Revelation 3:20).

RECEIVE Christ by praying this following prayer from the heart:

"Lord Jesus, thank you for shedding your blood on the cross for me. Thank you for dying for me and rising from the dead so that I might have eternal life in you. I confess that I am a sinner and that salvation is found in no one else but you. I thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. I now ask you to come into my heart and reign in my heart and life as my Savior, Lord, and King. I give you my life. Now Lord, fill me with your Holy Spirit so that I can have power over the world, sin, and the devil. Thank you that I am a child of God and that I will spend eternity with you. I love you Jesus. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

BECOME a "child of God" by the new birth.

2 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, the old has gone, the new has come." Have you received Christ into your heart? Did he say he would come in if you received him? Is Christ a liar? Do you feel saved (salvation is not a feeling but believing)? Christianity is walking by faith. You "are" a child of God by faith. As you walk with Christ, begin to "thank" him for saving you. The feelings will follow as you put your trust in him. **ALWAYS TRUST IN WHAT JESUS HAS DONE FOR YOU AT THE CROSS. YOU'RE A CHILD OF GOD AND HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.**

6) IT'S NOW TIME TO SAY "GOOD-BYE". In Christian English there are many ways to say "good-bye" so I want to give you the opportunity to study them and to practice them. [12]

DIRECTIONS:

- 1) Look at the different ways to say good-bye below.
Then in groups of two, practice the different ways to say good-bye.
- 2) When you've finished, I want you to walk around the class saying "good-bye".

A: Well, I've got to go. God bless you and your ministry.

B: Thank you. God bless you too.

A: Well it's been nice sharing with you

B: Yes, it's been a real blessing. God bless you.

A: So we'll see you at the prayer meeting Friday night.

B: Hallelujah! God is going to really move.

A: I've got to go now. I'm leading a Bible Study tonight.

B: Sounds great. I'll be praying that God really blesses your meeting.

A: It was a real blessing talking to you.

B: It was for me, too. God bless you and your family.

A: It was great to get together and pray. I'll be praying for you this week.

B: I'll be praying for you too. Keep the faith, brother.

A: So take care, brother. Keep your eyes on Jesus.

B: I will. Thanks for your encouragement.

A: It was great to get together and fellowship with you. God bless you.

B: It was for me too. The Lord really ministered to me today. God bless you, too.

A: I hope we can get together soon and pray.

B: So do I. It is wonderful to commune with the living God.

7) LET'S FINISH THIS CLASS SINGING A COUPLE OF

SONGS. The first song is sung to the tune of "The 12 Days of Christmas." You start with the first phrase. Then the second, thirds, and so on. Finally, finish with the twelfth. I'll sing a little bit of the Christmas version. Then we'll sing the Christian version together. This is a song of dedication to the Lord. [12]

[TEACHER: remind the students of next week's test]

The Twelve Days of Christmas

On the <u>first</u> day of Christmas my true love gave to me a <u>partridge in a pear tree</u> .		
<u>First</u> – a <u>partridge in a pear tree</u>	Second – two turtle doves	Third – three French hens
<u>Fourth</u> – four calling birds	Fifth – five golden rings	Sixth – six geese a laying
Seven – seven swans a swimming	Eight – eight maids a milking	Nine – nine ladies dancing
Ten – ten lords a leaping	Eleven – eleven pipers piping	Twelve – 12 drummers drumming

I Have Decided (Tune: 12 Days of Christmas)

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Everlastingly, Forevermore
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I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore
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I have decided to follow Jesus Christ <u>Whole Heartedly</u>, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore
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I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Ceaselessly, <u>Whole Heartedly</u>, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Perpetually, Ceaselessly, <u>Whole Heartedly</u>, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore
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I have decided to follow Jesus Christ Eternally, Perpetually, Ceaselessly, <u>Whole Heartedly</u>, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ
To My Grave, Eternally, Perpetually, Ceaselessly, Whole Heartedly, Without End,
Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ
Endlessly, To My Grave, Eternally, Perpetually, Ceaselessly, Whole Heartedly, Without
End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ
With All My Soul, Endlessly, To My Grave, Eternally, Perpetually, Ceaselessly, Whole
Heartedly, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

I have decided to follow Jesus Christ
For All Eternity, With All My Soul, Endlessly, To My Grave, Eternally, Perpetually,
Ceaselessly, Whole Heartedly, Without End, Undyingly, Everlastingly, Forevermore

BYE – BYE (TUNE: BAA BAA BLACK SHEEP)

A: Bye-bye friend. I'll pray for you
B: Yes, dear friend. I'll pray for you too.
A: Let's get together sometime soon.
B: That sounds great. God bless you.
A: Bye-bye friend. Keep the faith.
B: Yes, friend. Yes, friend. I'll look to God.

8) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE PASSAGE NOW:

Jude 1:24,25

*To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you
before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy--
to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen.*

9) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

CHAPTER 24 (Final Test)

1) LET'S BEGIN BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

2) LET'S WORSHIP THROUGH SONG:

3) LET'S DO SOME "APOLOGETICS" NOW:

God doesn't answer prayer.

Millions upon millions of people witness to the fact of answered prayer in their lives. Probably the greatest miracle of answered prayer is when they pray to receive Jesus Christ into their hearts as their Lord and Savior. After that prayer, they testify to God's presence, work, and power in their lives. It sounds like possibly you have a little disappointment with God. Would you like to talk about it?

4) LET'S MEMORIZE A BIBLE VERSE NOW:

Revelation 22:12,13

"Behold, I am coming soon!

My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End".

5) LET'S TAKE OUR FINAL TEST NOW. GOD BLESS YOU.

6) LET'S CLOSE BY HAVING (person's name) PRAY FOR US.

Personal Evaluation

Rate yourself in the following areas. Use the scale of 1 to 10 (1 being the lowest and 10 the highest). Then make a small note of how you could improve. It's recommended that every six months you go back over this page and read your comments.

God Bless You and enjoy growing in Christ.

<u>AREA OF GROWTH</u>	<u>EVALUATION (DATE)</u>	<u>PERSONAL COMMENTS</u>
FAITH IN JESUS:		
PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY:		
DESIRE TO WITNESS:		
PRAYER LIFE:		
BIBLE READING:		
MEMORIZATION/ MEDITATION:		
OPENNESS TO PERSONAL CHANGE:		
WILLINGNESS TO ASK QUESTIONS:		
WILLINGNESS TO BE TAUGHT/DISCIPLINED:		
OTHERS:		

For Further Growth in Biblical English (for Biblical ESL learners)

The following are some suggestions to help you grow in Biblical English. Learning English is parallel to our Christian walk. As you grow as a Christian, you'll find that the old patterns, sins, and struggles will fall away. It is the same with English. As your English ability improves, the things that used to be difficult will suddenly not seem so difficult. Life demands growth. If we aren't growing we are dying. It is the same with English. Your English ability will improve the more you use it, practice it, and grow in it.

Check some of the suggestions that you think you could use in your life. Then put a star beside the ones that you are already doing.

- *Build on the BASIC English patterns. Then add new vocabulary to them. Most English learners don't have a firm foundation of the BASICS. (Record yourself and listen to yourself weeks later to see how you are improving).*
- *Tape cards of conversations, bible verses, and phrases around your house, car and office. This helps you "think" in English.*
- *Listen to tapes, sermons, etc. Repeat verbally what you hear. You can also "write" what you hear. Then check the script for accuracy.*
- *Listen to English movies (cover up the writing underneath). Repeat what you hear to yourself. Eg) The Jesus Film, Joseph, Moses, etc.*
- *Listen to tapes. Listen to a sentence. Shut off the machine and try to figure out what they will say next.*
- *Start a Bible Study, prayer group, or "sharing group." The best way to learn is to "lead". Don't worry about mistakes. Be honest with the group. You don't have to be perfect. God doesn't use perfect people. He uses "willing" people.*
- *Have English "only" mornings, evenings, or days.*
- *During the day, think of a conversation you had and translate it into English.*
- *Try Christian "chat" rooms on the Internet*
- *Write Christian poetry, Christian songs, letters to encourage people, etc.*
- *Go to a place you enjoy. Begin to pray for someone you can witness/share your testimony to in English.*
- *Pick a situation. Write a conversation. Eg) Talking to a Buddhist about Christ.*
- *Talk to yourself in English.*
- *Try new and different approaches to remind yourself throughout the day to study. Eg) Set your watch for an "English moment"*
- *Try to say more when you speak. Say two or three sentences not just one line.*
- *Try to initiate or start conversations with people*
- *Put labels on things in your house or workplace. Eg) In your Bible put some of God's promises, or "who you are" in Christ, or "proofs of Christ's deity"*
- *Imagine yourself talking to people before you actually talk to them. What are you going to say, etc. Ask God to bring people into your life.*
- *Keep a journal of what you are learning on a tape recorder. Play it back at times.*
- *Purchase the Bible on cassette. Listen, repeat, and/or write what you hear.*
- *Others:*

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK (FOR THE TEACHER):

The following are a few thoughts on how to teach this book. This book can be used for one on one discipleship, bible studies, and larger group settings. Nobody can tell someone how to teach. Please be aware of how “YOU” teach as an individual. My goal was to give lots of material as well as to provide a teaching tool that would take little preparation and be used by “lay people” to further the kingdom. The following are only a few of the many suggestions that you can use to teach this material with:

- I like to start out with a prayer (#1). I ask the students to pray in advance to give the students time to prepare. I try not to embarrass them but also try to encourage them to pray publicly.
- After prayer, I like to worship (#2). The goal is to soften hearts. I rarely teach here, but allow the students to worship. The harder parts of the songs, I will go over twice. I either lead the singing or appoint a worship leader to guide us in this special time of worship each week.
- After prayer, I have the students read the “apologetics” (#3). Sometimes, this initiates conversation. I don’t spend too much time on this area but you’ll find what works for you.
- After “the apologetics”, we do the four exercises (#4-#7). This is a chance for the students to experience Christianity and the English language. I usually allow the students to work together in groups. I walk around the class answering questions, talking & encouraging the students.
- After the “exercises” there is a “Scripture Memory Verse(s) (#8)”. This takes the students through the New Testament (27 verses). [TEACHER: If you have time each week, after the Bible verse, have a student a) sing a worship song, b) share their testimony, c) share what God is doing in their life, or d) have them share a Bible verse and talk about it. Be open to this EACH WEEK]
- After the “Scripture Memory Verse”, we close with a prayer (#9). I ask the students to pray in advance to give the students time to prepare. I try not to embarrass them but also try to encourage them to pray publicly. After, if you want, break up into groups for “group” prayer.

A Suggested Format

	<u>A Two Hour Class</u>	<u>A 90 Minute Class</u>
Exercise 1	5 minutes	3 minutes
Exercise 2	10 minutes	7 minutes
Exercise 3	5 minutes	5 minutes
Exercises 4-7	80 (20 minutes each) (varies between exercises)	60 (15 minutes each)
Break	10 minutes (usually between exercises 4-7)	10 minutes
Exercise 8	5 minutes	3 minutes
Exercise 9	<u>5 minutes</u>	<u>2 minutes</u>
	120 minutes	90 minutes

Final Test Suggestions

- a) Have the students come to your office for a verbal test. They can:
 - i) share their testimony
 - ii) answer questions (prepared for, unprepared for, or both)
 - iii) share about their love for Jesus
 - (iv) answer questions you have given them in advance or without notice.
 - (v) share their sermon
 - b) Have the students present a Biblical play they have prepared.
 - c) Have the students do a written test.
- It can be multiple choice, true/false, fill in the blanks, or writing paragraphs.
- d) Have the students keep a journal through the semester. You can mark this.

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