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## **INTRODUCTION**

### Salvation Is the Beginning

If you are reading this booklet, it means you have made a decision that will shape not only your life on earth, but your eternity. You have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior. This decision is not common, and it is not casual. It is one of the most important choices a human being can ever make.

There are two major decisions every person will make in life. The first is the decision to accept or reject Jesus Christ. The second is the decision of who to marry. Both decisions affect direction, destiny, and outcome. One governs eternity, the other governs your earthly journey. By choosing Christ, you have chosen life.

Deuteronomy 30:19 (KJV)

“I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.”

Salvation is choosing life. But salvation is not the finish line. It is the starting point.

Many people celebrate the moment of salvation but are never taught what comes next. This booklet exists to answer a simple but critical question: Save, now what?

Jesus never called people to simply believe and stop. He called them to follow. Following implies movement, obedience, growth, and transformation. Salvation introduces you to Christ, but discipleship forms you into His image.

This booklet is written to help you understand the journey that begins after salvation. It is not meant to overwhelm you, but to ground you. It is not meant to rush you, but to guide you. The Christian life is a process, and God is patient with those who submit to that process.

## **CHAPTER 1**

### Congratulations, You Chose Life

Congratulations.

If you are reading this, it means you have made one of the most important decisions of your life, the decision to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior. This is not a small choice. It is not a casual decision. It is a life-altering, eternity-shaping moment.

There are two major decisions every person will make in life. The first is whether or not to accept Jesus Christ. The second is who you will marry. Both decisions shape the direction, outcome, and quality of your life. One affects eternity. The other affects your earthly journey. You have just settled the most important one.

The Bible tells us clearly that salvation begins with belief and confession. "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9).

Salvation is not earned. It is received. It is a gift, given by grace. But salvation is not the finish line. It is the starting point.

Jesus did not simply call people to believe in Him, He called them to follow Him. He said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23). This statement alone tells us that salvation introduces a journey, not a destination.

So yes, you are saved. But the real question now is: save, now what?

## **CHAPTER 2**

### Salvation Is the Beginning, Not the End

Many people believe that salvation is the end goal of the Christian life. They see it as the climax, the peak, the final achievement. But according to Scripture, salvation is the door, not the destination.

Jesus said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction... Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life" (Matthew 7:13-14). The gate is entry. The way is the journey.

When you accepted Christ, you entered the gate. Now you must walk the way.

Christianity is not a moment. It is a walk. It is not an event. It is a process. The Bible calls it following Christ. Following implies movement. It implies growth. It implies progression.

The apostle Paul reminds us that God, who began a good work in us, is faithful to complete it (Philippians 1:6). Completion does not happen instantly. It happens through obedience, surrender, and daily submission.

Christ Himself is not only the Savior, He is the way. Following Him means allowing your life to be shaped, corrected, redirected, and transformed. This is not passive belief. This is active discipleship. Salvation introduces you to Christ. Following forms you into Christ.

## **CHAPTER 3**

### The Process of Becoming New

One of the most quoted scriptures after salvation is, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17). This verse is powerful, but it must be understood correctly.

Becoming new is not just an instant feeling. It is a spiritual reality that unfolds through a process. While your spirit is made new immediately, your habits, mindset, lifestyle, and patterns must be renewed over time.

The Bible speaks about renewal of the mind. "Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:2). Renewal is intentional. It requires alignment with God's Word.

Old habits do not disappear simply because you prayed a prayer. Old ways of thinking do not vanish overnight. This is why salvation must be followed by transformation.

You begin to align your life with Christ's principles. What you once did freely, you can no longer do casually. Your values change. Your desires shift. Your convictions deepen.

This is where obedience comes in. God becomes the author and finisher of your life, instructing you on what to do and what not to do. His Word becomes your standard. His will becomes your priority.

Transformation is not punishment. It is preparation.

You are not being restricted. You are being rebuilt.

## **CHAPTER 4**

### The Holy Spirit, Your Helper on the Journey

After salvation, God does not leave you to figure out this Christian life on your own. He provides help, not from the outside, but from within.

Jesus told His disciples, "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth" (John 14:16–17). This promise was not only for the disciples, it is for every believer.

The Holy Spirit is the enabling grace of the believer. He empowers you to live a life that is no longer controlled by sin. Without the Holy Spirit, Christianity becomes frustrating, exhausting, and legalistic.

Jesus instructed the disciples to wait until they were endued with power from on high (Acts 1:4–8). Why? Because calling without power leads to burnout.

Instruction without empowerment leads to failure.

The Holy Spirit is your guide. He convicts, corrects, instructs, and strengthens. Where you once sinned freely without conviction, now you feel a restraint. That inner warning, that check in your spirit, is not condemnation. It is direction.

The Holy Spirit helps you say no to what once controlled you. He teaches you how to yield, submit, and obey. But He does not force Himself on you. You must learn to heed His promptings. Christian growth is impossible without submission to the Holy Spirit.

## **CHAPTER 5**

### Separation, Conviction, and a Changed Life

Salvation introduces change, and change often requires separation.

The Bible tells us, "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers" (2 Corinthians 6:14). This does not mean isolation from the world, but it does mean discernment in relationships, influences, and environments.

Jesus taught that new wine cannot be poured into old wineskins (Matthew 9:17). In other words, new life requires a new structure. Old habits, old routines, and certain relationships cannot contain the new work God is doing in you.

There will be moments when the Holy Spirit begins to deal with you about people, places, and practices. This is not punishment. It is pruning. God removes what threatens your growth.

Scripture warns us plainly that bad company corrupts good morals (1 Corinthians 15:33). If you surround yourself with influences that pull you backward, spiritual growth becomes difficult.

Separation is not about superiority. It is about protection.

God is not calling you to perfection overnight. He is calling you to obedience. As you yield daily, your desires begin to change, and your lifestyle begins to align with your new identity in Christ.

## **CHAPTER 6**

### Fighting, Running, and Keeping the Faith

The Christian life cannot be reduced to one description. Sometimes it is a fight. Sometimes it is a race. Sometimes it is a responsibility to guard what God has entrusted to you.

The apostle Paul said, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7). This single verse reveals three realities of the believer's journey.

There are seasons where you must fight. You fight temptation. You fight old habits. You fight doubt, fear, and spiritual opposition. Scripture commands us to "fight the good fight of faith" (1 Timothy 6:12). This fight is not against people, but against spiritual forces and internal struggles.

There are also seasons where you must run. The Bible speaks of endurance, patience, and perseverance.

"Let us run with patience the race that is set before us" (Hebrews 12:1). This race is not about speed. It is about consistency. Christianity is not a sprint. It requires long-term faithfulness.

And then there is the responsibility to keep the faith. Faith is a treasure. It must be guarded. The enemy will attempt to wear you down, discourage you, and pull you away from truth. You must protect what you believe.

Faith is maintained through the Word, prayer, obedience, and fellowship. When faith is neglected, spiritual strength fades. When faith is kept, endurance is renewed.

A believer learns when to fight, when to run, and how to keep what God has given.

## **CHAPTER 7**

### Discipleship, Leadership, and Sound Doctrine

After salvation, growth does not happen by accident. It happens through discipleship. Discipleship is the process of being taught, trained, corrected, and guided in the ways of Christ.

The Bible teaches that God gives spiritual leaders to equip the saints. "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints" (Ephesians 4:11-12). Leadership exists for maturity, not control.

Every believer needs spiritual covering and instruction. You were never designed to walk this journey alone. Submission to godly authority is not weakness, it is wisdom. The Scripture says, "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow" (Hebrews 13:7).

Sound doctrine is critical, especially for new believers. Doctrine answers the question, what do you believe? Many fall away not because they rejected Christ, but because they were never grounded in truth.

The Word of God is complete. There is no new gospel, no added revelation that replaces Scripture. "The word of the Lord endureth for ever" (1 Peter 1:25). Believers must be rooted in Scripture, not trends, personalities, or external philosophies.

Discernment is required. Jesus said we would know leaders by their fruits (Matthew 7:16). Love, patience, faithfulness, and integrity are evidence of true spiritual leadership.

## **CHAPTER 8**

### The Word and the Spirit, God's Divine Balance

A healthy Christian life is built on balance. God never intended for believers to live by the Word alone or by spiritual experience alone. He designed the Christian walk to function by both the Word and the Spirit.

From the very beginning of creation, we see this balance at work. "And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said..." (Genesis 1:2–3). The Spirit moved, and the Word was spoken. When the Word was released, the Spirit executed it.

The Word gives structure, truth, and direction. The Spirit gives power, life, and manifestation. When believers have the Word without the Spirit, they often become informed but powerless. When believers pursue the Spirit without the Word, they risk becoming unstable and unscriptural.

Jesus made this clear when He said, "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63). The Spirit brings the Word to life.

For growth, maturity, and results, believers must commit to both sound doctrine and spiritual sensitivity. This balance produces fruit that remains.

## **CHAPTER 9**

### Faith and Obedience, The Currency of the Kingdom

Faith is the foundation upon which the Christian life stands. Without it, progress is impossible. The Scripture declares, "But without faith it is impossible to please him" (Hebrews 11:6).

Faith is not denying reality. It is standing on God's Word above what is seen or felt. "For we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). Faith believes God even when circumstances challenge that belief.

Faith will be tested. Trials, delays, and contradictions will come. In those moments, faith must be enforced by confession, prayer, and obedience. What God has spoken must become your final authority.

Obedience is the evidence of genuine faith. Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Disobedience creates separation. Obedience restores alignment.

To declare Jesus as Lord means surrendering control. Lordship speaks of ownership, authority, and submission. Faith that does not obey is incomplete.

## **CHAPTER 10**

### Fellowship, Community, and the Local Church

The Christian life was never meant to be lived alone. God designed believers to grow within community.

The Bible instructs us clearly, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together" (Hebrews 10:25). Fellowship provides strength, accountability, and encouragement.

There are battles you cannot fight by yourself. Scripture teaches that agreement multiplies strength. "Two are better than one... for if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow" (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10).

The church is an environment for growth, healing, deliverance, and maturity. The Bible declares, "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (2 Corinthians 3:17).

A Bible-believing, Spirit-filled church provides covering, instruction, and a place for accountability. Isolation weakens believers. Connection strengthens them.

## **CHAPTER 11**

### Discovering Purpose After Salvation

Salvation is not the end of God's plan for your life. It is the doorway into purpose.

God declared, "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee" (Jeremiah 1:5). This reveals that your life was designed with intention long before you were born.

Purpose is often revealed through burden. What troubles your heart? What injustice or problem do you feel compelled to address? That burden is not accidental. It is a clue to your calling.

Your personal dreams and ambitions must be surrendered to God's will. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5–6).

God holds the blueprint for your life. As you seek Him in prayer and obedience, purpose becomes clearer.

## **CHOOSING CHRIST DAILY**

Salvation is a moment, but following Christ is a daily decision.

Jesus calls believers to deny themselves daily, to surrender continually, and to remain faithful through every season. This journey requires fighting, running, and keeping the faith.

God has not left you unequipped. The Holy Spirit is your Helper. The Word of God is your foundation. Fellowship is your support system.

Now that you are saved, choose Christ daily. Walk the journey faithfully. Finish well.