

LESSON 5

HOW TO LIVE A CHRISTIAN LIFE Part 2

Required Bible Reading:

Proverbs 10:11 12:6-18 16:9 18:21-23;

Proverbs Chapters 13, 14, 15, 16

Luke 6

Job 22:28

Mark 11:12-25

Matthew 16

Romans 10

In our lesson, we were speaking of studying the Bible and spending time in prayer so you would be enabled to live a successful Christian life. We want to continue further along this line of teaching. There are other scriptural truths which will help you live for Christ.

One of those truths is learning about the confession of the Word of God. There has been a lot of misunderstanding concerning the purpose of confession of the Word of God. Some have even gone as far as to call it the “name it and claim it” group. They say that this is unscriptural and heresy. The reason why they say this is because confession has not been properly taught nor understood. We must understand what the purpose of confession is. People who are opposed to confession think that those who do confess God’s Word are trying to twist His arm and make Him do something for them. This is not the purpose of confession and if you are confessing His Word for this reason, then you are unscriptural.

When Jesus hung on the cross, He said three powerful words which we must be aware of. He said, “It is finished!” What was finished? The plan of redemption for the human race that God had planned before the foundation of the earth was carried out through the shed blood and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. In **2 Peter** chapter **1** it tells us that things which pertain unto life and godliness are given to us by His divine power.

You do not have to talk God into giving anything to you. He has already given us all things through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. Scripturally, legally, and every promise in the Bible already belongs to all Christians. Just because they legally and scripturally belong to you does not mean they will automatically become a reality in your life.

For example, scripturally speaking, everyone on earth is saved if they will do one thing: accept Jesus Christ as Lord. You see that each person has a part to play in their own salvation. We accept God’s Word by faith and apply its principles to our lives. This principle of faith works in every area of our lives.

The purpose of confessing of God’s Word is not to get God to do anything for you, because He’s already done it! The purpose of confession is to get you into faith and keep you in faith until God’s Word becomes a reality in your life. **Romans10:17** states that faith comes by hearing. When you continually confess the word to yourself, it becomes a reality in your life.

The basic elementary truth of Christianity is learning to apply faith in God's Word to your life. Now that you understand this basic truth, it is time to put into action what you have learned. To live the successful Christian life you must find out what God's Word says about you, who you are and confess that about yourself until it becomes a reality in your life.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Find scriptures that are promises to believers. As you find these scriptures remember to:

1. Underline each scripture.
2. Write it down.
3. Meditate (Study) on it.
4. Write it in the form of a confession (see example below).
5. Begin to speak it.

Example:

Romans 10:9,10

...if thou shall confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shall believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shall be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Confession: I believe in my heart Jesus Christ is the Son of God. I believe He was raised from the dead for my justification. I confess Him as my Lord and Savior. Jesus is my Lord. He is dominating my life. He is guiding me. He is leading me.

Read and do the same with each of the following scriptures:

Acts 17:28;

John 1:4; 3:15,16;

2 Corinthians 1:20; 5:21;

Ephesians 1:4; 1:10

Philippians 3:9;

Colossians 2:6,7,10;

1 John 2:5,6,8,27,28

1John3:3,5,6,24;

1 John 4:13-15,20.

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TEST 5 LESSON 5 SUCCESSFUL CHRISTIAN LIFE PART 2

1. In **Mark** chapter **5**, what do we find is the **key** to the woman with the issue of blood's faith? _____

2. What does **Mark 11:23** mean to you?

3. In **Romans** chapter **4** we find a promise made to Abraham from God. What is the promise?

4. What is a scriptural way of developing your faith? _____

5. What is the power which is found in the tongue? _____

6. Read **John 15:7**. What does this scripture say to you? _____

