

Steps To Christ

Study Guides

Instructions & Paragraphs

New King James Version

Welcome to this set of study guides on the plan of salvation. You will be using the book *Steps to Christ* by Ellen G. White as your textbook.

Paragraph Designations: The numbers enclosed in parentheses following each reference from *Steps to Christ* refer to chapter.paragraph. For example (SC 11.2) refers to Chapter 11 paragraph 2. This was necessary because of the many different versions in print. The paragraphs are the same as the paragraphs on the *Ellen G. White Writings, Comprehensive Research Edition CD* published by The Ellen G. White Estate, Inc.

Scriptures: You will start with a variety of scriptures that relate to the theme of the chapter.

Study Questions: The questions in this section focus your study on the chapter in *Steps to Christ*.

Thought Questions: These are additional questions that might arise from a study of the chapter. Add your own questions as you study the chapter.

Problem Solving: This is practice in applying the principles of the plan of salvation to actual real-life situations.

Additional Exercises: Additional exercises are provided for those who want to do more than the regular lesson provides. Included are a list of things to be thankful about, additional selections to read and topics to research.

Ellen G. White quotes: Selections from the writings of Ellen White supply additional clarification to the topics of this chapter.

Quizzes: The quizzes are designed to be open *Bible/Steps*, and if desired you may take it with others as a group activity.

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Introduction

Scriptures (NKJV)

- 1. Where was God's promise of a Savior first made?**
Genesis 3:15. "And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your _____, And you shall bruise His _____."
- 2. When was the plan of redemption made?**
1 Peter 1:20. "He indeed was foreordained _____ the foundation of the _____, but was manifest in these last times for you."
- 3. Does God have a time-table for the events of salvation?**
Galatians 4:4, 5. "⁴ But when the _____, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons."
- 4. Has God's plan been written down for us to read?**
Luke 24:27. "And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the _____ the things concerning Himself."
- 5. Who is watching the unfolding of this plan of salvation?**
1 Corinthians 4:9. "For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a _____ to the _____, both to _____ and to _____."
- 6. How did God carry out the plan of salvation?**
Matthew 1:23. "*Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,*' which is translated, '_____.'"
- 7. What did God provide for mankind's salvation?**
John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten _____, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have _____."
- 8. How does God describe eternal life?**
John 17:3. "And this is eternal life, that they may _____, the only _____, and _____ whom You have sent."

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Lesson Preparation

1. Memorize Genesis 1:27.

“So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 1.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 1, that best describes the theme of the chapter.
4. List several key points as you read the chapter.
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Chapter 1

God's Love for Man

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **How did God show His love for all people?**
John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that He _____ His only begotten _____, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."
2. **How did God bestow His love upon us?**
1 John 3:1. "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called _____! ..."
3. **How is God described?**
1 John 4:7, 8. "⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ He who does not love does not know God, for _____."
4. **How has God described Himself?**
Exodus 34:6, 7. "⁶ And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, 'The LORD, The LORD God, _____ and _____, and abounding in _____, and _____, ⁷ keeping _____ for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, ...'"
5. **How was God's love manifested?**
1 John 4:9. "In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has _____ His only begotten Son into the _____, that we might live through Him."
6. **How is love described?**
1 Corinthians 13:4-8. "⁴ Love _____ and is _____; love does not _____; love does not _____ itself, is not _____; ⁵ does not behave _____, does not seek its _____, is not _____, thinks no _____; ⁶ does not rejoice in iniquity, but _____ in the _____; ⁷ _____ all things, _____ all things, _____ all things, _____ all things. ⁸ Love _____."
7. **What was our condition when God loved us?**
Romans 5:8. "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still _____, Christ died for us."
8. **How do we develop God's type of love?**
1 John 2:5. "But whoever _____, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him."

9. **How is God's love perfected in us?**
1 John 4:12. "No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, _____, and His love has been perfected in us."
10. **What cannot exist where perfect love is?**
1 John 4:18. "There is no _____ in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love."
11. **What type of love does God have?**
Jeremiah 31:3. "The LORD has appeared of old to me, *saying*: 'Yes, I have loved you with an _____; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you.'"
12. **Why do we love God?**
1 John 4:19. "We love Him because _____."
13. **Who loves like Jesus?**
John 15:9. "As the _____ loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love."
14. **What do we comprehend when Christ dwells in our hearts?**
Ephesians 3:17-19. "¹⁷ that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what *is* the width and length and depth and height—¹⁹ to know the _____ which _____; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."
15. **What cannot the true Christian be separated from?**
Romans 8:38, 39. "³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the _____ which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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1. Memorize Romans 5:12.

“Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 2.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 2, that best describes the theme of the chapter.
4. List several key points as you read the chapter.
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Chapter 2

The Sinner’s Need of Christ

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What condition entered our world?**
Romans 5:12. "Therefore, just as through one man _____ entered the world, and _____ through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—"
2. **How many of the human race have sinned?**
Romans 3:23. "for _____ have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,"
3. **How is man's natural goodness described?**
Isaiah 64:6. "But we are all like an _____ *thing*, And all our righteousnesses *are* like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away."
4. **What is the condition of the human heart?**
Jeremiah 17:9. "The heart *is* _____ above all *things*, And _____; Who can know it?"
5. **What is wrong with people who are without God?**
Ephesians 2:3. "among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were _____ children of wrath, just as the others."
6. **What is the condition of the carnal mind?**
Romans 8:7. "Because the carnal mind *is* _____ against God; for it is _____ to the _____, nor indeed can be."
7. **What battle is waged by the Christian?**
Romans 7:18. "For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to _____ is present with me, but *how* to _____ what is good _____."
8. **What relationship exists between God and mankind?**
Isaiah 59:2. "But your iniquities have _____ you from your God; And your sins have _____ *His* face from you, So that He will _____."
9. **How can mankind again approach unto God?**
John 14:6. "Jesus said to him, 'I am the _____, the _____, and the _____. No one comes to the Father except through _____.'"

10. **What is provided by the death of Christ?**
Ephesians 1:7. "In Him we have _____ through His blood, the _____, according to the riches of His grace"
11. **Is there more than one way to be saved?**
Acts 4:12. "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is _____ under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."
12. **What is required to be saved?**
John 3:5. "Jesus answered, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of _____ and the _____, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.'"
13. **What is God's desire for all?**
1 Timothy 2:4. "who desires _____ to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."
14. **Who bridged the gulf between God and mankind?**
1 Timothy 2:5. "For *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the* Man _____,"
15. **What gift do we receive through Jesus?**
Romans 6:23. "For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* _____ in Christ Jesus our Lord."
16. **What can we know regarding eternal life?**
1 John 5:11-13. "¹¹ And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹² He who has the Son _____; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you _____ eternal life, and that you may *continue to* believe in the name of the Son of God."

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1. Memorize Isaiah 59:2.

“But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that he will not hear.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 3.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 3, that best describes the theme of the chapter.
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Chapter 3

Repentance

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What should precede the blotting out of our sins?**
Acts 3:19. "_____ therefore and be _____, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,"
2. **What else is related to repentance?**
Acts 2:38. "Then Peter said to them, 'Repent, and let every one of you be _____ in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'"
3. **What type of repentance did the Corinthians have?**
2 Corinthians 7:9. "Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to _____. For you were made sorry in a _____, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing."
4. **How are godly sorrow and worldly sorrow different?**
2 Corinthians 7:10. "For godly sorrow produces repentance *leading to* _____, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces _____."
5. **What reaction did godly repentance produce?**
2 Corinthians 7:11. "For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What _____ it produced in you, *what* _____ of yourselves, *what* indignation, *what* fear, *what* vehement desire, *what* zeal, *what* vindication! In all *things* you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter."
6. **How do the inhabitants of heaven feel about genuine sorrow for sin?**
Luke 15:10. "Likewise, I say unto you, there is _____ in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."
7. **How does God define genuine repentance?**
Psalm 51:17. "The sacrifices of God *are* a broken _____, A broken and a contrite _____—These, O God, You will not despise."
8. **What does God require once we have the light?**
Acts 17:30. "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to _____,"

9. **What is the correct response to a message of repentance?**
Mark 1:4, 5. "4 John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. 5 Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all _____ by him in the Jordan River, _____ their _____."
10. **What leads the sinner to repent?**
Romans 2:4. "Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the _____ of _____ leads you to repentance?"
11. **To whom is the message of repentance given?**
Luke 5:32. "I have not come to call *the* righteous, but _____, to _____."
12. **What is God's desire for all?**
2 Peter 3:9. "The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that _____ should _____ but that _____ should come to repentance."
13. **How does God approach the problem of our sins?**
Isaiah 1:18. "'Come now, and let us _____,' Says the LORD, 'Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.'"
14. **What should our prayer be?**
Psalm 139:23, 24. "23 _____, O God, and know my _____; Try me, and know my _____; 24 And see if *there is any* wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting."
15. **What is God's promise regarding that prayer?**
Philippians 3:15. "Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, _____ _____ _____ to you."

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1. Memorize 1 John 3:4.

“Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.” (NKJV)
2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 4.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 4 that best describes the theme of the chapter.
4. List several key points as you read the chapter.
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Chapter 4

Confession

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **How much does God know about what we do?**
Hebrews 4:13, (Numbers 32:23, Psalm 90:8). "And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but _____ are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we *must give* account."
2. **To whom are we responsible for our actions and their correction?**
Psalm 32:5. "I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the _____,' And You forgave the iniquity of my sin."
3. **How may our sins be forgiven?**
1 John 1:9. "If we _____ our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
4. **What is the contrast between those who confess and those who don't?**
Proverbs 28:13. "He who covers his sins will _____, But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have _____."
5. **How fully will God pardon the sin?**
Isaiah 55:7. "Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have _____ on him; And to our God, For He will _____."
6. **How specific should our confession be?**
Leviticus 5:5. "And it shall be, when he is guilty in any of these *matters*, that he shall _____ that he has sinned in _____."
7. **Is there a place for confession among believers?**
James 5:16. "Confess *your* _____ to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."
8. **Is there an appropriate time for public confession?**
Acts 19:18. "And many who had believed came _____ and _____ their _____."

9. **What must accompany the forgiveness of sins?**
Ezekiel 33:15, 16. "¹⁵if the wicked _____ the pledge, _____ what he has stolen, and walks in the statutes of life without committing iniquity, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of his sins which he has committed shall be remembered against him; he has done what is lawful and right; he shall surely live."
10. **What direction is given regarding confession of sin?**
Numbers 5:5-7. "⁵Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ⁶Speak to the children of Israel: "When a man or woman commits any sin that men commit in unfaithfulness against the LORD, and that person is guilty, ⁷then he shall confess the sin which he has committed. He shall make _____ for his trespass _____ plus _____ - _____ of it, and give *it* to the one he has wronged.""
11. **Should we pray for others who sin?**
Daniel 9:20. "Now while I was speaking, praying, and confessing _____ sin and the sin of _____, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God,"
12. **What attitude must we have for God to forgive our sins?**
Matthew 6:14, 15. "¹⁴For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father _____ ¹⁵But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."
13. **What was David's attitude regarding forgiveness?**
Psalm 51:1-4, 10, 11. "¹Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, _____ my transgressions. ²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. ³For _____, And my sin *is* always before me. ⁴Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done *this* evil in Your sight—That You may be found just when You speak, *And* blameless when You judge. . . ." ¹⁰"Create in me a _____, O God, And renew a _____ within me. ¹¹Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me."

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1. Memorize John 3:16.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 5.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 5 that best describes the theme of the chapter.
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Chapter 5

Consecration

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What did Joshua urge the people to do?**
Joshua 24:15. "And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, _____ for yourselves this day whom you will serve, ..."
2. **What did Elijah urge the people to do?**
1 Kings 18:21. "And Elijah came to all the people, and said, 'How long will you _____ between _____?' If the LORD *is* God, _____; but if Baal, follow him.' But the people answered him not a word."
3. **What is God's part in our choices?**
Philippians 2:13. "for it is _____ who works in you both to _____ and to _____ for *His* good pleasure."
4. **What must we give up to follow Christ?**
Luke 14:33. "So likewise, whoever of you does not _____ all that he has cannot be My disciple."
5. **What did Jesus say about divided loyalties?**
Matthew 12:30. "He who is not with Me is _____, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad."
6. **What person did Jesus say was not fit for the kingdom of God?**
Luke 9:62. "But Jesus said to him, 'No one, having put his hand to the plow, and _____, is fit for the kingdom of God.'"
7. **What is God's promise if we seek Him?**
Jeremiah 29:13. "And you will _____ Me and _____ Me, when you search for Me with all your heart."
8. **What promise does God make to those who seek after righteousness?**
Matthew 5:6. "Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they _____."
9. **How do those who are fully on God's side feel?**
Romans 1:16. "For I am _____ of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."

10. **How does God evaluate us?**
1 Samuel 16:7. "... For *the LORD* does not *see* as man sees; for man looks at the _____, but the LORD looks at the _____."
11. **What should direct our actions?**
Colossians 3:23, 24. "²³ And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the _____ and not to _____, ²⁴ knowing that _____ you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ."
12. **What new life do we live?**
Galatians 2:20. "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but _____; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."
13. **What is Christ's invitation?**
Revelation 3:20. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and _____, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."
14. **What choice regarding our eternal life do we have?**
Matthew 16:24-26. "²⁴ Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him _____, and take up his cross, and _____.
²⁵ For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. ²⁶ For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and _____? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?'"
15. **How do we find or lose our life?**
Matthew 10:39. "He who finds his life will _____ it, and he who loses his life for My sake will _____ it."
16. **What happened when the disciples were fully consecrated?**
Acts 4:31. "And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they _____ the _____ of God with _____."

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1. Memorize 1 John 1:9.

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 6.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 6 that best describes the theme of the chapter.

4. List several key points as you read the chapter.

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Chapter 6

Faith and Acceptance

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **How is faith defined in the Scriptures?**
Hebrews 11:1. "Now faith is the _____ of things hoped for, the _____ of things not seen."
2. **How does God feel when we lack faith?**
Hebrews 11:6. "But without faith *it is* _____ to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that _____, and *that* He is a _____ of those who diligently seek him."
3. **How do we get faith?**
Romans 10:17. "So then faith *comes* by _____, and hearing by the _____."
4. **What is the condition of faith without corresponding works?**
James 2:17. "Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is _____."
5. **What is the contrast between faith and works?**
James 2:18. "But someone will say, 'You have faith, and I have works.' Shew me your faith _____ your works, and I will show you my faith _____ my works."
6. **How does Abraham show that faith and obedience go together?**
Hebrews 11:8. "By _____ Abraham _____ when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going."
7. **How does God live His life in us?**
Ephesians 3:17. "that Christ may dwell in your hearts through _____; ..."
8. **What does Paul urge Timothy to do regarding faith?**
1 Timothy 6:12. "Fight the good _____ of _____, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses."
9. **How does a follower of God live?**
Habakkuk 2:4. "... but the just shall live by his _____."

10. **What accompanies the exercise of faith?**
James 1:5-7. "⁵If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. ⁶But let him ask in faith, with no _____, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;"
11. **How should the Christian walk?**
2 Corinthians 5:7. "For we walk by _____, not by sight."
12. **How is the righteousness of the believer described?**
Philippians 3:9. "and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which *is* from the law, but that which *is* through faith in Christ, the _____ which is from God by _____;"
13. **How is a person justified?**
Romans 5:1, 2. "¹Therefore, having been justified _____, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom also we have access _____ into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."
14. **How do we obtain victory over sin?**
1 John 5:4. "For whatever is _____ overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our _____."
15. **What is the goal of faith?**
1 Peter 1:9. "receiving the end of your _____—the _____ of *your* souls."
16. **To whom does our faith look?**
Hebrews 12:2. "looking unto _____, the _____ and _____ of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

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1. Memorize Ephesians 2:8, 9.

⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹not as a result of works, so that no one may boast." (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 7.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 7 that best describes the theme of the chapter.
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Chapter 7

The Test of Discipleship

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What two elements are necessary for the plan of salvation?**
Ephesians 2:8, 9. "For by _____ you have been saved through _____, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, ⁹not of works, lest anyone should boast."
2. **What should we do if we love Jesus?**
John 14:15. "If you love Me, keep my _____."
3. **What is the purpose for the law of God?**
Romans 3:20. "Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be _____ in His sight, for by the law *is* the _____ of _____."
4. **What did the Apostle John desire?**
1 John 2:1. "My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may _____. And if anyone sins, we have an _____ with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous."
5. **What steps did Jesus take in order to save us?**
Philippians 2:5-8. "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, being in the form of _____, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a _____, *and* coming in the likeness of _____. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, He _____ and became obedient to *the point of* _____, even the death of the _____."
6. **What is the response of salvation?**
Romans 10:9. "that if you _____ with your mouth the Lord Jesus and _____ in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."
7. **What does Christ's righteousness provide?**
Romans 3:24-26. "²⁴being _____ freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, ²⁶to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus."

8. **What is the source of our obedience?**
Romans 6:17. "But God be thanked that *though* you were slaves of sin, yet you _____ that form of doctrine to which you were delivered."
9. **How does one purify the soul?**
1 Peter 1:22. "Since you have purified your souls in _____ the _____ through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,"
10. **Through whom are we reconciled to God?**
2 Corinthians 5:18, 19. "¹⁸Now all things *are* of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through _____, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, ¹⁹that is, that _____ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation."
11. **What did Christ become for us?**
2 Corinthians 5:21. "For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* _____ for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."
12. **How has God saved us?**
Titus 3:5. "not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the _____ of _____ and _____ of the _____,"
13. **To whom is the Holy Spirit given?**
Acts 5:32. "And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also *is* the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who _____ him."
14. **How does God value obedience?**
1 Samuel 15:22. "So Samuel said: 'Has the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in _____ the voice of the LORD? Behold, to _____ *is* _____ than sacrifice, *And* to _____ than the fat of rams.'"

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1. Memorize 2 Corinthians 5:17.

“Therefore if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 8.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 8 that best describes the theme of the chapter.
4. List several key points as you read the chapter.
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Chapter 8

Growing Up into Christ

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1. Memorize Ephesians 1:7.

“In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 9.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 9 that best describes the theme of the chapter.

4. List several key points as you read the chapter.

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Chapter 9

The Work and the Life

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What did Jesus say about His life?**
John 17:4. "I have _____ You on the earth. I have _____ the _____ which You have given Me to do."
2. **How did the Apostle Paul feel about his life's work?**
2 Timothy 4:6, 7. "⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷I have fought the _____, I have finished the race, I have _____."
3. **What reward awaits those who are victorious?**
2 Timothy 4:8. "Finally, there is laid up for me the _____, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing."
4. **What special gifts has God given for witnessing?**
1 Corinthians 12:8-10. "⁸for to one is given the word of _____ through the Spirit, to another the word of _____ through the same Spirit, ⁹to another _____ by the same Spirit, to another gifts of _____ by the same Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of _____, to another _____, to another _____ of spirits, to another *different* kinds of _____, to another the _____ of tongues."
5. **What other gifts are mentioned in Romans?**
Romans 12:4-8. "⁴For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, ⁵so we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. ⁶Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, *let us use them*: if _____, *let us prophesy* in proportion to our faith; ⁷or _____, *let us use it in our* ministering; he who teaches, in _____; ⁸he who exhorts, in _____; he who _____, with liberality; he who _____, with diligence; he who shows _____, with cheerfulness."
Romans 12:11-13. "¹¹not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; ¹²rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in _____; ¹³ _____ to the needs of the saints, given to _____."

6. **How else are these gifts listed?**
Ephesians 4:8, 11. "⁸Therefore he says: '*When he ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men.*' ... ¹¹And He Himself gave some *to be* _____, some _____, some _____, and some _____ and _____."
7. **Why were these gifts given?**
Ephesians 4:12, 13. "¹²for the _____ of the saints for the work of _____, for the _____ of the body of Christ, ¹³till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the _____;"
8. **What was the order of the gifts?**
1 Corinthians 12:28. "And God has appointed these in the church: first _____, second _____, third _____, after that _____, then gifts of _____, _____, _____, varieties of _____."
9. **What great work do all Christians have?**
Matthew 28:19, 20. "¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, _____ them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰_____ them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age."
10. **What happens when Christians depend on God?**
Acts 1:8. "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be _____ to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
11. **What is God's promise for success?**
Isaiah 55:11. "So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall _____ what I please, And it shall _____ *in the thing* for which I sent it."

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1. Memorize Hebrews 4:15.

“For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are*, yet without sin.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 10.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 10 that best describes the theme of the chapter.

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Chapter 10

A Knowledge of God

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What should the Christian glory in?**
Jeremiah 9:24. "But let him who glories glory in this, That He _____ and _____, That I *am* the LORD, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight,' says the LORD."
2. **How do people learn about God?**
Matthew 11:27. "All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and *the one* to whom the _____ wills to _____."
3. **Who did Philip want Jesus to reveal?**
John 14:8, 9. "⁸Philip said to Him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.' ⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen _____ has seen the _____; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father?'"
4. **What do God's created works reveal?**
Psalm 19:1. "The heavens declare the _____ of _____; And the firmament shows His _____."
5. **What reaction do those have who can see God?**
Revelation 4:10, 11. "¹⁰the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and _____ Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: ¹¹_____, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created."
6. **Where do we begin?**
Proverbs 9:10. "The _____ is the beginning of wisdom, And the _____ is understanding."
7. **How can we understand the invisible things of God?**
Romans 1:20. "For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the _____ that are _____, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,"

8. **What happens to those who see these things but refuse the accept them?**
Romans 1:22-25. "²²Professing to be wise, they became _____, ²³and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things. ²⁴Therefore God also _____ to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, ²⁵who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."
9. **What description is given of Jesus?**
Colossians 2:9. "For in Him dwells all the fullness of the _____;"
10. **Where can one find eternal life?**
John 17:3. "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only _____, and _____ whom You have sent."
11. **What knowledge did the Apostle Paul value most of all?**
Philippians 3:8. "Yet indeed I also count all things _____ for the excellence of the _____ of _____ my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ"
12. **What do those who know God receive?**
Job 22:21. "Now acquaint yourself with Him, and be at peace; Thereby _____ will come to you."
13. **How are some people in the last days described?**
2 Timothy 3:7. "_____ and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."
14. **What principle insures that we will gain a knowledge of the truth?**
John 7:17. "If anyone wills to do _____, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or *whether* I speak on My own *authority*."

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1. Memorize Acts 4:12.

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 11.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 11 that best describes the theme of the chapter.

4. List several key points as you read the chapter.

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Chapter 11

The Privilege of Prayer

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What should be done before praying for our needs?**
Matthew 6:33. "But seek first the _____ and His _____, and all these things shall be added to you."
2. **Our prayers should be asked according to what?**
1 John 5:14, 15. "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything _____, He hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of him."
3. **What helps God answer our prayers?**
1 John 3:22. "And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we _____ and do those things that are pleasing in His sight."
4. **What were David's times for prayer?**
Psalm 55:17. "_____ and _____ and at _____ I will pray, and cry aloud, And He shall hear my voice."
5. **In whose name should we pray?**
John 14:13, 14. "And whatever you ask in _____, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask anything in My name, I will do *it*."
6. **What should our attitude be when we pray?**
Mark 11:24. "Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, _____ that ye receive *them*, and you will have *them*."
7. **With what steadfastness should we pray?**
James 1:6, 7. "But let him ask in _____, with no _____, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;"
8. **How is praying described, and what are its results?**
Matthew 7:7, 8. "⁷ _____, and it will be given to you; _____, and you will find; _____, and it will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks _____, and he who seeks _____, and to him who knocks it will be _____."

9. **What habit did Jesus have regarding prayer?**
Mark 1:35. "Now in the _____, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a _____; and there He prayed."
10. **What prevents God from hearing our prayers?**
Psalm 66:18. "If I _____ in my heart, The Lord will not hear."
11. **In most circumstances, what is the proper posture for prayer?**
Psalm 95:6. "O come, let us worship and _____; Let us _____ before the LORD our Maker."
12. **What should accompany our prayers?**
Philippians 4:6. "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with _____, let your requests be made known to God;"
13. **What is included in the prayer for the sick?**
James 5:14, 15. "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the _____ of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with _____ in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has _____, he will be forgiven."
14. **What diligence should we show with our prayers?**
1 Thessalonians 5:17. "pray without _____."
15. **Who should we pray for?**
1 Timothy 2:1, 2. "Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of thanks be made for _____, ²for _____ and all who are in _____, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence."
16. **What promise does God make regarding our need?**
Philippians 4:19. "And my God shall supply _____ according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

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1. Memorize Matthew 16:26.

“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 12.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 12 that best describes the theme of the chapter.
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Chapter 12

What to Do with Doubt

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What two types of people come to and go from the truth?**
John 3:20, 21. “²⁰For everyone _____ hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But he who _____ comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.”
2. **What counsel did Jesus give regarding the light?**
John 12:35, 36. “³⁵Then Jesus said to them, ‘A little while longer the light is with you. _____ while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶While you have light, _____ in the light, that you may become sons of light.’ These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.”
3. **What results from love or hate?**
1 John 2:10, 11. “¹⁰He who _____ his brother abides in the _____, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. ¹¹But he who _____ his brother is in _____ and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.”
4. **What warning is given?**
Hebrews 3:12. “_____, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of _____ in departing from the living God;”
5. **What gives fellowship with other believers?**
1 John 1:7. “But if we _____ as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.”
6. **What change to our present condition will be made?**
1 Corinthians 13:12. “For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as _____.”
7. **In whom does the Lord have no pleasure?**
Hebrews 10:38. “*Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone _____, My soul has no pleasure in him.*”

8. **What eventually happens to those who doubt the truth, and don't make a choice for it?**
1 John 2:19. “They _____, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but *they went out* that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.”
9. **What condition makes understanding truth possible?**
John 7:17. “If anyone wills _____, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or *whether* I speak on My own *authority*.”
10. **What is the reason the unrighteous will perish?**
2 Thessalonians 2:10. “and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the _____, that they might be saved.”
11. **What happens to those who choose not to receive the truth?**
2 Thessalonians 2:11, 12. “¹¹And for this reason God will send them _____, that they should _____, ¹²that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.”
12. **What restrains our desire to speculate?**
Deuteronomy 29:29. “The _____ *belong* to the LORD our God, but those *things which are revealed belong* to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.”
13. **Why do some have trouble with Paul's writings?**
2 Peter 3:16. “as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which _____ and _____ *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures.”
14. **Why will some believers leave the truth?**
1 Timothy 4:1. “Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to _____ and _____ of _____,”

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1. Memorize Revelation 3:20.

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with me.” (NKJV)

2. *Read Steps to Christ*, Chapter 13.
3. Put in your own words, or write the passage in Chapter 13 that best describes the theme of the chapter.

4. List several key points as you read the chapter.
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Chapter 13

Rejoicing in the Lord

Scriptures (NKJV)

1. **What accompanies us on the true path of life?**
Psalm 16:11. "You will show me the path of life; in Your presence *is* _____; at Your right hand *are* _____ for evermore."
2. **Why did Jesus share the truth with his disciples?**
John 15:11. "These things I have spoken to you, that _____ may remain in you, and *that* _____ may be _____."
3. **What should we do when trouble comes?**
1 Peter 4:12, 13. "¹²Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; ¹³but _____ to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be _____ with _____."
4. **How often should we be thankful?**
Ephesians 5:20. "giving thanks _____ for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,"
5. **How much should we be thankful for?**
1 Thessalonians 5:18. "in _____ give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
6. **What is the outcome of all our problems?**
Romans 8:28. "And we know that _____ work together for _____ to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose."
7. **What should fill our lives?**
Romans 15:13. "Now may the God of hope fill you with all _____ and _____ in believing, that you may abound in _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit."
8. **What promise of help do we have with our trials?**
1 Corinthians 10:13. "No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God *is* faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the _____, that you may be able to _____."
9. **How is the second coming referred to?**
Titus 2:13. "looking for the _____ and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,"

10. **What should we not cast away?**
Hebrews 10:35. "Therefore do not cast away _____, which has great reward."
11. **What responsibility did the Apostles feel?**
1 Corinthians 4:9. "For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a _____ to the _____, both to _____ and to _____."
12. **What confidence did Job have in God's leading?**
Job 23:10. "But He knows the way that I take; *When* He has tested me, I shall _____."
13. **What are those who offer praise to God doing?**
Psalm 50:23. "Whoever offers praise _____; And to him who orders *his* conduct *aright* I will show the salvation of God."
14. **What should we combine with prayer?**
Colossians 4:2. "Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with _____;"
15. **What is the strength of the Christian?**
Nehemiah 8:10. "Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for *this* day *is* holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the _____ is your strength.'"
16. **What is God's secret for perfect peace?**
Isaiah 26:3. "You will keep *him* in _____, *Whose* mind *is* stayed *on* *You*, Because he trusts in *You*."
17. **What is the fruit of the Spirit?**
Galatians 5:22, 23. "²²But the fruit of the Spirit is _____, _____, _____, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law."