

THE WONDERFUL GOOD NEWS OF REVELATION

The first three chapters of the Bible (Genesis 1, 2, 3) tell how sin entered this world; and the last three chapters of the Bible (Revelation 20, 21, 22) tell how sin will be removed from the earth. The chapters between tell how God related to this awful tragedy.

The punishment for sin is death, Romans 6:23. The ugly cancer of sin could not be tolerated, else it would endanger the universe. The super-tragedy of sin is that when Adam and Eve disobeyed, sin passed to all mankind, and thus all people, from that time to the present, face the death penalty.

So Heaven was suddenly confronted with a horrible dilemma: either sin would have to be excused and tolerated (thus jeopardizing the universe) or all people on planet earth would have to die. God flatly refused both options. He could not stand the thought of separation from His earthly children, whom He dearly loved; nor would He permit the ugly sin virus to rule the universe.

Study Guide 004

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Instead, in an act of unbelievable risk and love, He chose to send His only Son (who is Himself, God) into the world to die in your place and mine. Our sins and our death penalty were placed upon Him and we were set free.

Revelation 14:6 calls this plan the "everlasting Gospel". The word "Gospel" means "Good News". And indeed, God's blessed loving plan of salvation is good news —incredibly good news for you and me and for every person on planet earth. We shall now study the eternal science of God's great plan of salvation.

REVELATION REVEALS GOD'S LOVE

In Revelation 2:10 Jesus offers the crown of life to every one of His faithful followers. Happily, through Jesus our Saviour, we can all receive this wonderful gift of eternal life. Now an all important question comes to mind! What must I do to benefit from Jesus' sacrifice?

1. What is God's great plan of salvation called? Revelation 14:6

The everlasting ______.

2. When did the plan to save man go Into effect? Revelation 13:8

At the of the .

NOTE: All who have ever been saved since the fall of man have been saved by the blood of Jesus, Acts 4:12. Old Testament believers accepted Jesus' blood in looking forward by faith to the cross. We accept the same blood looking back by faith to the cross.

3. What happened when Adam sinned and why? Romans 5:12

a. What? "	passed upon all	"
b. Why? Because "	have	"

4. Why is living a life of sin so serious? Romans. 6:23

Because the , or punishment, for sin is .

5. What does sin do to our relationship with God? Is. 59:2

Sin us from .

freely.

GOOD NEWS! Jesus furnishes everything. It is all free!

NOTE: Jesus supplies the power, miracles, love, forgiveness and grace for my salvation. Everything I need, He freely gives.

It is unthinkable that any of us in this Revelation Seminar would fall to accept Jesus' miraculous free offer to forgive, cleanse and restore us to His image. Jesus is anxious to work miracles for all of us.

23. Will you, just now, decide to accept His plan to save you, or reaffirm that great decision?

Answer:

d.	Romans 12:1, 2	
	1 will begin to know God's	 for my life.

- e. Acts 4:19, 20; 1:8; Mark 5:19; I will tell others what " things the Lord hath ."
- f. Acts 4:31; Luke 11:13; Ephesians 6:18; 1 will spend more time talking to God in .

NOTE: The big difference is that after conversion I will really want the Lord to have His way with my life. I will want His Spirit to guide me. Romans 8:9, 14.

21. What is Jesus' provision to save sinners called? Romans. 6:23

"The of God."

NOTE: The gift is free, but I must be willing to receive it, or Jesus' gift will not benefit me.

REVELATION'S GOOD NEWS!

22. What five glorious truths does Revelation tell us about the Good News of our salvation? Revelation 1:18

a. Jesus is ______ and He has ______

The to unlock and

GOOD NEWS! Jesus is a living Saviour! Revelation . 5:9

b. He was ______ to _____ us to God.

GOOD NEWS! His sacrifice was for us! Revelation 7:14

c. He gives us the ______ raiment of His righteousness.

GOOD NEWS! Jesus' righteousness is ours! Revelation 14:6, 12, 14

d. The Gospel will go to every _____, ____,

_____ and people.

GOOD NEWS! Jesus will save every one of us who really accepts His everlasting gospel! Revelation 21:6

e. If I thirst for Him, He will give me the of

6. What did Jesus' death do for His people? Revelation 1:5

them from their

NOTE: Jesus died, not just for the sins of His people, but for the sins of the whole world. See I John 2:1.2.

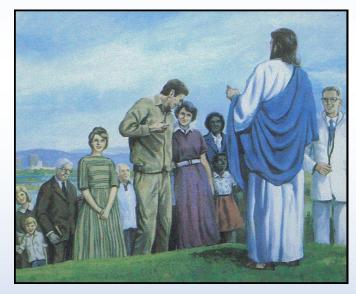
7. Who accepted my sins and death penalty? Isaiah. 53:6

Answer:

NOTE: Isaiah 53 is a moving prophecy of Jesus' suffering and death.

8. Why did God make such a sacrifice for us? John 3:16; **Revelation**. 1:5

Because he us.



JESUS OUR SAVIOUR

9. What must I do to benefit from Jesus' death? Acts 16:31; **Revelation**. 1:5

on the Lord Jesus Christ.

10. Now may I receive forgiveness and cleansing? I John 1:9

Answer:

NOTE: Confession includes turning away from sin. Proverbs 8:13.

11. What does the Bible say must accompany repentance? Acts 3:19

Answer:

NOTE: To "repent" means to have "a change of mind". To "convert" means to "turn around". "Repentance" means a change of attitude toward God, toward oneself, and toward others. Conversion means a U -turn on the Highway of Life.

12. What Is this conversion experience called and why? John 3:3-7

New birth or being ______ again.

NOTE: Why? Because when born again we have no past. At conversion, a person is cleansed from sin and starts all over as a newborn baby, with Christ in the life.

13. How does Jesus abide in my life? John 14:17

Through the

14. When Jesus lives in my life what will I do? Philippians. 2:13

"Both to ______ and to ______ of His good pleasure."

NOTE: Jesus gives me (1) a willing heart and then adds (2) the power to do His will.

JESUS OUR LORD

15. Why should I be confident about my new birth? Philippians. 1:6; Jude 24, 25

"He which hath _______a good work in you, will

it until the day of ."

NOTE: I can be confident because my salvation rests upon His ability, and not mine.

16. What big problem faces many Christians? Matthew. 7:21

Eager to call Him Lord but refuse to _____

Him.

NOTE: Jesus must be crowned both Saviour and Lord of my life. Many want Jesus as their Saviour but not as their Lord. A born-again Christian will follow where Jesus leads.

17. How do we make Jesus Lord of our life? Matthew.7:21

By doing the _____ of the _____

JESUS RECEIVES US

18. Now can we know Jesus accepts us? 1 John 1:9; Titus 1:2

Because He promised and He cannot

NOTE: We are saved by God's grace through faith. Ephesians 2:8,9. "Faith" means I accept salvation and claim it at once because Jesus promised it to me, and not because I feel or see anything different.

19. Now may I strengthen my faith? Romans. 10:17; Matthew. 4:4

Study the Word of _____

NOTE: All have some faith, Romans 12:3. We strengthen our faith by studying God's Word. This is, of course, one key purpose of this Revelation Seminar.

20. How will true conversion change my life?

- a. John 13:35; 1 John 3:14; Matthew 5:44; 1 will begin to ________everybody.
- b. 2 Corinthians 5:17 My life will be
- c. 1 John 3:22 Willing to keep God's _____