

Foundation Discipleship Course

The Bible is the inspired, infallible Word of God. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16). The scriptures were written by "eyewitnesses" or people who had a personal supernatural encounter with God, and became accountable to tell of the miraculous (Luke 1:2, 2Peter 1:16).

The Bible is the only God given authority which man possesses; therefore, all doctrine, faith, hope, and all instruction for the Church must be based upon, and harmonize with the Bible. It is to be read and studied by all people everywhere, and can only be clearly understood by those who are anointed or filled with the Holy Spirit (1 John 2:27).

"No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation; for the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" 2 Peter 1:20, 21

- Look up and write **John 12:48** -
- Look up and write **Deuteronomy 8:4** -
- Look up and write **2Timothy 2:15** -

I. THE ONE TRUE GOD

The scriptures tell of the one ever-living, eternal God: infinite in power, holy in nature, attributes and purpose; and possessing absolute, indivisible deity. This one true God has revealed Himself as Father in creation; through his son, in redemption; and as the Holy Spirit, by moving upon and indwelling the church.

- 1 Corinthians 8:6
- Ephesians 4:6
- 2 Corinthians 5:19
- Joel 2:28

The scripture does more than attempt to prove the existence of God; it asserts, assumes and declares that the knowledge of God is universal. (Romans 1:19, 21, 28, 32, 2:15). God is invisible, incorporeal, without parts, without body, and therefore free from all limitations. He is Spirit (John 4:24), and "a spirit hath not flesh and bones" (Luke 24:39). "The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord" (Mark 12:29; Deuteronomy 6:4). There is.. "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:6).

Before the incarnation, this one true God manifested Himself in various different ways. He assumed human form and spoke with Abraham. He appeared in a vision to many Old Testament prophets. He appeared in a pillar of fire, a pillar of cloud, a burning bush, an angel who wrestled with Jacob etc. In the incarnation, He manifests Himself in the Son, who walked among men, Hebrews 1:1-3, 2Corinthians 5:19, John 14:8-10, Colossians 2:8-10, Isaiah 9:6. As He works in the lives of believers, He manifests Himself as the Holy Spirit.

- Look up And Write: **Isaiah 9:6** and **Colossians 2:8-10** (*use back of this sheet if necessary*)

II. THE SON OF GOD

The one true God, the Jehovah of the Old Testament, took upon Himself the form of man, and as the Son of man, was born of the virgin Mary. As the Apostle Paul says, "And without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory" (1 Timothy 3:16).

"He came unto his own, and his own received him not" (John 1:11). This one true God was manifest in the flesh, that is, in His Son Jesus Christ. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them" (2 Corinthians 5:19). He WAS NOT an angel, Hebrews 1:4 -8, 2:16. Angels are all ministering spirits; Heb 1:14, and a spirit hath NOT flesh and bones as ye see me have; Luke 24:39.

The Bible says that, "In Him (Jesus) dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" (Colossians 2:9). "For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fullness dwell" (Colossians 1:19). Therefore, Jesus in His humanity was man; in His deity was and is God. He is the only mediator between God and man. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (1 Timothy 2:5). Jesus on His Father's side was divine, on His mother's side, human; thus, He was known as the Son of God and also the Son of man, or the God-man.

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty" (Revelation 1:8).

- Look up and write **Isaiah 9:6** -
- Look up and write **Colossians 2:8-10** -

III. THE NAME

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: . . . and *his name shall be called* Wonderful Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace" (**Isaiah 9:6**). This prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled when the Son of God was named. "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for *there is none other name* under heaven given among men, *whereby we must be saved*" (**Acts 4:12**).

Look up and write out these verses: *(use back of this sheet if necessary)*

- Ephesians 3:15
- Colossians 3:17
- 1Corinthians 3:11
- Luke 24:47
- Acts 10:43
- Ephesians 2:20

IV. THE CREATION OF MAN AND HIS FALL

In the beginning, God created man innocent, pure and holy; but through the sin of disobedience, Adam and Eve, the first of the human race, fell from their holy state, and God banished them from Eden. Hence by one man's disobedience, sin entered into the world (Genesis 1:27; Romans 3:23, 5:12).

Look up and write **Romans 5:23** -

V. REPENTANCE

Repentance is a turn from sin unto God (Acts 26:18-20). It has 3 necessary aspects:

- 1) an intellectual change of views and values,
- 2) an emotional change of desires,
- 3) and a voluntary change of purpose and lifestyle.

Repentance includes a recognition of sin against God and man, (Mark 2:17), a confession of sin unto God (Proverbs 28:13; 1John 1:9) and Godly sorrow for sin (Psalm 51:17, 2Corinthians 7:10), and a decision to forsake sin (sinful living), (Proverbs 28:13, Luke 3:7-8). With repentance comes also the willingness to make restitution for past sins as much as possible (Matthew 5:23-24; Luke 19:8). Repentance is the first response of faith to the call of God (Mark 1:15). As part of the turn from sin, God enables us to break free from sinful habits, desires and addictions. This paves the way to have a relationship with God, qualifying him or her for Water Baptism and to receive the Spirit Baptism. Repentance addresses a person's sinful lifestyle, and water baptism deals with the record and consequences of sin. (taken from David Bernard's book; *A Handbook of Basic Doctrines*, upci).

John the Baptist preached repentance in order to be a candidate for water baptism, Jesus proclaimed it, and the Apostles required it of both the Jews and Gentiles (Acts 2:38; 11:18; 17:30). The word "repentance" comes from the Greek word "metanoia" which means a change of views and purpose, change of heart, change of mind, change of life, transformation, etc. Luke 24:47 says; "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached *in His name* among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem."

Look up and write **Luke 13:3** -

Look up and write **Psalms 51:2-4, 9-11** -

VI. WATER BAPTISM

The scriptural mode of baptism is immersion, because the Greek word "Baptizo" means to immerse. Baptism is only for those who have fully repented, having turned from their sins and a love of the world. It should be administered by a duly authorized minister of the gospel, in obedience to the Word of God, *and in the name of The Lord Jesus Christ*, thus obeying and fulfilling Matthew 28:19.

Mark 16:15-18

Romans 6:4

Colossians 2:12

1Peter 3:20, 21

1Corinthians 7:14 (no infants)

Look up and write:

- **Acts 2:38**
- **Acts 8:16**
- **Acts 10:48**
- **Acts 19:5**
- **Romans 6:4**

VII. THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

John the Baptist, in Matthew 3:11 said; "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire."

Jesus, in Acts 1:5 said; "Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence."

Luke tells us in Acts 2:4; "They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues (languages), as the Spirit gave them utterance." The terms "baptize with the Holy Ghost and fire," "filled with the Holy Spirit," and the "gift of the Holy Ghost" are synonymous terms used interchangeably in the Bible. It is scriptural to expect all who receive the gift, infilling, or baptism of the Holy Spirit to receive the same physical, initial sign of speaking with other tongues, or languages. See Isaiah 28:11, 12 and Joel 2:28, Acts 2:16. This speaking with other tongues, as recorded in Acts 2:4; 10:46; and 19:6, and the gift of tongues, as explained in 1 Corinthians, chapters 12 and 14, are the same in essence, but different in purpose.

The Lord, through the prophet Joel said; "**I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy**". (Joel 2:28).

Peter, in explaining this phenomenal experience said; "Having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he [Jesus] hath shed forth this, *which ye now see and hear*". (Acts 2:33). Further; "the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, *even as many as the Lord our God shall call*" (Acts 2:39).

- Look up and write:
- **Joel 2:28**
- **Acts 2:4, 16-18**

VIII. DIVINE HEALING

The first covenant that the Lord (Jehovah) made with the children of Israel after they were brought out of Egypt was a covenant of healing. The Lord said; "If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD [Jehovah-Rapha, the Lord that healeth] thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians; for I am the LORD that healeth thee" (Exodus 15:26). Our Lord Jesus Christ went about Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people (Matthew 4:23-24).

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8).

The vicarious suffering of the Lord Jesus Christ paid not only for the salvation of our souls but also for the healing of our bodies. "With his stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5). Matthew 8:17 reads, "Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." (See also 1 Peter 2:24). We see from this that divine healing for the body is in the atonement.

Jesus said of believers; "They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Mark 16:17-18. Later, James wrote in his epistle to all the churches: "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the Elders of the Church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray for one another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much" (James 5:14-16).

All of these promises are for the Church today:

- Joel 2:12-15
- Luke 11:5-11
- Luke 18:1-8
- Hebrews 11:6

Look up and write **Mark 16:15-18**

IX. SACRAMENT OR COMMUNION

On the night of our Lord's betrayal, He ate the Passover supper with his apostles, after which He instituted the sacrament. "And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them saying, this is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20). Paul instructed the church how to observe it (1 Corinthians 11:23-34). Thus was instituted the use of literal bread and the fruit of the vine, which are partaken of literally, as emblems of his broken body and shed blood. There is also a spiritual significance and blessing in partaking of the sacrament.

- Exodus 12:1-13.....Passover
- John 6:49-63.....Manna in the wilderness
- John 7:37-39..... Drinking of the Spirit/not blood

- 1Corinthians 12:12,13..... The body of Christ/1 body
 - 1Corinthians 10:16,17..... Lord's memorial supper
 - 1Corinthians 11:20-34..... Communion
 - Ephesians 2:13-18..... Made nigh by the blood of Christ
 - Colossians 1:26,27..... Mystery hid for ages, Christ in you the hope of glory (the Holy Ghost)
- Look up and write **John 6:63** –

X. HOLINESS

Godly living should characterize the life of every child of the Lord, and we should live according to the pattern and example given in the Word of God.

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world" (Titus 2:11-12).

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord"
(Hebrews 12:14).

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; (lifestyle) because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear: forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation (lifestyle) received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb with out blemish, and without spot". (1Peter 1:15-19).

The Apostle Paul said "*I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway*". If the great Apostle Paul could be a castaway, what about us??? (**1Corinthians 9:24-27**). Christians must not love this ungodly world system and its values, styles or fads, should not identify with it, or become attached to the things in it, or participate in its sinful pleasures or activities. Because of scriptural mandates, and since we are no longer living to please ourselves and the world of sin, We, the church should disapprove of indulging in any activities which are not conducive to good Christianity and godly living, such as; theaters, dances, mixed bathing or swimming, women cutting their hair, (1Corinthians 11:4-15), make-up,(1Timothy 2:9, 1Peter 3:3-5), If men do not need make-up, why put that bondage upon women? Make-up is a lie, a *false image* intended to impress and allure. Apparel that immodestly exposes the body, all worldly sports and amusements, where alcohol, vulgar language and immodest exposure of the body are displayed should not be desired by a person trying to please God. Also unwholesome radio programs and music should be excluded in light of whom we are living to please. Because of the display of vulgar language and all of these evils upon television, many sincere Christians disapprove of any of their people having television sets in their homes. Internet sites and chat rooms also must be considered. In the interest of spiritual progress and the soon coming of the Lord for His church, we want to be ready and not disqualified.

Holiness is an attitude of the heart toward God that shows the attitude of a person, in their actions and conduct, and in their outward appearance.

- Psalm 103:3;
- Romans 12:1,2;
- Romans 6:15-23;
- Hebrews 12:14-16;

- 2Corinthians 7:1;
- 1Corinthians 9:25-27.

Holiness comes from the spirit of holiness, and is a required part of our salvation

- Hebrews 6:1,2
- John 3:5-8.
- Galatians 5:19-21
- Psalm 73:1-22
- Genesis 19:1-13
- Leviticus 18:22
- Romans 1:22-32
- 1Corinthians 6:9-11
- 1Corinthians 7:2-5
- Jude 7,8

The scriptures clearly teach against living an “*alternate lifestyle*”. The writings of the Apostle Paul tell us that there were some of that persuasion during his time, but that they had come out of it...”and such *were* some of you”... **1Corinthians 6:9-11**. Clearly God has compassion on the person, because he understands the pain, anger, confusion, and disillusion from abuse, and the church should also. The lifestyle of a *true* Christian, however, is submission to God and his word.

Religion does Not save. You could sit on a pile of tires in a garage all day and you still are not a car. Just because you may attend a religious body and sit in a religious building does not make you a saved Christian, either. *Believing* alone is insufficient according to James 2:17-24. Obeying the Apostles instructions will lead you to Biblical *spiritual new birth*. You must have *Biblical New Birth* and possess and maintain a right relationship with the Spirit of God, and keep yourself "unspotted from this present world." James 1:27.

- Look up and write **Romans 12:1-2** -
- Look up and write **1Corinthians 6:19-20** -

XI. THE GRACE OF GOD

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world. (Titus 2:11, 12). For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.” (John 1:17)

“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast” (Ephesians 2:8-9). A Christian must walk with God and keep himself in the love of god (Jude 21) and in the grace of God. When a person transgresses and sins against God and does not repent, he will eventually be lost and cast into the lake of fire. (See John 15:2, 6; 2 Peter 2:20-21). Jude speaks of the backsliders of his day, and their reward. (See also Hebrews 6:4-6).

- Look up and write **Titus 2:4**
- Look up and write **Hebrews 12:15**

XII. TRANSLATION OF SAINTS (Rapture, Catching away)

We believe that the time is drawing near when our Lord shall appear; then the dead in Christ shall arise, and we who are alive and remain shall be caught up with them to meet our Lord in the air ... (1Thessalonians 4:13-17; 1Corinthians 15: 51-54; Philippians 3:20-21).

Matthew 24:32-39 tells the *parable of the fig tree* which is about the nation of Israel. It became a young tree again May 15, 1948. Matthew 24:34 tell us this generation shall not pass till all these things be fulfilled. No man knows the day or the hour of his return, and all of these “date setting” folks are off base! Matt 24:36. But we also are not ignorant of the times, that that day should catch us unaware. 1Thessalonians 5:1-9. 1948 plus 100 years minus 7 years of great tribulation doesn't leave much time, and nothing says he has to wait that whole time, so be ready!

XIII. TITHING (Offerings & Giving)

Tithing is God's financial plan to provide for his work, and has been since the days of Abraham. Tithing came with faith under Abraham; Moses' Law enjoined it, and Israel practiced it when she was right with God; Jesus indorsed it (Matthew 23:23); and Paul said to lay by in store as God has prospered you. (1Corinthians 16:2)

Do not rob God of His portion, viz..., tithes and offerings. (Read Malachi 3).

Eph 4:28; 2Cor 9:6-9; Acts 20:35; Luke 6:38; Rom 15:25-28; Lev 27:30; Acts 10:4, Luke 11:41; Luke 12:32-34

GIVING:

James 2:15-17; 2Corinthians 9:1- 2; 2Corinthians 8:3-5; Philippians 4:13-15; Romans 12:12-13; 1Peter 4:9-11

- Look up and write **Malachi 3:8-10** -
- Look up and write **Matthew 23:23** -

XIV. SECOND COMING OF JESUS

That Jesus is coming again the second time in person, just as he went away, is clearly set forth by the Lord Jesus Himself, and was preached and taught in the early Christian Church by the apostles; hence, the children of God today are earnestly, hopefully, looking forward to the glorious event.

- (Matthew 24; Acts 1:11, 3:19-21; 1 Corinthians 11:26; Philippians 3:20-21; 1Thessalonians 4:14-17; Titus 2:13-14).

*This is NOT the catching away of the church to meet the Lord. That event happens prior to this one. This event immediately precedes the millennium.

XV. THE MILLENIUM (or 1,000 year Earthly rule of Christ)

Scripture teaches that this present distress upon the earth is the "beginning of sorrows" and will become more intense until there "shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time" (Matthew 24:3-8; Daniel 12:1), and that 7 year period of Great tribulation will be followed by the battle of Armageddon, which in turn will be followed by the dawn of a better day on earth and that for a thousand years there shall be "peace on earth and good will toward men"

(See Revelation 20:1-5; Isaiah 65:17-25; Matthew 5:5; Daniel 7:27; Micah 4:1-2; Hebrews 2:14; Romans 11:25-27.)

XVI. FINAL JUDGEMENT (The White Throne)

When the thousand years are finished, there shall be a resurrection of all the dead, who will be summoned before the great white throne for their final judgment, and all whose names are not found written in the Book of Life shall be cast into the lake of fire, burning with brimstone, which God hath prepared the devil and his angels, Satan himself being cast in first.

(Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:7; 15, 21:8).

- Look up and read **Matthew 7:13-27**
- Look up and write **Matthew 7:21-23**

XVII. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES & USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS & NARCOTICS

We practice total abstinence from all forms of alcohol, tobacco, and narcotic substances, because the Bible clearly teaches against any form of *intoxication*. Paul said he would not be "brought under the power of any.." (meaning something addicting controlling him) 1Corinthians 6:12. According to 1Corinthians 3:16-17, our bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost, and he that defiles the Temple, him will God destroy. We further believe in the abstinence from the very appearance of such products in light of respect for the weaker brother and in maintaining a good witness.

Leviticus 10:9, Numbers 6:3, Deuteronomy 28:39, 29:6, Judges 13:4,7 Ephesians 5:18, Proverbs 4:14-15, 20:1, Proverbs 21:7, 23:30-31, 31:4, Jeremiah 35:5-14, Thessalonians 5:22, 1John 2:15-17, 1Timothy 3:3-8, Titus 1:7, 2:3.

XVIII. APOSTOLIC BIBLICAL WORSHIP

The scriptures show expressed forms of prayer and worship such as:

1. Singing Joyfully Psalm 95:1
2. Hand Clapping Psalm 47:1
3. Lifting up of Hands in Adoration Psalm 134:2
4. Praying Together Acts 4:2
5. Speaking in Other Tongues Acts 2:4; 1Corinthians 14:2, 14-17
6. Laying On of hands Hebrews 6:2
7. Anointing with oil in prayer for healing James 5:14

It is apparent from the historical incidents in scripture that God also likes for his people to praise him with musical instruments. 2Chronicles 5:12-14, Psalm 33:3, 1Chronicles 15:16, Nehemiah 12:36

Some want to say because it is in the Old Testament, it is no longer valid. Jesus said "one jot or tittle shall in no wise pass from the Law, till all be fulfilled" (Matthew 5:17-18). Three fourths of the New Testament are direct quotes of the Old.

XIX. WITNESSING AND OUTREACH

We believe that unless we are reaching for the lost by all possible means, including personally testifying, or we might be lost ourselves!

Proverbs 11:30 Jude 22-23 Acts 20:26-28 John 4:34, 38 James 5:20
1Corinthians 9:18-19 Acts 1:8 Psalm 126:46

XX. THE FIVE FOLD MINISTRY

Ephesians 4:11-13 tells us; "and he gave some, apostles, and some, prophets, and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come to the unity of the faith, and the knowledge of the son of God..."

The Bible does not know the term missionary but a man with a call of God to go to an area and establish a church would be called an apostle in the book of Acts. Phillip the Evangelist is mentioned in Acts 8 as the first one to go to Samaria and preach Christ unto them, and his ministry was characterized by repentance, water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ, and miracles of healing and deliverance from demonic possession. He then called for the Apostles to come down and pray for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost.

The pastor is the authority and presiding elder over a local congregation, sometimes referred to as Bishop or Elder.

*Deacons are persons of good reputation and exemplary Christian character, full of the Holy Ghost, with the time, skills & abilities to be trusted with official tasks delegated by the ministry, and are ordained to that position by the selection of the Holy Ghost through the laying on of hands by the ministry. Acts 6:1-7, 1Timothy 3:6-13.

Look up and read: 1Timothy 3:1-7, 5: 17-25, 2Timothy 2:20-26, and Titus 1:5-9 KJV.

- Look up and write **Hebrews 13:7, 17, 24** -

XXI. THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

The Apostle Paul writes in 1Corinthians 12:1 “Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would NOT have you ignorant..”This statement is referring to the 9 spiritual gifts.

Word of Knowledge is a supernatural knowing of facts about the past or present that you would not know unless God showed you.

Word of Wisdom is a supernatural understanding of how or what to do with the facts, in a given situation.

Discerning of spirits is a supernatural ability to see, smell, feel or know what spirit/s are at work. Demons, human, or angel are the 3 types that would be revealed.

The Gift of faith is an impartation of God’s faith to a person. This one is very important.

Working of miracles is an instantaneous supernatural power over the elements including the human body.

The Gifts of Healing is a supernatural gift that is an individual gift of healing in each instance, hence “gift-s” plural. Also gifts of healing is not instantaneous, but a gradual healing. Instantaneous would be a miracle.

The Gift of Prophecy is the supernatural utterance of the will of God. It can tell events before they happen and it can speak words of comfort and edification. 2 levels: low is encouragement, High level is foretelling events.

The gift of tongues is a supernatural ability to speak with the tongues (languages) of either men or angels (1Cor 13:1) and this gift is to a spirit filled believer *who has already received the infilling of God’s spirit by the evidence of speaking in other tongues.*(Joel 2:28/Acts 2:16,33. Isa 28:11-12, John 3:5-8, Mark 16:17, Acts 2:4, 10:45-46, 19:6). The gift of tongues is to be used in a church meeting to draw attention to a soon to follow interpretation (1Cor 14:13, 26-28). It is also for the individual to pray and intercede in the spirit, 1Cor 14:2-3, 14-15, Jude 20, Romans 8:26-27.

The gift of interpretation of tongues is NOT a word for word transliteration, but an interpretation of the message spoken in tongues. ALL PROPHECY AND ALL INTERPRETATIONS ARE TO BE JUDGED, 1Cor 14:29-33.

XXII. SPIRITUAL WARFARE & THE ARMOR OF GOD

James 4:7 says: “submit yourselves therefore unto God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh (near) unto God and he will draw nigh unto you. The resistance to the devil is submission unto God! A close relationship with God by means of submission unto him is actually your only defense against demonic forces! Prayer, fasting, faith, worship, holiness, supernatural gifts and anointing, and the application of the promises of God’s word are all pieces of a relationship of submission.

Look up and write **2 Corinthians 10:3-6, & 4:3-4, and Ephesians 2:2-3**

The word imaginations in verse 5 can mean *arguments* or a *line of reasoning*. When we agree with or believe the devil’s logic, we lose faith, become angry, bitter, offended, and loose out. Your mind is the battle ground. Psalm 119:128 says “I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate every false way.” Read **Ephesians 6:10-19**.

XXIII. PRAYER

The Lord's prayer is recorded in Luke 11:1-3, and is an excellent outline for your prayer time. Mark 14:38 says " Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. Matthew 25:1-13 tells a parable of the 10 virgins (church). 5 were wise and had extra oil and 5 were foolish and had not enough oil. The end of the story concludes with Jesus' warning to watch, which means to pray. 1Thessalonians 5:17 instructs us to "pray without ceasing".

How do I pray? Psalm 100:2 says to come before his presence w/singing, and verse 4 tells us to "enter into his gates with thanksgiving and unto his courts with praise: be thankful unto him and bless his name".

- Look up and write Philippians 4:5-8
- Look up and write Psalm 55:22 and Psalm 89:15
- Look up and write 1Peter 5:7

XXIV. THE PRIME DIRECTIVES OF THE CHURCH

The first and second prime directives are derived from **Mark 12:29-33**.

1. Minister unto the Lord with all your heart, mind, soul and strength
2. Minister unto each other (love your neighbor as yourself)
3. Minister love and the salvation truth unto a lost, hurting, dying world.

This last prime directive is derived from **mark 16:15-20**. Look up and write **Mark 12:29 & Mark 16:15-16**

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