An Introduction to Christian Growth

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Introduction

Unfortunately, many people have looked upon Christianity as just another religion. Were it not for one basic difference, this might be true. Genuine Christianity is not a religion; it is a relationship. It is a relationship with Jesus Christ,

No one becomes a Christian by joining a church or being baptized or confirmed. One must personally know Jesus Christ (by experience) to be a Christian,

There is only one way to personally know Christ - by knowing and believing what God has told us about Him in God's Word, the Bible. In the Bible, God spells out the conditions that must be met before He accepts anyone into His family. It also tells us how to build our relationship with Him once we have become children of God.

If you are not a Christian or do not know whether you are, these simple Bible studies are for you. If you are a new Christian, these studies will help you to build your relationship with God. All you will need is some time alone, a pen or pencil, and a Bible. It is suggested that you use a King James Version of the Bible to answer the questions since this guide was developed using that version. Read each verse carefully and prayerfully. Then answer the questions in your own words. In addition to the study section, several helps are included in Section Two,

God says that the most important thing in the world is that you know Him personally. Listen to what He says in Jeremiah 9:23-24:

"Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understand eth and knoweth me." (Emphasis added)

These studies can help you to "understand and know" the God of heaven.

Section One

Basic Studies

Eternal Life - Accepting God's Gift

People today are constantly making big promises. Television advertisements promise everything from cleaner dishes to smoother riding cars. All of these promises are trivial, however, when compared to the promise of eternal life that God offers to man.

It is sad that not every man has this eternal life. God's Word says that there are two groups of people in this world.

1.	According to I John 5:11-12, what are these two groups? a.		
	b		
2.	What determines whether a person has eternal life or not (1 st John 5:12)?		
3.	The Bible says that all men are sinners. In Romans 3:23 Good declares that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." Every man has broken God's law and deserves God's punishment. The Bible says that "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). Even though man deserves to be punished for his sin, what did God do (John 3:16)?		
4.	Can a person do anything on his own to have eternal life (Titus 3:5)?		
5.	What must a person do to become part of God's family and have eternal life (John 1:12)?		

6.	If a person truly desires to receive Christ and have eternal life, what will be his attitude toward sin (Isaiah 55:7a)?
	Note: A person who genuinely wants to be saved will express an attitude of repentance toward his sin. This means that he will not only acknowledge his sin (confess it to God), but he will be sorry enough about it that he will turn away from it.
7.	What does God say about a person who has not received Christ and repented of his sin (John 3:18)?
8.	Is it possible for a person to know whether or not he has eternal life (I John 5:13)?
9.	Can you personally say, without hesitation, that you have God's gift of eternal life?
10	If you answered yes to question 9 above, what reason(s) can you give for your answer?

For additional study about accepting God's gift of eternal life, see John 3:1-21.

Assurance - Believing God's Promises

Once a person repents of his sin and accepts God's gift of eternal life. Satan will begin to intimidate him and will try to cast doubts in his mind. This can be expected since Jesus called Satan the "father" of lies (John 8:44). Read the following promises carefully and note what God has said He will do when a person asks Christ to save him.

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; hut the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:36).

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand" (John 10:28).

"Him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37b).*

- * When a Bible reference is followed by a "b" it means that the second part of the verse is being referred to. An "a" means to look at the first part of the verse.
- 1. A lack of assurance can be an indication that you are not trusting God's promises. Have you ever repented of your sin and asked God to save you?

Is it possible for God to lie or go back on a promise (Titus 1:2)?

If God cannot lie and you have asked Christ to save you, what does John 5:24 say about you?

2. A lack of assurance can also mean that there is sin in your life that you have not confessed to God. It stands between you and God. What does Proverbs 28:13 say about the man who harbors sin in his life?

If you have truly trusted Christ, you will forsake your sin; but should you sin, it is not necessary that you be saved again. You are already a member of God's family. He does not throw you out of the family, but He is disappointed and grieved over your sin. What does 1st John 1:9 say you are to do when you sin?

What does this verse say that God will do?		
After you are saved, you begin to receive greater assurance as you see certain evidences in your life. Look up these verses below and note the evidences they describe.		
1. Romans 8:16		
The Holy Spirit whispers to you, "You are my child."		
2. 1 st John 4:19 - You find that you love		
3. 1 st John 3:14 - You find that you love		
4. John 14:27 - God gives you		
5. According toll Corinthians 5:17, what should be happening to your old desires and ways?		
6. Galatians 5:17 - What is going on inside you now?		

Each of these evidences indicates that you are God's child. They will grow as you feed daily on God's Word. To help you resist the doubts that Satan will send your way, cut out and memorize the verses on Memory Verse Cards 1 and 2 on the last page of this book.

If after you have studied this chapter you still do not have a real assurance of your salvation, read and reread 1st John 5:11-13. Then study through the first chapter of this book again and seek the help of another believer who is sure that he is saved. God desires that you feel secure in His family.

God's Word - Listening to God Speak

The Bible is a revelation of God's instructions to man. Since God Himself is the author, His Word possesses absolute authority over man. It touches on every area of life. Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4).

There are countless benefits to be gained from reading and studying God's Word.

- 1. It is the source of the believer's faith.
 - "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).
- 2. It cleanses us as we obey it.
 - "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you" (John 15:3).
 - "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word" (Psalm 119:9).
- 3. It gives us direction and understanding.
 - "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105).
 - "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding to the simple" (Psalm 119:130).
- 4. It gives victory over Satan when we apply it.
 - "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee" (Psalm 119:11).

Many other things can be said about the Bible. Read the following questions and look up the answers in your Bible.

1. The Bible was written over a period of sixteen centuries by some forty men, yet all sixty-six books bear a remarkable unity. They teach the same salvation, the same moral standards, and they all point to the same Saviour. Who guided the writers so that they all agree (2nd Peter 1:21)?

inspiration.
What two statements about the Bible are given in 2 nd Timothy 3:16?
a
b
What must we do to make the Bible personally beneficial (2 nd Timothy 2:15)?
What should be our attitude toward the Bible (Psalm 119:97)?
Job considered God's Word to be the most important thing in his life. How do we know this (Job 23:12b)?
Why is it so important for new Christians to begin reading and studying the Bible right away (1 st Peter 2:2)?

Note: This divine guidance of what the writers recorded is called

For additional study about listening to God speak, see Luke 8:4-15. Read through "A Plan for a Daily Quiet Time with God" in Section Two. This will give you some help in setting up a daily time of Bible reading and application for your life.

Temptation - Resisting God's Enemy

A recently saved Indian chief was asked by a missionary how things were going in his new faith. The chief replied that he felt as if two dogs were fighting inside. The black dog wanted him to do evil, and the white dog wanted him to do right. When asked by the missionary which dog was winning, the chief replied, "The dog I feed the most."

The Apostle Paul wrote of this same struggle when he said, "the flesh lusteth [sets its desires] against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would" (Galatians 5:17).

After a person becomes a Christian, he finds that God's Spirit is continually prompting him to do right. At the same time, Satan, God's enemy, tries harder to tempt the believer to sin. Thus a continual and fierce battle rages. God's plan for overcoming Satan is set forth in the Bible. Study the following passages carefully to learn how to resist Satan,

1.	What description of Satan is given in 1 st Peter 5:8?
2.	Hebrews 2:14 says that Christ rendered him powerless who "had the power of death, that is, the devil". Since Satan is a defeated enemy, what does God want us to be (Romans 8:37)?
3.	The first battleground for most conflicts is the mind. What is a Christian to do when evil thoughts arise (2 nd Corinthians 10:5)?
4.	James 4:7 gives a two-fold plan for victory over Satan. List the two elements of this plan.
	a
	b
5.	How did Jesus "resist the devil" (Matthew 4:4, 7, 10)?

6.	What did Jesus tell His disciples to do to resist Satan's temptations (Matthew 26:41)?		
7.	Besides not allowing you to be tempted past your level of endurance, what does God promise to do for you (1 st Corinthians 10:13)?		
8.	What "way of escape" is described in 2 nd Timothy 2:22a?		
9.	9. If you should fail to resist the devil or fail to take the way of escape and find you have sinned, what should you do (1 st John 1:9)?		
10. Read Psalm 139:23-24. Take a moment to ask God to examine your heart and mind. List below your areas of weakness. Find Bible verses from "Verses for Victory" in Section Two or find verses in other study helps and begin fortifying yourself against Satan's attacks.			
	Sins and Weaknesses Verses for Victory		

For additional help in resisting God's enemy, study Ephesians 6:10-18.

Prayer - Talking with God

Communication is the basis for every relationship. People who do not talk to each other never grow very close together. Reading the Bible and praying are the two basic activities for developing your relationship with God. Just as there are countless benefits from reading and studying God's Word, so there are untold blessings to he reaped through personal contact with God through prayer.

1. It is the means of getting help in times of need.

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16).

2. It is the means of obtaining forgiveness of sins,

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and lust to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1st John 1:9).

3. It is the means to spiritual strength.

"Men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1b).

4. It makes God more real to the believer.

"Draw nigh [near] to God, and he will draw nigh to you" (James 4:8a).

5. It brings joy to the believer.

"In thy presence is fulness of joy" (Psalm 16:11b).

6. It is God's way of providing our needs.

"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find: knock, and it shall be opened unto you" (Matthew 7:7).

7. It is God's cure for worry.

"Be careful [worried] for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God, And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep [guard] your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

God's Word is full of promises to answer our prayers. However, along with each promise is a certa5n condition that God wants us to meet. State the conditions described in the verses below.

1. 1st John 3:22 a.

b.

2. John 15:7 a.

b.

3. John 14:13

4. Mark 11:24

5. 1st John 5: 14-15

Note: We will know what is "according to His will" as we study the Word of God and pray "in the Spirit" (conscious of the Holy Spirit's promptings in our hearts). The Holy Spirit helps us pray and "maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God" (Romans 8:26-27),

Sometimes, however, it seems that God does not hear us. Some times He does not answer. In either case there is a reason. Look up the following references to discover some hindrances to prayer.

For additional help about talking with God, see Matthew 6:5-15.

Witnessing - Talking about God

What is a witness? A witness is one who has seen and heard something and has been called to testify about it before others.

One of the last things Jesus said before He ascended into heaven after His resurrection was, "ye shall be witnesses" (Acts 1:8). The early church took this to heart, and Christianity grew rapidly.

The responsibility to be a witness for Christ is every bit as heavy upon us today as it was in the first century. You may feel that you have not studied the Bible enough, but if you are a Christian, you can at least give someone else the testimony of how you were saved. The blind man in John 9 did not know much about Jesus either, but he knew that he had been changed. He said to the Pharisees, "Whether he [Jesus] is a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see" (verse 25).

That simple testimony is enough for a start, but you will need to become familiar with Bible verses that will lend authority to what you say. Cut out Memory Verse Cards 3 - 8 in the back of this book and begin to memorize them. Insert these verses into your personal testimony as you witness. Become familiar with the brief explanation of each verse given below.

Romans 3:23 (Card 3)	This verse means everyone has sinned. No one has measured up to God's standard of holiness.
Romans 6:23 (Card 4)	Because of our sin we deserve to spend eternity separated from God in hell - eternal death.
Ephesians 2:8-9 (Card 5)	There is nothing we can do to save ourselves. Salvation is a gift from God.
John 3:16 (Card 6)	God's great love for us caused Him to send His Son to die in our place and suffer our hell for us.
John 1:12 (Card 7)	We must believe Christ died for us and personally receive Him to have eternal life.
Isaiah 55:7 (Card 8)	God expects that if a man truly desires to be saved, he will turn from sin at the same time he turns to God.

1.	What does Jesus promise to give you that will encourage you as you witness (Matthew 28:20b)?
2.	What did the early church pray for (Acts 4:29)?
3.	Why is it so important to keep your life clean (Matthew 5:16)?
4.	What are two results of leading someone to Christ (James 5:20)? a b.
5.	What does God say about the man who 'wins souls' - tries to lead people to Christ (Proverbs 11:30b)?

Begin reading good books on soul-winning and become active in your church visitation program (if it has one). Take every opportunity that God gives to tell what God has done for you.

For additional help on talking about God, study the personal witnessing of Christ in John 3 as He talked with Nicodemus and in John 4 as He talked with the woman at the well.

Church Attendance - Meeting with God's People

In Acts 2:42 the Bible says that the new Christians "continued stedfastly in the apostle's doctrine [solid biblical teaching] and fellowship." These two elements are essential to Christian growth. God has established the local church as the means to meet these needs. Some today would scorn meeting together in an organized fashion, It is true that some churches have nothing to offer the believer who is seeking to be fed from God's Word, but God has not abandoned this institution. Of course, a Christian must use caution in selecting the right kind of church. God has chosen to use the church to build up His people. As long as a church stands true to God's Word, God will bless it and protect it.

- 1. According to Ephesians 4:11, God has set up certain types of Christian workers. One of these is the pastor. Verse 12 expresses the reason for his work. What is his purpose?
- 2. What is his responsibility according to Acts 20:28?
- 3. Some of the early believers in New Testament times had a certain problem. What was it (Hebrews 10:25)?
- 4. As Acts 2:42 points out, "fellowship is essential to Christian growth. What benefit of fellowship does Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 describe?
- 5. What is another benefit of Christian fellowship (Hebrews 10:24)?
- 6. What is the proper attitude toward church (Psalm 122:1)?
- 7. In contrast to fellowship with Christians, what is to be our response to ungodly friends (Proverbs 4:14)?

8. Proverbs 13:20 says "he that walketh with wise men shall be wise." What does the rest of this verse say is the end of the man who does not seek Christian fellowship?

Although it is important to attend church, a young believer must be selective in the church he attends. The Bible gives definite instructions as to the kind of church a Christian should fellowship with.

Matthew 28:19-20 Its members must be concerned about reaching the unsaved for Christ both at home and around the world.

1st Corinthians 15:3-4 It must have the gospel as its central message. This means its pastor and teachers will continually be telling their listeners how to be saved. They will offer regular times of "invitation" when a person can get help on how to be saved.

1st Timothy 3:1-13 Its leaders should meet God's qualifications of dedication and holy living.

2nd Corinthians 6:14 & 17 It should be independent of ungodly alliances and associations with religious organizations that do not obey the Bible or that do not hold it to be entirely true (inerrant).

Churches that meet these qualifications often describe themselves as "independent", "fundamental", and "evangelistic". Once you find the right church, get involved in the soul-winning activities and attend all the services. God has raised up churches such as these to strengthen you spiritually through the Bible preaching and teaching and the fellowship with other believers who love and obey the Bible as you do.

Dedication - Surrendering to God's Will

Once you repent of your sin and accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour, you should soon realize that you are not your own. You belong to God. The Apostle Paul said it this way:

"What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body. and in your spirit, which are God's." (Emphasis added)

1st Corinthians 6: 19-20

According to 1st Peter 1:18-19, what are we purchased with?

In Romans 12:1, Paul states that God wants us to present (give over) our bodies as a living sacrifice to Him. The picture Paul portrays here brings to mind the Old Testament sacrifices where an animal was killed and offered to God. Paul is saying that we are to be dead (sacrificed) yet "living." We are to be alive physically, yet we are to consider ourselves dead to our flesh (our sinful nature). Romans 6:11 teaches this idea as well.

'Likewise reckon [consider] ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Emphasis added)

God wants you to allow Him to totally control your body. He also wants to control what you do with your life since He owns you.

If you have not done so before, now would be a good time to bow your head and tell God that you want Him to have full control of you from this time on - you are now presenting your body to Him as a "living sacrifice." Also tell Him you recognize that since He bought you, He owns you; thus, you will do anything He wants you to do. This decision is called *dedication*.

After you have decided to surrender your body and life to God in this way, you will want to ask yourself, "What does God want me to do with my life now?" Here are several considerations that are suggested for you.

Α	. As	sk yourself, "What can I do for Christ <i>now</i> ?"	
	1.	List the <i>opportunities</i> in your church where you may be able to serve (helping with the youth program, visiting shut-ins, driving a bus, etc.).	
	2.	List the <i>abilities</i> , <i>skills</i> , and <i>talents</i> that you have that can be used for God now.	
	3.	In what ways can you be a testimony for Christ	
		At home?	
		At work or school?	
В	. As	sk yourself, 'What can I do for Christ in the future?"	
	1.	Has God placed on your heart a burden for a particular type of work or Christian service?	
		If so, what is it?	
	2.	Are you willing to serve God anywhere?	
	3.	Do you need additional educational preparation?	
	<i>Note:</i> Often someone who has recently been saved finds it helpfuto prepare for service at a Christian school. If you think this might be what the Lord has for you, ask your Pastor or the person helping you with this study for information on obtaining a Christian education.		
		overbs 3:5-6 God promises to "direct your paths" if you wledge him in all your ways." God bless you as you seek to find	

For additional help about surrendering to Gods will, see Luke 9:23-26.

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and do His will.

Section Two

Additional Helps for Christian Growth A Plan for a Daily Quiet Time with God

Nothing will help you grow more and build your relationship with God more quickly than a daily quiet time. This is a time when you meet with God. Remember the following points as you begin to make this a part of your daily schedule.

- 1. Establish a regular time. Many Christians find that early morning is best since their first thoughts can be of spiritual things (Psalm 5:3).
- 2. Get alone. Shut yourself up in a room away from the distractions of people if possible (Matthew 6:6).
- 3. Have a pen and notebook ready. Proverbs 10:14a says, Wise men lay [store] up knowledge." Be ready to write down anything that God points out to you from His Word.

You should include the following elements in your quiet time.

1. Bible Reading

Pray before you begin reading. Ask God to show you something just for yourself (Psalm 119: 18).

Follow a Bible reading schedule so that your reading is not haphazard. Some find that including the chapter of Proverbs that corresponds to the day of the month is helpful too. (Read Proverbs 15 on the fifteenth day of the month, etc.)

Read until God points out something especially for you. Jot down the verse and your immediate thoughts about it. As you read. God will convict you of sins in your life. Write down your decision to forsake these sins. Confess these to God and ask for power to overcome them in your prayer time. God uses His Word to cleanse us (John 15:3).

Thank God for what He has shown you in your reading.

Share these special verses and insights with others (1st John 1:3).

2. Meditation - 4M Formula

<u>Mark</u> verses in your Bible from the "Verses for Victory" section or from your own Bible reading and write them out on cards to carry with you.

Memorize these verses in free moments during the day (Psalm 119:11).

<u>Meditate</u> on one verse or passage for a few minutes during your quiet time (Psalm 1:2-3). In meditation you are thinking of applications of these verses to your life. You are "personalizing" God's Word.

<u>Master</u> these Bible truths in your daily life. God will bring opportunities into your life for you to exercise" and grow stronger (Hebrews 5:14).

3. Prayer - Keeping a Personal Prayer Journal

Our prayers to God should contain a balance of praise, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication (asking). You can keep this balance by letting the little word "ACT" remind you of these elements. Begin your daily prayer time by 'ACTing." Memorize the Scripture passages following each element and pray them back to God from the depths of your heart.

Adoring God for Who He is (Psalm 8; 1st Chronicles 29:11-13).

Confessing your sin (1st John 1:9; Psalm 32:1-5).

Thanking Him for what He has done (Psalm 100:4).

Then, you may ask God to "act." This is the time when you "let your requests be made known unto God" (Philippians 4:6).

A balanced prayer life has times of fellowship with God (this is when you "ACT") and times of petition to God for help. Our tendency is to forget the times of adoration and thanksgiving. Without them, however, our prayer life becomes a shallow "give me" time. Your times of adoration and thanksgiving will become easier as you see God answer your requests. Of course, this does not mean that every time you pray you must include all four elements, but none of them should be missing from your regular prayer life. If you wish, use the Personal Prayer Journal in the supplement to help you get started. A Bible Reading Schedule for the New Testament is on the reverse side of the Prayer Journal. This reading schedule will help keep you consistent. If you are a new Christian, first begin by reading 1st John, the Gospel of John, and James, then go back and finish the rest of the New Testament. Write the date you read the passage in the box in front of the day's assignment. After you have read the entire New Testament, secure a schedule for the whole Bible and read the Bible through yearly.

Verses for Victory

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Forgiveness	1 st John 1:9	Psalm 103:12	1 st John 2:1-2	
Patience	Hebrews 10:36	James 1:2-4	1 st Peter 2:20	
Strength	Ephesians 3:16	Philippians 4:13	Ephesians 6:10-11	
Lust (1)	2 nd Timothy 2:22	1 st John 2:15-17	1 st Peter 2:11	
Lust (2)	Matthew 5:28	Romans 13:14	James 1:5	
Priorities	Matthew 6:33	Acts 20:24	Philippians 3:8	
Self-Discipline	Ecclesiastes 5:4	Luke 9:23	James 1:19-20	
Pleasing God	Matthew 6:5-6	Ephesians 6:6-7	Colossians 3:23	
Christian Walk	Ephesians 4:1-2	Ephesians 5:2	Ephesians 5:8-9	
Temptation	1 st Corinthians 10:13	James 4:7	Romans 6:11-13	
Peace	John 14:27	John 16:33	Philippians 4:6-7	
Wise Counsel	Proverbs 11:14	Proverbs 12:15	Proverbs 1:5	
Courage	Psalm 31:24	Psalm 34:4	Proverbs 29:25	
Pride (1)	Proverbs 16:18	Romans 12:3	James 4:6	
Pride (2)	Obadiah 1:4	Matthew 20:26-27	1 st Corinthians 4:7	
Love	Deuteronomy 6:5	John 13:35	John 15:13	
Worldliness	Romans 12:2	Colossians 3:2	James 4:4	
Tongue	James 3:6	Ephesians 4:29	Proverbs 10:19	
Lying	Psalm 120:2	Psalm 101:7	Proverbs 19:5	
Stealing	Ephesians 4:28	Proverbs 30:8-9	Exodus 20:15	
Suffering	Romans 8:18	Philippians 1:29	1 st Peter 2:21	
Church Attendance	Psalm 122:1	Matthew 18:20	Hebrews 10:25	
Evil Thoughts	2 nd Corinthians 10:5	Philippians 4:8	Ephesians 5:12	
Critical Spirit	1 st Corinthians 10:10	Philippians 2:14	James 5:9	
Strong Drink	Isaiah 5:11	Habbakkuk 2:15	Romans 14:21	
Guidance	Proverbs 3:5-6	Psalm 32:8	Proverbs 1:23	
Forgiving Others	Matthew 5:44	Mark 11:25	Ephesians 4:32	
Knowing God	Jeremiah 9:23-24	John 17:3	Philippians 3:8, 10	
Assurance	John 3:36	John 10:28	1 st John 5:13	
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Personal Prayer Journal

Include these elements in your regular prayer time.

I. Include a time when you "ACT"

Adoring God for *Who* He is (Psalms; 1st Chronicles 29:11-13).

Confessing your sin (1st John 1:9; Psalm 32:1-5).

Thanking Him for what He has done (Psalm 100:4).

II. Include a time when you ask God to "act" (Philippians 4:6).(Write these requests in the spaces below).

Date		Date
Requested	Request	Answered

					47	Lev. 1.	Lev. 1:1-5:13	84	Josh. 5-8	117	2Sam. 11-12; 1Chr. 20:1-	149	1Ki. 5-6; 2Chr. 2-3
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		TOTE		COLLOC	9	Lev. 8-10	-10	98	Josh. 12-14	118	2Sam. 13-14	151	1Ki. 8; 2Chr. 5:1-7:10
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These Scripture verse cards are to help you as you memorize the verses in the studies on Assurance and Witnessing. Cut the cards out and carry them with you so that you can learn and review them in spare moments during the day.

1. Assurance

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 3:36

2. Assurance

And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.

John 10:28

3. We are all sinners

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Romans 3:23

4. The penalty of sin

For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23

5. We cannot save ourselves

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

6. Christ died for us

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

7. We must believe on Christ

But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

John 1:12

8. We must turn from sin

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55:7