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New Members Manual

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2 Corinthians 5:17

**“Therefore, if any man be in Christ, he is a new Creature:
Old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”**

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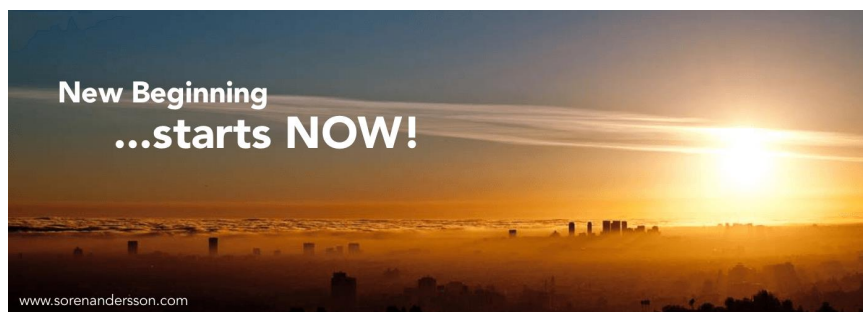
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Welcome to New Beginning Ministries!

As you embark on this journey to discover who we are as a ministry and what we believe, please take the time to carefully read through this manual. Also before each lesson, please fill in the blanks by searching the scriptures. You will find that this will enrich your experience and allow you to be able to ask questions and contribute to the discussion.

We look forward to sharing this journey with you!!!!

New Beginning Ministries Staff



LESSON I

I BELIEVE

THE PLAN OF SALVATION

Class Objective - Salvation is only by grace through faith in Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:8-9). Believing the Gospel "The Good News" of Jesus Christ according to the Scriptures, his birth, through a virgin; his death, the crucifixion; the burial; and the resurrection, he was raised from the dead on the third day, and through His shed Blood we have Redemption. Our oral/verbal confession by repentance of our sins along with our heartfelt believe that Jesus is the Son of God who died for our sins we are saved (Romans 10: 9-10).

Are you Saved _____? How do you know?

We are Saved by Grace Through Faith

We are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ; his death, burial & resurrection. Salvation is a free gift from God, not a result of our Good works or of any human efforts. Salvation occurs by the acceptance and the acknowledgement that Jesus is the Messiah and that He is the one and only living God. It is the belief that God, the Father, sent His son Jesus, to die for our sins and that He rose from the dead and is now seated at the right hand of the Father interceding on behalf of the believers. Salvation is the deliverance from the power and effects of sin.

There are Three Categories of Salvation

1st - Immediate Salvation (salvation of the spirit is immediate when we confess with our mouths and believe in our hearts according to Romans 10:9 – 13)

2nd - Progressive Salvation (salvation of the mind - renewal and transformation is progressive, Romans 12:1-2.)

3rd - Future Salvation (salvation of the body - rapture or when we go to heaven Revelation 21& 22,1 Corinthians 15)

You Must be Born Again

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever _____ in Him should not perish, but have _____ life.

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that _____ my _____, and _____ on Him that sent me, hath _____, and shall not come into condemnation {or judgment}; but is passed from death unto life.

John 3:3In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the _____ of God unless he is _____." Read John 3:1-8.

I John 5:12-13 "He who has the _____ has life; he who does not have the _____ of God does not have life. I write these things to _____ who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Romans 10:9-10 That if thou shalt _____ with thy mouth the _____, and shalt _____ in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

For with the _____ man believeth unto righteousness; and with the _____ confession is made unto salvation (v10).

Salvation Through Christ

Titus 3:5Not by _____ which we have done, but according to His _____ he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit; **v6** which he shed on us _____ through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Ephesians 2:8-9 For it is by _____ you have been saved, through _____ and this not from yourselves, it is the _____ of God, not by _____, so that no one can boast. For we are God's _____, created in Christ Jesus to do _____ works, which God prepared in advance for _____ to do. (NIV)

Isaiah 64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our _____ are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Revelation 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his _____ shall be.

We Now Have Life

Ephesians 1: 13-14 And _____ also were included in Christ when you heard the _____ of _____, the gospel of your _____. Having _____ you were marked in Him with a _____, the promised _____, who is a deposit guaranteeing our _____ until the redemption of those who are God's possession, to the praise of His glory. (NIV)

John 6:37 All that the Father _____ me shall come to me; and he that _____ to me I will in no wise cast out.

Strength Through the Spirit

Ephesians 3:16-19 That he would grant _____, according to the riches of his glory, to be _____ with might by his _____ in the _____; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by _____; that ye, being _____ and _____ in love, may be able to _____ with all saints what is the _____ and _____ and _____ and height; and to know the _____ of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with _____ the _____ of God. (KJV)

Romans 8:38-39 For I am _____, that neither death, nor life, or angels, nor principalities, or powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor heights, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to _____ us from the _____ of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if _____ man _____ my voice, and _____ the door, I will _____ to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Salvation in Christ is Sure

The Bible says so; the Holy Spirit tells us we are Christ' and our transformed lives, changed by the power of God, tells us so. Let us believe it and rejoice in it.



»» Rejoice! ««

LESSON II

NEW BEGINNING MINISTRIES VISION & MISSION

Class Objective - our pastors believe that before anyone joins any organization, he or she must first find out what that organization is all about, what they are trying to accomplish, what are their goals.....what is the vision & mission... ultimately we want to save souls (Romans 10:1 & 2 Timothy 4:1-5) once saved, we then seek to introduce a real God to real people with real issues by the fulfillment of our vision & mission.

THE VISION

We are New Beginning Ministries. Our vision is based upon the scriptural theme taken from 2 Corinthians 5:17 which according to the Amplified Version states that; "Therefore if any person is (in grafted) in Christ (the Messiah) he is a new creation (a new creature altogether); the old (previous moral and spiritual condition) has passed away. Behold the fresh and new has come!"

The vision is translated here upon the earth through a dynamic, multi-cultural, Non-Denominational ministry emphasizing Faith, Family & Fellowship. We are a **WORD READING, WORD BELIEVING** and **WORD DOING** kind of people all for God's Glory.

We will walk in the fruit of spirit (Galatians 5:22) , Operate in the gifts of the Spirit (1Corinthians 12:7-12) and daily put on the whole armor of God (Ephesians 6:11) believing in the fivefold ministry offices (Ephesians 4:11-16) and taking part in the evidence of his Glory with signs, wonders and Miracles following (Hebrews 2:4)

**“We long to see lives transformed by introducing A
Real God, to Real People with Real Issues”**

THE MISSION

At New Beginning Ministries our mission is to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit in assisting families of believers to stand complete (whole); nothing missing and nothing broken. Embracing in its entirety everything that God the Father has called us to be. We are a family praying and believing that the word of God is true and that every spiritual blessing is ours and that everything we do has eternal implications.

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By:

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Operating in the Gifts of the Spirit [1Corinthians 12:7-12](#)

Putting on the Whole Armor of God [Ephesians 6:11](#)

Believing in the Fivefold Ministry [Ephesians 4:11-16](#)

Taking Part in Signs, Wonders & Miracles [Hebrews 2:4](#)

LESSON III

BE BAPTIZED

THE SYMBOLISM OF BAPTISM

Class Objective - As a New Testament Church under the Dispensation of Grace we embrace water baptism by immersion in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ as an outward sign of our public confession of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior of the world. We are buried in water which symbolizes Christ's burial and we arise from water as Christ was risen from the dead, therefore we too arise walking in the newness of life, according to Romans 6:4

Baptism in the Name of the Lord Jesus

Once you have accepted Jesus as Lord of your life, you are then baptized in His name, for there is no other name that can save you. Jesus instructed His disciples to remember His death and resurrection. He gave the church two visible symbols called ordinances as reminders of His death. The first ordinance is water baptism; the second ordinance is the Lord's Supper, commonly referred to as Holy Communion (which we will examine in a later class session).

Meaning of Baptism

Greek: Baptizo means to dip, fully cover, and immerse (to submerge the entire body) in water. It is the identification with Christ, a symbolic demonstration to show identification with the death, burial and resurrection of our Savior the Lord Jesus Christ. Water baptism is an external and visible rite symbolizing an inner experience of the believer in relation to Jesus Christ.

Read Colossians 2:12 "...Buried with him in _____, wherein also ye are _____ with him through the _____ of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead".

Read Romans 6:3-6, (v3) Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were _____ into His _____? V4 Therefore we are buried with him by _____ into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should _____ in newness of life. V5. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of

his _____, we shall be also in the likeness of his _____. Knowing this, that that our old man is _____ with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not _____ sin.

Method of Baptism

Read Matthew 3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water....

Acts 8:37-38 And Philip said, if thou _____ with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly _____ his word were baptized and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Motive for Baptism

It is God's command: Matthew 28:18-19 And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations,

_____ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit (we know the Name is Lord Jesus Christ, because Father, Son & Holy Spirit are three persons). Jesus said in John 10:30 I and [my] Father are one.

NOTE:

The Trinity consists of three Persons there is subordination within the Trinity. Scripture shows that the Holy Spirit is subordinate to the Father and the Son, and the Son is subordinate to the Father. This is an internal relationship and does not deny the deity of any Person of the Trinity. This is simply an area which our finite minds cannot understand concerning the infinite God.

Baptism Does Not Cleanse from Sin

I John 1:7 But if we walk in the light as he is in the light we have fellowship one with another and the _____ of Jesus Christ His Son _____ us from all sin.

Joining a church **DOES NOT** cleanse from sin
 Being baptized in water **DOES NOT** cleanse from sin
 Living a good life **DOES NOT** cleanse from sin

THE BLOOD OF JESUS - HIS SHED BLOOD ALONE - Cleanses from SIN!



A person must be baptized into the Body of Christ (saved) before water baptism. For without first making Jesus Lord and believing that God raised Him from the dead, water baptism would have no purpose.

Water baptism is an experience after salvation to confirm and strengthen your commitment to live a godly life. The baptismal waters represent a burial ground. When you're buried with Christ in baptism, you are proclaiming to heaven, earth and hell that the old you no longer exists.

To be buried with Jesus means that your old self died to sin just as Jesus did when He was made sin for us (Romans 6:3, 6, 10-12). That's why we are immersed. It's a picture of burial. Coming up out of the water signifies our being raised to new life in Christ. To be raised with Jesus means making Him Lord of every area of your life—spirit, soul and body. You've been bought with the blood of Jesus and you belong to Him. Every day you now ask, "Lord, where do You want me to go? What do You want me to say? What do You want me to be? Not my will, but Thy will be done."

LESSON IV

HOLY COMMUNION

PARTAKING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Class Objective - To understand the meaning of Holy Communion. Communion is a practice that is meant to be observed over and over throughout the life of a Christian. It is a Holy time of worship when we corporately assemble together as one body to remember and celebrate what Christ did for us. In observing Holy Communion we are **remembering Christ** and all He has done for us through his birth, life, death, burial, and resurrection:

"And when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." "1 Corinthians 11:24 ([NIV](#))

Remembering the Lord's Supper

What is the Lord's Supper?

The Lord's Supper is a celebration, we rejoice in the fact that Jesus Christ paid for our sins. The Lord's Supper is a symbolic commemoration reminding us of Jesus' finished work on the cross.

The Lord's Supper is a declaration announcing to the world what Jesus has done. Holy Communion is also an examination; time for self reflection on whether we are living righteous or if we need to repent, confess, recommit, forgive ourselves or others, etc. in order to be back in right standing with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Order and Meaning of the Lord's Supper

I Corinthians 11:23-34

The BREAD (*Represents the Lord's Body*)

V23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: V24 And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my _____, which is _____ for you, this do in _____ of me.

The CUP (*Represents the Lord's Blood*)

V25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying. This cup is the _____ in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in _____ of me. V26 For as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come.

Eating and Drinking Unworthily

V27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread and drink this cup of the Lord _____ shall be guilty of the _____ and _____ of the Lord.

THE EXAMINATION: V28 but let a man _____ himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. V29 For he that eateth and drinketh _____, eateth and drinketh _____ to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

V30 For this cause many are _____ and _____ among you and many sleep.

I Am to Examine Myself for Personal Sins

Psalm 139:23-24 Search me, O God and know my heart. Try me and know my anxieties. And see if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting.

Psalms 66:18 if I regard _____ in my heart, the Lord will not hear.

Matthew 5:23-24 Therefore if you bring your gift to the alter and there remember that your

brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the alter and go your way. First be _____ to your brother and then come and offer your gift.

Romans 12:1Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable sacrifice.

I Corinthians 10:17 For we being many are _____ bread and one _____, for we are all partakers of that one bread.

If I am unwilling to work on these issues, I should not take the Lord's Supper. Communion is for the believer and the believer must eat with understanding and purpose when taking the Lord's Supper.



God instituted the Lord's Supper for a reason. When you receive it, you should be ready to partake of everything Jesus' sacrifice provided - salvation, peace of mind, healing, total prosperity. In the past, we have missed the full meaning of Communion by not completely judging ourselves when we partake of it. We have been ready to receive His blood and quick to judge ourselves where sin is concerned. We judge ourselves of sin and repent of it. But what about His body? It was broken for us. It was bruised for us. The stripes laid on Jesus' back were for our healing.

At Communion, we should judge ourselves where sickness is concerned as well. Jesus purchased our healing at Calvary just as He purchased our salvation. With this in mind, we say, "Lord, it's not right that I should suffer from sickness and disease. I judge it now as being from Satan, and I reject it. I refuse to receive it any longer. I partake of the sacrifice of Your body, and I receive the healing that You provided in Jesus' Name."

LESSON V

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT **RECEIVING THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST**

Class Objective - We want you to understand and receive the baptism of the Holy spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues.....

There are two Separate and Distinct manifestations of the Holy Spirit:

1. The **indwelling** of the Holy Spirit - To indwell means to exist with as an activating spirit force.
2. The **empowering** of the Holy Spirit - To empower means to give official authority or legal jurisdiction to.

The believer that is seeking the Holy Spirit must have faith. According to **Mark 11:22 - 24** the God-kind of faith says something. Whosoever shall "say" to this mountain. The key is to understand that faith cometh by hearing. (**Romans 10:17**) When you hear yourself saying the word, it allows faith to obtain faith for it.

The Holy Spirit was given at Pentecost; it is the promise of the Father, sent by Jesus after his ascension, to empower the church to preach the Gospel through the whole earth:

Acts 2:1-4 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. V2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting V3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. V4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Luke 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall [your] heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

Mark 11:22-24 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God V23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. V24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive [them], and ye shall have [them].

St. John 7:38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

God Honors faith and obedience. Many people have done great works with the Lord without accepting the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Most of us, however, do not have the will- power to serve God just because it's right. We need grace, mercy, and the power that the baptism of the Holy Ghost gives us in order to stand, serve, and obey.

If you have not experienced the baptism (Manifestation of your prayer language, the evidence of speaking in tongues) it does not mean you are not saved. You, simply, have not tapped into the power that is available to you in the Holy Spirit.

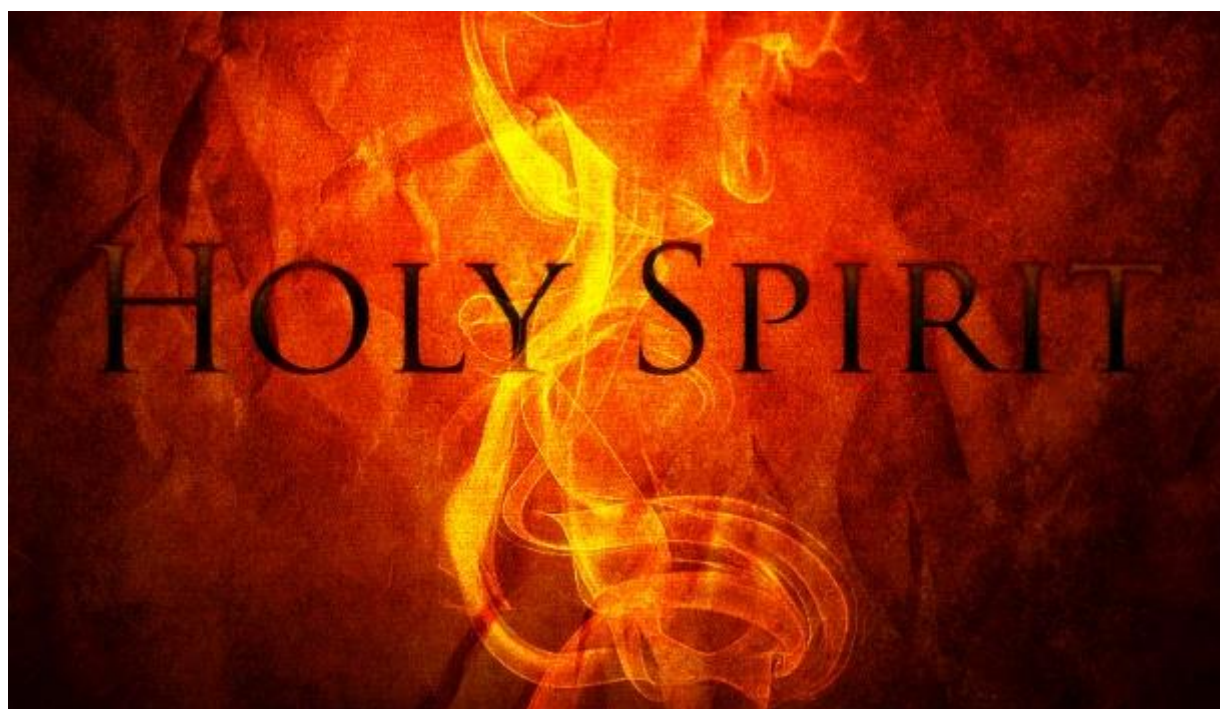
Holy Spirit

7 Reason Why we desire tongues.

1. It's a _____ of the spirit.
2. Spiritual _____.
3. Praying in Tongues is praying in line with God's _____.
4. Praying in Tongues stimulates _____.
5. Speaking in Tongues, a means of keeping free from worldly _____.
6. Praying in Tongue enables us to pray for the _____.
7. Speaking in Tongues brings the Tongues under _____.

Discover the benefits of praying in tongues and how it can lead to supernatural breakthroughs, provide wisdom, strength & discernment Speaking your Heavenly Language , your spirit prays

1 corinthians14:2 For he that speaketh in an [unknown] tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth [him]; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.



LESSON VI

TITHES & OFFERINGS THE STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

Class Objective - God requires ten percent of our income as the tithe and the offering every one gives according to their faith. This ministry of giving is used to fund the ministry, rent/utilities, insurance, support church functions, benevolent offerings, outreach ministries, etc. a faithful tithe giver obtains favor of the Lord for certain blessings and protection according to Malachi chapter 3, the Lord will open the windows of heaven and pour out blessings upon the tither they will not have room enough to receive. The Lord will also rebuke the devourer who comes and tries to devour the seed. The faithfulness of a tither and offering giver also guarantees continual seed to the sower according to 2 Corinthians 9:10

TITHING

The purpose of tithing found in Deuteronomy 14:22-23 (NLT) is made clear: to “teach you always to fear the Lord your God.” By practicing good tithing habits, scripture tells us we are showing God our desire to put him first place in our lives.

In Deuteronomy, Christians are directed to not only give ten percent of their income, but to give their first and their best.

This means Christians should strive to not only give or take out tithes upon receiving your paycheck, but to always put God above your bills and other responsibilities.

Types of giving

Tithes
Offering
Seed
Alms
First Fruit

All giving is done by faith.

Giving Tithes opens the door to many personal opportunities for the giver.

According to Malachi 3:10-12

1. Open for you the windows of heaven
2. I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes,
3. Nations will call you blessed

According to 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

1. make all grace abound toward you
2. always having all sufficiency in all things
3. have an abundance for every good work

Genesis 14:20– Melchizedek comes out to meet Abraham, as Abraham gives him tithes of the spoils of his victory

Genesis 28:20-22 – After the vision of God's renewed covenant, Jacob initiates a covenant with God vowing to give him a tithe of what he receives from the Promised Land

Leviticus 27:30-32 – The specifications of the tithe is introduced into the Law of Moses

Numbers 18:21 – The tithe is dedicated to the Levites for the work in the tabernacle

Deuteronomy 12:5-11 – God gives instructions for what to do with the tithe once Israel crosses the Jordan

Deuteronomy 14:22-29 – God gives instructions on how to disperse and exchange the tithe

OFFERING

Tithing is a spiritual taxation imposed by God. It is not an investment (the investment is found in the offering)

Exodus 25:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 But this [I say], He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully V7. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, [so let him give]; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver V8. And God [is] able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always

having all sufficiency in all [things], may abound to every good work:

[Geneses 4:3](#) - Cain brought God an Offering , [Proverbs 3:9,10](#) - Honor God with the first fruits of your increase , [Mark 12:41-44](#) - Regardless of financial standing, God expects you to give

When we stand on our covenant with God and exercise our rights as tithers, we lay a foundation for success and abundance. Satan has no chance against us. Tithing the tithe rebukes the devourer! When we resist Satan in the Name of Jesus, God's rebuke is in action. God told the Israelites their words were stout against Him. They were confessing lack and want. It is important to speak our redemption in order for the tithe to produce

10 Basic Principles of Biblical Giving

1. We own nothing. We are simply managers of that which God has entrusted to us (Job 41:1; 1Timothy 6:7).
2. Our faith in God can be measured by how faithfully we manage His money and possessions (Luke 16:10, 13)
3. God call those who are true Christians to give faithfully and sacrificially to His kingdom work (Matt 6:19-24; Luke 6:38).
4. God has established the tithe as a basic standard for giving (Malachi 3:8-12).
5. To tithe is to give ten percent of one's earnings to the Lord (Genesis 28:22; Leviticus 27:32).
6. The tithe was not abolished with the law because it was never limited to the law (Hebrews 7:1-2, 4-8).
7. God not only expect us to tithes, but to even grow so that we are giving more than a tithe (2 Corinthians 8:7).
8. Regardless of age or financial standing, God expects His people to be faithful in giving (Proverbs 3:9-10; Mark 12:41-44).
9. God has promised to meet our needs as we faithfully give (2 Corinthians 9:6-8)
10. In order for God to do a great work, His people must display great faith. The greatness of our faith can be measured by the greatness of our sacrifice (Hebrews 11:17-19).

LESSON VII

FELLOWSHIP

ASSEMBLING TOGETHER ON ONE ACCORD

Class Objectives - As Co-laborers in Christ working toward a common goal. Edifying one another to good works in the love of Jesus Christ. Coming together in fellowship for comfort, concern, companionship, and commonality with gladness and singleness of heart. Working Kingdom minded together all the more on one accord as God adds to the church daily through salvation. Acts 2:46-47, 1 Thessalonians 5:11-12, Hebrews 10:24-25

Hebrews 10:24-25 *And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near. NAS*

The joy that springs out of fellowship among brothers and sisters in Christ is very real. As the risen Lord is exalted, there is a unity of hearts, minds, hopes, and aims. Then our human differences lose their importance, and the joy of being laborers together with him reigns supreme. Paul expressed this joy when he wrote to the Philippians saying: *“I thank my God upon every remembrance of you.....for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now”* Philippians 1:3-5.

Characteristics of the Early Church as they fellowshiped:

They sensed the reality of God in their midst - - -Acts 2:41-47

They ministered to one another's needs - - -Acts 4:32-37

They were consciously accountable to God for their conduct - - -Acts 5:1-11

They shared responsibility - - -Acts 6:1-4

They were a witnessing church - - -Acts 8:4

They were a praying church - - -Acts 2:42 – they continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doctrine, fellowship, in breaking of bread & prayer

How a believer is to share in the fellowship of a local church is to be seen from these principles set forth in the New Testament:

- By Baptism and the Lord's Supper
- By regular attendance
- By regular giving
- By Service
- By unity of mind and spirit

Regular fellowship with your church family is necessary for your Christian growth & development and your eternal life.

Here are some ways the church can help you as you fellowship.

In Growth as a Christian

Colossians 1:23; II Timothy 3:16; Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works 25. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some [is]; but exhorting [one another]: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

In Prayer

Galatians 6:2; Acts 12:5 and Acts 21:5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till [we were] out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed

In True Worship

John 4:24; Hebrews 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of [our] lips giving thanks to his name.



LESSON VIII

MINISTRY GIFTS

MANY DIVERSITY OF GIFTS ONLY ONE SPIRIT

Every Christian is a Minister

Class Objectives - Each person should use whatever gifts they have to serve others . God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as He wants them to be. God expects us to use what we have for His glory. As a good steward we recognize that we all have value and reliability is necessary to serve well.

Paul tells us in Ephesians 4:16 that the Body of Christ actually grows and builds itself up in love and maturity as each part does its work properly. Every person is needed. Every person ministers to others, knowingly or unknowingly.

Read 1 Peter 4:10 “As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God”. *NAS*

Romans 12:6-8 “And since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let each exercise them accordingly.....” *NAS*

In Ephesians 4:12 Paul tells us that all of us are to be equipped for the work of the ministry, which will help build up and mature the Body of Christ. But we will minister in various ways, depending upon our motivational gifts(s), our possible ministry gift (v11), and how we flow in the manifestation gifts.



Listed below are seven motivational gifts found in Romans 12:6-8. It is believed that every believer has at least one of these gifts.

GIFT	DEFINITION	NEEDS MET	WHAT IT DOES
Perceiver	Declares the will of God	Spiritual	Keeps us centered spiritual principles
Server	Renders practical service	Practical	Keeps the work of ministry moving
Teacher	Researches and teaches the Bible	Mental	Keeps us studying and learning
Exhorter	Encourages personal progress	Psychological	Keeps us applying spiritual truths
Giver	Shares material assistance	Material	Keeps specific needs provided for
Administrator	Gives leadership & direction	Functional	Keeps us organized and increases our vision
Compassionate Person	Provides personal & emotional support	Emotional	Keeps us in right attitudes & relationships

Equipping gifts found in Ephesians 4:11 were/are presented to people who were called and gifted to lead and train the rest of the Body of Christ:

Apostles - One who establishes and strengthens churches.

Prophets - One who speaks forth the message of God.

Evangelists - One who is called to preach the Gospel.

Pastors - One who feeds and shepherd the believers.

Teachers - One who instructs believers in the Word of God

These are not titles but functions as stated in Ephesians 4:11 "...for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ"....

Nine manifestation gifts are found in I Corinthians 12. Some call these the manifestation gifts because Paul used the Greek word *phanerosis*, meaning "an exhibition, expression, or manifestation", defining these as supernatural manifestations of the Holy Spirit at work through a believer.

1. ***Word of Wisdom***, a revelation of wisdom beyond natural human wisdom that enables a person to know what to do or say.
2. ***Word of Knowledge***, a revelation of information for a person, group, or situation that could not have been known by any natural means.
3. ***Faith***, the kind of wonder-working faith that moves mountains and waits expectantly for results.
4. ***Gifts of Healing***, the many different ways and varieties of degrees in which God manifests healing
5. ***Working of miracles***, the demonstration of the power and action of God that goes beyond natural laws.
6. ***Prophecy***, an anointed proclamation of God through an individual.
7. ***Discerning of Spirits***, a person's ability to perceive what type of spirit is in operation in a given situation.
8. ***Various Kinds of Tongues***, the languages given to the believer by the Holy Spirit but not learned or understood by the speaker.
9. ***Interpretation of Tongues***, the supernatural ability to express the content of what has been spoken in tongues.

Pastor's Note

Discovering your ministry is essential to the existence of New Beginning Ministries and the promotion of Kingdom building. In order to discover your ministry, list your gifts and talents. There are many different ministries operating at New Beginning ministries, if there is a ministry which your gifts may be exercised contact your Pastor or if you know who heads the ministry, go to that individual and express your desire to work. If there is something you are gifted in or have a talent and passion for, and that ministry has not been instituted contact the Pastor and together you may be able to begin that ministry. Remember, there is more to church than singing and preaching!

Imagine being dressed in a baseball uniform, given a glove, great cleats, a beautiful swing, the ability to hit from both sides of the plate, incredible speed, natural athletic talent, and then you spend your life sitting in the stands instead of playing; a total waste right? That's the same idea with a Christian who doesn't discover their ministry.

Remember:

- S Spiritual Gifts - How has God gifted me? (Desire Spiritual Gifts)
- H Heart - What do I love to do? (Pure Passion)
- A Abilities - What natural abilities do I have? (Knowledge & Skill)
- P Prayer - Where does my personality best suit me to serve? (Compassionate)
- E Experiences - What experiences have I had? (Effectiveness)

-Don't feel that your gift makes you superior to others (1 Corinthians 12:21)

-Realize that using your gifts without love is worthless! (1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

1 Timothy 4:14 "Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery"

Ministries And Elders Oversees:

Prayer Room Counselors & Soul Winning Team - teach biblical understanding to those who respond to altar calls, Prayer of Salvation, Rededication; Baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues; Lead New members; Participate in local outreach & spread the Gospel. _____

Men's Ministry – (Men of Impact) The men's ministry has been established to empower the men of God to become Kingdom builders. Our goal is to grow in Christ, unify the body of Christ and witness to others about Christ. _____

Building Fund Ministry – This ministry ensures that the sanctuary and other facilities are operating well. The Building Fund Ministry oversees any construction projects for the enhancement of New Beginning Ministries for Kingdom building. _____

Interaction Team – This ministry provides hospitality to the guests of New Beginning Ministries. Including keeping in contact with new and existing members & visitors by telephone, email, text or postal mail. _____

Deacon Ministry – The Deacons are the Pastor's spiritual armor bearers. The Deacons assist the Pastor in the natural administrative work of the church. The word Deacon comes from the Greek word Diakonos "meaning servant of the church." _____

Vision Keepers Team - Responsibilities include transporting, setting up & break down equipment and supplies; manning various posts through the sanctuary (e.g. parking lot, lobby, restrooms, etc.) assist Ushers & Greeters with serving members and guests during service. _____

Ushers & Greeters Ministry – This ministry renders services to our congregation and visiting guest during the worship service while providing able and caring assistance in the House of God. _____

Media Ministry – To promote and spread the Word of God to people as audio & video technicians, videographers, lighting operators to operate AV Equipment during church services. work behind the scenes to make it possible to share the message of a church with large groups of people through PowerPoint presentations, Web pages and other forms of communication, Social media & website updates. _____

Music Ministry – Music lifts the spirit and appeals to the heart; thus, it serves to prepare those who attend worship services to hear the preached Word of God as this ministry encourages the body of Christ through song and praises to the Lord. Minister of Music:

Transportation Ministry: To pick up & drop of members, to be utilized for Church Ministry Purposes.

Beautifying Ministry – This ministry ensures that the sanctuary and other facilities are well kept and pleasing to the eye. The Beautifying Ministry works diligently behind the scenes to create a total worship experience that is unique and inspiring.

Card Ministry - Members receiving cards for birthday, get well, we miss you card .

Women's Ministry – (Women Awaken to Greatness) Established to build a community of women empowered by the Spirit of God to do the work of the Lord. Designed to encourage, teach and lift up sisters in Christ by coming together on one accord seeking the face of God through worship, teaching, fellowship and active ministering as led by the Spirit of God.

Bible Study Ministry & New Members Classes – This ministry provides in-depth Biblical instruction to those who attend with focus on a systematic approach to studying God's Word.

Hospitality Ministry – This ministry provides culinary assistance for in-house church events with a goal of serving with love and hospitality in the Spirit of Christ.

Finance Ministry – Responsibilities include sorting offering envelope, checks cash,; counting offerings; completing offering reports for ministry accountability and audit purposes; maintaining a high level of honesty, integrity and confidentiality.

Youth Ministry – (KIDZ Church) Develop the youth's knowledge of church operation and etiquette. The program strives to help the youth embrace their spiritual, social and recreational growth and development. This mission is put into action by providing active Sunday worship opportunities, Sunday school, Bible study and many other activities.

Book Store Team – Distributes the word of God through bibles, CDs, DVDs, books and any other form of media in the book store. _____

Grounds & Maintenance Ministry – building and grounds department as a groundskeeper or general repair worker, and make sure the church ,buildings and class rooms are kept tidy, safe, and up to code. And keep maintenance office and storage organized and efficient as a grounds maintenance minister or maintenance Volunteer. _____

The Church Administrator- The church administrator has to understand that the church must be run like an efficient organization. While the church is an organism--a living, breathing thing established by God and left to affect this world--it still must be organized in order to be completely effective and maintain integrity in business. The administrator has to have a corporate view and treat the church like a Fortune 500 company, no matter what the church's size.

Drama Ministry: To nurture and utilize the gifts God has given us, so Christ can be glorified through us. To evangelize, making a difference for the cause of Christ, by bringing the Gospel to our community through the very powerful media of mime, sign language, music, and drama.

Prophetic Dance Ministry: A team of anointed dancers who minister the Word of God through movement; ushering in and setting the atmosphere for a supernatural move of God. Whose main purpose is to usher in the presence of God for worship services, special services and church events. _____

Intercessory Prayer Team : Intercessory prayer is the act of praying on behalf of others. Prayer Ministries must be united and the environment must be one of love, trust and confidentiality. In order for our prayers to be effective and unhindered we must keep the unity of peace and fellowship. Strife in a prayer ministry will hinder the work of advancing the kingdom and the enemy will do all that he can to divide the ministry. _____

Pastor's Note:

We ask that you openly participate by regular attendance, the giving of your tithes and offering and by supporting the efforts of the ministries throughout New Beginning Ministries.

-Although circumstances may prevent you from regularly attending church services or giving your tithes and offerings, some form of communication to the Senior Pastor or the Pastor or Ministerial Team is expected.

-If you miss six (6) or more consecutive months, you are placed on an inactive list. An active membership at New Beginning Ministries in Good standing this allows you access to all services, activities, rights and privileges. This would include: marriage counseling, wedding services, funeral and burial services in the event of your request to use these services.

However, if you are inactive, then you must be under contract for these services.

**We Love you,
Senior Pastor Gregory & Pastor Teresa McCurry**

