

# New Believer's Guide

Essential truths for new Christians to understand their faith

## God's Infinite Love for You

### **John 3:16**

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.

### **1 John 4:9-10**

[9] In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. [10] Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

### **Romans 5:8**

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

### **Ephesians 2:4-5**

[4] But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, [5] Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

Scripture reveals that God's love for you transcends human comprehension. This divine love is not contingent upon your merit, worthiness, or performance—it proceeds from God's very nature, for 'God is love' (1 John 4:8).

While we were yet sinners, Christ died for the ungodly, demonstrating the Father's love in the most profound manner imaginable. This love is eternal, unchanging, and perfectly holy.

It is not mere sentiment but covenant faithfulness, expressed supremely in the gift of His only begotten Son. Understanding this foundational truth transforms how you view yourself, your salvation, and your relationship with your Creator.

# The New Birth and Regeneration

## **John 3:3-7**

[3] Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. [4] Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? [5] Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. [7] Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

## **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.

## **Titus 3:5**

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

## **1 Peter 1:23**

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

Your conversion marks a supernatural transformation Scripture calls being 'born again.' This is no mere moral reformation or religious decision, but a divine act of regeneration wherein the Holy Spirit imparts spiritual life to one previously dead in trespasses and sins. You have become a new creation in Christ Jesus—the old nature with its affections and desires has passed away, and behold, all things have become new.

This regeneration is not of your own doing, not of works lest any man should boast, but is the gift of God accomplished by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost. You are now God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works.

# Assurance of Eternal Salvation

## **Romans 10:9-10**

[9] That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. [10] For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

### **1 John 5:11-13**

[11] And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. [12] He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. [13] These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

### **John 10:27-29**

[27] My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: [28] And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. [29] My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

### **Romans 8:38-39**

[38] For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, [39] Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Scriptures provide abundant grounds for assurance of your salvation. If you have confessed with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believed in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you are saved.

This is not presumption but faith resting upon God's promises. You can know that you have eternal life, for this testimony is given that God has provided life through His Son.

Your salvation rests not upon your strength but upon Christ's finished work and God's faithfulness. No power in heaven or earth can separate you from God's love in Christ Jesus—neither tribulation, distress, persecution, nor any creature can pluck you from the Father's hand.

Rest in these immutable promises.

# Growing in Grace Through God's Word

## **2 Peter 3:18**

But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

## **1 Peter 2:2**

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

## **Psalm 119:105**

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## **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

[16] All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: [17] That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

As a newborn babe desires milk, so you should desire the sincere milk of the Word that you may grow thereby. The Holy Scriptures are your spiritual nourishment, given by inspiration of God and profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness.

Daily meditation upon God's Word renews your mind, strengthens your faith, and equips you for every good work. The Bible is not merely a religious text but the very words of the living God—a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path.

Commit yourself to regular, prayerful study of Scripture, allowing it to dwell in you richly and transform your understanding.

# The Ministry and Power of Prayer

## **1 Thessalonians 5:17**

Pray without ceasing.

## **Philippians 4:6-7**

[6] Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. [7] And the peace of

God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**Matthew 6:6-8**

[6] But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. [7] But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. [8] Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

**Hebrews 4:16**

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Prayer constitutes the believer's vital communion with the Almighty. Through Christ's mediation, you now have access to the throne of grace, where you may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving make your requests known unto God. Cultivate both private prayer in your closet and corporate prayer with fellow believers.

Prayer is not merely asking for things but includes worship, confession, thanksgiving, and intercession. As you pray without ceasing, you maintain conscious fellowship with your Father and experience the peace of God which passes understanding.

## Fellowship with Other Believers

**Hebrews 10:24-25**

[24] 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.

**Acts 2:42**

And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

### **1 Corinthians 12:12-27**

[12] For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. [13] For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. [14] For the body is not one member, but many. [15] If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? [16] And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? [17] If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling? [18] But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him. [19] And if they were all one member, where were the body? [20] But now are they many members, yet but one body. [21] And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. [22] Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary: [23] And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness. [24] For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked: [25] That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. [26] And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it. [27] Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

### **Ephesians 4:11-16**

[11] And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; [12] For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: [13] Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: [14] That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; [15] But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: [16] From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

God has not called you to solitary Christianity but to membership in the body of Christ. Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together, as some do, but provoke one another unto love and good works.

The early church continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayers. As members of Christ's body, believers possess diverse gifts intended for mutual edification.

Find a Bible-believing church where the Word is faithfully preached, the ordinances properly administered, and church discipline maintained. There you will find encouragement, accountability, teaching, and opportunities for service as you grow in grace together with fellow saints.

## Walking in Obedience and Holiness

### **1 Peter 1:15-16**

[15] But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; [16] Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

### **1 John 2:3-6**

[3] And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. [4] He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. [5] But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him. [6] He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

### **Romans 12:1-2**

[1] I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. [2] And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

### **Philippians 2:12-13**

[12] Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. [13] For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Salvation is by grace through faith alone, yet genuine faith produces obedience. 'Be ye holy, for I am holy,' commands the Lord.

This is not legalism but the natural fruit of regeneration—we keep His commandments because we know Him and love Him. Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Be not conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Work out your salvation with fear and trembling, knowing that it is God who works in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.

Pursue holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord, not as a means of earning salvation but as evidence of your new nature in Christ.

## Your Commission to Share the Gospel

### **Matthew 28:19-20**

[19] Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: [20] Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

### **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.

### **2 Corinthians 5:18-20**

[18] And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; [19] To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. [20] Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

### **Romans 1:16**

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.



Having received the gospel, you are now commissioned to share it. Christ's command to make disciples of all nations applies to every believer—you are His witness, called to proclaim the good news of salvation.

God has given you the ministry of reconciliation, making you an ambassador for Christ. Be not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes.

Your testimony of God's grace in your life provides powerful evidence of the gospel's reality. As you grow in knowledge and experience, share with gentleness and respect the hope that is in you, trusting the Holy Spirit to use your witness for His glory.

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