

CHURCH DOCTRINAL

STATEMENT OF FAITH

WORKBOOK

A 7-Week Bible Study Course
22 Essential Doctrines of the
Christian Faith

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Welcome to the Journey

This 7-week Bible study course is designed to ground you in the essential doctrines of the Christian faith. Each week, we will explore 3-4 foundational truths from Scripture, organized alphabetically from A to V—22 doctrines in total.

Whether you are a new believer seeking to understand your faith, or a mature Christian wanting to deepen your knowledge, this workbook will guide you through the core beliefs that have shaped the Church for two thousand years.

How to Use This Workbook

- Read the Key Truth to understand the main point
- Study the Key Verses in your Bible
- Answer the Discussion Questions thoughtfully
- Complete the Personal Reflection honestly
- Memorize the weekly memory verse
- Pray through the Prayer Focus each day

"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

WEEK

1

FOUNDATIONS

Doctrines A-C

Building on What You Can Trust

Week 1 Overview

Foundations (A-C)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"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

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- A. The Scriptures — God's Inspired Word
- B. The Trinity (Godhead) — One God, Three Persons
- C. Angels (Fallen & Unfallen) — The Spiritual Realm

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
- Share one insight with a friend or family member
- Apply one truth to your daily life



The Scriptures

God's Inspired Word

KEY TRUTH

The Bible is God-breathed, written by men moved by the Holy Spirit. It is our ultimate authority for faith and life.

■ KEY VERSES

2 Peter 1:21 — Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 — All Scripture is given by inspiration of God (God-breathed).

1 Corinthians 2:13 — Words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does it mean that Scripture is "God-breathed"?

2. How does knowing the Bible is inspired affect how you read it?

3. Why is biblical authority important for daily life decisions?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Think about a time when a Bible verse spoke directly to your situation. How did you know it was God speaking to you through His Word?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to open your eyes to see wonderful things in His Word this week.

B

The Trinity (Godhead)

One God, Three Persons

KEY TRUTH

God exists eternally as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—three distinct persons, yet one God in essence and nature.

■ KEY VERSES

Genesis 1:1, 26 — In the beginning God [Elohim - plural] created... "Let Us make man in Our image."

Matthew 28:19 — Baptize in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

John 1:1, 14 — The Word was God... and the Word became flesh.

1 John 5:7 — These three are one.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How would you explain the Trinity to someone who has never heard of it?

2. Why is it important that Jesus is fully God and not just a good teacher?

3. How does each person of the Trinity work in your salvation?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Consider how the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit have each worked in your life. Write a brief prayer of thanks to each.

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for revealing Himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



Angels (Fallen & Unfallen)

The Spiritual Realm

KEY TRUTH

God created angels as spiritual beings to serve Him. Some fell with Satan through pride; others remained faithful and minister to believers.

■ KEY VERSES

Isaiah 14:12-15 — Satan's fall through pride—five 'I wills' trying to be like God.

Ezekiel 28:11-19 — Satan's original beauty and perfection before his fall.

Hebrews 1:14 — Angels are ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation.

Revelation 20:10 — Satan's final judgment—cast into the lake of fire forever.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What can we learn from Satan's fall about the danger of pride?

2. How do angels serve believers today?

3. Why is it comforting to know Satan's ultimate fate is already determined?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Have you ever sensed God's protection in a dangerous situation? How might angels have been involved?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for His angelic protection and ask for awareness of spiritual realities.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

2

HUMANITY & SALVATION

Doctrines D-F

Understanding Our Need and God's Answer

Week 2 Overview

Humanity & Salvation (D-F)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus." — Romans 3:23-24

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- D. Man (Creation & Fall) — Made in God's Image
- E. Sin — The Problem We All Face
- F. Salvation — God's Gift of Grace

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
- Share one insight with a friend or family member
- Apply one truth to your daily life



Man (Creation & Fall)

Made in God's Image

KEY TRUTH

Man was created in God's image with a spirit, soul, and body. Through Adam's sin, all humanity fell into spiritual death and separation from God.

■ KEY VERSES

Genesis 1:26-27 — God created man in His own image, male and female.

Genesis 2:7 — God formed man from dust and breathed life into him.

Romans 5:12 — Through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 — May your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does it mean to be made in God's image?

2. How did Adam's sin affect all of humanity?

3. What is the difference between spirit, soul, and body?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

How does knowing you are made in God's image change how you view yourself and others?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for creating you with purpose and in His image.



Sin

The Problem We All Face

KEY TRUTH

Sin is transgression of God's law and rebellion against His will. All have sinned and the wages of sin is death—physical, spiritual, and eternal.

■ KEY VERSES

Romans 3:23 — All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

1 John 3:4 — Sin is lawlessness (transgression of the law).

Romans 6:23 — The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life.

Isaiah 59:2 — Your iniquities have separated you from your God.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is it important to understand the seriousness of sin?

2. How does sin separate us from God?

3. What are the three types of death caused by sin?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Reflect on how understanding your sinfulness has deepened your appreciation for salvation.

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Confess any known sin and thank God for His forgiveness through Christ.

F Salvation

God's Gift of Grace

KEY TRUTH

Salvation is by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. We cannot earn it by works; it is the free gift of God to all who believe.

■ KEY VERSES

Ephesians 2:8-9 — By grace you have been saved through faith, not of works.

John 3:16 — God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son.

Romans 10:9-10 — Confess with your mouth and believe in your heart.

Acts 4:12 — There is no other name under heaven by which we must be saved.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why can't good works save us?

2. What is the difference between grace and mercy?

3. How would you explain the gospel to an unbeliever?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Write out your personal testimony of how you came to faith in Christ.

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for the gift of salvation and pray for someone who needs to hear the gospel.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

3

THE CHURCH

Doctrines G-I

God's People United

Week 3 Overview

The Church (G-I)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

*"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks,
whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit." — 1
Corinthians 12:13*

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

G. Grace — Unmerited Favor

H. The Church — The Body of Christ

I. Ordinances — Baptism & Communion

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
- Share one insight with a friend or family member
- Apply one truth to your daily life



Grace

Unmerited Favor

KEY TRUTH

Grace is God's unmerited favor toward sinners. We are saved by grace, sustained by grace, and will be glorified by grace.

■ KEY VERSES

Ephesians 2:8 — By grace you have been saved through faith.

2 Corinthians 12:9 — My grace is sufficient for you.

Titus 2:11-12 — The grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men.

Romans 5:20 — Where sin abounded, grace abounded much more.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How is grace different from getting what we deserve?

2. How should grace affect how we treat others?

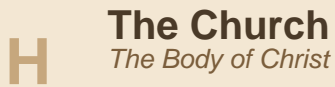
3. Can grace be abused? How do we avoid this?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

When have you experienced God's grace in a powerful way?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to help you extend grace to others as He has extended it to you.



KEY TRUTH

The Church is the body of Christ, composed of all born-again believers. Christ is the Head, and we are members of one another.

■ KEY VERSES

Matthew 16:18 — I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail.

Ephesians 1:22-23 — He is the head over all things to the church, His body.

1 Corinthians 12:27 — You are the body of Christ and members individually.

Hebrews 10:25 — Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between the universal and local church?

2. Why is church membership and attendance important?

3. How can you better serve the body of Christ?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

How has being part of a local church strengthened your faith?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for your local church and its leaders.

Ordinances

Baptism & Communion

KEY TRUTH

Christ gave two ordinances to the church: water baptism as a public declaration of faith, and the Lord's Supper as a remembrance of His sacrifice.

■ KEY VERSES

Matthew 28:19 — Go therefore and make disciples, baptizing them.

Romans 6:4 — We were buried with Him through baptism into death.

1 Corinthians 11:24-26 — Do this in remembrance of Me... you proclaim the Lord's death.

Acts 2:41-42 — Those who received his word were baptized... continued in breaking of bread.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why should believers be baptized?

2. What does the Lord's Supper represent?

3. How should we prepare ourselves before taking communion?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

If you have been baptized, reflect on what that experience meant to you. If not, consider why baptism is important.

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for the visual reminders of His work in our lives.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

4

CHRISTIAN LIFE

Doctrines J-L

Growing in Christ

Week 4 Overview

Christian Life (J-L)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ." — Philippians 1:6

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- J. Sanctification — Set Apart for God
- K. Security of the Believer — Kept by God's Power
- L. Service — Called to Serve

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
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- Memorize this week's memory verse
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Sanctification

Set Apart for God

KEY TRUTH

Sanctification is being set apart for God's purposes. It begins at salvation (positional) and continues as we grow in Christlikeness (progressive).

■ KEY VERSES

1 Thessalonians 4:3 — This is the will of God, your sanctification.

Hebrews 12:14 — Pursue holiness, without which no one will see the Lord.

2 Corinthians 3:18 — We are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory.

Romans 12:1-2 — Present your bodies a living sacrifice... be transformed.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between positional and progressive sanctification?

2. How does the Holy Spirit help us grow in holiness?

3. What areas of your life need more sanctification?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

What spiritual disciplines help you grow in Christlikeness?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to reveal areas where He wants to sanctify you.



Security of the Believer

Kept by God's Power

KEY TRUTH

True believers are eternally secure in Christ. Nothing can separate us from God's love, and He who began the work will complete it.

■ KEY VERSES

John 10:28-29 — No one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

Romans 8:38-39 — Nothing shall be able to separate us from the love of God.

Philippians 1:6 — He who began a good work in you will complete it.

1 Peter 1:5 — Who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How does eternal security differ from "once saved, always saved" as commonly understood?

2. Does security mean we can live however we want? Why or why not?

3. How does knowing you are secure affect your daily walk with God?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

What gives you assurance of your salvation?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for the security you have in Christ.



Service

Called to Serve

KEY TRUTH

Every believer is called to serve God and others. We are saved to serve, using our gifts for the building up of the body of Christ.

■ KEY VERSES

Ephesians 2:10 — We are His workmanship, created for good works.

Mark 10:45 — The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve.

1 Peter 4:10 — As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another.

Galatians 5:13 — Through love serve one another.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How did Jesus model servant leadership?

2. What gifts has God given you to serve others?

3. Why is serving others an act of worship?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

How are you currently serving in your local church? Where might God be calling you to serve?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to show you how He wants you to serve His kingdom.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

5

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Doctrines M-O

Empowered for Ministry

Week 5 Overview

Spiritual Gifts (M-O)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord." — 1 Corinthians 12:4-5

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- M.** Spiritual Gifts — Given by the Spirit
- N.** Divine Healing — God's Healing Power
- O.** The Lord's Supper — Remembering Christ

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
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Spiritual Gifts

Given by the Spirit

KEY TRUTH

The Holy Spirit gives spiritual gifts to every believer for the edification of the church. Gifts are to be exercised in love for God's glory.

■ KEY VERSES

1 Corinthians 12:7 — The manifestation of the Spirit is given for the profit of all.

Romans 12:6-8 — Having gifts differing according to the grace given to us.

1 Corinthians 14:12 — Seek to excel in building up the church.

1 Peter 4:11 — That in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How do you discover your spiritual gifts?

2. What is the purpose of spiritual gifts?

3. Why is love essential in exercising gifts? (1 Cor. 13)

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

What spiritual gifts do you believe God has given you? How are you using them?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to reveal your gifts and how to use them effectively.



Divine Healing

God's Healing Power

KEY TRUTH

God still heals today. Healing is provided in the atonement, though not always granted in this life. We pray in faith, trusting God's sovereign will.

■ KEY VERSES

Isaiah 53:5 — By His stripes we are healed.

James 5:14-15 — The prayer of faith will save the sick.

Matthew 8:17 — He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses.

3 John 2 — I pray that you may prosper and be in health.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Is healing always God's will? How do we understand unanswered prayers for healing?

2. What is the relationship between faith and healing?

3. How should we pray for the sick?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Have you or someone you know experienced divine healing? How did it strengthen faith?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for someone who needs healing, trusting in God's will.



The Lord's Supper

Remembering Christ

KEY TRUTH

The Lord's Supper is a sacred ordinance where we remember Christ's death, examine ourselves, and proclaim His return until He comes.

■ KEY VERSES

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 — Do this in remembrance of Me... proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

Luke 22:19-20 — This is My body... This cup is the new covenant in My blood.

1 Corinthians 11:28 — Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat.

Matthew 26:29 — I will not drink of this fruit until I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is self-examination important before taking communion?

2. What are the dangers of taking communion unworthily?

3. How does the Lord's Supper point to Christ's return?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

What does the Lord's Supper mean to you personally?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for the sacrifice of Christ remembered in communion.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

6

END TIMES

Doctrines P-R

The Blessed Hope

Week 6 Overview

End Times (P-R)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout... And thus we shall always be with the Lord." — 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- P. Second Coming of Christ — The Blessed Hope
- Q. Resurrection — Victory Over Death
- R. Final Judgment — Every Knee Shall Bow

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
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Second Coming of Christ

The Blessed Hope

KEY TRUTH

Jesus Christ will return bodily, visibly, and gloriously. He will rapture His church, establish His kingdom, and reign forever.

■ KEY VERSES

Acts 1:11 — This same Jesus will come in like manner as you saw Him go.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 — The Lord Himself will descend... we shall be caught up.

Revelation 19:11-16 — He is called Faithful and True... King of kings and Lord of lords.

Titus 2:13 — Looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How should the promise of Christ's return affect how we live today?

2. What is the difference between the rapture and the second coming?

3. Why is Christ's return called "the blessed hope"?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Are you ready for Christ's return? What would you want to change if He came today?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Pray "Maranatha—Come, Lord Jesus!" and ask God to help you live in readiness.



Resurrection

Victory Over Death

KEY TRUTH

All people will be resurrected—believers to eternal life with glorified bodies, unbelievers to eternal judgment.

■ KEY VERSES

1 Corinthians 15:20-22 — Christ is risen... in Christ all shall be made alive.

John 5:28-29 — All who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth.

1 Corinthians 15:52-54 — The dead will be raised incorruptible... Death is swallowed up.

Philippians 3:21 — He will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is the resurrection of Christ essential to our faith?

2. What will our resurrection bodies be like?

3. How does belief in resurrection give hope in the face of death?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

How does the promise of resurrection comfort you regarding loved ones who have died in Christ?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for the victory over death through Christ's resurrection.



Final Judgment

Every Knee Shall Bow

KEY TRUTH

God will judge all humanity. Believers will stand at the judgment seat of Christ for rewards; unbelievers at the Great White Throne for condemnation.

■ KEY VERSES

2 Corinthians 5:10 — We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ.

Revelation 20:11-15 — The dead were judged... anyone not found in the Book of Life.

Romans 14:12 — Each of us shall give account of himself to God.

Hebrews 9:27 — It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between the judgment seat of Christ and the Great White Throne?

2. How will believers be judged if our sins are already forgiven?

3. How should the reality of judgment affect our evangelism?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

If you stood before Christ today, what would He say about how you've used your life?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to help you live with eternity in view.

Notes & Reflections

WEEK

7

ETERNITY & MISSION

Doctrines S-V

Forever with the Lord

Week 7 Overview

Eternity & Mission (S-V)

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them... teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you." — Matthew 28:19-20

WHAT WE'LL LEARN THIS WEEK

- S. Heaven — Our Eternal Home
- T. Hell — Eternal Separation
- U. Evangelism — Sharing the Good News
- V. Stewardship — Managing God's Resources

YOUR GOALS THIS WEEK

- Read all key verses and meditate on their meaning
- Complete all discussion questions
- Memorize this week's memory verse
- Share one insight with a friend or family member
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Heaven

Our Eternal Home

KEY TRUTH

Heaven is the eternal dwelling place of God and all who trust in Christ. It is a place of perfect joy, worship, and fellowship with God forever.

■ KEY VERSES

John 14:2-3 — In My Father's house are many mansions... I go to prepare a place for you.

Revelation 21:1-4 — New heaven and new earth... God will wipe away every tear.

1 Corinthians 2:9 — Eye has not seen, nor ear heard... what God has prepared.

Revelation 22:3-5 — They shall see His face... and they shall reign forever.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What excites you most about heaven?

2. How does the hope of heaven help us through earthly trials?

3. What will we do for eternity in heaven?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Who do you look forward to seeing in heaven? What questions do you want to ask God?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Thank God for preparing a place for you and setting eternity in your heart.



Hell

Eternal Separation

KEY TRUTH

Hell is the place of eternal punishment and separation from God for those who reject Christ. It is real, conscious, and everlasting.

■ KEY VERSES

Matthew 25:46 — These will go away into everlasting punishment.

Revelation 20:15 — Anyone not found in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Mark 9:43-44 — Where their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.

2 Thessalonians 1:9 — Everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why is the doctrine of hell important to understand?

2. How does the reality of hell motivate evangelism?

3. How do we balance speaking about hell with love?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Who in your life needs to hear the gospel before it's too late?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the salvation of unbelieving friends and family members.



KEY TRUTH

Every believer is called to share the gospel. We are ambassadors for Christ, entrusted with the message of reconciliation.

■ KEY VERSES

Matthew 28:19-20 — Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.

2 Corinthians 5:20 — We are ambassadors for Christ... be reconciled to God.

Romans 10:14 — How shall they hear without a preacher?

Acts 1:8 — You shall be witnesses to Me... to the end of the earth.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What holds people back from sharing their faith?

2. How can you be more intentional about evangelism?

3. What is your role in fulfilling the Great Commission?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Write down the names of three people you will commit to pray for and share the gospel with.

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God for boldness and opportunities to share your faith.

Stewardship *Managing God's Resources*

KEY TRUTH

Everything belongs to God. We are stewards of our time, talents, and treasures, accountable to Him for how we use what He has entrusted to us.

■ KEY VERSES

1 Corinthians 4:2 — It is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

Malachi 3:10 — Bring all the tithes into the storehouse.

Matthew 25:21 — Well done, good and faithful servant.

Luke 16:10 — He who is faithful in little is faithful also in much.

■ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does it mean to be a steward rather than an owner?

2. How should we view tithing and giving?

3. How can you be a better steward of your time?

■ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Evaluate your stewardship: Are you faithfully managing what God has given you?

■ PRAYER FOCUS

Ask God to help you be a faithful steward of all He has entrusted to you.

Notes & Reflections