# Companion to Basic Elements of the Christian Life Volume 1, Chapter 1 THE MYSTERY OF HUMAN LIFE

#### **Chapter Focus**

The purpose of man's life is to express God by receiving and containing God.

#### **Scripture Reading**

1 Thes. 5:23; John 4:24; Eph. 1:7; 1 Pet. 1:3

#### Questions

- 1. Why did God create man?
- 2. What are the three parts of man?
- 3. What happened when sin entered man?
- 4. What three things did God do to accomplish His plan?
- 5. How can a person be regenerated with God's life?
- 6. Explain how God's full salvation is carried out in a person.

# **Suggested Memory Verses**

**Ephesians 1:7:** In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of offenses, according to the riches of His grace.

**John 3:3:** Jesus answered and said to him, Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

# Companion to Basic Elements of the Christian Life Volume 1, Chapter 2 THE ASSURANCE, SECURITY, AND JOY OF SALVATION

#### **Chapter Focus**

As believers, we can know assuredly we're saved and will never lose our salvation, and we can practice four things to maintain the joy of our salvation.

## **Scripture Reading**

1 John 5:13; Heb. 13:5; Phil. 4:4

#### Questions

- 1. What three matters in the Word of God show us we're really saved?
- 2. What seven matters secure our salvation eternally?
- 3. What are four things we can do to maintain the joy of our salvation?

# **Suggested Memory Verses**

**1 John 5:13:** I have written these things that you may know that you have eternal life, to you who believe into the name of the Son of God.

**John 3:3:** And I give to them eternal life, and they shall by no means perish forever, and no one shall snatch them out of My hand.

# Companion to Basic Elements of the Christian Life Volume 1, Chapter 3 THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST

#### **Chapter Focus**

By the precious blood of Christ, we can live in God's presence, enjoy a conscience free from the stain of guilt, and overcome Satan's accusations.

## **Scripture Reading**

1 John 1:9; Heb. 9:22; 1 John 1:7

#### Questions

- 1. What three problems do we have related to God, ourselves, and Satan?
- 2. What should we do when we sin and feel far from God?
- 3. What should we do when we sense guilt in our conscience?
- 4. How can we overcome Satan's accusations?

## **Suggested Memory Verse**

**1 John 1:9:** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

# Companion to Basic Elements of the Christian Life Volume 1, Chapter 4 CALLING ON THE NAME OF THE LORD

#### **Chapter Focus**

In any situation, we can enjoy the riches of the Lord by calling upon His name.

#### **Scripture Reading**

Rom. 10:12-13; 2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Cor. 1:2

#### Questions

- 1. What do the Hebrew and Greek words for call mean?
- Name at least two people in the Old Testament and two in the New Testament who called on the Lord.
- 3. Why do we need to call on the name of the Lord?
- 4. How are our heart and our lips related to our calling on the name of the Lord?
- 5. When should we practice calling on the name of the Lord and why?

# **Suggested Memory Verses**

**Rom. 10:12–13:** For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all and rich to all who call upon Him; for whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

# Companion to Basic Elements of the Christian Life Volume 1, Chapter 5 THE KEY TO EXPERIENCING CHRIST—THE HUMAN SPIRIT

#### **Chapter Focus**

The human spirit is the key to experiencing Christ as the Spirit.

### **Scripture Reading**

1 Thes. 5:23; 2 Cor. 3:17; John 4:24; Heb. 4:12

#### **Questions**

- 1. What three realms exist in the universe? How do we contact each?
- 2. With what organ can we contact God? What is a verse that tells us this?
- 3. Where does Christ as the life-giving Spirit come to dwell in a believer?
- 4. Why do we need to turn to our spirit, exercise our spirit, and use our spirit?
- 5. In our daily life, how can we discern our spirit from our soul?

## **Suggested Memory Verses**

**John 4:24:** God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truthfulness.