

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.

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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 10:28: 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.

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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.

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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?
2. 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.

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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.