



EVERYDAY CHRISTIANITY

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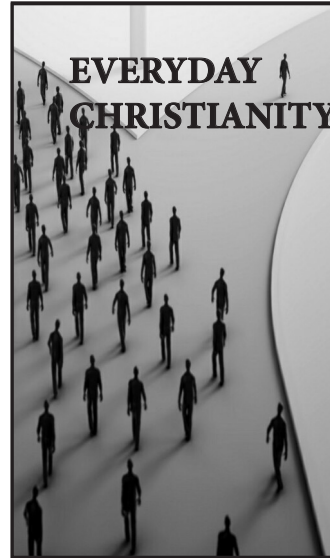


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I Can Start Each Day With God

1. Name three things you can do at the start of each day to help you draw closer to God.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.

2. Why do we fail to do these things?

3. Write out the following verses and be prepared to discuss them as an application to our life.
 - A. Psalm 5:3

 - B. Psalm 143:8

 - C. Psalm 119:147

 - D. Psalm 92:2

 - E. Mark 1:35

4. What should be the Christian's morning disposition and attitude?
 - A. Psalm 59:16

 - B. Ephesians 5:20

 - C. Matthew 6:9-13

I Can Get The Beam Out

1. Read Matthew 7:3–5. How is this describing hypocritical behavior?
2. Discuss the difficulties of removing sin from our lives. Look at Colossians 3:5–10; 1 Peter 5:8–10; Romans 7:14–25.
3. Identify at least three things we must do to get the beam out.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.
4. What does Scripture say we must do?
 - A. Acts 8:22
 - B. 2 Corinthians 13:5
 - C. 1 John 5:21; Jude 21
 - D. Mark 8:34
 - E. 1 John 3:3
 - F. 1 Thessalonians 4:1
 - G. James 1:25
5. How can others help us? (James 5:19–20; Galatians 6:1)

Lesson Three

I Can Set My Mind On Things Above

1. Read Colossians 3:1–2.
 - A. What does this teach about priorities?
 - B. How do we “set” our mind?
 - C. What things on earth do we set our minds on?
 - D. Why do we have trouble setting our mind on things above?
2. What similar teaching is found in the following passages?
 - A. Matthew 6:33
 - B. Matthew 13:45–46
 - C. Hebrews 11:6
3. What is to consume our thinking (Philippians 4:8)?
Give examples.
4. Read 2 Corinthians 5:14–15.
 - A. How does the love of Christ control us?
 - B. How do we “live” for Christ? (see also Galatians 2:20)
5. What is essential in our daily life to help us keep seeking the things above?
 - A. Colossians 3:16
 - B. Psalm 119:97
 - C. Acts 17:11
 - D. Deuteronomy 8:3

Lesson Twelve

I Can End Each Day With God

1. Name three things you can do at the end of each day to help you draw closer to God.
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.
2. Why do we fail to do these things?
3. What is learned from Jesus’ example?
 - A. Matthew 14:23; Luke 6:12
 - B. Matthew 26:36–44 (parallel account in Luke 22:39–46)
 - C. His importance of evening prayer: John 17:1–18:1
4. What can we learn from the Psalms?
 - A. Psalm 1:1–3 (also Joshua 11:8)
 - B. Psalm 63:6; 119:148; 4:4
 - C. Psalm 42:8
 - D. Psalm 119:55
5. What should be the Christian’s evening disposition and attitude?
 - A. Matthew 6:34 (and the preceding context)
 - B. 1 Peter 5:7
 - C. Ephesians 5:20

I Can Encourage Others

1. Why should I encourage others?
 - A. 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Jude 20
 - B. Hebrews 3:13
 - C. How are we to be like God?
 - > Romans 15:4–5; Acts 20:32
 - > Hebrews 6:17–18
2. Who am I to encourage?
 - A. 1 Thessalonians 5:11
 - B. 1 Thessalonians 5:14
 - C. 1 Thessalonians 4:18
 - D. Titus 2:4
3. How do we encourage others?
 - A. Hebrews 10:24–25; Acts 28:15; Romans 1:12
 - B. 1 Thessalonians 3:7; Philippians 2:19
 - C. Colossians 4:7–9
 - D. Titus 1:9
 - E. Acts 15:30–31; Hebrews 13:22; 1 Peter 5:12
 - F. Ephesians 4:12
 - G. Ephesians 4:16
4. What should be my attitude about encouraging others (Romans 14:19; 1 Timothy 4:13)?
5. When discouraged, how did God encourage Elijah (1 Kings 19)?
6. How is Barnabus a good example of an encourager?
 - A. Acts 4:36–37
 - B. Acts 13:13; 15:39

I Can Handle Stress

1. How do the following passages demonstrate Christians must live with stress?
 - A. James 1:2–4
 - B. 1 Peter 4:12
 - C. Luke 12:51–53
2. What is the wisdom of man in dealing with stress?
3. What methods should Christians employ to relieve stress?
 - A. John 14:1
 - B. Philippians 4:6–7; Jeremiah 29:11–14
 - C. Romans 15:4
 - D. Proverbs 3:5–6
 - E. Galatians 6:2
4. What comfort is given to the Christian in time of stress?
 - A. 1 Corinthians 10:13
 - B. Isaiah 41:10
 - C. Psalm 55:22
 - D. Psalm 46:1–11; Revelation 2:17

Lesson Five

I Can Handle Disappointments

1. What are some sources of disappointments?
 - A. Proverbs 10:1
 - B. Psalm 41:9
 - C. Matthew 23:1–4
 - D. Matthew 26:75
 - E. Acts 15:36–39

2. How do some handle disappointments?
 - A. 2 Kings 5:11–12
 - B. Exodus 32:30–32
 - C. Luke 15:28–32 (consider the father and the brother)

3. How does the Christian handle disappointments?
 - A. Philippians 4:13
 - B. Galatians 6:9
 - C. Joshua 1:9
 - D. Romans 5:5
 - E. Acts 8:22
 - F. 1 John 5:14
 - G. Jeremiah 17:17; Psalm 118:8

Lesson Ten

I Can Let My Light Shine, At Home

1. Explain the importance of letting your light shine.
(Matthew 5:14–16; Ephesians 5:8; Philippians 2:14–15)

2. For each of the following, describe how we are to let our light shine at home.
 - A. Priorities (Matthew 6:33)
 - B. Reliance on God's Word (Proverbs 3:5; Psalm 119:116; Hebrews 6:19)
 - C. Prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:17–18)

3. How do we show love at home?
 - A. Ephesians 5:2
 - B. Ephesians 5:22–33; 1 Peter 3:1–2
 - C. 1 Thessalonians 5:15
 - D. Philippians 2:3–4
 - E. Ephesians 6:4

4. How does our tongue prevent our light from shining at home?
 - A. Ephesians 4:29
 - B. Proverbs 15:1
 - C. 1 Peter 3:10
 - D. Matthew 12:33–37
 - E. James 3:9–10

5. How do we guard against hypocrisy?
 - A. Matthew 6:1
 - B. Matthew 7:3–5
 - C. Matthew 23:25–28
 - D. Proverbs 4:23

I Can Unplug From The World

1. What motivates our interest in the world?
 - A. In the news
 - B. In social media
 - C. In games, film, television.
2. What should be of interest to the Christian?
 - A. 1 John 2:15–17
 - B. Philippians 4:8–9
 - C. 2 Peter 3:14, 18; Proverbs 23:23
 - D. Ephesians 5:15–17
 - E. 2 Timothy 2:15
3. Discuss how our allowed distractions prevent us from being diligent in our service to God.
 - A. Hebrews 6:11–12
 - B. Jude 3
 - C. 1 Corinthians 15:58
 - D. Psalm 63:1
4. List and provide a reference for spiritual things we are supposed to be doing as individuals. Things I can do when I stop being distracted.
5. What proper attitudes must we cultivate as a child of God?
 - A. Matthew 5:29
 - B. Psalm 101:3
 - C. 1 Peter 5:8–9
6. What is the danger of being spiritually distracted (2 Tim. 3:4)?

I Can Control My Tongue

1. Identify ways/areas in which we need to control our tongue.
 - A. Proverbs 26:28
 - B. Proverbs 10:18; Psalm 34:13
 - C. 1 Peter 4:15
 - D. Colossians 3:8
 - E. 2 Corinthians 12:20
 - F. Exodus 20:7
 - G. Matthew 5:37
2. What is an “unwholesome word” (Ephesians 4:29)?
3. What contributes to our losing control of our tongue?
 - A. Proverbs 10:19
 - B. James 1:19; Proverbs 29:20
 - C. Matthew 12:36
4. What is God’s expectation of the Christian?
 - A. James 1:26
 - B. 1 Peter 3:10
 - C. Proverbs 21:23
5. Read James 3:1–12
 - A. Explain how the tongue “boasts great things” (v.5).

 - B. Explain verse 8, especially considering James 1:26.
6. What can be done to help gain control of the tongue?
 - A. Psalm 141:3
 - B. Matthew 16:24

I Can Be Steadfast

1. What does it mean to be “steadfast”?
2. What other words describe steadfastness?
 - A. Titus 2:11–12; 1 Peter 2:24
 - B. Hebrews 10:23, 36–39
3. How important is it to be steadfast (Colossians 1:22–23; Revelation 2:10; 1 Corinthians 15:58)?
4. What causes us to lose our steadfastness?
 - A. Ephesians 4:14; 2 Peter 3:17
 - B. Romans 10:3
5. What makes resisting the devil difficult (1 Peter 5:8–10)?
6. What helps us be steadfast?
 - A. Hebrews 10:23–25
 - B. Hebrews 12:1–4
 - C. 2 Corinthians 13:5
 - D. Philippians 3:13–15
7. Discuss how we must work to be spiritually steadfast in:
 - A. Marriage/Family
 - B. Relationships with friends
 - C. Recreation (2 Timothy 3:4)

I Can Be Content

1. What will contentment keep us from (Hebrews 13:5–6)? How do we “make sure” we stay away from this sin?
2. Read 1 Timothy 6:8–10
 - A. With what should we be content?
 - B. What is the danger of failing to be content?
3. How do we gain contentment?
 - A. 1 Timothy 6:11
 - B. Matthew 6:33
 - C. Philippians 4:11–13
4. How does prayer help us be content?
 - A. 1 Peter 5:6–7
 - B. Psalm 94:19
 - C. Psalm 55:22
 - D. Psalm 34:1–4
 - E. Philippians 4:6–7
5. What conclusion did Solomon reach?
 - A. Ecclesiastes 5:10–15
 - B. Proverbs 11:28
 - C. Proverbs 30:7–9
6. What did Jesus teach (Acts 20:35)? How does this relate to contentment?
7. How is contentment contrary to the American lifestyle and attitude?