

1a. John 6:35-40

³⁵And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. ⁴⁰And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

Answer: Jesus is the "bread" (that gives nourishment, energy) of life that lasts forever (never hunger or thirst), He is a complete answer to every problem or need we have on this earth and will in fact give us eternal life.

1b. John 17:17

¹⁷Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

Answer: What God says or has revealed in the Bible is truth, a fact, and this information allows us to grow in our trust of God and causes us to develop a character like God's (sanctification).

1c. Sanctification definition:

Answer: to grow, mature, become complete or like someone or something, to develop.

2a. Psalm 55:16, 17

¹⁶ As for me, I will call upon God,
And the Lord shall save me.
¹⁷ Evening and morning and at noon
I will pray, and cry aloud,
And He shall hear my voice.

Answer: We can call on God and He will hear our voice and understand what we need.

2b. Philippians 4:6

⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; . . .

Answer: God knows what we need, we can ask and know He will hear our requests and will give us only what is best for us.

2c. What kind of prayer do these Scriptures teach?

Answer: We must be willing to acknowledge our need for help outside of ourselves and ask God for His help in our lives, and then trust Him to do for us what is in our best interest.

3a. James 1:12-15

¹²Blessed *is* the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. ¹⁴But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. ¹⁵Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Answer: We often are our own worst enemies when it comes to temptations – we tend to go after what we want – we need endure (resist, overcome, avoid, stay away) from those things or people who create desires in our minds and thus temp us to do what is wrong.

3b. Romans 13:14

¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to *fulfill its* lusts.

Answer: God's power in our life allows us to overcome our sinful inclinations.

4. Isaiah 41:10

¹⁰ Fear not, for I *am* with you;
Be not dismayed, for I *am* your God.
I will strengthen you,
Yes, I will help you,
I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

Jude 24, 25

⁴ Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling,
And to present *you* faultless
Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,
²⁵ To God our Savior,
Who alone is wise,
Be glory and majesty,
Dominion and power,
Both now and forever.
Amen.

Thought: Don't be afraid, God is ready and willing to help you resist all temptation.

5. 1 John 1:9

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

Psalm 103:1-5

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul;
And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name!
² Bless the Lord, O my soul,
And forget not all His benefits:
³ Who forgives all your iniquities,
Who heals all your diseases,
⁴ Who redeems your life from destruction,
Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,
⁵ Who satisfies your mouth with good *things*,
So *that* your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Luke 7:47

⁴⁷Therefore I say to you, her sins, *which are* many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loves little."

Answer: Regardless of how we feel (discouraged, depressed, etc.) the fact is, God does forgive us when we confess and repent of our sins and turn away from them. (**FACTS, Faith, feelings**)

6a. Matthew 10:32, 33

³²"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. ³³But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

Answer: God wants us to "confess" (witness, acknowledge, state, communicate, share, etc.) what He has done for us in restoring in us the life we had lost through sin.

6b. Matthew 24:14

¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.
¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even to the end of the age.*" Amen.

Answer: God has a work for us to do for Him in sharing with others the Good News about how He can restore in them the life which they have lost through sin.

7a. Luke 15:3-7

³So He spoke this parable to them, saying:

⁴*“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? ⁵And when he has found *it*, he lays *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together *his* friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’ ⁷I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.*”

Answer: We are all “lost sheep” and God is searching for each of us that He might save us and bring us back to safety.

7b. Luke 19:1-7

Then *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho. ²Now behold, *there was* a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. ³And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. ⁴So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, *“Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.”* ⁶So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. ⁷But when they saw *it*, they all complained, saying, “He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner.”

Answer: God is ready and willing to accept anyone who wants be saved.

7c. Luke 23: 42, 43

⁴²Then he said to Jesus, “Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.”

⁴³And Jesus said to him, *“Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.”*

Answer: God will save a person right up to the last few minutes of their life, regardless of what they have done, as long as they are willing to recognize their need of a Savior and are willing to trust themselves to God.

7d. Revelation 3:20

²⁰*Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.*

Answer: God is trying to get our attention, become a part of our lives, get into our consciousness, so He can restore in us what we have lost as the result of sin – but He will become a part of our lives only if we are willing to “open the door”.

8. John 3:16

¹⁶*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that **whoever** believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*