Overall Theme: The Years 2003, 2013 and Going Forward...: "THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE"

Sub-Theme: "AM I READY TO GO TO HEAVEN - at this moment?

Topic: "THE SEASON OF GODLY/RIGHTEOUS LIVING VS. UNGODLY/UNRIGHTEOUS LIVING"

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GOAL: To Triple my "TRIPLE UP" Effect!

PART I: INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND: [Sept. 21-23]

The world today is more than we could ever handle on our own. We need **GOD** to help us and to be here for us – as **HE** said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." (Deuteronomy 31:6, 8) Unless we take **HIM** at **HIS WORD** and obey **HIM** and keep **HIS WORD** of *every* command, we are doomed to spend our eternity "in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone." (Revelation 21:8) **BUT**, *HOLD ON*, there is *Hope* for us in Jesus Christ. Our lives can end on a **good** note - *if* we are prepared to enter into eternal life with **HIM**.

<u>Questions</u>: What does it mean to be saved? How can we be saved? How can we stay saved?

<u>Answer:</u> By <u>Listening to</u>, then <u>obeying the WORD OF GOD – in every aspect</u>. (To <u>obey</u> means to <u>DO</u> the <u>Will of GOD</u>, for it is <u>HIS Will</u> that "the world might be saved." (John 3:17) Again, We do <u>His Will</u> by <u>listening</u> to the Voice of God through <u>HIS WORD</u>. <u>Listening leads to **Obeying** or **Doing**<u>GOD's WORD</u>. GOD's WORD contains <u>HIS commandments</u> (John 15:15, I John 5:2, 3, 4):</u>

- 1) **His Commandments of Getting Saved** contains the Doctrine of Salvation.
- 2) **His Commandments** of *Staying Saved* contain information needed for

NOT SINNING (nor even PACTICING SIN) through *UNGODLY/UNRIGHTEOUS*

Living, BUT, RATHER, by DOING/PRACTICING GODLY/RIGHTEOUS LIVING!

Implications/Results for You:

The MAIN REMEMBRANCE FOR YOU IS **NOT** TO BE GUILTY OF **PRACTICING** YOUR NEGATIVITY/ISSUE/SIN, as such will put you into great difficulty with GOD, greatly jeopardizing (or ending your opportunity for eternal life with Jesus Christ). **You HAVE 2 choices:**

- <u>1) Obey GOD.</u> <u>OBEDIENCE</u> (Godly/Righteous Living) = spending your ETERNAL LIFE/EVERLASTING LIFE with JESUS CHRIST.[Question: What do you expect to see in HEAVEN?]
- 2) **Disobey GOD**, with **NO** confession, repentance and forgiveness **DISOBEDIENCE** (Ungodly/Unrighteous Living) = spending your ETERNAL LIFE with satan and his angels, living in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone. (Revelation 21:8) [Question: Where will you eternally live?]

FOUNDATIONAL SCRIPTURES (from The King James Version of The Bible):

"This know also, that in the last days, perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of GOD; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." (II Timothy 3:1-5)

Question: What should you do?

"Therefore we ought to give the most earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip." (Hebrews 2:1)

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in His law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish." (Psalm 1:1-6)

Answer: "... Save yourselves from this untoward generation." (Acts 2:40) [List Other Scriptures.]

PART 2: "Preparing for your journey" - General Directives for Study Guide Readings: [Sept. 24-30]

<u>Study Guides</u>: These may include more detailed information (Introduction/Background to the topic, assignments; space for your own research, additional Scriptures, notes, etc.) Some materials and supplies needed: Bible (KJV for writing, highlighting, marking, etc.); NLT (<u>New Living Translation</u> of the Bible; For easier reading/explanations/clarity, DOWNLOAD APP: "YouVersion Bible, with 'Compare Versions;"Dictionary/Thesaurus; paper; pens/pencils, colored pens, markers, etc.

This particular **Study Guide** - through the Holy Scriptures (**The Holy Bible**, KJV) - outlines the the **WHAT to "PUT ON"** - the elements for **GODLY/RIGHTEOUS LIVING** and the **WHAT** to "**PULL OFF"** - those elements that will keep you **from living a GODLY/RIGHTEOUS LIFE**. There is no way of escape, for the Bible says "**All Unrighteousness is sin**" (I John 5:17) and that "...**no sin shall enter the Kingdom of God.**" (I Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 5:19-21; Ephesians 5:1-5; Rev.21:27, 22:7-15, etc.)

(Note: Ungodly/Unrighteous Living denotes a need for Spiritual Warfare.)

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If you really want to spend eternity with GOD, you must adhere to what HE has outlined

to us through *HIS WORD*. For this study, we shall mainly focus on selected passages from the New Testament –

From the Pauline Epistles – those Books written by the Apostle Paul: Romans. I Corinthians, II Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, I Thessalonians, II Thessalonians, I Timothy, II Timothy. Titus, Philemon, Hebrews (accredited to Paul).

From the General Epistles: James, I Peter, II Peter, I John, III John, Jude From select chapters and verses from the Book of the Revelation.

So that you can constantly keep up with your Bible Readings, **text** yourself these Study Guide Readings. MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR DETERMINATION in your endeavor of Readings!!

- NOTE: Our lives are guided by what we THINK, what we SAY, what/how we DO/Perform. If what we think, Say, and/or do is wrong, then SPIRITUAL WARFARE is needed to correct our wrongness/SIN. Encouraging Scriptures regarding Spiritual Warfare: Ps. 34:7; Luke 11:9-13; I Corinth. 10:13; II Corinth. 12:9. To do Spiritual Warfare on a consistent basis, do the following: STEP 1: PRAY and FAST daily that GOD will guide you through this Season of Readings/Study.

 STEP 2: "Put on the whole Armour of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil..." (Thoroughly read Ephesians 6:10-18).
- STEP 3: Pray, Fast, Read, Meditate/Concentrate on relevant Scriptures from the Bible, confessing your issues/sins to GOD –asking HIM for FORGIVENESS AND GUIDANCE.

(Note: Forgive yourself; also, forgive others. (Matthew 6:9-14) When you sin, read: Psalm 103:12; Isaiah 38:17; Jeremiah 31:34, 33:8; Daniel 9:9; Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 3:18, 4:31-32; I John 1:9; Acts 3:19; Hebrews 10:17, etc.

- STEP 4: STOP the wrongness/negativeness/SINS in your life; **DO NOT PRACTICE IT/THEM.**Rather, <u>USE and CONTINUE applying GOD's WORD to your particular issue/sin.</u>
- STEP 5: Find a Church that truly emphasizes The Message of the Bible. For help, write L. Johnson
 P.O. Box 1284, Hampton, VA 23661 for Five Steps to Salvation, Your New Life after
 Receiving the Holy Ghost, etc.

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As you are reading a chapter,

<u>a)Use a red pen/pencil</u> to highlight by underlining/circling the quality you should <u>"PUT ON,"</u> <u>denoting</u> OBEDIENCE to GOD [GODLY/RIGHTEOUS LIVING].

b) <u>Use a green colored pen/pencil</u> to highlight by outlining/circling the quality you should <u>"PULL OFF."</u> Anything that one should <u>"PULL OFF"</u> denotes <u>DISOBEDIENCE to GOD [UNGODLY/UNRIGHTEOUS LIVING</u>; such actions indicate a <u>"CALL"</u> to "<u>SPIRITUAL WARFARE</u>. Read, then abide by the <u>STEPS</u> for conducting "Spiritual Warfare.")

Note: The <u>BIBLE</u> – without a doubt – tells you those things that are <u>SINS</u>. There is no getting away with things you <u>think</u>, <u>say</u>, or <u>do</u> that <u>GOD</u> disapproves of. In other words, you have no excuse for Ungodly/Unrighteous Living; <u>BUT</u>, the choice is yours, for <u>GOD</u> <u>does not force you to do that which you do not want to do</u>. <u>HOWEVER, you will "Pay the consequence for your choice."</u> <u>REMEMBER:</u> <u>"...For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of GOD is eternal life through Jesus Christ OUR LORD.</u> (Romans 6:20-23)

Note:

- 1) Review information regarding "Spiritual Warfare." Be ready to conduct "Spiritual Warfare" with any issue you might have/encounter. Become spiritual enough to tell/help a person know how to be aware of or what to do to help him/herself with situations that could be detrimental.
- 2) Abide by Study Guide Readings for July through November.
- 3) Take the time to read the entire **Book of Revelation**.
- 4) Reflect upon all you read and recorded during this Season of Bible Study. Save all notes for further study regarding an expanded study of <u>Spiritual Warfare</u> (prayerfully in 2018).

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NOTE: Go to <u>www.lcj-lmmi.org/services</u>. Scroll down to #8-May – "Readying to ..." pp. 12-16. Pray every day. Try and <u>Fast</u> at least one hour on a day during the 1st and 3rd week of each month.

<u>October</u>	<u>October</u>	November	<u>November</u>
Day-Book/Chapter	Day-Book/Chapter	Day-Book/Chapter	Day-Book/Chapter
1/2Romans 1	16I Corinth. 1/2	1II Corinth. 1	24Ephesians 1
*List ungodly sins in Rom. 1	17I Corinth. 3	2II Corinth. 2	25Ephesians 2
3Romans 2	18I Corinth. 4	3II Corinth. 3	26Ephesians 3
4Romans 3/4/5	19 I Corinth. 5	4II Corinth. 4	27Ephesians 4
5Romans 6	20I Corinth. 6	5II Corinth. 5	*List the
*Results of Justification &	21I Corinth. 7	6II Corinth. 6	Ministry Gifts
Deliverance from Sin-ch. 2-6?	22I Corinth. 8	7II Corinth. 7	28 Ephesians 5
6Romans 7	23 I Corinth. 9	8 II Corinth. 8	*List the WALK OF
			THE BELIEVER"
7Romans 8	24I Corinth. 10	9II Corinth. 9	29 Ephesians 6:1-9
8 Romans 9	25 I Corinth. 11	10 II Corinth. 10	30 Ephesians 6:10-24
9Romans 10	26I Corinth. 12	11 II Corinth. 11	
10 Romans 11	27I Corinth. 13	12II Corinth. 12	
11 .Romans 12	28I Corinth. 14	13II Corinth. 13	
*List the Gifts in chapter 12.	29 I Corinth. 15	14 II Corinth. 14	
12Romans 13	30I Corinth. 16	15 Galatians 1	*Describe the Armour of
13Romans 14		16Galatians 2	the Spiritual Warrior
14Romans 15		17Galatians 3:1-18	
15Romans 16		18Galatians 3:19-29	
		19Galatians 4	
		20Galatians 5:1-18	.* <u>Know word meanings</u>
		21Galatians 5:19-21	*Know word meanings.
		22Galatians 5:22-26	*Define "such lije".
		23 Galatians 6:1-18	

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<u>December</u>	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>January</u>
Day-Book/Chapter	Day-Book/Chapter	Day-BookChapter	Day-Book/Chapter
1Philippians 1	16I Timothy 1	1Hebrews 3	16I Peter 1
2Philippians 2	17I Timothy 2	2Hebrews 4	17I Peter 2
3Philippians 3	18I Timothy 3	3Hebrews 5	18I Peter 3
4Philippians 4	19I Timothy 4	4Hebrews 6	19II Peter 1
5Colossians 1	20I Timothy 5/6	5Hebrews 7	20II Peter 2
6Colossians 2	21II Timothy 1	6Hebrews 8	21II Peter 3
7Colossians 3	22II Timothy 2	7Hebrews 9	22I John 1/2
8Colossians 4	23II Timothy 3	8Hebrews 10	23I John 3/4
9I Thessalonians 1	24II Timothy 4	9Hebrews 11	24I John 5
10I Thessalonians 2	25Titus 1	10Hebrews 12	25II/III John
11I Thessalonians 3	26Titus 2	11Hebrews 13	26Jude
12I Thessalonians 4/5	27Titus 3	12James 1	27Revelation 1-3
13II Thessalonians 1	28Philemon	13James 2	28Revelation 9, 14
14II Thessalonians 2	29Hebrews 1	14James 3	29Revelation 19, 20
15II Thessalonians 3	30Hebrews 2	15James 4/5	30 Revelation 21, 22

NOTE: 31^{st} of each month = Topic Reflections

NOTE: From the Book of the Revelation, chapters 10-22, give **THE RESULTS/CONSEQUENCES FOR**

- 1) <u>DISOBEDIENCE</u> to **GOD's Biblical Commands** (Ungodly/Unrighteous Living) = Eternal Life in the Lake of Fire and Brimstone.
- 2) <u>OBEDIENCE</u> to **GOD's Biblical Commands** (Godly/Righteous Living) = Eternal Life/Everlasting Life with Jesus Christ.

<u>Directives:</u> Use sheet(s) to record " <u>PULL OFFs</u> " and " <u>PUT ONs.</u> " Record by <u>Book</u> , <u>Chapter</u> , <u>Verse</u> .				
Use this column for "PUT OFFs"	Use this column for "PUT ONS."			
REMINDER: <u>Duplicate</u> this sheet; <u>record your responses by BIBLE BOOK, CHAPTER, VERSE</u> .				

CONGRATULATIONS for Your Efforts in these Readings and Studies!!)

May GOD's Blessings be upon You and Your Family Forever!!

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