

# Bible Top 5

## God's Doctrines for His People

### Week 8

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

#### Top 5 Concepts - God Sends the Savior

In the Fullness of Time  
A Light in the Darkness  
The Empty Tomb  
Christ the Lord  
Revelation

#### Top 5 Concepts - God's Lessons to His People

Reversion  
1 & 2 Thessalonians  
1 & 2 Corinthians  
1 & 2 Timothy  
False Teaching

#### Top 5 Concepts - God's Roles for His Son

The Word Became Flesh  
Jesus the Man  
Jesus – Spokesman to Distortion  
Jesus the Teacher  
Jesus the Savior

**Concept Question** - How do people try to justify the wrongs they do? = List on board

Definitions

*Salvation* = Being saved from deserved eternal damnation, given eternal life  
*Righteousness* = Perfect conformance to God's standards, be right with God  
*Justification* = God's judicial act in counting the faithful righteous  
*Sanctification* = To be made holy, set free from burden of sin to do God's work

*Justification*

*Figure Facing Heaven's Light* = Christian sees Bible as authority on life & faith  
*Figures Standing on Barren Earth* = God won't accept sinful into His kingdom  
*Golden City* = God acted through Christ to justify sinners in His eyes

*Figures Reaching for Bubbles* = Man seeks justification in ways that can't justify  
*Mortarboard and Book* = Not justified by Human Wisdom  
*Law Tablets and Scales* = Not justified by Works of the Law or Morality  
*Ivory Tower* = Not justified by Idealism and Noble Intentions  
*Microscope and Vials* = Not justified by Self-Efforts

*Bubbles Reflect Heaven's Light* = Bubble things are good, but do not justify  
*Pathway From Mountaintop* = We're justified by what God did thru Christ  
*Figure in White Robe Extends Arms Heavenward* = Justification is thru faith

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**Concept Question** - What is faith, what are the elements of faith and why are each important?

### Benefits of Faith

What is the greatest blessing of faith? = faith will be credited as righteousness; eternal salvation  
Understanding is enlarged  
Blessings are given  
Divine Responsibilities are accepted  
God's Plan is understood  
Persecution is tolerated  
Fear and Frustration are calmed  
Miracles are produced  
Victories are won

### Faith

*Three Hands* = The 3 elements of an adult faith

*Notitia* = Knowledge

*Assensus* = Assent

*Fiducia* = Trust

*Dead Wreath by Notitia* = Knowledge alone does not constitute faith

*Dead Wreath by Assensus* = Combination of knowledge & assent are not faith

*Flowered Wreath by Fiducia* = With knowledge, assent & trust, faith is born

*White Flowers on Wreath* = Faith becomes purer as KA&T grow deeper & stronger

*Spiral of light around upper hand* = Faith is a gift of God

**Concept Question** - Why would God entrust His saving gospel (good news) to sinful people (the church)?

### The Church - Picture Concepts

*People* = The church is a people

*Uplifting Hands* = Church is a people that is born, nurtured & sustained by God

*Scroll in Crown* = Church is a people that shares the Mission of Abraham

*Servant Seal on Scroll & Clothing* = Church is a servant people imitating Jesus' life

*Crown* = Church is a people that takes its directives from Christ, its head

*Ray of Light* = Church is a people who receive Christ's love and live it

*Trumpet* = Church is the proclaiming agency of God's purpose and will

*Silhouetted Sphere* = Church is a people looking ahead to a second world

*Ethnic Mixture* = Church is a people gathered & reconciled with God & each other

*Cross on Scroll* = Church is a Redemptive Agency in its world

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**Concept Question** - Identify some obstacles and side paths that interfere with our walk on the narrow road.

1 Peter

*Discarded Dark Garment* = Put off the old nature

*Figure Wears Light Garment* = You have been born anew

*Narrow Road With Obstacles* = The road is narrow that leads to life

*Dark Forest* = Evil is real. It will exert its pressures on you.

*Burning Log* = You are called to suffer for righteousness sake

*Paths Leading off Road & Broken Tablets* = Temptations will come, resist them

*Shaft of Light* = You do not walk alone. God walks with you

*Road Leads to Light* = Endure & you will obtain the unfading crown of glory

**Concept Question** - If we are saved through Christ's justification, why should we care about sanctification?

Sanctification

Whereas *justification* changes the status of the sinner in God's eyes, *sanctification* changes the person

*Blooming Flower* = A right relationship with Christ brings fullness of life

*Clock Face* = Fullness of Life evolves gradually over time (not instantly)

*Clock's Hands Catch Weeds* = Time roots out things which choke out the full life

*Numbers on the Clock Face* = Twelve points on Sanctification

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| I. Birth Into Christ            | VII. Awareness of God's kindness |
| II. Hunger for God's Will       | VIII. Sense of Gratitude         |
| III. Effort to Learn God's Will | IX. Responsiveness               |
| Worship                         | X. Sense of Responsibility       |
| Study                           | Time                             |
| Fellowship                      | Talents                          |
| Prayer                          | Possessions                      |
| IV. Understanding               | Moral & Spiritual Integrity      |
| V. Sense of Values              | XI. Sacrificial Involvement      |
| VI. Awareness of Sin            | X. Christlikeness                |

**Top 5 Concepts - God's Lessons to His People**

Justification

Faith

The Church

1 Peter

Sanctification

Closing Prayer

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### New Testament Top 5 Concepts

#### *The Messiah Comes*

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| 1) Galatians 4:4-5 | - In the Fullness of Time              |
| 2) John 1          | - The Word Became Flesh (Jesus as God) |

#### *The Nature of Jesus*

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| 3) The Gospels | - Jesus the Man                   |
| 4) The Gospels | - Jesus - Spokesman to Distortion |
| 5) The Gospels | - Jesus the Teacher               |
| 6) The Gospels | - Jesus the Savior                |

#### *God's Plan Fulfilled*

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| 7) The Gospels | - A Light in the Darkness |
| 8) The Gospels | - The Empty Tomb          |

#### *The Early Church*

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| 9) Acts                        | - Christ the Lord |
| 10) Hebrews, Galatians, Romans | - Reversion       |

#### *Guidance for the Church*

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| 11) Romans                          | - Justification  |
| 12) Hebrews 11                      | - Faith  |
| 13) 1 & 2 Thessalonians             | - 1 & 2 Thessalonians (Looking for Christ's Return)      |
| 14) 1 & 2 Corinthians               | - 1 & 2 Corinthians (Christian Life in an Immoral World) |
| 15) Ephesians                       | - The Church   |
| 16) 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus            | - 1 & 2 Timothy (Pastoral Letters)                       |
| 17) 1 Peter                         | - 1 Peter (Persecution on the Road to Life)              |
| 18) Col, James, 2 P, 1&2 John, Jude | - False Teaching   |
| 19) Matthew - Revelation            | - Sanctification   |

#### *The Destiny Still Stands*

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| 20) Revelation | - The Second Coming |
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