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Filling in the Gaps Lesson 41A
Jesus and the written word

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This series of Bible lessons will contain several examples of what the Bible says about Jesus Christ, and what the Bible says about itself. Jesus is aligned with the written word of God, and the written word of God is aligned perfectly with the True JESUS. If you would like to have a better relationship and understanding of who Jesus is, then you need to know the Bible better.

Philippians 2:5 ***Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:*** Do you think Jesus is going to transplant His brain into your brain? We are not looking for some miraculous intervention. You are going to learn to think like Jesus by reading His written word. What does Jesus think about marriage, child rearing, earning a living, divorce, diet, finance, and politics? We do not need to ask a panel of Bible scholars what these things mean; God has placed inside of every born again child of God the means by which we can understand the things that God is trying to teach us. (John 14:26)

Philippians 2:6-11, ***Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*** His Name is the name above every name, a name before which every knee shall bow. Psalm 138:1-2 ***I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.*** The name of Jesus is above every name, and the written word of God is above the name of Jesus.

The reason the scripture boldly says that God has magnified His word above the very name of Jesus is that Mormons use the name of Jesus, Muslims use the name of Jesus, Jehovah's witnesses use the name of Jesus, liberal and conservative politicians use the name of Jesus. Their Jesus is not the true Jesus of the Bible. Again, why is His word magnified above the name of Jesus? We want the right Jesus. People say, "I don't have to read the Bible. I don't have to study the Scriptures. I don't have to go to Bible preaching church. I just love Jesus. I just listen for the voice of Jesus." How do you know His voice if you do not read and study His word? Your own heart

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speaks to you also. Are you sure you heard Jesus and not your heart? Look what the Bible says about your heart (Genesis 6:5)

What we are going to do in these lessons is go back and forth in the Bible and compare verses about Jesus and the written word. For the Bible tells us to search the scriptures (John 5:39) and to study & rightly divide the scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15).

Revelation 19:11-13 *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.* This verse is not talking about a Bible with pages and a binding. This is the Son of God, Jesus Christ. The name that He bears is the Word of God. Luke 5:1 *And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,* (This is Jesus they are talking about.) The scriptures and Jesus are both designated as the word of God. Do you want to know the Word of God? Do you read the word of God?

Isaiah 9:6 *For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.* When The Prince of Peace returns, it will be great. Yet now in your heart you have peace because of Him. You have peace while the world is in chaos. Romans 10:17 *So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.* Someone had to tell you about this peace, right? Romans 10:14-15 *How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!* verse 17, says, *So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.*

Comparing scripture with scripture is the answer to understanding the word of God (The Bible). What is the word of God? It's the gospel of peace. How do we line up the word of God being the gospel of peace and Jesus Christ being the Prince of Peace? Without the word of God, we wouldn't have the story of the terrified disciples in a ship on the sea during a raging storm when the Lord stood and said, "Peace be still." (Mark 4:39). You would not have the account of a devil possessed man living in the tombs, crying and cutting himself, and Jesus casting out those devils. (Mark 5:5) Later, we see that same man sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. (Luke 8:35) The Gospel accounts tell us how Jesus settled the hearts, soothed the minds, and made the conscience clean through His righteousness, His

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holiness, and His salvation. The day is coming when He will sit on a throne taking charge of all matters in government and law enforcement and will bring real peace on Earth. We have the record of all the people into whose lives Jesus Christ brought calm, joy, contentment, happiness, and rejoicing. We learn the facts about Jesus from His gospel of peace, the word of God. Look what Nehemiah says: Nehemiah 8:10 *Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.*

John 6:48-51 *I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.* Here is what you do if you do not have His peace. You must eat to survive. You must take Him inside you. We are not talking about literally eating the Lord; nor are we talking about eating the Eucharist. In Luke 4:3-4 *And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.*

EVERY WORD OF GOD. Jesus is revealed in Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. Jesus is revealed in the Law, in the prophets, and in the Psalms. Jesus is revealed in the Gospels, in the Epistles, and in the book of Revelation. You just can't pick and choose. It is all or nothing. You will starve to death spiritually without every word of God. Every page of the Bible is bread from heaven, but it is full of variety and diversity. It is the buffet of all buffets. You can have as much as you want. Thank God for His word.

There is nothing like reading the Bible. Every time you read it, you learn something new. There are several missionary books that I have read more than once, and none ever spoke to me from its written pages. The Bible (word of God) is alive. It is the living word of the living God. (1 Peter 1:23; Hebrews 4:12)

Psalms 36:9 *For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.* Jesus said in John 7:38-39 *He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)* From the previous, lesson 38, who was wisdom? (Jesus the Word of God) Proverbs 13:14 *The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.* You know what God is? He is a fountain of life. You know what His words are? A fountain of life. I feed on the Bible every morning, and I drink the words of the Bible every

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night. Bible, more Bible. It is our spiritual food, it is our spiritual drink. "Search the Scriptures, for in them you will find out the truth." There are a lot of people who believe in Jesus and yet do not know they have eternal life. You must search the scriptures. One of the first steps you must take as a new Christian in order to grow into a more mature Christian, is to read God's word (1 Peter 2:2). The next step in becoming a mature Christian is to become settle in the doctrine taught in God's word, such as eternal security or baptism (Hebrews 6:2). These doctrines can become a stumbling block to your future growth in the Lord if not understood properly. Search the scriptures.

John 1:1-5 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.*

John 8:12 *Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.* Who is the light? Jesus Christ. Who is the light of the world? Jesus Christ. **Proverbs 6:23** *For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:* Proverbs says the law (word) is light. John says Jesus is the light. They are both the light. **Psalm 119:105** *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.* Jesus Christ (The Word) is the light of the world. Jesus Christ is the lamp (the Word God) that lights our way. (John 1:9)

If a believer is facing a crisis in his/her life and does not know what to do, they must consult the Word of God in prayer and the word of God, the Bible, for an answer.

The Lord is not going to speak to us from the clouds or face to face as some people in Old Testament times had the privilege of experiencing. Now He speaks to us through His word (the Holy Bible); and if you think that the Lord speaks to you without your having read the Bible, you have deceived your own self.

When the murderer confesses that the lord told him to kill that man, or when the married woman tells you that the lord told her to have an affair with a man who is not her husband, what do you think? Is that man or woman justified to break God's word? Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

2 Samuel 22:26-29 *With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, and with the upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright. With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself unsavoury. And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes are upon the haughty, that thou mayest bring them down. For thou art my lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will*

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lighten my darkness. Do you want to continue to walk through life in the dark? Jesus is the Light; His word is the light.

Zechariah 2:3-5 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another angel went out to meet him, And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein: For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her. We have nothing to fear when our Lord is near! The Lord and His word keep enemies from getting in and keeps you from getting out and joining the enemy. *Jeremiah 23:28-29 The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD. Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?* Here is the word of God. What is the chaff to the wheat. It is the part that is thrown away. What's left? The wheat, the word of God. That is the part you keep and feed on. Why is the Lord round about His people with a fire? To keep the enemy out. The word of God is your protector.

Are you a backslidden Christian? What happened? You did not get away from Jesus. You got away from the Bible. When you get out of the Bible, you take Jesus with you. Think about that.... Jesus is with you in that hog pen. You have become a disgrace to Him; and sadly for you, He will only allow your misbehaving life to continue for a season. (Hebrews 11:25b; Romans 6:16) Imagine being involved in some sin, and then in your next breath you are in the presence of God. When you stand at the judgement seat of Christ holding your works in preparation for the trying of them what would we all see? (Romans 4:10b; 2 Corinthians 5:10) Precious Stones or wood, hay, and stubble?

The Bible is the word. Jesus is the Word. If you really want to know Jesus and you want to live and walk with Him, you cannot divorce Him from His Bible. You must be as serious about the Bible as you are about the Lord. His name is exalted above every name, and He has magnified His word above His name (Psalm 138:2).

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Name _____

Note: (*) An asterisk indicates you must include scripture with your answer.

1. What is the difference:
 - a. The word of God. *
 - b. The Word of God. *
2. What made you a born again child of God? Explain your answer using 1 Peter 1:23.
3. Explain Psalm 138:2 using 2 Peter 1:19-20.
4. How do you know the voice of God?
5. If you want a better relationship with Jesus, what should you do?
6. Explain the trinity in John 1:1-5.
7. What are the two most important steps you need to take as a new Christian? Explain each one. (Use a separate piece of paper)
 - a.

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b.

8. Who is the Light of the world? *
9. Who is the bread from Heaven? *
10. How do we know that we can really understand who God is? *
11. Why does the scripture boldly say that God has magnified the written word above the physical being of Jesus Christ?
12. What are we saying to God when we have no desire to read and study His word?

True/false

- Lost people learn to love Jesus by my lifestyle instead of my teaching.
- The Word and the word are the same.
- In order for a Christian to grow to maturity he/she must read the Bible daily.



Scripture memorization

Psalms 138:1-2; Psalm 119:105; John 8:12

Write out these verses on the back on this page: (must be in KJV)

any questions?