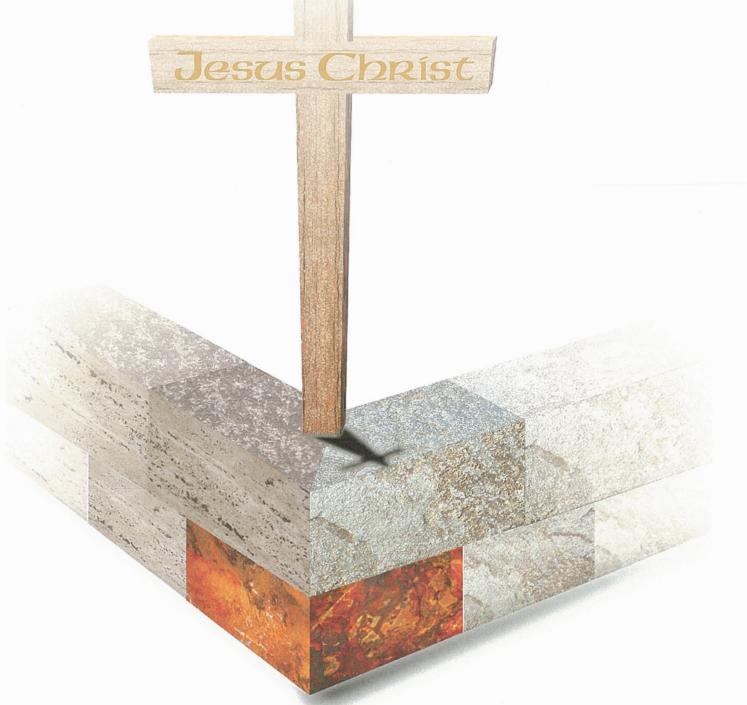
FOUNDATION PRINCIPLES

The Building Blocks for a Fulfilled Life as a Christian



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Ministry Logo Meaning.

Many, many years ago I got a picture in my heart of a hand holding a sword that was on fire and I personally knew what this meant and just hung onto it in my heart.

A few years ago I was in Melbourne Victoria at a breakfast meeting listening to a Ministry Couple from Canada and while I was listening to them talking about their location and their ministry and the time it took before God really started to move in their area which was a farming, cropping area where a lot of wheat was grown, I pictured the hand holding the flaming sword coming out of a harvest field of wheat.

So this is what it means.

The harvest field of wheat is the world.

The hand is the hand of Man.

The 2 Edged Sword is the Word of God.

The Fire is the Fire of God, the Holy Ghost anointing the Word of God in the hand of Man.

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Foundation Principles.

The Doctrines of Christ.

Session 1.

Hebrews. 6;1-2.

Therefore leaving the Principles of the doctrines of Christ, let us go on unto perfection, not laying again the foundation of **Repentance from Dead works, and of Faith toward God.**

Of the doctrines of Baptisms, and of laying on of hands. Resurrection of the Dead, and of eternal Judgment.

The Message Bible says.

So come on, let's leave the preschool finger painting exercises on Christ, and get on with the grand work of art.

Grow up in Christ. The basic foundational truths are in place, turning your back on salvation by self-help, and turning in trust toward God.

There are baptismal instructions, laying on of hands, resurrection of the dead, eternal judgment.

God is helping us, so we will stay true to all that.

But there is so much more. Let's get on with it.

What we are going to cover in this series, is everything that the word of God has mentioned in Hebrews. 6; 1-2. Concerning Foundation Principles.

- What a Foundation is.
- Perfection.

Which will be done last.

- Repentance from Dead Works.
- Faith towards God.

- Doctrine of Baptisms. [Plural.] Baptism in both Water and the Holy Ghost.
- Laying on of Hands.
- Resurrection of the Dead.
- Eternal Judgment.

As you see, there will be 8 subjects covered.

One will be describing what a foundation is. One will be the end result of having the other 6 foundation truths operating in our life, which is perfection.

6 will be the actual Foundational Principles of the word of God.

This scripture, Hebrews. 6; 1-2. Has always been known and referred to as the Foundation Principles, because we are creating a foundation in our lives, on and in the word of God and on that foundation, applying the principles of the truth of the word of God that will eventually take us on unto perfection, if we remain faithful to Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Most of us will know about foundations and what they are, and why they are needed.

As a builder most of my life, I know the importance of having a strong foundation for a house or a construction to remain solid and strong, and not be blown around by the elements.

Matthew. 7; 24-29.

This is the story in the word of God concerning the house that was built upon a rock and was not moved by the rain and the wind, and the house that was built upon the sand that fell down when the rain and the wind came because it did not have a solid foundation.

The greater the building above ground level, the greater the foundation below ground level.

To get a good solid foundation there has to be earth taken out of the ground in order for the foundation to go into the ground, and the foundation is contained by the earth.

In **Matthew 13.** It speaks about the parable of the sower and the seed. Sowing the word of God, the seed, into the earth. The earth in this parable is referred to as our heart.

As a child when we were, and are, growing up, it's the life experiences that we learn, and the instructions or our parents that forms the foundation and the blue prints for our life.

Proverbs. 22;6.

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

The meaning of the Word Foundation is,

• A Solid Base in which to build on.

The meaning of the Word, Leaving are,

- To Send forth in Various Applications.
- To Lay aside.
- To Leave.
- To Send away.
- To Yield up.

The Meaning of the Word Principles is,

• With something that is anointed.

The Meaning of the Doctrines of Christ are,

- To Learn.
- Instructions about the act or matter.
- Something that you have been taught.

What is the Foundation that needs to be functioning in the life of the Men and Women of God?

Ephesians. 2; 20.

And are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the Chief corner Stone.

The Message Bible says.

That's plain enough, isn't it? You are no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You are no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to use the name Christian as anyone.

God is building a home, he is using us all, irrespective of how we got here, to be used in what he is building.

He used Apostles and Prophets for the foundation. Now he is using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Jesus Christ as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together.

We see it taking shape day after day, a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it. A temple in which God is quite at home.

Isaiah. 28;16.

Therefore thus said the Lord God, behold I lay in Zion for a foundation, a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation, he that believeth shall not make hast.

The Message Bible.

But the Master, God, has something to say to this.

Watch closely, I am laying a foundation in Zion, a solid granite foundation, squared and true.

And this is the meaning of the stone.

A Trusting Life will not topple.

I will make justice the measuring stick, and righteousness the plumb line for the building.

A hailstorm will knock down the shanty town of lies, and a flash flood will wash out the rubble.

1 Corinthians. 3;9-11.

For we are laborers together with God, ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise master builder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon.

But let everyman take heed how he buildeth thereon.

For other foundations can no man lay, than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

The Message Bible says.

Who do you think Paul is anyway? or Apollos, for that matter? Servants, both of us, servants who waited on you as you gradually learned to entrust your lives to our mutual Master. We each carried out our servant assignment, I planted the seed, Apollos watered the plants, but God made you grow. It's not the one who plants or the one who waters, who is the center of this process, but God, who makes things grow.

Planting and watering are menial servant jobs at minimum wages. What makes them worth doing is the God we are serving.

You happen to be in God's field, in which we are working.

Acts. 5;42.

And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

The Message Bible says.

They called the Apostles back in. After giving them a thorough whipping, they warned them not to speak in Jesus name and sent them off.

The Apostles went out of the high council overjoyed because they had been given the honor of being dishonored on account of the name. Every day they were in the temple and homes, teaching and preaching Christ Jesus, not letting up for a minute.

How can we relate a type of foundation, so that a Christian can relate that foundation to their life?

A building needs a foundation, to support the size and weight of the structure, so that it stands, then we as Christian's need the doctrine of Jesus Christ to be our foundation, and this foundation is the word of God, and all that is written in it.

As mentioned before, the Doctrines of Christ are.

- To Learn.
- Instructions about the act or matter.
- Something that you have been taught.

It is through the teachings of Jesus Christ, through the word of God, we find out that Jesus was actually the word in the Triune God head, made Flesh.

John. 1;1.

In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God.

The Message Bible says.

The Word was first, the word present to God.

God present to the word.

The word was God, in readiness for God from day to day.

John. 1;12-14.

But as many that received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, [and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the father.] full of grace and truth.

The Message Bible says,

The word became flesh and blood and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one of a kind glory, like father like son, generous inside and out.

True from start to finish.

It is through the teachings of Jesus Christ, and the Apostles and Prophets, that the men and women of God, find the foundation that we need, in the word of God, and that enables us to stand by our faith in that word, and build on that foundation of faith and trust as we learn more about the infallible, perfect, uncompromising word of God.

1 Timothy. 4;16.

Take head to thyself and unto the doctrine, continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

The Message Bible says,

Cultivate these things. Immerse yourself in them. The people will all see you mature right before their eyes, Keep a firm grasp on both your character and your teaching. Do not be diverted, just keep at it. Both you and those who hear you will experience salvation.

John. 7;16.

Jesus answered them and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.

Acts. 2;42.

And they continued stedfastly in the Apostles doctrine, and fellowship, and in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

The Message Bible says,

That day, about 3000 took him at his word, were baptized and were signed up. They committed themselves to the teaching of the Apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers.

1 Corinthians. 15;46.

Howbeit, that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural, and afterwards that which is spiritual.

The Message Bible says,

We follow this sequence in scripture. The first Adam received life, the last Adam is a lifegiving spirit. Physical life comes first, then spiritual, a firm base shaped from the earth, a final completion coming out of heaven.

The first man was made out of the earth, and people since then are earthy; the Second Man was made out of Heaven, and people now can be heavenly. In the same way that we have worked from the earthy origins, lets embrace our heavenly ends.

God's Principle. First the Natural, then the Spiritual.

The Foundation of the Nation of Israel. [Natural.]

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

12 Sons.---- 12 Tribes.

The nation of Israel came from above.

The Foundation of the Church. [Spiritual.]

The Lord Jesus Christ.

12 Apostles.

The Church has and will be made up of men and woman who believe in the teachings of Jesus Christ and Him crucified and this is the word of God and known as doctrine by which we gain our foundation in God's word and our Christian faith.

Notes

Questions. Session. 1.

1. Mat	thew. 7;24-29. What is needed for a house to stand up against the elements?
	thew 13. What is it telling us about the sowing and the earth?
3. Prov	verbs. 22;6 tells us what?
	esians. 2;20. What is the foundation that we need to be built on?
5. Isaia	ah. 28;16. Who is the foundation that God is laying?
6. 1. Co	orinthians. 3;9-11. What does this scripture say that we are?
7. Acts	s. 5;42. What are we encouraged to do every day?
8. Johr	n. 1;12-14. As we receive Christ, What is given to us?
9. 1. Ti	imothy. 4;16. We are encouraged to do what?
••••••	s. 2;42. What are we encouraged to do?
11. 1. Co	orinthians. 15;46. What is first and what is second?

Foundation Principles.

Session 2.

Repentance from Dead Works.

Hebrews. 6;1-2.

The first 2 Principles mentioned here in Hebrews, **Repentance from Dead Works**, and of **Faith Towards God**, are often spoken about as working together in a person's life.

The discussion point is whether faith in God comes first in some ones heart, to cause them to know that they need to repent of the sin in their life, or whether repentance in ones heart comes after a decision has been made, creating the faith in God.

Anything to do with repent or repentance is mentioned 109 times in the Bible.

Repentance from Dead Works.

Mark. 1;15.

And saying [Jesus] The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand, repent ye, and believe the Gospel.

Repent here means,

- To think differently.
- To reconsider afterwards. [you have heard]
- To change your mind.
- To exercise the mind.
- To preserve.
- To understand.

We see here from the meanings of the word, **Repent**, that it is all about the individual making a conscious decision, concerning Jesus Christ and him crucified.

It's about our heart and our mind thinking or reconsidering information that we have heard and had quickened to us by the Holy Ghost, about a man called Jesus Christ, and this information has ignited faith in our hearts and mind, about the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which is the word of God.

This is the first Foundation Principal that needs to be acted on, so that we as an individual, we can begin to read and hear about the Son of God, so that faith can begin to be established in our heart, and we can begin to grow as a man or woman in God.

This is the start of Biblical Foundations in our life.

In Hebrews. 6;1 it mentions, not laying again the foundation of repentance, etc. etc.

The Word Laying Again, means.

- To Throw Down.
- To Cast Down.
- Fall Down.

What it is saying is, once you have made the decision to repent of your old ways and accept Christ into your life and begin to read the word of God and pray and wait upon the Lord, do not do anything that could cause you to slip back into your old ways, and backslide as a Christian, and the down the track have to recommit your heart and life to Christ again.

Ezekiel 14;6.

Therefore say unto the house of Israel, thus said the Lord God, Repent and turn yourselves from your Idols, and away your faces from all your abominations.

Ezekiel. 18;30.

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord God. Repent and turn yourselves from all your iniquities, so iniquities shall not be your ruin.

The Message Bible Says,

The upshot is this Israel, I will judge each of you according to the way you live, So turn around, Turn your backs on your rebellious living, so that sin wont drag you down. Have a Clean house. No more rebellious living, please. Get a new heart, get a new Spirit. Why would you choose to die, Israel? I take no pleasure in any one's death.

A decree of God, the Master. Make a clear break and live.

Matthew. 3;3.

John the Baptist.

And saying, Repent ye, for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

Matthew. 4;17.

From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

Matthew. 9;13.

For I am not come to call the righteous, but the sinners unto repentance.

Mark. 6;12.

And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

The Message Bible says,

Then they were on the road, they preached with joyful urgency, that life could radically be different.

Revelation. 2;5.

Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent and do the first works, or else I will come unto thee quickly and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

Candlestick.... Means the light, Which is the Word of God.

The Message Bible says,

But you walked away from your first love, Why? What's going on with you anyway? Do you have any Idea how far you have fallen? A Lucifer fall. Turn Back, Recover your dear early love, No time to waste, for I am well on my way to removing your light from the Golden Circle.

Revelation. 2;16.

To the Angle of the Church at Pergamos.

Repent or else I will come unto you quickly, and will fight against them, with the sword of my mouth.

"The sword of my mouth" is speaking of the Word of God.

The Message Bible says,

Enough, Do not give in unto them, I will be with you soon, I am fed up and about to cut them to pieces with my sword- sharp words.

Are your ears awake? Listen, Listen to the wind Words, the Spirit blowing through the Churches, I will give the sacred manna to every conqueror, I will also give a clear, smooth stone inserted with your name, your secret new name.

Revelation. 3;3.

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shall not know what hour I will come upon thee.

The Message Bible says,

Up on your feet. Take a deep breath, Maybe there is life in you yet. But I would not know it by looking at your busy work, nothing of Gods work has been completed. Your condition is desperate. Think of the gift you once had in your hands, the message you heard with your ears, grasp it again and turn back to God.

Revelation. 3;19.

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasen, be zealous therefore and repent.

The Message Bible says,

The people I love, I call to account, prod, and correct and guide, so that they will live at their best. Up on your feet then, about face, and run after God.

Repentance does not stop at some ones conversion to Christ. We find that if we do things wrongly or say something that may offend some body, then we need to repent of that thing.

Hebrews. 12;5-6.

My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him.

For whom the Lord loveth, he chaseneth, and scourgeth every son whom he recieveth.

The Message Bible says,

Have you forgotten how good parents treat children, and that God regards you as, his children.

My child, do not shrug off God's discipline, but do not be crushed by it either.

It's the child he loves, that he disciplines. The Child he embraces, he also loves.

God is educating you, that's why you must never drop out. He is treating you as dear children. This trouble you are in is not punishment, it's **TRAINING and EQUIPPING.**

Acts. 2;38.

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

The Message Bible says,

Peter said, Change your life, Turn to God and be baptized, each of you, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, so your sins are forgiven. Receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. The promise is targeted to you and your children, but also to all who are far away, whomever in fact, our Master, God, invites.

Is there a need to repent and Why?

Isaiah. 55;8.

For my thoughts, are not your thoughts, neither are your ways, my ways saith the Lord.

Proverbs. 14;12.

There is no way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof, are the ways of death.

The Message Bible says,

There is a way of life that looks harmless enough, look again, it leads straight to Hell.

Isaiah. 59;2.

But your iniquities have separated you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear you.

The Message Bible.

There is nothing wrong with God, the wrong is in you. Your wrong headed lives caused the split between you and God.

Your Sins got between you, so that God doesn't hear you.

How do we Know When we have Truly Repented?

I Thessalonians. 1;10. From the Message Bible.

The news of your faith in God is out, we do not have to say anything anymore. You are the message. People come up and tell us how you have received us with open arms, and how you have deserted the dead Idols of your life, so you could embrace and serve God, The true God.

They marvel at how expectantly you await the arrival of his Son, whom was raised from the dead, Jesus rescued us from doom.

Points of Interest.

- News is spoken about you.
- Nothing more has to be said.
- We have become the message.
- We are excited by being able to receive visiting Ministry.
- We are Hungry for the Word of God.
- We deserted our old life and beliefs to serve the true God.
- We are expecting the return of Jesus Christ.
- We believe that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead and accomplished what he was sent to do.

1 Timothy. 2;5.

For there is one God and one mediator between God and man, the Man Christ Jesus.

The Message Bible says,

There is one priest called Jesus between God and us, Jesus offered himself as an exchange for everyone that is held captive by sin, so that all men can be set free by the name of Jesus Christ, if they decide to accept him.

Is There Proof of our Repentance that can be Seen.

11 Corinthians. 3;2.

The word says that we are known and read of all men.

Galatians. 5;22-23. & 25.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, against such, there is no law.

Vs. 25.

If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

The Message Bible says,

By faith in Christ, you are in direct relationship with Jesus Christ. Your Baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you in an adult faith wardrobe, which is Christ's life, the fulfillment of God's original promise.

Matthew. 3;8.

Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance.

Notes

Questions. Session. 2.

		Mark. 1;15. What does the Word encourage us to do?
		Ezekiel. 14;6. The Word tells us to do what?
••••	3.	Ezekiel. 18;30 To not be judged by God what are we to do?
••••	4.	Matthew 3;3 Tells us to repent because of why?
		Matthew. 9;13. Who has Jesus come for?
	6.	Mark. 6;12. What did they do when they went out?
••••	7.	Revelation. 3;19. Because we are so loved by God. What does he do?
	8.	Isaiah. 55;8. How do our thoughts and ways compare with God`s?
	9.	Isaiah. 59;2. What has separated us from our God?
		. 1. Timothy 2;5. Who is the mediator between God and man?
		. Galatians. 5;25. Says what?
	12.	. Matthew. 3;8. Tells us to do what?

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Session. 3.

Faith towards God.

This is the second foundation stone, that we need to have laid in our life.

Hebrews. 6;1-2.

Repentance from dead works, and of Faith towards God.

What is Faith?

Faith.

- Persuasion.
- Conviction of Truth.
- The Truthfulness of God.
- Reliance upon Christ for Salvation.
- Consistency in what we believe.
- Truth itself.
- Assurance.

Hebrews. 11;1.

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

By this scripture we see that faith cannot be seen, but is something that is generated in our heart through a belief in Jesus Christ, so that we can believe for something that we hope to bring into being.

Hebrews. 11;6.

But without faith, it is impossible to please him, for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that **diligently** seek him.

Diligently means,

- To seek out.
- Investigate.
- Crave.
- Demand.
- Worship.
- Seek after.
- Carefully Diligently enquire.

The Message Bible says,

It is impossible to please God apart from Faith, And Why? Because anyone who wants to approach God, must believe that he exists and that he cares enough to respond to those who seek him.

How do we get Faith?

Romans. 10;17.

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Men and women of God need to realize that the more we read and hear the word of God, the more our faith is increased.

We need to understand that when we come to church, we bring our bibles with us.

We do not wait from Sunday to Sunday before we open the word of God again to read it.

We need to train ourselves for Bible reading everyday, and then add onto that our daily prayer life, praying and seeking God and asking for the understanding of what we are reading.

Luke 17;5-6.

And the Apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

Jesus said unto them about the parable of the seed of the mustard tree that is the smallest of all seeds, but grows into the tallest and largest tree.

So is your faith. Do what I have commanded of you to do.

Hebrews. 12;2.

Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Message Bible says,

Keep your eyes on Jesus, who both began and finished this race that we are in. Study how he did it. He never lost sight of where he was heading, that exhilarating in and with God. He could put up with anything along the way, The Cross, Shame, Whatever.

And now he is there, in the place of honor, right alongside God. When you find yourselves flagging in your faith, go over the story again, item by item, that long litany of hostility, he plowed through. That will shoot adrenaline into your souls.

Romans. 5;1-2.

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

The Message Bible says,

By entering through faith into what God has always wanted to do for us, set us right with him, we have it all together with God because of our Master Jesus.

And that's not all, we throw open our doors to God and discover at the same moment that he has already thrown open his doors to us.

We find ourselves standing where we always hoped that we might stand, out in the wide open spaces of God's grace and glory, standing tall and shouting out praise.

Faith without Works is Dead.

James. 2;14-26.

Vs. 14.

What doeth it profit, my brethren, though a man say that he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him?

Vs. 15-16. It talks about having faith and not meeting the need, when someone might have a need, and we find that we have the capacity and the ability to meet that need.

Vs. 17-18.

Even so faith, if it has not works, is dead, being alone.

Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works, show me thy faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

Vs. 19-20.

Thou believest that there is one God, thou doest well, the devil also believes and trembles.

But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Vs. 21-23.

Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the alter.

Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?

And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness, and he was called the friend of God.

Vs. 24-26.

Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith alone.

Likewise was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had relieved the messengers, and had sent them another way?

For as the body without the Spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

Attributes of Faith, and What we can expect to see happen through Faith in Action.

Habakkuk. 2;4. The just shall live by Faith.

Matthew. 8;10. Jesus said that he has not found so great a faith in all Israel.

Proverbs. 1;7. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom.

Matthew. 9;22. Thy Faith has made thee whole.

Luke. 7;50. Thy faith have saved thee, go in peace.

Romans. 1;5. For Obedience to the faith, among the nations, for his name.

Romans.1;17. It is written, the just shall live by faith.

Romans. 3;28. Therefore we conclude, that a man is justified by faith.

Romans. 12;3. God have dealt to every man, the measure of faith.

Romans. 12;6. According to our faith, is how we move in the gifts of the spirit.

1 Corinthians. 12;9. To another Faith by the same spirit.

1 Corinthians. 16;13. Watch ye, stand fast, in the faith, do not quit like men.

11 Corinthians. 1;24. For by faith ye stand.

11 Corinthians. 5;7. For we walk by faith, not by sight.

Galatians. 2;16. Man is not justified by the works of the law, but faith in Jesus Christ. For ye

Galatians. 3;26. are all children of God by faith in Jesus Christ.

Ephesians. 4;5. One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism.

Ephesians. 6;16. Armour of God. Take upon you the shield of Faith.

Colossians. 2;12. Buried with him in Baptism. Risen with him through the operation of God.

1 Thessalonians. 1;3. Remembering not to cease your work of Faith.

11 Timothy. 4;7. I have kept the faith.

Hebrews. 11;7. By Faith, Noah being warned of God.

Hebrews. 11;8. By Faith Abraham sojourned to another land.

READ ALL OF HEBREWS CHAPTER. 11. IT WILL ENCOURAGE YOU.

James. 1;3. Trial of our faith.

1 Peter. 1;7. Trial of your faith is more precious than fine Gold.

1 John. 5;4. We overcome the world by our faith.

Notes

Questions. Session. 3.

		What is faith as listed on page 21?
	2.	Hebrews.11;1. Describes faith. How?
	3.	Hebrews. 11;6. Can we please God without faith?
****	4.	Romans. 10;17. How do we get faith?
	5.	Luke. 17;5-6. When the apostles asked the Lord to increase their faith. He said what?
••••		Hebrews. 12;2. When we look unto Jesus, what does he become?

		Romans. 5;1-2. Faith does what for us?
•••	8.	Habakkuk. 2;4. The Just shall live how?
****		Matthew. 9;22. Faith has accomplished what in our lives?
		. Romans. 12;3. What have we received from God?
•••		. Romans. 12;6. Our faith will determine the ability to do what?
	12	. 2. Corinthians. 1;24. Faith will allow us to do what?

Foundation Principles.

Session. 4.

Of the Doctrine of Baptisms.

Hebrews. 6;2.

Therefore leaving the principles of the Doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God.

Of the Doctrines of Baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal Judgment.

Ephesians. 4;5.

One Lord, one faith, one **baptism**. One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

The Message Bible says,

You have one Master, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who rules over all, works through all, and is present in all.

Everything you are and think and do is permeated with oneness.

The one Baptism of Christ, has two components to it.

- The First Baptism is Water Baptism.
- The Second Baptism is, Baptism in the Spirit, by receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost, which the evidence of it, is being able to speak in Tongues.

If we have the both baptisms functioning in our lives, then we are complete in Christ as far as having the foundation of Baptisms working in our lives.

There has been for many, many years a difference of opinion as to how the baptism of water should be administered.

Most religions go by the sprinkling method, where the decision to be baptized is made by the parents and not by the individual, which in this case is usually a new born baby.

The problems with this is that the baby or infant does not have the mental capacity or the relevant information about Jesus Christ to be able to make a conscious decision for Christ.

The other concern is that the Bible speaks about full emersion of the whole body under water for the baptism to be recognized in relation to scripture, when the individual is old enough to know what the scriptures say about **baptism** and that they are at an age in which they can make the decision themselves about being baptized for Jesus Christ and not having someone, normally parents, make that decision for them.

The Greek word for Baptism is BAPTO.

Which means,

- To be covered wholly with fluid.
- Full emersion.

To have someone reach the decision of wanting to be baptized, you will find that **Repentance** and **Faith** would both have to be present in someone's life, for them to realize the need of having to be baptized.

Acts. 2; 38-41.

Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

Then they that gladly received his word were baptized, and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Points of Interest out of these scriptures.

- Repent and be baptized.
- Be baptized In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.
- You shall receive remission of your sins.
- You shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
- The promise is to you and to your children and to those in the future, that God may call.
- Other words of testimony and encouragement were used.
- They that gladly received the Word, did what they heard they need to do.
- 3000 souls were added to the church that day.

The message Bible says,

Peter said, Change your life. Turn to God and be **baptized**, each of you, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, so your sins are forgiven. Receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is targeted to you and your children, but also to all who are afar away, whomever in fact, our Master God invites.

He went on in this vein for a long time, urging them over and over, Get out while you can, get out of this sick and stupid culture.

That day about three thousand took him at his word, were **baptized**, were signed up. They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, life together, the common meal, and the prayers.

Acts. 8. 36-37.

This the story about Philip and the Eunuch.

And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water, and the Eunuch said, see here is water, what doeth hinder me to be baptized?

And Philip said, if thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

The Message Bible says,

As they continued down the road, they came to a stream of water. The Eunuch said, here is water, Why can't I be **baptized**? He ordered the chariot to stop. They both went down to the water, and Philip **baptized** him on the spot. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of God suddenly took Philip off.

In Baptism we take on the name of the God head, which is the Lord Jesus Christ, and we can Identify with Christ in his death, Burial, and resurrection.

Ephesians. 3; 14-16.

For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.

That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man.

The Message Bible says,

My response is to get on my knees before the Father, this magnificent Father who parcels out all heaven and earth. I ask him to strengthen you by his spirit, not a brut strength, but a glorious inner strength, that Christ will live in you as you open the door and invite him in. And I ask him that with both planted firmly on love, you will be able to take in with all followers of Jesus, the extravagant dimensions of Christ's love. Reach out and experience the breadth, Test its lengths, Plumb the depths, Rise to the heights, Live the lives, full in the fullness of God.

Romans. 6; 1-11.

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

God forbid. How shall we live, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Know ye not, that so many of us as were **baptized** into Jesus Christ were **baptized** into his death?

Therefore we are **buried** with him by **baptism** into death, that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also walk in newness of life.

For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall also rise in the likeness of his resurrection.

Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that hence forth we should not serve sin.

For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him.

Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead, dieth no more. Death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once, but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Message Bible says,

So what do we do? Keep on sinning so God can keep forgiving? I should hope not. If we have left the country where sin is sovereign, how can we still live in our old house there? Did not you realize we packed up and left there for good? That is what happened in **baptism**. When we went down under the water, we left the old country of sin behind, when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace into a new life, in a new land.

That's what **baptism** into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus, when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. Each of us is raised into a light- filled world by our Father, so that we can see where we are going in our new grace-sovereign country.

Could it be clearer? Our old way of life was nailed to the cross with Christ, a decisive end to that sin-miserable life, no longer at sin's every beck and call. What we believe is this, If we get included in Christ's sin conquering death, we also get included in his life saving resurrection. We know that when Jesus was raised from the dead, it was a signal of the end of death as the end. Never again will death have the last word. When Jesus died, he took sin down with him, but alive he brings God down to us. From now on, think of it this way. Sin speaks a dead language that means nothing to you. God speaks your mother tongue, and you hang on every word. You are dead to sin and alive to God. That's what Jesus did.

Colossians. 2;12.

Buried with him in **baptism**, wherein also ye are risen with him through faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Acts. 1; 4-8.

And being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith him, ye have heard of me.

For John truly **baptized** with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. [50]

When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times and the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

But ye shall **receive power** [Acts 1;8.] after the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Acts. 2;1-4.

And when the day of **Pentecost** was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as if a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

And there appeared unto them cloven tongues as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

And they were all filed with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

The Message Bible says,

When the feast of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

Without warning there was a sound like a strong wind, gale force, no one could tell where it came from. It filled the whole building, then like a **wildfire**, the **Holy Spirit** spread through their ranks, and they started speaking in a number of different languages as the Spirit prompted them.

Acts. 4;31.

And when they had prayed, the place was **shaken** where they were assembled together, and they were all filled with the **Holy Ghost**, and they spake the word of God with **boldness**.

The Message Bible says,

While they were praying, the place where they were meeting **trembled and shook.** They were all filled with the **Holy Spirit** and continued to speak God's word with **fearless confidence.**

Matthew. 3:11.

I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear, he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire.

The Message Bible says,

I am **baptizing** you here in the river, turning your old life in for a kingdom life. The real action comes next. The main character in this drama, compared to him, I am a mere stagehand. He will ignite the kingdom life within you, a **fire** within you, the **Holy Ghost** within you, changing you from then inside out.

He is going to clean house.

Luke. 3; 21.

Now when all the people were **baptized**, it came to pass, that Jesus also being **baptized**, and praying, **the heaven was opened**.

When we get this understanding of the need for the **Holy Ghost** in our life and we start praying with the new **found authority** that the spirit of God gives us, we will find that the heaven will be **opened** unto us in so many different ways.

Luke. 12;12.

For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the **same hour**, what ye ought to say.

The Message Bible says,

The **Holy Ghost** will give you the right words to say, when the time comes.

Acts. 19.; 2-6.

He said unto them, **Have you received the Holy Ghost** since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any **Holy Ghost**.

And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye **baptized**? And they said, Unto **John's baptism.**

Then said Paul. John verily **baptized** with the **baptism of repentance**, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is on Christ Jesus.

When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

And when Paul had **laid his hands** upon them, **the Holy Ghost came on them**, and they spake in tongues, and prophesied.

Acts. 10;38.

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Ghost and with power**, who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, **for God was with him.**

Acts. 17;6.

These that have turned the world upside down, are come hither also.

Notes

Questions. Session. 4.

	/hat does the Greek Word Bapto. Mean?
	cts. 2;38-41. What are the 3 things that Peter says we need to do?
	cts. 36-37. The Eunuch wanted to do what after he received Christ?
4. W	/hat name do we take on us in Baptism? Page 32. Acts. 10;48.
	omans. 6;1-11. What are we baptized into?
	olossians. 2;12. When we get baptized are what with Christ?
7. A	cts. 1;4-7. What was released unto the Church for our benefit?
8. A	cts 1;8. The Word tells us that we will receive what after the Holy Ghost is given?
9. A	cts. 2;1-4. After the day of Pentecost was given how were the people?
10. A	cts. 4;31. What happened after the people prayed?

11. Lı	uke. 3;21. What happened to Jesus after baptism in water and the Spirit?
Luke. 12;	12. What will the Holy Ghost do for us?

Foundation Principles.

Session 5.

Laying on of Hands.

What is the Laying on of Hands?

The laying on of Hands is where the power and authority of God is imparted by the Holy Ghost, through an Individual, by the laying on of hands, the individual is not a novice in any way, but someone who is proven in the moving of the Spirit, and this should be respected.

It can be used for,

- Guidance and Direction.
- Healing.
- Ordination.
- Sending forth.
- Impartation of Spiritual Gifts.
- Deliverance in many forms. Natural and Spiritual.
- Appointments in God.

1 Timothy. 5;22.

Lay hands suddenly upon no man, neither be partakers of other man's sin; keep thyself pure.

The Message Bible says.

Do not appoint people to church leadership positions too hastily. If a person is involved in some serious sin's, you do not want to become an unwitting accomplice.

1 Timothy. 3;6.

Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into condemnation of the devil.

That it will go to his head and the devil will trip him up.

We can see from the scriptures that we have read that there is power in the laying on of hands and we need to treat it with the Godly respect that it deserves.

The old testament records that when a person sinned, he sacrificed an animal and layed hands on that animal so as to impart his sin to the animal, before it is sacrificed.

A type of the sin of the world being put on Jesus Christ, being our sacrificial lamb.

The sins of the sin offerer were imparted to that animal.

Leviticus. 1;1-5.

And the Lord called unto Moses and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel and say unto them. If any man of you bring an offering unto the Lord, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.

If his offering be a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish, he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the Lord.

And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

And he shall kill the bullock before the Lord, and the priests. Aaron's sons shall bring the blood and sprinkle the blood round about upon the alter that is by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Leviticus. 16;21.

And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness.

It is released into an uninhabited region so that the sin cannot be brought up or remembered ever again.

The Message Bible says,

Aaron will bring up the live goat, lay both hands on the live goats head, and confess all the iniquities of the people of Israel, all their acts of rebellion, all their sins. He will put all the

sins on the goat's head and send it off into the wilderness, led out by a man standing by and ready. The goat will carry all their iniquities to an empty wasteland, the man will let him loose out there in the wilderness.

John. 1;29.

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world.

Matthew. 26;50.

And Jesus said unto him, friend, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took him.

This scripture fulfils the word of God and backs up the way that the word of God tells us that God had things done.

Hands were laid upon the sacrificial animal and the sins of the people were made atoned, or forgiven, by the shedding of the blood.

2 Peter. 2;24.

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness, by whose stripes we were healed.

Who according to the scriptures, who is able to lay hands on someone?

Mark.16;17-18.

These signs shall follow them that believe. In my name shall they cast out devils, they shall speak with new tongues.

They shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them, they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

I believe that any spirit filled person who has the faith to believe can lay hands on the sick and spiritually afflicted and expect to see them recover.

But I believe that it is the senior ministry that lay hands on the individual for impartation or commissioning of gifts and appointments etc. Experienced in the moving of the Holy Ghost.

Acts. 6;1-6.

Whom they set before the Apostles, and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.

No ministry should ever lay hands on an individual for impartation unless they have prayed first.

Numbers. 27; 22-23.

And Moses did as the Lord had commanded him, and he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the Priest, and before all the congregation.

And he laid hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as the Lord commanded, by the hand of the Moses.

The Message Bible says,

Moses followed Gods orders. He took Joshua and stood him before Eleazar the priest in front of the entire community. He laid hands on him and commissioned him, following the procedures God had given Moses.

Deuteronomy. 34;9.

And Joshua the son of Nun, was full of the Spirit of Wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands upon him, and the children of Israel harkened unto him, and did as the Lord commanded Moses.

- Full of Wisdom after hands were laid on him.
- The Children of Israel harkened unto Joshua.
- They had respect for the authority that Moses gave him.
- They recognized his commission.
- They followed the commandments of the Lord.

Where can the Laying on of Hands be used, apart from the sin Offering.

To Release, To Appoint to an Office, and Ordain Elders etc.

Numbers. 8;5-22.

The Levites as the Priestly tribe had hands laid on them and ordained into the ministry.

Numbers. 27;18-23.

Joshua was brought before the people and ordained by Moses to continue after him as the next leader, and Moses imparted wisdom and honor into his life.

Acts 6;6-7.

Set before the Apostles, when the prayed, they laid hands on them into the office in which they were ordained into.

Acts. 13;3-4.

And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away.

So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia.

Titus. 1;5.

For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee.

Ordain, means to set apart a person for the office of ministry in the work of the Lord.

To Minister Healing.

Mark. 6;5.

And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon sick folk, and healed them.

The Message Bible says,

A prophet has little honor in his hometown, among his relatives, on the streets he played as a child. Jesus was not able to do much of anything there. He laid hands on a few sick people and healed them, that's all. He could not get over their stubbornness.

He left and made a circuit of other villages, teaching.

Mark. 6;56.

And whithersoever he entered into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him, that they might touch if it were, but the border of his garment, and as many as touched him were made whole.

Luke. 13;13.

And he laid his hands on her and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

She had a spirit of infirmity for 18 years.

The message Bible says,

There was a woman present, so twisted and bent over with arthritis that she could not even look up. She had been afflicted with this for 18 years. When Jesus saw her, he called her over. Woman you are free!! He laid hands on her and suddenly she was straight and tall, giving glory to God.

Mark. 16; 18.

They shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them, they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

The Message Bible says,

These are some signs that accompany believers. They will throw out demons in my name, they will speak in new tongues, they will take snakes in their hands, they will drink poison and not be hurt, they will lay hands on the sick and make them well.

Acts. 28;8.

Paul entered in and prayed, then laid hands on him, and healed him.

The Gift of the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.

Many people have received the gift of the Holy Ghost without actually having hands laid upon them.

Acts. 19;6.

And when Paul had laid his hands on upon them, The Holy Ghost came on them, and they spake with tongues and prophesied.

1 Timothy 4;14.

Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

The Message Bible says,

And that special gift of ministry you were given, when the leaders of the church laid hands on you and prayed. Keep that dusted off and in use.

2 Timothy. 1;6.

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance, that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

The Message Bible says,

And the special gift of ministry you received when I laid hands on you and prayed, keep that ablaze!! God does not want us to be shy with his gifts, but bold and loving and sensible.

Acts. 8;17.

Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

Acts. 9;17.

Ananias entering into the house, putting his hands on him, brother Saul, the Lord even Jesus, that appeared to you in the way as thou camest, have sent me, that thou mightest receive they sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

To Bestow a Blessing.

Genesis. 48; 9-14.

Jacobs Sons were blessed by Jacob through the laying on of hands.

Mark. 10;16.

And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

Esther. 8;7.

Then the King Ahasuerus said unto Esther the Queen and to Mordecai the Jew.

I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

King Xerxes said to Queen Esther and Mordecai the Jew. I have given Haman's estate to Esther and he has been hanged on the gallows because he attacked the Jews. So go ahead now and write whatever you decide on behalf of the Jews, then seal it with the signet ring. An order written in the Kings name and sealed with his signet ring is irrevocable.

Notes

Questions. Session. 5.

	1. 1. Timothy. 5;22. How often do we lay hands on somebody and why?
	2. 1 Timothy. 3;6. Is there a qualification to lay hands on somebody?
	3. Leviticus. 1;1-5. What happens when they laid hands on the sacrificial offering?
	4. Leviticus. 16.21. After hands were laid on the animal what else did Aaron do?
••••	5. John. 1;29. What did John say about Jesus when he saw him?
	6. Matthew. 26;50. What did the centurions do to Jesus when they came for him?
	7. 2. Peter. 2;24. What does it say here concerning Jesus?
	8. Mark. 16;17-18. Who by these scriptures can lay hands on someone?
	9. Acts. 6;1-6. What did the disciples do before they hands on anybody?
	10. Numbers. 27;22-23. After hands were laid on Joshua What did Moses do?
	11. List a number of things that the laying on of hands can do. Page 43-46.
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Foundation Principles.

Session 6.

Resurrection of the Dead.

Hebrew. 6;2.

And of resurrection of the dead.

Once we accept Jesus Christ into our lives, we will, if we continue in the faith, be raised from mortality to immortality, and we will be raised to eternal life with Christ.

Resurrected from the dead.

Hebrews. 13;8.

Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today, and forever.

Malachi. 3;6.

For I am the Lord, I changed not

Everything about Jesus Christ and the word of the Lord, we can rely on. It does not change. His promises are yea, yea and amen. It is impossible for God to lie.

As Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, so all men and woman who hath the faith in him and him crucified will be raised into eternal life with him forever and ever.

I have a passion for the word of God and the power that Christ has given to us who believe on his name, and that also extends to the supernatural power and authority of God, given to us from God through Jesus Christ and him crucified.

Matthew. 10;8.

Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils, freely ye have received, freely give.

Jesus sent his twelve harvest hands out with a charge.

Do not begin by traveling to some far- off place to convert unbelievers.

And do not try to be dramatic by tackling some public enemy.

Go to the lost, confused people right here in the neighborhood. Tell them that the kingdom is here.

Bring health to the sick, **Raise the dead,** Touch the untouchables. Kick out the demons. You have been treated generously, so live generously.

Do not think that you need a lot of equipment, You are the equipment.

Resurrection Life working in the Old Testament.

1 Kings. 17;21-24. Widow woman and Son. Oil.

And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the Lord, and said, O lord my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into unto him again.

And the Lord heard the voice of Elijah, and the soul of the child came unto him again, and he revived.

And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother, and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.

And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in thy mouth is truth.

The Message Bible says,

Three times he stretched himself out full length on the boy, praying with all his might, God, my God, put breath back into this boy's body. God listened to Elijah's prayer and put breath back into the boy's body, he was alive! Elijah picked the boy up, carried him downstairs from the loft, and gave him to his mother. Here is your son, said Elijah, Alive.

The woman said to Elijah, I see it all now, you are a holy man. When you speak, God speaks, a true word.

2 Kings. 4;18-37.

Vs. 32-35.

And when Elisha was come into the house, behold the child was dead, and laid upon his bed.

He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the Lord.

And he went up and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands, and he stretched himself upon the child, and the flesh of the child waxed warm.

Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro, and went up, and stretched himself upon him, and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.

2 Kings. 4;8-11.

A Woman and Husband provided a dwelling for Elisha.

God gave her a Son because of her faithfulness.

2 Kings. 13;20-21.

And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of Moabites invaded the Land at the coming in of the year.

And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band of men, and they cast the man into sepulcher of Elisha, and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

The Message Bible says.

Then Elisha died and they buried him.

Sometime late, raiding bands of Moabites, as they often did, invaded the country. One day, some men were burying a man and spotted the raiders. They threw the man into Elisha's tomb and got away.

When the body touched Elisha's bones, the man came alive, stood up, and walked out of the tomb on his own two feet.

Points of Interest.

- When dead touches life, the dead lives.
- The dead in Christ comes alive.

- The dead man stood up and walked.
- The man that was dead walked out of the death chamber on his own.

Resurrection Life in the New Testament.

It was the Ministry of Jesus that accomplished the following.

Matthew. 9;18-19. 23-26.

And while he spake these things unto them, behold there came a certain ruler [Jarius] and worshipped him saying, My daughter is even now dead, but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.

And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples.

And when Jesus came into the rulers house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise.

He said unto them, Give place for the maid is not dead but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn.

But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, the maid arose.

And the fame thereof went abroad into all that Land.

Luke. 7;12-15.

Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and much people of the city was with her.

And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, weep not.

And he came and touched the bier and they that bare him, stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.

And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

The Message Bible says,

As they approached the village gate, they met a funeral possession, a woman's only son was being carried out for burial, and the mother was a widow. When Jesus saw her, his heart broke, and said unto her, do not cry. He then went over and touched the coffin. He said, young man I tell you, get up. He sat up and started talking. Jesus presented him to his mother.

They all realized they were in a place of Holy mystery, that God was at work among them. They were quietly worshipful, and then noisily grateful, calling out among themselves, God is back. Looking to the needs of his people. News spread among the country.

John. 11;43-44.

And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice. Lazarus, come forth.

And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with grave clothes, and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them. Loose him, and let him go.

Resurrection Life operating through God's Disciples.

Acts. 9:40-42.

Dorcas a woman who died.

But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed, and turning him to the body, said, Tabitha, Arise. And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.

And it was known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Acts 14;19-20.

Paul, badly beaten and left for dead.

And there came hither certain Jews from Antioch, and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing him to be dead.

Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city, and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

Acts. 20;10-12.

Falling from the loft 3 stories high.

And Paul went down and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves, for his life is in him. And when he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed. And they brought the young man alive, and were a little comforted.

Paul went down and stretched himself on him, and hugged him hard. No more crying, he said, There is life in him yet. Then Paul got up and served the Master's supper. and went on telling stories of the faith until dawn.

On that note they left, Paul going one way, the congregation another, leading the boy off alive, and full of life themselves.

What do the Scriptures say about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ himself?

1 Peter. 1;3.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Romans. 1;4.

And declared to be the son of God with power, according to the Spirit of Holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

Romans. 10;9-10.

That if thou confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart, that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

John. 6;40.

And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

Philippians. 3;10-12.

That I might know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death.

If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect, but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

The Message Bible says,

I gave up all the inferior stuff so I could know Christ personally, experience his resurrection power, be a partner in his suffering, and go all the way with him to death itself. If there was any way to get in on the resurrection from the dead, I wanted to do it.

John. 11;25.

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

The Message Bible says,

You do not have to wait for the End. I am, right now. Resurrection and life. The one that believes in me, even though he or she dies, will live. And everyone who lives believing in me does not ultimately die at all. Do you believe this?

You know that I am a great advocate of all of us as men and women of God, believing in the resurrection power for people in the Church to have the power and Authority of God and faith to believe in the raising of people who are dead in the natural, to be able to live again.

Matthew 10;8.

As Jesus talks about healing the sick, cleansing the lepers and raising the dead, as well as casting out spirits.

You have heard me say many times how Jesus speaks all of this in one breath and in one sentence, so all that is required is faith in Jesus Christ and in the resurrection power that has been given to us.

We need to be able to extend our faith and believe.

You have heard me mention David Hogan and the over 800 documented cases of people that he has raised from the dead, and that to be an elder in his church you have to have raised someone from the dead.

Smith Wigglesworth is another great ministry that had the faith to raise people from the dead. In his book it is mentioned how while he was preaching one night the word came through that his wife died, so he went home and prayed for his wife and raised her from the dead, and the spirit of God said, what are you doing, I have called her home, release her, so Smith Wigglesworth released his wife to go back to the Lord, and then he went back to the meeting and continued on with the meeting.

We have the authority from Jesus as he said that all power that has been given unto me by my Father, I have given unto you.

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	brews. 6;2. Does the Word of God or Jesus change over time?
	atthew. 10;8. List what Jesus said the Spirit filled believer can do.
3. 1.	Kings. 17;21-24. What did Elijah do?
	Kings. 4;18-37. What did Elisha Do?
	Kings. 13;20-21. What happened when a dead man touched the bones of Elisha?
	atthew. 9;18-19. 23-26. What did Jesus do here for the ruler?
	hn. 11;43-44. What happened to Lazarus when Jesus called his name?
	ts. 9;40-42. Peter did what?
9. 1.	Peter. 1;3. What do we have through the resurrection of Jesus?
10. Ro	mans. 10;9-10. What are we encouraged to do with our mouth?
11. Ph	ilippians. 3;10-12. What do we receive through the death of Jesus Christ?
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Foundation Principles.

Session 7.

Eternal Judgment.

I believe that this is the last foundation principle that is yet to be released into the church, and we will begin to hear and see this principle begin to be functioning in the house of God as we draw nearer to the coming of the Lord.

We know from the scriptures that there has been aspects of this judgment in the Old Testament as well as in the book of Acts and the early church.

I believe that as we do not restrain our faith but release it in God, we will see the Holy Spirit begin to execute God's judgment within the church and the world.

Matthew. 18;18.

Verily I say unto you, What soever ye shall bind on earth, shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever ye loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

The Message Bible says,

Take this seriously, A yes on earth, is a yes in heaven, and a no on earth is a no in heaven. What ye say to one another is eternal. I mean this. When two of you get together on anything at all on earth, and make a prayer of it, my Father in heaven goes into action, And when two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure that I will be there.

Some examples from the Old Testament that we know of.

Genesis. 6;5-7.

And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart, was only evil continually.

And it repented the Lord that he made man on the earth, and it grieved him in his heart.

2 Peter. 2;5.

And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly.

God did not let the rebel angels of the hook, but jailed them in hell, till judgment day. Neither did he let the ancient ungodly world off. He wiped it out with a flood, rescuing only eight people, Noah, the sole voice of righteousness, was one of them.

Genesis. 18;20-33.

When God said that he was going to destroy the city of Sodom, Abraham stood before him and pleaded with God not to destroy the city if he could find 50 righteous people, and it got down to 10 righteous people.

Genesis. 19;1-29.

And there came two Angels to Sodom at evening and met Lot at the gate.

Lot took them into his house and locked the door but the men of the city banged on the door demanding to have the men and that they could have their way with the men, but Lot offered his daughters unto them but they refused and tried to take Lot but the Angels of the Lord pulled Lot into the house and locked the door and caused the men of the city to become blind and told lot to get as many of his family as he could and flee the city, for we are going to destroy this place.

God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah because of the sin and the wickedness in that place.

Exodus. Chapters. 7-12.

This is the story of the 10 plagues, that God executed judgment on Pharaoh and Egypt, [which speaks of the world.] because they refused to let Gods people go, at the direction of the Lord.

God said let my people go and Pharaoh refused and made it tougher on the children of Israel, because someone would dare challenge his authority.

God's Judgment upon the Children of Israel.

Numbers. 14;11. & 16.

Vs. 14.

And the Lord said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? And how long will it be ere they believe me, for the signs which I have shewed among them?

God said to Moses. How long will these people treat me like dirt? How long will they refuse to trust me? And with all these signs I have done among them. I have had enough. I am going to hit them with a plague and kill them. But I will make you into a nation bigger and stronger than they ever were.

Vs. 16.

Because the Lord was not able to take this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

Unbelief was the children of Israel's problem. If they believed God and did what he asked them to do, they would not have had to go into the wilderness.

Exodus. 32;7-8.

And the Lord said unto Moses, Go, get thee down, for thy people which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves.

They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them, they have made a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy Gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

If you read this whole chapter you will find that God's anger was so great that he wanted to destroy them with fire, but Moses talked him out of it.

Joshua. 7;1. & 11.

Vs. 1.

But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing, for Achan, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing, and the anger of the Lord was kindled against the children of Israel.

Vs. 11.

The Lord said.

Israel hath sinned, and they have transgressed my covenant which I commanded them, for they have taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff

God said to Joshua, Get up. Why are you groveling? Israel has sinned. They have broken the covenant I commanded them, they have taken forbidden plunder, stolen and then covered up the theft, squirreling it away with their own stuff. The people of Israel can no longer look their enemies in the eye, they themselves are plunder. I cannot continue with you if you do not rid yourselves of the accursed thing.

Gods judgment came upon all Israel because of one man. If we do not clean up our lives Gods judgment will eventually fall upon us.

God's Judgment at work in the early Church.

Acts. 5;1-11.

Vs. 3.

But Peter said, Ananias, why have Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?

The Message bible says,

How did satin get you to lie to the Holy Ghost and to God?

Vs. 5.

Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost, and fear came upon all them that heard these things.

The Message Bible says,

That the fear of God came upon all men, and they quickly wrapped him up and buried him.

Vs. 9-10.

Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to temp the Spirit of the Lord? Behold the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out.

Then she fell down straightaway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost.

Vs. 11.

And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

By this time, the whole church and in fact everyone who heard of these things had a healthy respect for God. They new that God was not to be trifled with.

Acts. 13;8-11.

The story of Elymas the sorcerer who was blinded because he withstood God and was trying to turn people away from God.

Vs. 11.

And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness, and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

The Message Bible says,

You bag of wind, you parody of a devil, why have you stayed up nights inventing schemes to rob people of God. But now you have come up against God himself and you are going to go blind. No sunlight for you for a good long stretch. He plunged into darkness.

1 Timothy. 1;20.

Of whom is Hymenaeus, and Alexander, whom I have delivered unto satin, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

The Message Bible says,

I let these two wander off to satin to be taught a lesson or two about not to blaspheme.

Romans. 2;2.

But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth, against them which commit such things.

Psalm 19;9.

The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever, the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

Romans. 5;18.

Therefore as by the offence of one, judgment came upon all men to condemnation, even so by the righteousness of one, the free gift came unto all men unto Justification of life.

Isaiah. 4;4.

When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof, by the Spirit of Judgment, and by the Spirit of burning.

John. 16;7-12.

Vs.7-8.

Nevertheless, I tell you the truth, It is expedient for you that I go away, for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you, but If I depart, I will send him unto you.

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness and of judgment.

Vs. 11.

Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

John. 5;27.

And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of God.

1 Peter. 4;17.

For the time is now come, that judgment must begin at the house of God, and if it first began with us, what shall the end of it be of them that obey not the gospel of God.

I Corinthians. 11;31-32.

For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.

The Day of Judgment to come for the believer.

We know that when Jesus Christ comes at his second coming, then we as Christians will not be judged because the blood of Christ has cleansed us from our sins, and we shall rule and reign with him a thousand years.

2 Corinthians. 5;10.

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

Romans. 14;10-12.

For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

So then every one of us shall give an account of himself to God.

Revelation. 20;4.

And I saw thrones and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them, and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, which had not worshipped the beast neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands, and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

We know that after the 1000 years has passed, satin and his fallen angels, and all the unbelievers who were cast into the bottomless pit are raised, so as to be judged by God.

This is known as the second resurrection where the Christians who reigned with Christ for the 1000 years have no part in this judgment whatsoever.

God raises satin and all those people who did not obey God's word, and they are judged according to their works. They then face eternal judgment and are cast into the lake of fire for ever with no hope of ever being released from the torment.

Revelation. 20;7-15.

All those that stand before God and whose names are not written in the lambs book of life.

John. 5;28-29.

All those in the graves shall hear Gods voice and be raised unto the resurrection of the damnation.

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Notes

Questions. Session. 7.

1. Matthew. 18;18. What authority has been given to us to do?
2. Genesis. 6;5-7. How did God see the heart of man?
3. 2 Peter. 2;5. Why did God spare Noah?
4. Numbers. 14;11-16. What was the question that God asked Moses?
5. Exodus. 32;7-8. God saw the heart of man and told Moses what?
6. Joshua. 7;1 11. The children of Israel did what and how did God react?
7. Acts. 5;1-11. Why was God`s judgment on Ananias?
8. Acts. 13;8-11. Elymas received judgment from God. Why?
9. Psalm. 19;9. The fear of the Lord is what?
10. Isaiah. 4;4. By what Spirit does God implement his will?
11. John. 5;27. What has Jesus been given and Why?
12. 1 Peter. 4;17. What now must happen in the house of God?

Foundation Principles.

Session 8.

Perfection.

Hebrews. 6;1.

Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrines of Christ, Let us go on unto perfection.

From this we know that the word perfection is mentioned first in scripture before the 6 principles are mentioned, and if we have the 6 principles functioning in our lives, then we will attain unto a perfect man or woman in Jesus Christ and therefore will be a part of the Bride of Christ that will be presented to Jesus Christ the Bridegroom at his second coming.

The word perfect means,

- To adjust.
- To Repair.
- To Mend.
- To thoroughly Complete.
- To be made mature and become of full age.

Ephesians. 413.

Till we all come, in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians. 5;27.

That he might present to himself a glorious church, not having a spot or wrinkle, or such thing, but that it should be Holy and without blemish.

2 Timothy. 3;16-17.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Hebrews. 12;23.

To the general assembly and the church of the first born, which are written in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits, [or enrolled.] of just men made perfect.

God is Perfect in every way.

Hebrews. 5;8-9.

Though he were a son, yet he learned obedience by the things which he suffered.

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation, unto all them that obey him.

Deuteronomy, 32;4.

He is the Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are judgment. A God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

11 Samuel. 22;31.

As for God, his way is perfect, the word of the Lord is tried, he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.

Psalm. 19;7.

The Law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul, the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple.

Perfection relating to the Old Testament.

Genesis. 6;9.

Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

The Message Bible says,

Noah was a good man, a man of integrity in his community. Noah walked with God.

11 Kings. 20;3.& 6.

I beseech thee, O Lord, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore.

Vs. 6.

And I will add to thy days fifteen years, and I will deliver thee and thy city out of the hand of Assyria, and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

Job. 1;1.

There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job, and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

Proverbs. 4;18.

But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

1 Kings. 8;61.

Let your heart therefore be perfect with the Lord our God, to walk in his statues, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

Psalm. 37;37.

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace.

The Message Bible says,

Keep your eye on the healthy soul, scrutinize the straight life. There is a future in strenuous wholeness.

Perfection Relating to the New Testament.

Jesus was a perfect man that had no sin in him, and set the example for us to follow him and his ways, so that one day we to will be made perfect by the word of the Lord.

John. 17;23.

I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

The goal is for all of them to become one heart and mind, just as you are. Father, are in me and I in you, so they might be one heart and mind with us.

Then the world might believe that you, in fact, sent me.

The same glory you gave me, I gave them, so they will be as unified and together as we are.

I in them, and you in me. Then they will be mature in this oneness, and give the Godless world, evidence that you sent me, and loved them in the same way you have loved me.

Hebrews. 4;15.

For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

The Message Bible says,

Now that we know what we have, Jesus, this great high priest with ready access to God, let's not let it slip through our fingers. We do not have a priest who is out of touch with our reality. He has been through weakness and testing, experienced it all, all but sin. So let's walk right up to him and get what he is so ready to give. Take mercy, accept the help.

1 John 3;5.

And we know that he was manifested to take away our sins, and in him is no sin.

11 Corinthians. 5;21.

For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

The Message Bible says,

How, you ask. In Christ, God put the wrong on him who never did anything wrong, so we could be put right with God.

Genesis 17;1.

And when Abram was ninety years old, and nine, The Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the almighty God, walk before me, and be thou perfect.

When Abram was ninety nine years old. God showed up and said to him, I am the strong God, live entirely before me, live to the hilt, and I will make a covenant between us and I will give you a huge family.

Overwhelmed, Abram fell flat on his face.

Matthew. 5;48.

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your father which is in heaven is perfect.

The Message Bible says.

In a word, what I am saying is, Grow up. You are Kingdom subjects, Now live like it. Live out your God created Identity. Live generously and graciously towards others, the way God lives toward you.

Ephesians. 4;11-12.

And he gave some apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors, and teachers.

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.

The Message Bible says,

He handed out gifts above and below, filled heaven with his gifts, filled earth with his gifts. He handed out of Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor- Teacher to train Christ's followers in skilled servant work, working within Christ's body, the Church, until we all are moving rhythmically and easily with each other, efficient and graceful in response to God's son, fully mature adults, fully developed within and without, fully alive like Christ.

Jeremiah. 18;1-6.

This is the story about the clay that is on the Potter's wheel,

Vs. 4.

And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter, so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

Vs. 6.

O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? Saith the Lord. Behold, as the clay is in the potters hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

So I went to the potters house, and sure enough, the potter was working away at his wheel. Whatever the potter was working on turned out badly, as sometimes happens when you are working with clay, the potter would simply start over and use the same clay to make another pot.

God said, cannot I do just as the potter is doing, O people of Israel. God's decree. Watch this potter. In the same way that the potter works on clay, I shall work on you, People of Israel.

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Notes

Questions. Session. 8.

	1.	On page 68. What does the word perfect mean?
		Ephesians. 4;13. What does this scripture say?
****	3.	Genesis. 6;9. How was Noah described here?
••••		2. Kings. 20;3&6. What did Hezekiah do and what was the result of him doing it?
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****	6.	1. Kings. 8;61. We are encouraged to do what?
•••		John. 17;23. Says what?
		2. Corinthians. 5;21. Jesus did what for us so that we are blameless in him?
		Matthew. 5;48. What are we to attain to?
		Ephesians. 4;11-12. What ministry is given for our benefit?
••••		Jeremiah. 18;1-6. What is this story about and how does it relate to us?
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