

The Life of Christ

Course 2

Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life...." John 14:6

Lesson 12



Jesus Christ Our King Forever

The next course is a thrilling course! In Course 3, you will learn wonderful truths that will enable you to be a victorious, soul-winning Christian.

- ◆ How did this world come into being?
- ◆ What was God's most wonderful creation?
- ◆ Where did Satan come from?
- ◆ Who is God's Second Man?
- ◆ What does it mean to be "In Christ"?
- ◆ How can I overcome sin in my life?

- ◆ How can I have victory over Satan?
- ◆ How do I live the Christian life?
- ◆ What is the Heavenly Church?
- ◆ How can I help others to know Christ as their Savior?
- ◆ What is the secret of victory in Christ?
- ◆ What are the signs of Jesus' coming?
- ◆ Find the answers to these and other questions in:

The New Life in Christ, Course 3.

Don't Miss It!

Dear Friend,

In the gospels, we see Christ as the suffering Savior - the One who died on the cross for our sins. In the book of Revelation, God shows us a different picture of His Son. We see Him as the glorified Christ who sits at the right hand of God the Father.

• JESUS CHRIST IS KING OF KINGS

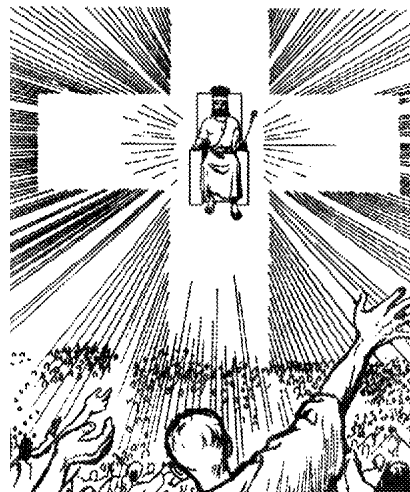
When the Apostle John was on the island of Patmos, the glorified Christ appeared to Him. His face was brighter than the mid-day sun. His voice was as a thousand rushing rivers. His feet were as fine brass heated to a white heat. His eyes were as a flaming fire. (Revelation 1)

When John saw this mighty, glorified Christ, he fell at His feet as dead. Then the Lord Jesus laid His hand upon John and said,

"Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am He that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I

am alive for evermore...."
Revelation 1:17,18

This is the Lord Jesus Christ as He is today - He is King of Kings and the Lord of Lords! He is coming back to this earth, and He is coming soon! In this lesson, we want to see what His coming will mean to the believers and to the unbelievers.



Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords

• THE KING IS COMING TO DESTROY HIS ENEMIES

For those who have never accepted Christ as Savior and Lord, His coming will be a time of terror and judgment. Christ is coming to judge sin and to destroy His enemies. John wrote,

"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 does judge and make war. And He has on His vesture and on His thigh written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."
Revelation 19:11,16

Wicked men will be so terrified when Christ comes that they will hide themselves in caves. They will call upon the rocks and mountains to fall on them to hide them from the face of Him who sits upon the throne and from His great wrath.

The Bible says that "the fearful" and the unbelievers and the wicked and all liars shall be thrown into the lake which burns with fire and brimstone.

Among "the fearful" are those who know they can be saved if they take Christ as their Savior, but they do not do so because they are afraid of what others may say. How terrible to be lost forever because of being "fearful."

•THE KING IS COMING TO TAKE HIS BELIEVERS TO BE WITH HIM

For those of us who have trusted Christ as Savior, His coming will be a glorious time. He is coming to take us to be with Him forever!

First, we will go to Heaven with the Lord to be judged for what we have done after we were saved. Those who have faithfully served the Lord will receive wonderful rewards.

Later, we will return to this earth with the Lord Jesus when He comes in great power and glory to destroy His enemies and to set up His kingdom. We will reign with Him for 1,000 years. Then we will go to be with the Lord in Heaven forever!

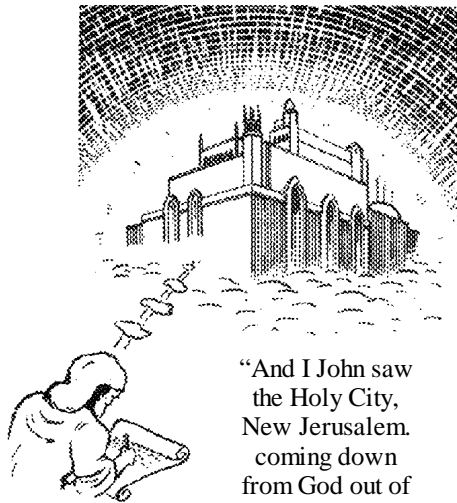
•WHAT IS HEAVEN LIKE?

Have you ever wondered what Heaven is like? Let us consider three things about Heaven:

① Heaven is a city of beauty.

Heaven is more beautiful than we can ever imagine. The Apostle John said,

*"And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of Heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."
Revelation 21:2*



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Revelation 21:2

The world has never seen a city like this one for the builder and maker of this city is God Himself. John describes it as having "the glory of God." John wrote,

*"... Her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal; And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels. And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass."
Revelation 21:11,12,18*

Just think! This city is made of pure gold, clear as glass. The foundations of the city are covered with all manner of precious stones. There are twelve gates, and each gate is a huge, beautiful pearl. Even the street of the city is pure gold!

This city has no need of the sun or the moon. God the Father and God the Son fill the city with light. The Bible says,

*"... the glory of God did light it, and the Lamb is the light thereof."
Revelation 21:23*

② Heaven is a city of abundance.

Many people have wondered about the size of the city of God. The Bible tells us that it is square and that it is approximately 1,500 miles in each direction. That is a lot of territory! Millions and millions of people will be there, yet no one will ever be hungry or lack anything. The Bible says,

*"They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more ... For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters"
Revelation 7:16,17*

③ Heaven is a city of happiness

The people who live in this city are happy. They love to sing songs of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord Jesus for what He did for them.

In Heaven there will be no sickness, no pain, no sorrow, no sin, and no death. All these things will be gone forever. The Bible says,

*"God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."
Revelation 21:4*

All our loved ones who trusted in Christ will be there. Some people wonder, "Will we know our loved ones in Heaven?" Yes, we will! We will know them and we will be with them forever. We will never have to say "Good-bye" to them again.

One of our greatest joys in Heaven will be meeting those we led to Christ. Think of how wonderful it will be if someone comes up to you in Heaven and says, "Do you

remember the time you talked to me about Jesus? That was when I realized that I needed Him and I trusted Him as my Savior. I just want to thank you for telling me about the Lord Jesus so I could be here with Him in this beautiful place forever."

But the most wonderful thing about Heaven is this - God Himself will dwell with us. He will be our God, and we will be His people. Nothing will ever harm us or make us afraid. The Bible says,

*"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with them, and be their God."
Revelation 21:3*

•WHO WILL BE THE INHABITANTS OF THIS CITY OF OUR KING?

The ones who will live in the beautiful city of God are those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life - that is, those who have received the Lord Jesus as their Savior.

In Heaven everyone loves and worships the Lord Jesus. You can walk the streets of Heaven a million years and you will never hear anything but words of worship and praise for Him. Since this is true, then those who do not love the Lord Jesus will have no part in this beautiful place.

•WHAT WILL WE DO IN HEAVEN?

↳ We will see our King face-to-face. The Bible says, "And they shall see His face."

↳ We will sing a new song - a song of praise to the Lord Jesus for what He did for us.

↳ We will serve our king. The Bible says, "His servants shall serve Him." We do not know exactly what

this service will be, but we will enjoy it because we love Him.

↳ We will reign with our King. The Bible says that we shall reign with Him for ever and ever.

↳ We will worship our King. To worship the Lord means to adore and reverence Him because He is worthy.

•JESUS CHRIST IS WORTHY OF ALL WORSHIP

John saw the throne of God in Heaven. In the midst of that throne he saw "a Lamb as it had been slain." This is none other than the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus has many titles, but none is more wonderful than the title "the Lamb of God."

What do we mean when we speak of Jesus as "the Lamb of God?"

We mean that He died on the cross for our sins. The most precious truth in all the Bible is this: The Son of God loved us so much that He left Heaven and became a man so He could die for our sins. It is no wonder that all in Heaven love and worship Him.

The Bible says,

*"... Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood ... to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever."
Revelation 1:5,6*

People from every tribe, country,

and nation in the world will gather around the throne of the Lord Jesus to sing His praises. The Bible says,

*"They sang a new song, saying, You are worthy ... for You were slain and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And have made us unto our God kings and priests"
Revelation 5:9,10*

John saw angels around the throne of the Lord Jesus. The number of them was so great that they could not be counted. They were worshipping the Lord Jesus saying,

*"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing."
Revelation 5:12*

Then John describes another scene in Heaven. This time he heard every creature in Heaven and earth worshipping the Lord Jesus saying,

*"Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever."
Revelation 5:13*

Some day, with the millions of redeemed people, we will gather around the throne of the Lord Jesus to praise and worship Him. Our King is worthy of all worship!



•THE KING IS COMING!

Yes, the King is coming, and He is coming soon! The Lord Jesus said,

*"Behold, I come quickly"
Revelation 22:12*

Soon we will be with our King forever! The trials and problems of this life will last only a short time - they will actually add to our glory in Heaven. The Bible says,

*"For our light affliction,
which is but for a moment,
works for us a far more
exceeding and eternal
weight of glory."
II Corinthians 4:17*

The sorrows and sufferings of this world areas nothing compared to the glory we will have one day. Paul, the Apostle, wrote,

*"For I reckon that the
sufferings of this present time
are not worthy to be com-
pared with the glory which
shall be revealed in us."
Romans 8:18*

How glorious is our future! We cannot even imagine how wonderful Heaven will be! The Bible says,

*"Eye has not seen, nor ear
heard, neither have entered
into the heart of man, the
things which God has prepa-*

*red for them that love Him."
I Corinthians 2:9*

May the glories of Heaven so fill our minds that we will be joyful in the trials and sorrows of this life. May Christ's love so fill our hearts that we will live for Him. And may the hope of His coming so purify us that we will be ready when He comes.

"Even so, come Lord Jesus!"



Discovered Gem

Jesus is coming soon! We will be with our King forever!

Dear Friend,

It is our prayer that in these lessons you have come to see something of the greatness and the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. A great man of God wrote,

*"To have one's eyes opened to see the surpassing excellence of Christ and
to love Him supremely is the true beginning of what gives pleasure to God."*

What is your response to the things you have learned in this course? May we suggest two things that will make you live a blessed life.

① Let Christ be everything to you.

Choose to love Him with all your heart. Make it your purpose to please Him in all that you do. Say to Him, "Lord Jesus, I will love You with all my heart! I make it my purpose to please You even if it means displeasing others."

② Spend time alone with the Lord each day,

reading His Word and in prayer to Him. This is one way we show the Lord how much we love Him. Spending time with the Lord each day is one of the great secrets of a happy, victorious Christian life.

My Response:

By God's grace I purpose to let Christ be everything to me to love Him with all my heart and to serve Him to the best of my ability. I purpose to spend time with Him each day, in prayer and reading His Word.

Signed: _____


Date: _____

P.S. On a separate sheet of paper, please write and tell us the most important thing you learned in the course.


QUIET TIME HIGHLIGHTS

WEEK - 12


There is a Bible passage listed for each day. Read it carefully. Write out the verse(s) that impress you most. Then write down in your own words what it is in the verse(s) that impresses you. Perhaps you have a personal need that the Lord answers for you in the Scripture. Or perhaps He shows you something about Himself that you have not known before. This is YOUR Personal Quiet Time with the Lord, so keep it personal.

 **MONDAY** **Read: Psalm 119:1-32**
Verse(s) that impressed me most: _____


This is what impresses me about the verse(s): _____

 **TUESDAY** **Read: Psalm 119:33-64**
Verses(s) that impressed me most: _____


This is what impresses me about the verses(s) _____

 **WEDNESDAY** **Read: Psalm 119:65-88**
Verse(s) that impressed me most: _____


This is what impresses me about the verse(s): _____

 **THURSDAY** **Read: Psalm 119:89-120**
Verse(s) that impressed me most: _____


This is what impresses me about the verse(s): _____

 **FRIDAY** **Read : Psalm 119:121-152**
Verse(s) that impressed me most: _____

This is what impressed me about the verse(s) _____

 **SATURDAY** **Read: Psalm 119:153-176**
Verse(s) that impressed me most: _____

This is what impresses me about the verse(s): _____

 **SUNDAY** **Read: Review Psalm 119**
Verse 9: How does one live a clean life? _____

Verse 49 and 50: What do the words, hope, comfort, and quickened mean to you? _____

Verse 153-176: Read these verses as a prayer. Write down what helps you most in this prayer. _____

QUESTIONS PAGES

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Turn to the Questions page as you finish each lesson. Fill in the answers for that lesson before going on to the next lesson.
2. When you have studied the lessons and have completed both Question Pages, carefully detach these question pages. Fold them carefully for mailing with a First Class stamp on the envelope. Or go on the web to www.ednetusa.com and email us your exam.

Don't forget to write in your name and complete return address.

Send in your ANSWER SHEETS ONLY!

Save your lessons for future reference.

QUESTIONS

1. The Lord Jesus Christ as He is today is
 (a) King of kings and Lord of lords!
 (b) ruling the Christian nations.
 (c) controlling part of the universe.

2. Christ's Second coming will be a time of terror and judgment for
 (a) everyone.
 (b) Christians.
 (c) those who have never accepted Christ as Savior and Lord.

3. Who will be thrown into the lake which burns with fire and brimstone?
 (a) believers.
 (b) the fearful, the unbelievers, the wicked and all liars.
 (c) only people who are liars.

4. Who are "the fearful"?
 (a) people who are afraid to die.
 (b) people who know they can be saved, but do not take Christ as Savior because they are afraid of what others may say.
 (c) people who are afraid of the dark.

5. Which of these statements is true?
 (a) Heaven is a city built just like our cities on earth.
 (b) There will not be enough room in Heaven for everyone.
 (c) Heaven is a city of beauty, of abundance, and of happiness.

6. Will we know our loved ones in Heaven?
 (a) No, we will all be exactly alike.

(b) No, they will be different and we will not recognize them.
 (c) Yes, we will know them and we will be with them forever.

7. One of our greatest joys in Heaven will be meeting
 (a) the angels.
 (b) our friends.
 (c) those we led to Christ.

8. The most wonderful thing about Heaven is this -
 (a) We will never die.
 (b) It will never be dark.
 (c) God Himself will dwell with us.

9. Who will live in the city of God?
 (a) All people.
 (b) those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.
 (c) only the angels.

10. The most precious truth in all the Bible is this:
 (a) The Son of God loved us so much that He left Heaven and became a man so He could die for our sins.
 (b) Jesus did many miracles to help people.
 (c) We will have a new body in Heaven.

What is the most important thing you have learned in this lesson?

PLEASE PRINT You must return answer sheet before you get next lesson.

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