

1 CHRISTIANS BELONG TO GOD

Memory Verse: "Here I [Jesus] am! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear My voice and open the door, I will come in." (Revelation 3:20)

Find the Bible verses in these lessons in your Bible. Or, find them in your New Testament. John 1:12 means the Book of John, chapter 1, verse 12. Find the list of books at the beginning of your Bible. You will find the page numbers for all the books. Turn to the page numbers where the books start. Find the Bible verses and read them. Then read each sentence and question in the lessons. Write the answers in your own words. Or, use the words from the Bible. (The verses from the Old Testament are printed for you.)

1. Read John 1:12. I have received Jesus **into my heart**. I believe Jesus Christ is God. Now, I am one of His _____. Jesus is my **Savior**. I am a **Christian**.
2. Jesus is a Friend to all people who receive Him. Jesus wants to come **into our hearts**. He is waiting to come. But, we must ask Him to come. Read Revelation 3:20 and answer the questions below.
 - a. Who wants to come **into our hearts**?

 - b. Who can answer Jesus' voice?

 - c. What does Jesus want me to do? He wants me to let Him _____ **into my heart**.

- d. What will Jesus Christ do when I open the door of my heart? He will _____ in.
 - e. Have you asked Jesus Christ to come **into your heart**?
Are you a **Christian** now? _____ Yes _____ No
3. Jesus Christ came to **save** people who are _____.
(Luke 19:10) **Lost** means everyone who does not know Jesus as **Savior**.
 4. Read Romans 3:23. Why are people **lost**? Because they have _____.
 5. Romans 6:23 says that **sin** "pays" or brings us _____.
This means that **sin** separates **sinners** from God. **Sinners** will live in **hell** when they die. But, Jesus Christ gives **believers** the gift of **eternal life**. **Believers** will live in **heaven** when they die.
 6. Romans 5:8 says, " _____ died for us while we were still _____."
 7. Find the Book of 1 John. It is near the end of the New Testament. 1 John is one of John's letters. It is not the same as the Book of John. Read 1 John 1:9. "But if we _____ our **sins**, He will _____ our **sins**." **Confess** means to tell God we are **sinners**.
 8. Isaiah 55:7 says: "The wicked should stop doing wrong, and they should stop their evil thoughts. . . . They should come to our God, because He will freely **forgive** them."
They must **repent** of their **sins**.
 - a. The wicked should stop doing _____.
 - b. They should _____ their evil thoughts.

- c. What will God do when we repent? He will _____ me.
9. Find Ephesians 2:8-9. Put an X in front of the correct answer. The way to be **saved** is:
 _____ a. I must do a lot of work.
 _____ b. I must try to **save** myself.
 _____ c. I must believe in Jesus Christ to **save** me.
10. Read Ephesians 2:10. We are to do _____ after we are **saved**. Do good works **save** us? _____ Yes _____ No
11. We learn to know the _____ through Jesus Christ. (John 14:6, 9)
12. Read 1 John 5:13. **Believers** can _____ that they have **eternal life** now.
13. The person who believes in Jesus has **eternal** _____. This means I will live forever. I will live in _____ when I die. (John 6:47)
14. How do you know that you are a child of God? Tell how you know in your own words. _____
15. Jesus has given new life to you. You are a child of God. Now, how can you grow as a **Christian**? Here are some important ways you can grow as a **Christian**.
 a. *Read your Bible every day.* Read Matthew 4:4. Then, read a chapter in the Book of John each day. These lessons have questions from the Book of John. Also, there are questions from other books in the Bible. Study the memory verse for each lesson. Memorize each one.

- b. *Pray every day.* Talk to God. There are no special words you must say. Talk to God as you talk to a good friend.
- c. *Go to church as often as you can.* Go to a church that preaches from the Bible. Go to a church that preaches about Jesus. You need to be with other **Christians**. They will help you live for Jesus.
- d. *Obey God.* Ask God to help you. He will tell you what you should do. He will speak to you through the Bible. He will speak to you in church. Ask yourself, "What would Jesus do?" The answer will help you obey God.
- e. *Witness to other people.* Tell someone else what Jesus Christ did for you. **Witness** to other people that you are now a **Christian**.

Now, you should understand better what a **Christian** is. This is only the start of your **Christian** life. There is more joy to come!

WORD LIST

1. **believers** (*noun*): people who believe in Jesus Christ as their **Savior**; people who receive Jesus **into their hearts**; all people who are **Christians**.
2. **Christian** (*proper noun*): a person who **repents** of **sins** and believes in Jesus; a person who follows and obeys Jesus Christ.
3. **confess** (*verb*): tell God that you know you are a **sinner**; tell God about your **sins** and your evil thoughts and acts.
4. **eternal life** (*noun phrase*): the life that God gives; the life with God now and with Him forever in **heaven**.
5. **forgive** (*verb*): not punish someone for their bad thoughts and acts; (God **forgives** and forgets our **sins** when we **repent**.)

6. **heaven** (*noun*): the home of **Christians** after death.
7. **hell** (*noun*): the place where **sinner**s are punished after death.
8. **into my heart, into our hearts** (*prepositional phrase*): in the inner person; in the center of people; (The heart includes the mind, will, and desires of a person.)
9. **lost** (*adjective*): not finding the way to God; without hope of **eternal life**; not knowing Jesus Christ as **Savior**.
10. **repent** (*verb*): ask God to **forgive sins**; turn away from **sin** and turn to God.
11. **save; saves** (*verb*): make free from **sin**; (Jesus Christ **saves** or cleans us of our **sins**. Therefore, He **saves** us from being punished in **hell**.)
12. **Savior** (*proper noun*): Jesus Christ; the One who **saves** us from **sin**.
13. **sin** (*verb*): **sins** (*noun*): do bad acts and think bad thoughts; not obeying God; bad thoughts or acts.
14. **sinner** (*noun*): a person who does not obey the laws of God; a person who **sins**.
15. **witness** (*verb*): tell people about Jesus Christ; tell what Jesus Christ has done for you.