

MY GOD IN MOTION...

You Are Your Own Worst Enemy!

*“Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who draws strength from mere flesh and whose heart turns away from the Lord.”
Jeremiah 17:5*

Virtual Home Group Bible Study

27 Nov 2024

Agenda

- Purpose & Opening
- Topic: What, Why, How
- Discussion
- Resources
- Feedback & Future Topics
- Closing & Send off

Purpose & Opening

Purpose: Exhort one another into Love and Good Works

“And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,
Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some,
but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:24-25

Opening Prayer:

Thank you for the opportunity

Give me Words to deliver Your message

Give us Eyes to See all things from Your perspective

Give us Ears to Hear and understand Your Word

Help us get to know You through Your Word

Help us be transformed into the people You intended us to be

Help us turn Your Words into loving action through our flesh

Help us bring You glory in all we do

Topic

- What: You Are Your Own Worst Enemy!
- Why:
 - My children are destroyed by their lack of knowledge.
 - They do not realize they are the source of their own problems.
 - They ignore Me and go their own way.
 - They get lost and dig holes for themselves
 - It gets harder and harder to climb out themselves
 - Eventually they become desperate and reach out to Me.
 - The sooner you figure this out the better
- How: See the problem, Be willing to accept Help, Get It Fixed

We Are Destroyed by Lack of Knowledge

Hosea 4:6

My people are **destroyed for lack of knowledge**.

Ephesians 4:17-19

17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the **futility of their mind**, 18 having their **understanding darkened**, being **alienated from the life of God**, because of the **ignorance** that is in them, because of the **blindness of their heart**; 19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

You Are Your Own Worst Enemy

Jeremiah 1:5

Before I formed you in the womb **I knew you**;

Matthew 7:21-23

Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' 23 And then I will declare to them, '**I never knew you**; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

What changed?

You were born into your sinful nature: self-conscious, self-centered, seeking love

You were trained by the world: loving the ways of the world, self-dependent, ignoring God

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Your Flawed Inner-Self Works Against God

Jeremiah 17:9

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?

Mark 7:21-22

For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, **pride**, foolishness.

Psalms 10:4

In the pride of his face **the wicked does not seek Him**; all his thoughts are, "**There is no God.**"

Romans 8:7

For the mind that is set on the flesh is **hostile to God**, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.

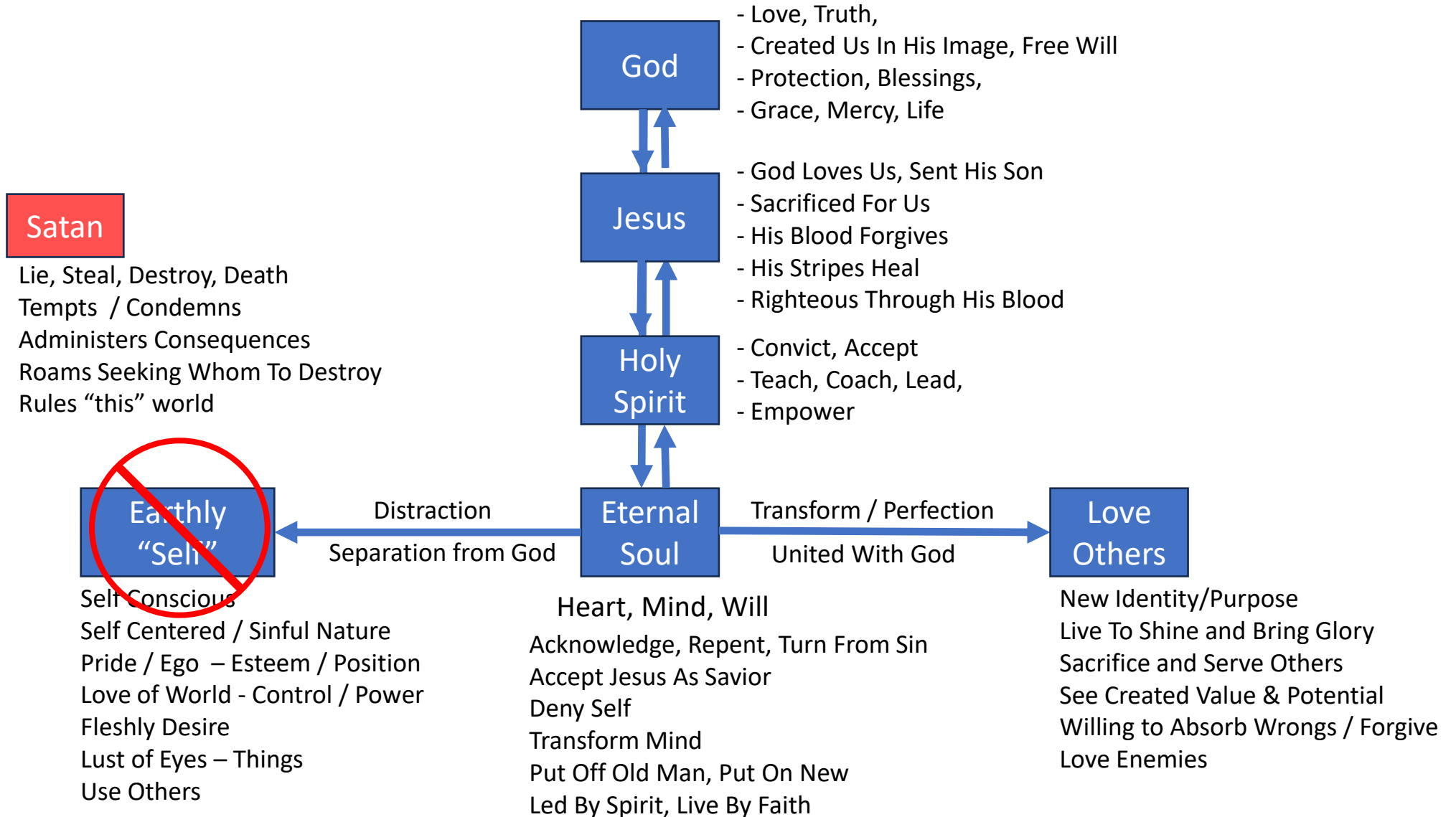
2 Timothy 3:2-5

For people will be **lovers of self**, lovers of money, **proud**, **arrogant**, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, **unholy**, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, **without self-control**, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, **lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God**, **having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power**. Avoid such people.

Colossians 1:21

And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled.

God Wants To Help You



We Must Get Our Selves Out of The Way

Mark 12:30-31

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways **acknowledge him**, and he will make straight your paths.

Luke 9:23

And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him **deny himself** and take up his cross daily and follow me.

2 Corinthians 5:15

And He died for all, that those who live might **no longer live for themselves** but for Him who for their sake died and was raised.

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live **by faith** in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Where Are You Currently Distracted

1 John 2:15-17

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

You Vs God

Love God with **ALL** your Heart

- Acknowledge Him
- Trust Him
- Align With Him
- Follow Him
- Serve Him

Love Your Neighbor **AS** Yourself

- Serve, Sacrifice, Forgive
- Family, Friends, Community
- Other Believers
- Needy: Poor, Hungry, Widow, etc
- Strangers, Enemies



Love
Self

Love
God

All About **ME**

- My Life, My Way, My Will
- I'm in Control
- What is in it for me
- Who is getting credit
- How can I look good
- Serve "My" people
- Use Others for My gain
- Defend Me, Seek Revenge

Yourself Vs Neighbor



Love The
World
(For My
Benefit)

Love
Others
(For Their
Benefit)

Pride
of Life

Lust of
Eyes

Lust of
Flesh

Seek Attention and Advantage

- Position, Power, Control, Reward
- Manipulation, Use, Abuse

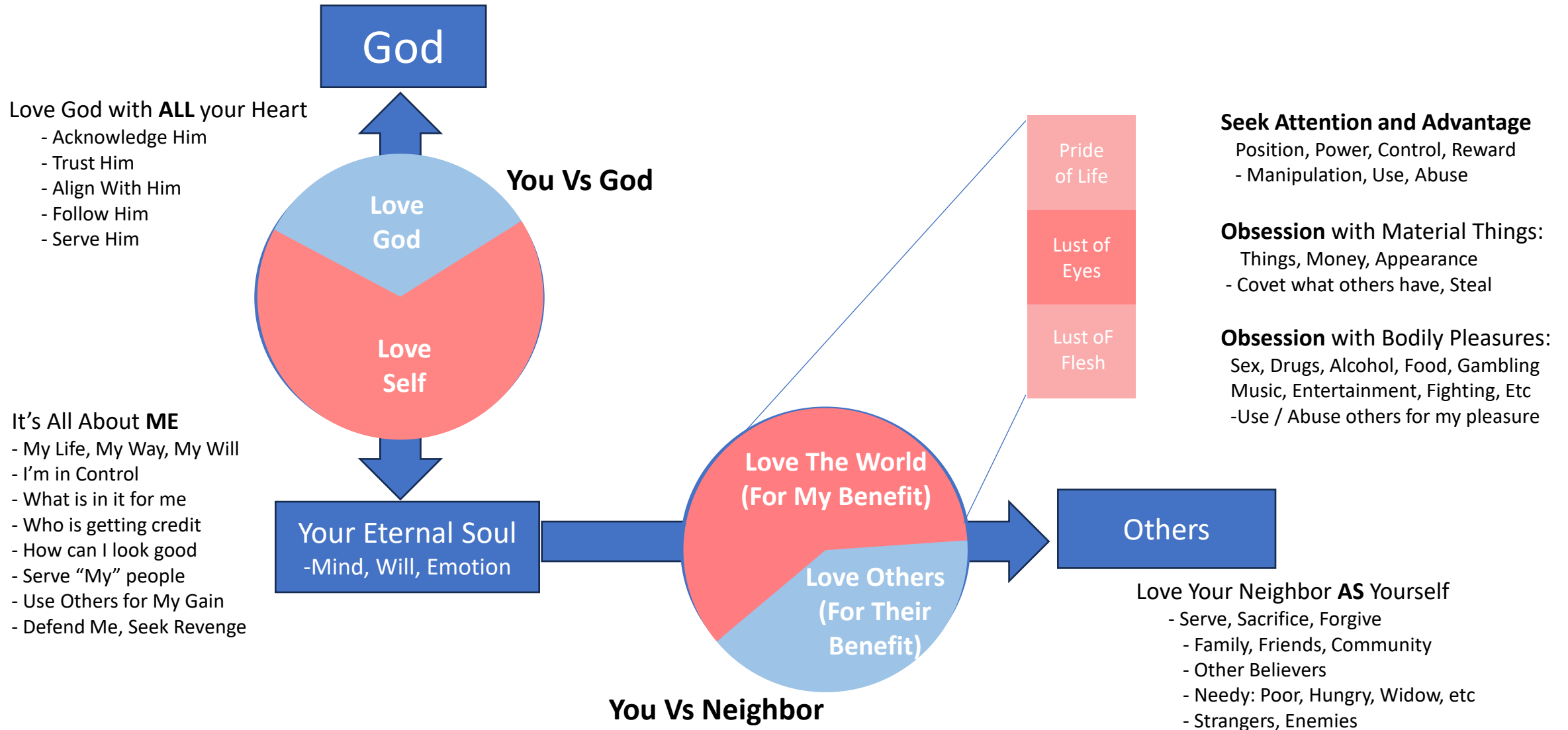
Obsession with Material Things:

- Things, Money, Appearance
- Covet what others have, Steal

Obsession with Bodily Pleasures:

- Sex, Drugs, Alcohol, Food, Gambling
- Music, Entertainment, Fighting, Etc
- Use / Abuse others for my pleasure

Where Are You Currently Distracted



We Present Obstacles To God's Help

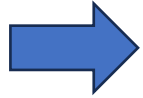
Path to Success

Believe in God
Confess Flaws, Sinful Nature
Eternal Justice, Need Savior
Repent, Turn from Sins
Trust In Jesus
Receive Forgiveness
Deny Self
Pick-up Your Cross
Submit / Yield Control
Separate From the World
Led By Spirit
Live By Faith – Promises/Hope
Focus Forward
Serve Others / Sacrifice
Love Enemies / Forgive
Live To Shine

Obstacles We Present

- Ignore Objective Evidence, Ignore His Word, Ignore Your Heart
- Resist Self-Reflection, Ignore Sins, I'm A Good Enough Person
- Invent Own Version of God, Ignore Principle of Justice (Crime=Time)
- Love our Sins, Love Earthly Gratification
- Trust in Self, Do Good Works to Compensate/Offset for Sin
- Ignore Jesus Finished Work, Stay in Guilt, Condemnation, Shame
- Love Self: Me, Myself, Mine - Pride, Recognition, Selfish Agendas
- What Will I Get out of Serving/Sacrificing/Suffering?
- Hold Control: My Life, My Way, My Agenda
- Love Power, Pleasure, Earthly gratification, Evil influences
- Led by Flesh: What I can see in front of me, Worldly logic
- Live By Fear: Known and Unknow Threats Dominate Life
- Stuck in Past: Problems, Limitations, Burdens, Baggage
- Focus on Self: My Needs, My Things, Why should I, What do I get
- Hold on to wrongs suffered
- Focus on Me: My situation, My problems, My suffering, My story

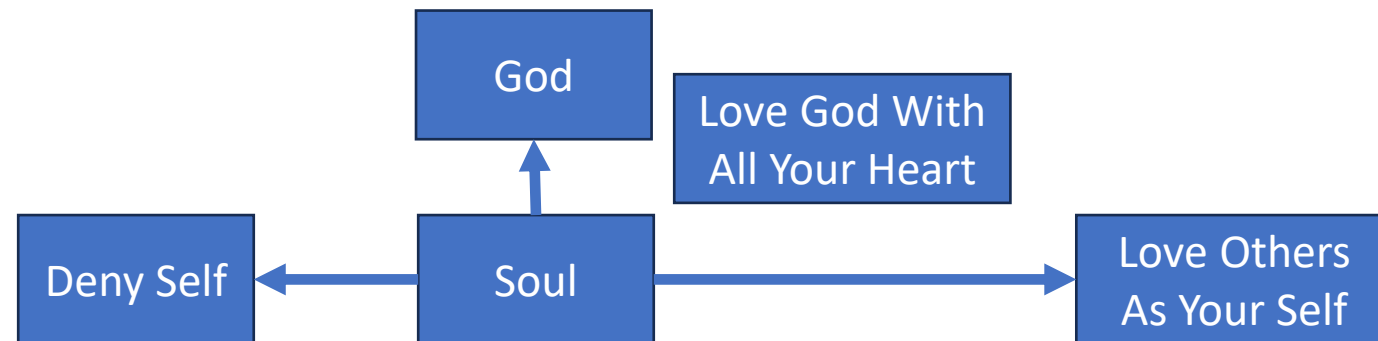
Get Your Self Out Of The Way



- Reflect, How Much “Self” is still in the way
- Acknowledge “Self” as Sin, rebellion against God
- Repent, Turn from Sin
- Acknowledge Jesus Love and Sacrifice
- Accept Jesus as Your Lord
- Deny Your Self – Your earthly self, Ego, Pride, Self-Centered Agendas
- Focus on Getting To Know Jesus – Spend Time With Him and His Word
- Focus on Serving Others – Find more ways to Be Useful, Helpful
- Pick up Your Cross – Sacrifice where needed so God’s love can flow
- Be Led By The Spirit – Ask, Listen, Follow
- Live in Faith – Trust in His Promises, Give Up Control

How: Listen to Your Own Words / Thoughts

- Listen for “Self” in your thoughts and words
 - Me, Myself, I
 - My situation, My Problems, My Past, My Plans
 - I want, I need, I deserve, I will
 - What happened to Me, What he/she/they did to Me or said To Me
- Take mental note, keep a log if you wish
 - Was my self-centered thought aligned under God...or just serving me



How: What Do You Worship?

- **Worship =** Devote Time / Energy / Attention, Focus Resources, Prioritize Above Other Competing Interests
- **Common “gods”**
 - Looks / Appearance
 - Fleshly Pleasures: Sex, Alcohol, Drugs, Food, Gambling
 - Money
 - Material Things: House, Car, Possessions, “Toys”
 - Position: Job, Title, Education, Degrees, Social Status, Recognition
 - Power: Authority, Manipulation, Control
 - Sports Teams
- **God asks us to put Him First and align everything else to Him.**

Exodus 20:3
You shall have no other gods before Me.

Proverbs 3:6
In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 16:3
Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.


How: Get Your Why's Lined Up

- What Do I do?
 - Catalog time spent for a typical week
- Why do I do those things?
 - For each one, Identify your Why.
 - Keep asking “why” until you get to a why that helps God and his kingdom
 - If you can't get to one...question your motive and or your activity
- Why do I exercise xx hr a day?
 - Option A: So I will look good, Why? So I feel good about myself? Impress my friends?
 - Option B: So I will be healthy, Why? So I can better serve others

Activity	Duration	Purpose

Blog post: <https://mygodinmotion.org/about-him-god-jesus/what-is-your-why/>

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How: Power of Positive Confession

Proverbs 18:21

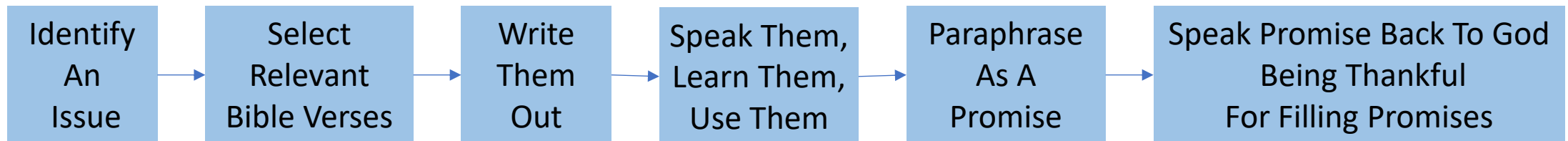
Death and life are in the power of the tongue,
And those who love it will eat its fruit.

Isaiah 55:11:

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It shall not return to Me void,
But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

Psalms 19:14

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in
your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.



State Your Trust In God – His Plans

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the **plans I have for you**, declares the Lord, **plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.**

Ex: Heavenly Father, Thank you for having such wonderful plans for me, plans for my welfare and not for evil, plans for a future and hope. I trust your plans.

Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God **all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.**

Ex: Lord, Thank you for working all things together for good for those who are called to your purpose. I trust You and Your outcomes. I submit myself to your calling and to your purpose. Help me to see it and stay aligned.

Proverbs 3:5–6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

Ex: Lord, I trust you with all my heart. You are the source of all love and all truth, all good and every single breath. I will not longer trust in myself or the ways of man. I will not lean on my own understanding but seek input from You. Help me to see all things from Your perspective and be an effective agent for You on this earth.

Isaiah 64:8

But now, O Lord, you are our Father; **we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.**

Ex: Heavenly Father, you are the master potter and I am the clay. You have been molding me all along this journey. I trust your skillful hands and fully submit myself to you. I trust you to mold me and shape me into the amazing person you envisioned when you formed me in my mother's womb.

State Your Trust In God – His Purpose

Matthew 6:10

Your kingdom come. **Your will be done** On earth as it is in heaven.

Ex: Heavenly Father, I trust Your will. I yield my will to You. I want to execute your will. Help me see and resolve any remaining misalignments. I want your kingdom to come, Your will to be done here on earth as it already is done in heaven.

Ephesians 1:11–12

In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who **works all things** according to the counsel of His will, that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the **praise of His glory**.

Ex: Lord Jesus, I have responded to your call and have put my trust in you. Thank you for working all things for Your purpose and for Your work for us on the cross. I am born again into your heavenly family, and I thank you for the inheritance. I am being transformed in this life and will spend eternity with You in heaven. I trust you and I thank you.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are His workmanship, **created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Ex: Lord, You are the master potter and I am the clay. You are forming me for good works and I trust you. Help me see the opportunities You have in front of me and help me to step into them and serve You well.

State Your Trust In God – His Word

Matthew 4:4

...‘**Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.**’

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Proverbs 4:20-23

My son, **give attention to my words;**
Incline your ear to my sayings.
Do not let them depart from your eyes;
Keep them in the midst of your heart;
For **they are life to those who find them,**
And **health to all their flesh.**

Ex: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending you Word. I cherish every word out of Your mouth. I incline my eyes to them, and I hold them deep in my heart. They are powerful and come alive in me. I fully trust them, and they bring life to my soul and health to my flesh.

State Your Trust In God – Submit/Commit to Him

1 Corinthians 10:31

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or **whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.**

Colossians 3:17:

And whatever you do in word or deed, **do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.**

Colossians 3:23:

And whatever you do, **do it heartily, as to the Lord** and not to men

Proverbs 16:3:

Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.

Psalms 37:5

Commit your way to the LORD; Trust also in him; And he shall bring it to pass

Job 22:21-25

Submit to God, and you will have peace; then things will go well for you. Listen to his instructions, and store them in your heart.

Ex: Lord, I trust you and I hereby submit myself to you. I will live my life to bring glory to You. Guide me and teach me and I will do all I do to bring glory to You.

State Your Trust In God – His Power In/Thru Me

Matthew 19:26

But Jesus looked at them and said, “**With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.**”

Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Romans 8:11

But if **the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you**, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Ex: Heavenly Father, Thank You for living in me and through me. I trust you to be with me and to help me through what ever obstacles I face. I can do all things through you who strengthens me. The power that raised Jesus from the dead lives inside me and brings life to my mortal body. With that power in me and through me, even the impossible is possible.

State Your Trust In God – His Presence/Protection

Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; **I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold** you with my righteous right hand.

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Psalms 28:7

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him“

Psalms 23:4

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil;

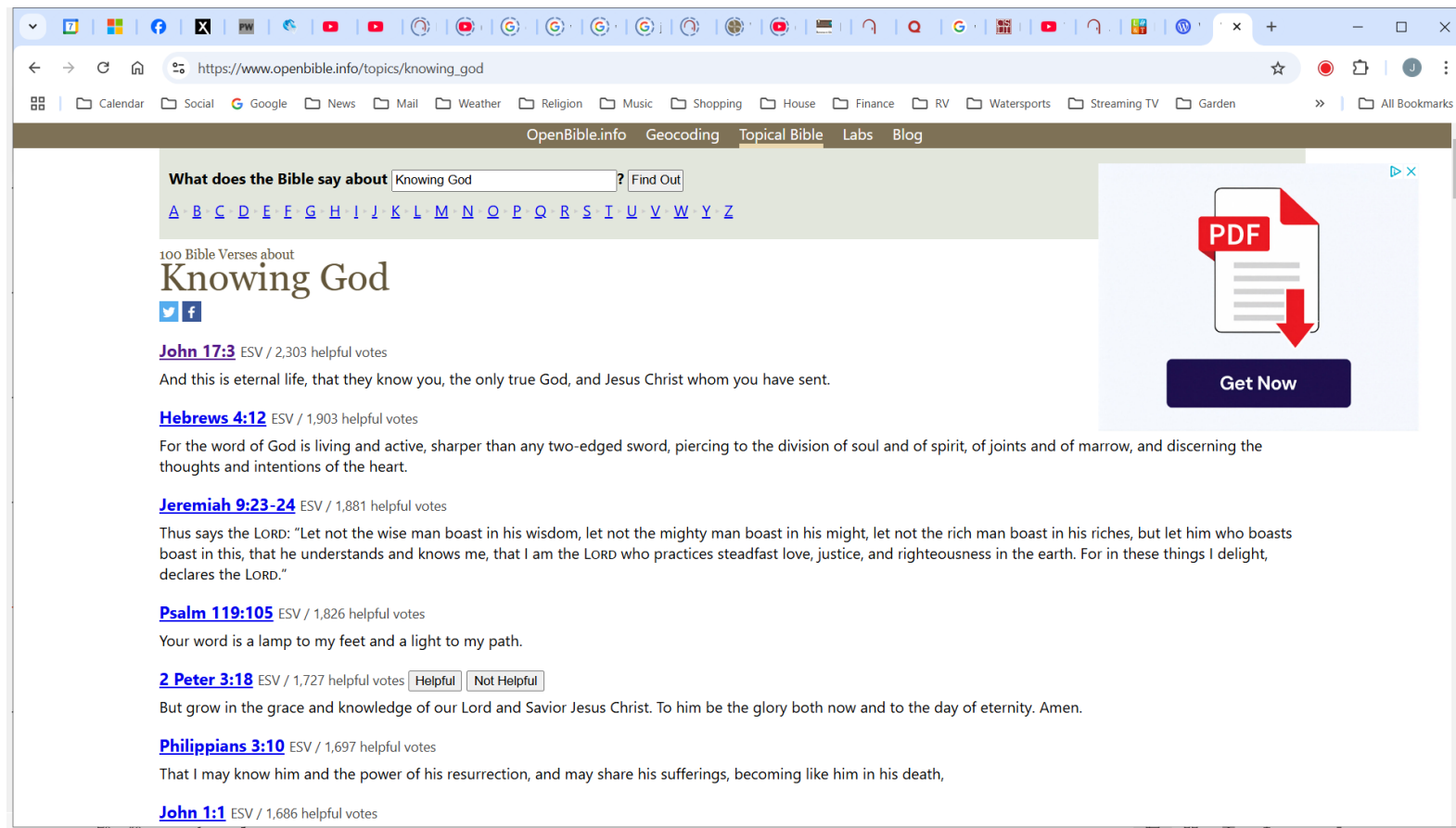
For You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Ex: Heavenly Father, Thank You for being with me and never leaving me. I will not fear because I put my trust in you. You are my strength and my shield. You are with me and never leave. You are mighty and powerful, more powerful than any force on earth. Your righteous right hand raises me up and protects me. I thank you for your presence and protection.

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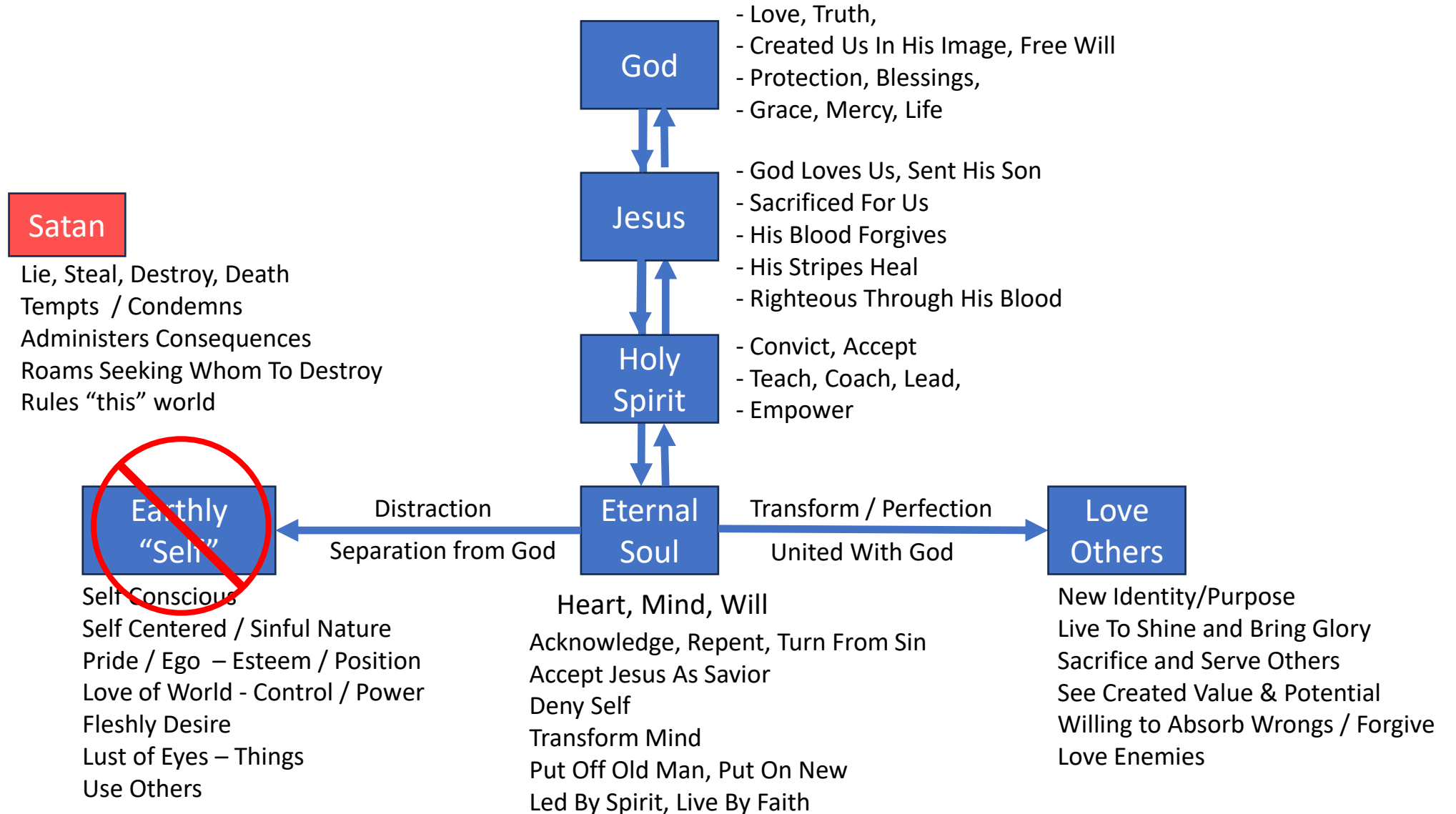
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And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.
- Hebrews 4:12** ESV / 1,903 helpful votes
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- Jeremiah 9:23-24** ESV / 1,881 helpful votes
Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD."
- Psalms 119:105** ESV / 1,826 helpful votes
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
- 2 Peter 3:18** ESV / 1,727 helpful votes
But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.
- Philippians 3:10** ESV / 1,697 helpful votes
That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,
- John 1:1** ESV / 1,686 helpful votes

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Deny Your Earthly Self To Get It Out Of The Way



Discussion

Does this make sense?

- Questions
- Clarification
- Other Inputs

Practical Experiences?

- Struggles / Barriers
- Strategies to Overcome
- Success / Lesson Learned

Favorite Verses

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Other topics / key verses / example Positive Confirmation statements in appendix

- He is Lord
- His Righteousness
- Power of His Word
- His Presence
- Your Purpose, To shine

Future Topic:

- Praying in the Spirit. Speaking In tongues

Feedback

- What is working: Keep doing
 - ✓ Good Content - Food for thought
 - ✓ Good Mix - Content & discussion
 - ✓ Good Format - Casual / Informal – Easy to engage
 - ✓ Graphics are good/helpful - Draw the story together
- What could be better: Suggestions to consider
 - ✓ Me: Let folks do a quick intro to get familiar
 - ✓ Me: Host to log in at 6:45 so others can get settled online and start on time
 - Me: Set dog up for success to avoid distraction
 - Me: Leave more time for discussion

Future Topics

Candidate topic for next week:

Pray In The Spirit

Recent Activity / Potential Topics:

- Act in Faith to Make Room For Grace!
- How do you Eat the Word of God?
- How do you Restore the Image of God?
- What does it mean to be a Branch of Jesus' Vine?
- How is God's Love perfected through us?
- Fear of God is the beginning of Wisdom!
- Top 10 Lies from Satan, and The Truth

Any hot topics on your mind?

- How to stand in Faith in end times

Closing

- Thank You for this opportunity, fellowship, sharing
- Thank you for the gift of Your Word, and Your Son who made it flesh
- May we See, Hear, and Embrace your Word in our Heart, and assimilate it into our flesh
- May we recognize the opportunities within us and around us
- May we seek Your face and embrace Your help to root out our selfish agendas
- May we transform into Your image and perfect the flow of Your love to others
- May we be inspired into the good works that You have prepared
- May we walk in the light as Jesus was in the light
- May we shine as a light in this dark world
- May we become bright beacons for Your kingdom
- May we do all in Your name to bring glory to the Father who sent You

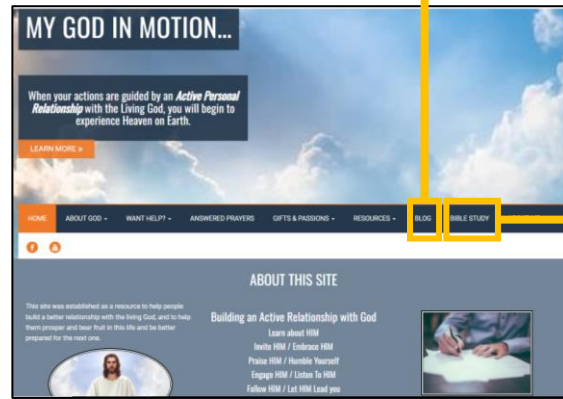
“...if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14

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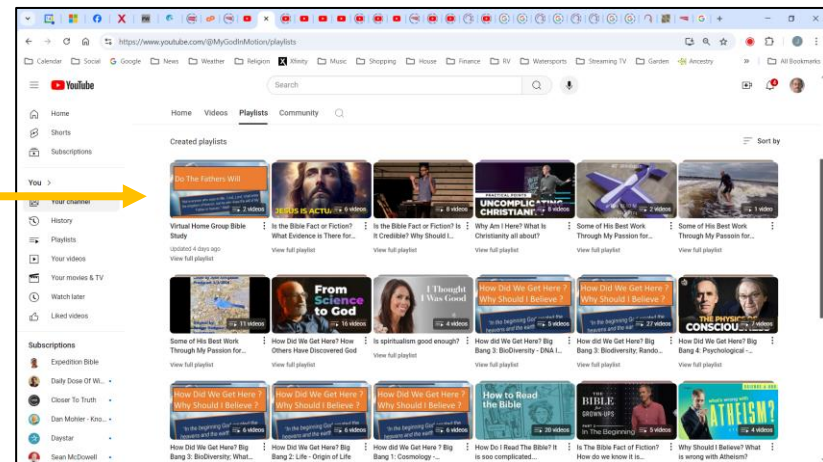
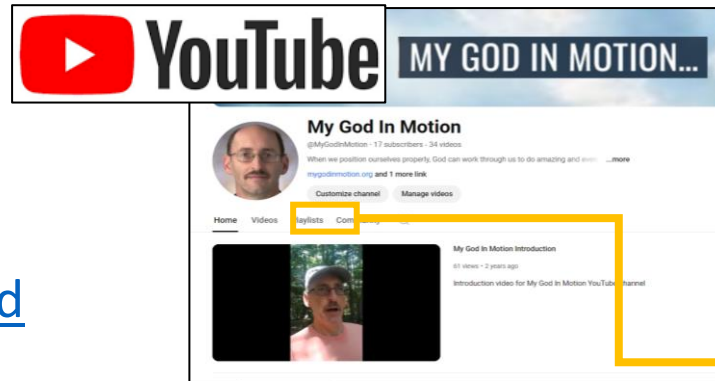
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State Your Trust In God – He Is Lord

Philippians 2:9-11

9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Romans 10:9

That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Ex: Jesus, I thank you for your amazing work on the cross. You gave you life for us, even while we were rebelling against you. You did it all in Faith; You submitted to crucifixion and death on the promise of resurrection. The Father has now rewarded you will all power and authority. You are Lord over all creation, the name above all names. I bow my knee to you as Lord of my life. You gave your life for me, I hereby give my life to you. I am committed ot live a life worthy of your sacrifice, do all that I do to bring You glory, and bring glory to the Father through you.

State Your Trust In God – His Righteousness

2 Corinthians 5:21

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that **we might become the righteousness of God in Him.**

Matthew 6:33

But **seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness**, and all these things will be added to you.

James 4:7-8

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:8

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Colossians 3:3

For you died, and **your life is hidden with Christ in God.**

1 Corinthians 12:27

Now **you are the body of Christ** and individually members of it.

Ex: Thank you, Lord, for your work on the cross for us. Your stripes paid the price for our sins and your innocent blood cleanses us. I have repented of my sins and accept you as my lord and savior. I am now born again and have been baptized into the Body of Christ. I stand in the righteousness you paid for, reconnected with the Father, my past covered and hidden by your blood. The devil no longer has anything on me. I thank you for loving me and doing all this for me.

State Your Trust In God – Power of His Word

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God **is living and powerful**, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Psalms 119:89

Your word, LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but **the word of our God endures forever**

Isaiah 55:11

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

Ex: Heavenly Father, I thank you for your Word. Your word is eternal and unchanging. It is truth and we can stand on it. It is living and powerful. It always accomplishes its purpose before it returns back to you. I trust your Word. I embrace your Word, and I will continue to use your Word to guide my steps. I will speak your Words back to You to confirm my understanding and alignment as they do their work in me and through me.

State Your Trust In God – His Presence

Matthew 6:33

But **seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness**, and all these things will be added to you.

James 4:8

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

Matthew 28:20

...I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

Ex: Lord Jesus, Thank you for being with me and never leaving me. I have accepted You as my Lord and Savior and am covered by your blood. I am committed to live a life worthy of the price you paid for me. I repent of my sins, those known and those unknown. I wish to cleanse myself of all unrighteousness and purify my heart. I wish to see all things from your perspective and do your will on this earth. Help me root out any remaining self-centered agendas that resist you so I can draw ever closer to you. You are with me now, and I trust you will draw even closer to me as I draw closer to you.

State Your Trust In God – Your Purpose, To Shine

Matthew 5:14

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.

Matthew 5:16

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and **give glory to your Father** who is in heaven.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Therefore, **we are ambassadors for Christ,** God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that **you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.**

Ex: Lord Jesus, I thank you for coming and living inside me. You are forming me in your image. I have put off the old man and put on Christ. I am committed to do all things to bring you glory. With your help I will walk in the light as you were in the light, I will shine as a bright light in this dark world, I will be an effective ambassador for you, and a bright beacon for Your kingdom.