

# CITY OF THE LIVING GOD

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In dedication to all the soul-winners that need a Bible study on how life is short and the only hope that is in Jesus Christ.

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*“Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit” (Psalms 51:7-12).*

Since the Garden of Eden, man and woman have been in a fallen and sinful state. God has provided a plan to renew them and reconcile them unto himself. In this Bible study, you will read many scriptures that lead you to a greater understanding of man’s plight, God’s love, and the redemption process.

# LIFE IS SHORT

The Scriptures remind us that our life is so short and futile without the Lord Jesus in our life. Oftentimes, we try to block out the thoughts of the afterlife. If we are honest with ourselves, then we will seek God for answers about these thoughts.

## **Job 14:1-2**

*“Man who is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He comes forth like a flower and fades away. He flees like a shadow and does not continue” (NKJV).*

## **James 4:14**

*“Whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away” (NKJV).*

## **1 Peter 1:24**

*“All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away” (NKJV).*

## **Psalms 103:15-16**

*“As for man, his days are like grass; As a flower of the field, so he flourishes. For the wind passes over it, and it is gone, And its place remembers it no more” (NKJV).*

## **Deuteronomy 32:29**

*“O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!”*

# GOD IS OUR HOPE

There is no other hope outside our lives than the Creator that made us. The quicker we realize how he is the only hope in eternal life the better. There is no greater feeling than knowing that we have eternal life in Jesus.

## **1 Corinthians 15:19**

*“If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.”*

## **Psalms 39:4-5,7**

*“Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is: that I may know how frail I am. Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is altogether vanity. Selah. And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.”*

# GOD IS OUR SALVATION

It's time to recognize that without Him we have no greater purpose and fulfillment. He gives salvation to those that seek him.

## **Hebrews 9:27**

*“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”*

## **Romans 13:11**

*“And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.”*

**Titus 3:7**

*“That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”*

## **GOD LOVES US**

**Psalms 8:3-5**

*“When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.”*

**Romans 5:8**

*“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”*

**John 15:13**

*“Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends.”*

**Luke 15:4-7**

*“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’ I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.”*

# OUR NEED

The Bible teaches us that all have sinned and without God we are destined for judgment and hopelessness. Our sins keep us from making it to heaven. There is only one way to make it and that is to accept the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## **Romans 3:23**

*“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”*

## **Romans 5:12**

*“Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.”*

## **1 Corinthians 6:9-12**

*“Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God” (ESV).*

## **1 Peter 4:17-18**

*“For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? Now “If the righteous one is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?” (NKJV).*

# REPENTANCE

Repentance is the first step towards salvation. True repentance means that we not only feel sorry for our sinful behaviors, but we acknowledge that his blood will wash us from all our sins and iniquities. It also means

that we are deciding to stop living the life of sin and we will give our lives to him.

**Ecclesiastes 12:1-2**

*“Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them; While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain.”*

**1 John 1:9**

*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

**Isaiah 56:6-7**

*“Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.”*

**Acts 27:30**

*“And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent.”*

**Psalms 25:4-5**

*“Show me Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me. For You are the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day” (NKJV).*

**Would you like to pray?**

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