

# Four Spiritual Laws Do you believe the Bible is the Word of God?

**Read: Matthews 4:4** 

The Goal - 2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

#### **Gods Will Is That None Perish**

A Promise is a verbal commitment by one person to another agreeing to do (or not to do) something in the future – Act 1:10-12, Longsuffering is to patient endure being wronged continually – Rom., 2:4, To Perish means to be separated from God throughout all eternity – John 3:16, Rev 20:14-15, Repentance means to agree with God – Matt. 3:2



First Spiritual Law - Read Rom. 3:23 - The expression, come short means to miss the mark. God has a perfect standard, and this verse teaches that no one has ever lived up to this perfect standard,

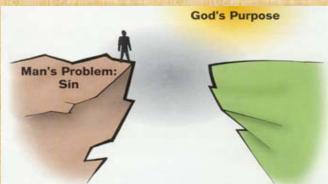
therefore, nobody is perfect. <u>Illustration</u>: Suppose I put a target on the wall and gave everyone in the room a dart; then I instruct each person to do his very best to hit the bulls eye. One by one they take aim and try to hit the bull's eye. When all the darts have been thrown, one person misses the bull's eye by one inch, another by two, another by three, and so on, but no one hit the bull's eye. You see, there is no difference they all missed the mark. This is what God is saying, though some people may live better than others, God says that there is no difference because none of us hit the bulls eye of Gods perfect standard. **Illustration:** Suppose you have two peach trees in your backyard. One peach tree has a bushel of peaches on it, and the other only has 2 or 3 little peaches. Which of the two trees is a peach tree? Not all peach trees bear the same amount of fruit, but they are still peach trees. The point is, not all men commit the same sins or the same amount of sins, but all are sinners because it is our nature. Read Rom. 7:18-19, So the act of sinning is the results of our fallen nature. Does that make sense to you? Would you admit you are a sinner and have not been perfect before God? Mark 2:15-17



- **Second Spiritual Law** Since we are sinners, we owe the penalty for sin. Read Rom. 6:23 This death is more than dying with a gunshot wound or a heart attack. It is described in the Bible as the second death. Read Rev. 20:14-15
- What is it about a man that moves God make all this fuss over sinners? Matt. 16:26
- As sinners we owe a penalty, and that penalty is the 2nd death. That means if I pay what I owe as a sinner, and I die in my sin, I will ultimately be cast into the lake of fire. And there I will stay forever, paying the debt which I owe as a sinner. Does that make sense?
- Some people think that they are going to die and go to a judgment where God will determine whether or not they will spend eternity in Heaven or Hell. However, the Bible teaches that as sinners, we are already sentenced and condemned to die. Read John 3:17-18. According to this verse, the person who is not trusting Jesus Christ completely for salvation is already condemned. He is already under the sentence of death. He is waiting for just one thing to occur; his heart to beat the last time, and then he dies and goes immediately to Hell. We are like the condemned criminal who has been arrested, tried, convicted and found guilty. Read Luke 16:22-26
- Death never means extinction. Sin brings forth death James 1:13-15. Death is a separation of a person from the purpose or use which it was intended.. The Bible speaks of three death. Physical death 1Corn. 15:21-22, Heb. 9:27 Spiritual death Eph. 2:1, Luke 15:32, 1Tim 5:6, John 6:53 Eternal death 2Thes. 1:9



We are all sinners and we owe the penalty of sin, which is death (the second death). There is nothing we can do to pay that debt. I could begin attending church, but the Bible doesn't say the wages of sin is attending church. I could turn over a new leaf, but, the Bible doesn't say the wages of sin is turning over a new leaf. I could start giving money to Christian causes, but the Bible doesn't say that the wages of sin is giving money to Christian causes. You see, the only thing we can do to pay our sin debt is to die, and go to hell, and stay there forever. That leaves us in a bad predicament, doesn't it? Read: Eph. 2:11-12, 2Corn. 5:11



The word "terror" means fear, reverence, standing in awe of the Lord. It does not mean the kind of terror or fear that trembles and shrinks back from God. Paul knows he is to face the judgment seat of Christ (2 Cor. 5:10); therefore he fears the Lord. Paul knowing that we have but one judge to give account of ourselves to and that is God our maker, compels Paul to *persuade men* of the truth of the gospel. Luke 14:23



- Third Spiritual Law The good news is that the story doesn't end here. There is a bright side to this story, a light at the end of the tunnel. Read Gal. 1:3-4, Romans 5:8-10
- Here the Bible says that God the Father showed His love toward us by sending Christ to die a substitutional death for us while we were yet sinners. Now that raises a question. How could Christ die for us? If Christ died a substitutional death for us to pay the debt that we owe as a sinner, then He had to be someone who had never sinned. The Bible teaches that Jesus was born of a virgin; therefore, he did not inherit the sin nature of Adam that we inherited. Read Matt 1:20-25
- In other word, everyone who is the natural offspring of Adam inherited the sin nature of Adam. Read Rom 5:19
- Jesus is not the natural offspring of Adam. He is the only begotten Son of God. Read John 3:16
- Jesus was born of a virgin, he didn't inherit Adams sin nature. Read Heb.4:15-16, 1Pet.2:21-23

We would expect God to save the righteous and good men of the world, but He catches us completely off-guard when it is stated that He saves sinners and ungodly. Such is the unbelievable love of God. Mark 2:16-18, Heb. 2:9 - To Justify means: To count someone righteous. To see you as if you had never sinned. It means to reckon, to credit. It does not mean to make a man righteous. Gen 15:6

There are three major points to note about justification.

<sup>1.</sup> Justification is necessary because of mans sin and rebellion against God. Man has rebelled against God and taken his life into his own hands.

<sup>• 2.</sup>God justifies a man based on the redemptive work of His Son on the cross. John 17:4, 19:30, Rom. 3:24-28, Heb. 9:22, 1John 4:10

<sup>3.</sup> When a man believes in the redemptive work of Jesus Christ for his sins, God takes that man's faith and counts it as righteousness. The man is not righteous, but God considers and credits the man's faith as righteousness. Why is God willing to do this? Because He loves man that much. God loves man so much that He sent His Son into the world and sacrificed Him in order to justify man. John 3:16, John 15:13



#### · Let's Review What We Have Learned So Far

- 1. We learned that we are all born sinners
- 2. As a sinner we owe the penalty of sin, which is the second death in the lake of fire.
- 3. We understand that Jesus died a substitutional death on the cross to pay our sin debt.
- **Fourth Spiritual Law** Now we must believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. Read Act 16:31, John 5:24
- To believe in Jesus means to trust in, depend on, rely on Jesus to take care of your past (sins), your present (welfare), and your future (destiny) and to keep every promise he made to us in his word. Read 2Corn. 1:19-22



• **Illustration**: Suppose I was going to fly to Miami, Florida and you took me to the airport. When we arrived, you asked me; "Do you believe that there is a jet plane on the runway?" Do you believe the plane will fly? Do you believe the pilot knows what he is doing?

• Believing all the facts about the plane will not get me to Miami. I must completely trust myself to that plane and put my life in the hands of the pilot. I must completely trust him to get me to Miami on that plane.

- That is what it means to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. We must not only believe that we are sinners; and that we owe a sin debt; and that Jesus Christ died a substitutional death on the cross to pay that debt which we owed as a sinner; but there must come a time when we completely put our trust in Jesus Christ as our Savior. You must put your life in His hands and trust Him to get you to Heaven. 1Pet. 1:3-5 Does that make since?
- The conclusion; We must accept Jesus Christ as our Personal Savior. John 1:11-13, Rev 3:20
- If you believe Jesus is at the door of your heart, and you are ready to begin a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and be released from the burden of sin and the guilt of your past and receive the forgiveness of sins, then read this prayer for Salvation.

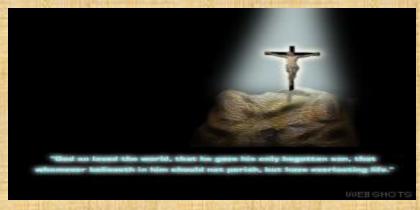


- Heavenly Father: I believe that Jesus is knocking at the door of my heart and I am willing to open the door and let him in my heart. I believe with all my heart that Jesus is the Son of God. I confess with my mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in my heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. I believe you bleed and died to cleanse me of all my sins. I repent of all my sins and ask for your forgiveness. I ask you Jesus to be the Lord of my life and the Savior of my soul. I receive you and Love you with all my heart and will live for you all the days of my Life! In Jesus Name, Amen.
- Only you can make this prayer a reality in your life by believing it with all your heart. Rom. 10:8-11



## What does the Bible say you have if you believe on the Lord Jesus Christ?

John 3:16



Where is Jesus Now!!! 1 John 4:4

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Your Name was born again \_\_\_\_

Today's date

Happy birthday from you new family.

#### Now What? 2Cor. 6:17-7:1

- The following is a list of promises the believer is entitled to bases on our confession of faith in Jesus Christ as our **Lord** and **Savior**.
- Have you had any doubts about your salvation since we last met? Heb. 11:6
- Now that we are saved, we must not trust our: Feelings..Thoughts or What we have learned from our past experiences. Isa. 55:6-9

#### **God's Promises**

- Jesus Christ came into your life. Rev. 3:20, Gal. 2:20, Heb. 13:5-6
- Your sins were forgiven. Ps. 103:12, Col. 1:14
- You have received eternal life. John 5:24, 1 John 5:11-13
- You are now a child of God. John 1:11-13, Gen. 32:26-28
- You have become a baby in the family of God. 1Peter 2:2, 1Pet. 1:3-4
- You have embraced the purpose in which God made you. Gen. 1:28, Jer. 29:11, John 10:10, 2Cor.5:17,1Thes. 5:18

#### **Now What?** 1Cor. 13:11

- If We Are To Grow In Christ We must do the following:
- You must love God more than you love yourself. Matt. 22:36-40, 2Cor. 5:14-15, John 14:15-17
- Go to God daily in prayer. Luke 18:1, 1John 5:14-15
- Read and Study God's Word daily. Matt 4:4, 2Tim 2:15, Ps. 1:1-4
- Obey God's Word and keep a repentant heart.1John 1:8-9, John 14:21
- Witness for Christ with your life and words. Matt. 5;14-16, Matt 4:19, 2Cor. 3:2
- Trust God for every detail of your life. 1Peter 5:7
- Allow the Holy Spirit to control our daily life. 1Cor. 15:57, Phil. 2:12-13, Act 1:8



## The Next Step

Luke 11:11-13

- And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
   [10] For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- [11] If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? [12] Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? [13] If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?



#### We Need The Person And The Release Of The Power

• Every born again believer around the world has the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit abiding in them. What makes it possible for the Holy Spirit to reside in the heart of the believer is his faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ. Heb. 9:22, Rom. 3:24-25, Ex. 12:13

Being born-again by receiving Christ or excepting him as our personal savior, gets us into the kingdom and assures our eternal destiny. John

1:10-12, John 5:23-24

• It is impossible to be born again an not have the Holy Spirit. Jesus makes this point very clear to a religious man. We need the Person of the Holy

Spirit to get us into the Kingdom. John 3:1-6, Rev. 3:20

• We need the Baptism of the Holy Spirit with power to live and meet the challenges of life here on earth. Our problems are on earth not in heaven, that's why Jesus said don't go nowhere until you get the power. Act 1:4-5

• We believe the disciples Jesus was giving his final instructions to were

already saved according to. Luke 10:17-20.

• However, to carry out the great commission they needs to be baptized

with the Holy Ghost. Acts 1:6-12

• The baptism empowers us while we are on this earth to witness. The baptism empowers us to meet every challenge of the devil. Eph.6:10

• We try to overcome the flesh, sin and this world on our own, but it just

doesn't work. Rom. 7:18-20

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## Authority vs. Power

- There are 2 different types of powers mentioned in the Bible. In John 1:12, the word power here is a legal right or the authority to call ourselves a Son of God. A good example of receiving the rights of a son or daughter is in the signing of adoption papers. The moment the adoption papers are signed we are entitled to all the legal rights as a family member. Rom. 8:15-18
- In Act 1:8 the word power means enablement or explosive power. The power of enablement is the power of ability. This ability is present in some degree when you are converted. Col. 2:9-10, 2Corn 5:17-19
- But the power is not fully experienced until you are baptized with the Holy Ghost. Its fullness is experience after the Holy Spirit, which is in you, is released and allow to witness for itself. It takes faith to release what God has deposited in you when you received Christ. This power enables you to walk in the spirit and witness. Act 2:1-4
- This promise of the Holy Spirit is to every generation, including this one. Act 2:38



## This Power Was What The Disciples Needed

• Read Matthews 10:1 Jesus sent the 12 disciples to the lost sheep of Israel and gave them authority. Authority in this case is the legal right to use the power of God based on the authorization Jesus gave them. They didn't have the power personally they had been given the legal right to use it. **Example Checkbook** 

The disciples had become accustom to Jesus, because as long as Jesus was present with them, all their needs were met, there was never anything lacking. If they needed healing Jesus would heal them, if they needed food Jesus would feed them, if they needed deliverance Jesus

would deliver them. Phil. 4:19

• They had become accustom to Jesus supplying all their needs. So when Jesus told the disciples he was going to leave them they became very sadden. John 16:5-7

The Lord wants us to have real spiritual authority in the heavenlies over

ever principality and powers. Eph 1:3

• Spiritual power is the ability to walk in the victory we have already received in Christ. 1Cor. 15:57-58

• This victory enables us to meet every challenge and obstacles in the family, in our relationships, in our finances, in our health, in our spiritual warfare against devil. Eph. 6:11-17



#### The Good News

 There are people who don't believe there is a baptism of the Holy Ghost. They do not believe in speaking in tongues as the spirit give utterance. Matt. 3:11, Act 2:4

• The good news is that everybody that is born again, but don't believe in the baptism in the Holy Spirit have the Gift inside them right now.

Salvation is called a well of water. The Holy Spirit is called a river and a river can dry up if you let it. Wells never dry up because they remain connected to the source, however, rivers come from wells and sometime the river dries up. If any ones river is dried up and they are

thirsty and need a drink, listen to the prophet. Isa. 12:3

• Let's use this illustration: Does everyone here have running water at home that comes through your faucets? The water that comes through your faucet is hooked up to a small pvc pipe that runs from your house and is connected to a larger pipe that runs along the street which is connected to a larger pipe that is connected to a reservoir large enough to provide water to everybody in the city. Its enough water to drown us, and destroy everything in the city. Yet your house and your little faucet is hooked up to that power source that could over power you. When you turn the water on, are you getting the same stuff that is in the reservoir? Why?



## You Got a Hook Up

- You are hook up to a power source that has the power to destroy any demon, solve any problem and defeat any enemy in your life. But you are the person that determines how much of the power you will use.
- Some may ask, how can you speak in tongues? How can you start when you want to and stop when you want to? Answer: Don't you turn your faucet on when you want some water at home and turn it off when you are through? 1Cor.14:32, 1Cor. 14:14-15,
- When you clap your hand and praise the Lord, do you need permission from the Lord? No, you already have it. Ps. 7:17
- So he that speaks in an unknown tongue speaketh unto God in a mystery. 1Cor. 14:1-5
- So I am hooked up to the power, but, I'm not using it. Just because you don't speak with tongues don't mean you are not hooked up to the source. If you are born-again then you are hooked up to the reservoir.

  Now weather you release that power is your choice.



## Someone Is Praying For You Right Now

• The Holy Spirit inside you is praying for you right now. Heb 7:25

The Bible says that Jesus liveth to makes intercession for you in a language that cannot be understood, that means the Holy Spirit is praying in you right now. Can you hear him? Maybe... Can you know he is praying for you? Yes, How? Because the word says so.

- Rom. 8:26-27 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the <u>Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered</u>. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.
- Put your hands on your belly. The Bible says: out of your belly shall flow.... What?
- There is a prayer meeting going on inside you right now. Even when
  we do not know what to pray for the Holy Spirit assist you with
  groaning that you cannot speak in English.



### Pickup The Extension

Speaking in tongues is like two people talking on a telephone with a
party line. One person is <u>in his own house</u> and another person is living
<u>in your house</u> and they are talking on the phone to each other.

• Jesus is in his Fathers House seated on his right hand of the Father. The Holy Spirit is **in your house** and they are talking on the phone

to one another. Rom. 8:26, 34

Now praying in tongues is when you the believer, a third party picks up your extension and you tap in on the conversation. When you do, you hear them carrying on a conversation in a language you don't quit understand. However, you get the sense that the conversation is about you and the things on your heart. You don't have to work up tongues, God will give you an utterance but you must release it.

• Intercessory prayer is going on all the time inside you. Every Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran, Catholic you name it, if they have been born again have the tongues, they are just not picking up the extension and joining in the conversation. When you buy a pair of shoes don't the tongue

come with them?

• If Jude were to join this discussion, he would encourage us to build up yourselves on our most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Tap in my friend, They are talking about your struggles, your pain, your concerns, right now. Pickup the extension and tap into the power. John 7:37-39



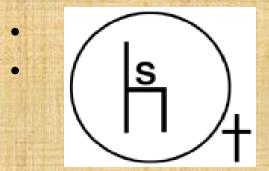
## Why Miracles

- **Why Miracles?** 90% of all American believes in God, however 80% of the 90% don't believe Jesus is God.
- Miracles are designed to convince the unbeliever Jesus is God.
- John 2:23 many believer when they saw the miracles
- Luke 7:20-22 Jesus convinces John the Baptist that he is the Christ
- John 14:8-13 Jesus convinces Phillip that he is God by his works. John 2:11 Miracles caused the Disciples to believe.
- Acts 2:22 God confirms ministry in Jesus by the miracles.
- Act 4:16-20 God confirmed ministry in the Apostles by miracles
- John 7:31 the Jews were not convinced but questioned themselves. John 12:37-48 They believed not because of the miracles.
- John 6:14 Miracles was the signature card of the Messiah.
- Mark 16:16-18 God wants to confirm ministry in you.
- 2Corn 5:17-19 This is our ministry. John 15:16.
- 1Corn 2:3-4 He will backup your words
- 2Corn 4:7 we have this treasure, Col. 2:9-10 God has given you authority. Matt 16:13-19, Jam. 5:14-15, 1John 5:15



#### Which one of the following best represent your life?

The Natural Man



**Relationship: No** 

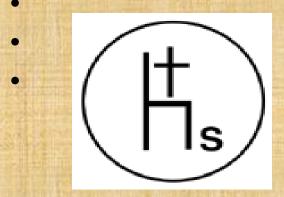
Fellowship: No

- S = Self is on the throne of this life and in control. **Eph. 2:1-3**
- **+** = Jesus Christ is on the outside of this life.

1 Corinthians 2:14



#### The Spiritual Man



**Relationship: Yes** 

Fellowship: Yes

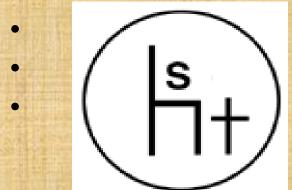
- S = Self is yielding control of this life to Christ. Matt 4:4,

  Ps.119:11
- † = Christ is on the inside of this life and in control.

  Psalms 1:1-3, Romans 8:6, Romans 8:1 (conviction yes)



#### **Carnal Man**



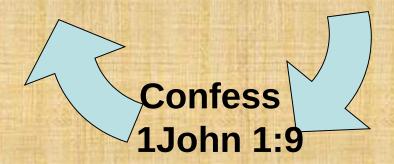
Relationship: Yes Fellowship: No

- **S** = Self and sin has resumed control of this life.
- + = Christ is no longer in control of this life. Christ is still involved in this life. Ephesians 4:30, Romans 8:7, Isaiah. 55: 7-9, I Corinthians 11: 31-32, Hebrews. 12:6



## Spiritual To Carnal

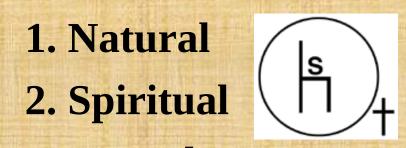
Restored to Sin Fellowship Prov. 14:34





## Which man are you?

- 1. Natural







- 3. Carnal
- Which man would you like to be?
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