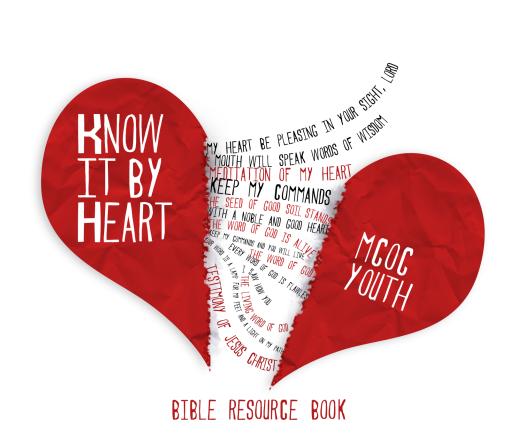
### MANHATTAN CHURCH OF CHRIST CHILDREN & STUDENT MINISTRY

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## INTRODUCTION

### KNOW IT BY HEART

Psalm 119 says that God's word is a "lamp to my feet" and a "light to my path." The pages of this notebook are filled with passages of scripture that are fundamental to the story of God working in the world.

Each page represents a different level of memorization, beginning with Level One and going up to Level Eighteen. Anyone can go through the levels in any order, memorizing all of the passages in each level and then moving on to another level. The scriptures get progressively longer and more difficult as the levels get higher.

You are invited to work at your own pace – slowly or quickly – whatever works best for you or your family. Young people at MCOC will be rewarded individually each time they can demonstrate mastery of all the verses in a particular level.

Kids, please put this notebook in a safe place and bring it with you to church on Sundays! When you have memorized a scripture, you can recite it at Youth Church or in your class and your teacher can check off that you have memorized the scripture.

We want this to be a resource for you to help you explore the word of God. These scriptures come from the New International Version of the Bible. However if you would like to look up the scriptures and memorize

#### Level Eight:

Ephesians 2:8 Colossians 3:17 Micah 6:8 John 13:34-35 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Isaiah 40:28-31

#### Level Nine:

Matthew 6:19-21 Acts 2:37-39 Deuteronomy 6:4-7 Matthew 28:18-20 Psalm 100

#### Level Ten:

Malachi 3:8-10 1 Chronicles 29:10-13 Psalm 24:1-6 John 14:1-3 Jeremiah 9:23-24

#### Level Eleven:

Romans 8:35-39 Psalm 91:1-6 1 Corinthians 13

### Level Twelve:

Ephesians 6:10-17 Isaiah 52:7-10 Daniel 7:13-14 Philippians 4:6-8

#### Level Thirteen:

John 15:1-5 Exodus 34:6-7 1 John 4:7-12 Psalm 46

#### Level Fourteen:

Matthew 11:28-30 Luke 2:8-14 Romans 12:9-18 Jeremiah 31:31-34

#### Level Fifteen:

Psalm 103:1-5 Revelation 3:20 Revelation 21:3-7 Psalm 51-1-13

#### Level Sixteen:

Romans 7:21-25 Luke 1:46-55 (Mary's Song) Matthew 6:25-33

#### Level Seventeen: Psam 103

Level Eighteen: Isaiah 53 (Servant Song)

## SCRIPTURE LIST

#### Level One:

Genesis 1:1 Psalm 118:24 Psalm 119:105 Psalm 136:1 Matthew 22:37 Philippians 4:4 Psalm 23:1 John 3:16 Matthew 6:9-13

#### Level Two:

Mark 10:14 John 8:12 John 10:11 Luke 6:31 Philippians 4:13 Ephesians 6:1 1 Peter 5:7 Psalm 19:14 Books of the NT

#### Level Three:

Matthew 1:21 Psalm 8:1 Matthew 7:7-8 Matthew 28:19 Ephesians 4:32 John 10:14 Romans 3:23 Isaiah 9:6 John 11:25-26 The Twelve Disciples

#### Level Four:

Psalm 19:1 Psalm 34:14 Hebrews 12:1 1 John 3:16 1 John 4:7-8 Psalm 103:8 Psalm 139:14 Psalm 23

#### Level Five:

Hebrews 13:5 Psalm 96:4 Romans 8:28 Joshua 1:9 Matthew 23:37-39 John 6:35 Books of the Old Testament

#### Level Six:

1 John 1:9 Psalm 95:6 Galatians 5:22-23 Isaiah 9:2 Acts 1:8 John 1:14 Matthew 5:3-12 (Beatitudes)

#### Level Seven:

Proverbs 3:5-6 Hebrews 11:1 John 1:1-5 Exodus 20:2-17 (Ten Commandments)

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them using another version please do so. The complete scripture list is included on page 45 & 46 of this book.

## TIPS FOR PARENTS

## The Importance of Helping Your Child Memorize Scripture

The Bible shapes how we think, what we believe, and how we live. It guides us, helps us worship, and gives us encouragement in our time of need. What a wonderful resource we have as Christians and what a wonderful opportunity to share this with our children. This handbook has been prepared to assist in teaching our children to memorize scripture. Through this process we will be equipping them for their future and preparing them for the challenges they will inevitably face throughout their lives.

The process of memorization for children is less challenging than it is for adults. Children enjoy learning and their minds are storing information constantly. We have a wonderful opportunity to help them learn the Bible while their young minds can retain information easily. You may be surprised and amazed at how quickly they can memorize scripture.

#### How To Get Started

Remember to have fun while learning the verses. Keep the time periods brief to hold the child's attention. This should be enjoyable so if your child gets frustrated try again later. Say the book, chapter, and verse before and after the scripture. Do not simplify the verses, but be sure to clarify any words they don't understand.

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his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand.

After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life and be satisfied by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

## LEVEL EIGHTEEN

**Isaiah 53 (Servant Song)** Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken. He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in

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Recite the verse several times a day in your child's presence so it becomes familiar to them. You may decide to keep your Bible Olympics in the kitchen so that verses can be practiced

during mealtimes. Or, it might be more convenient to keep the notebook in your child's backpack so he or she can work on the verses while traveling to and from school. Maybe it is best to keep the notebook by your child's bed so that you can spend a few minutes reviewing the verses every night or every morning. Be creative and flexible, thinking about what will work best for your child and family.

When it is convenient, take a moment to show your child where their verses are found in the Bible. Your children may want to mark their own Bible with a colored pencil to identify verses they have memorized. Please keep in mind that the verses printed in this notebook are taken from the *New International Version* and from *Today's New International Version*. If you have a different version at home the words of the passages may be a little different than what is printed in the notebook. We recommend that the children memorize the verses *as printed in the notebook* so that when the children are together at church, they will be able to speak the words in unison.

## TIPS FOR PARENTS

#### Fun Ways to Help Your Kids Memorize Scripture

- 1. Make cards with the words of the scripture on one side and the book, chapter, and verse on the other. If your child is too young to read still use the card to help yourself and for future review. Take the cards with you when you go out so that you can review the verse at different times of the day (in the car while you are at a light, waiting in line at the grocery store, etc.). You can put a sticker on the card when the child has successfully memorized the verse. He/she will be encouraged by the accumulated cards. Put the flash cards in a special envelope or container and review the verses they have learned so they do not forget them.
- 2. Teach them one phrase or word from the verse at a time. Say a word (or phrase) then point to your child to supply the next word (or hand them an item when it is their turn to speak). The last word of a phrase is easiest for them to learn first. For example, with Matthew 1:21, have the child first learn the words in italic. "She will give birth to a *son*, and you are to give him the name *Jesus*, because he will save his people from their *sins*."
- 3. Bounce or roll a ball back and forth as each word of the verse is said. Start by saying the verse with the child as you pass the ball. As he/she learns the

blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more. But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with

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those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children - with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts. The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word. Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

# LEVEL SEVENTEEN

**Psalm 103** Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefitswho forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust. As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field; the wind

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- 1. verse, each of you say a word of the verse as you pass the ball.
- 2. Put the verse to music or rhythm. Your child will enjoy singing and clapping their hands in time with the words.
- 3. Put each word on one 4 x 6 index card (or sheet of paper) then scramble the words. Have your child put them in the right order.
- 4. Do any activity to make the verse fun and easy to remember. Be creative. For example, for Matthew 10:30, "And even the very hair of your head are all numbered", make paper plate faces adding yarn for the hair. Attempt counting the hairs on their own head.
- 5. Finally, memorize the verses with your kids! Memory verses are not just for children. One of the most effective ways to incorporate God's word into our lives is to memorize it. Memorizing helps us to slow down and think more deeply about a passage, which increases our understanding. It also equips us to apply scripture in the "every day" situations of life. So consider joining your children in this valuable practice of spiritual discipline.

# LEVEL ONE

**Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

**Psalm 118:24** This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Psalm 119:105** Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

**Psalm 136:1** Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever.

**Matthew 22:37** Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

**Philippians 4:4** Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

**Psalm 23:1** The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

**John 3:16** For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

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Matthew 6:25-33 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

# LEVEL SIXTEEN

**Romans 7:21-25** So I find this law at work: When I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within my members. What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God – through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Luke 1:46-55 (Mary's Song) And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me – holy is his name. His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful to Abraham and his descendants forever, even as he said to our fathers."

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#### Matthew 6:9-14 ESV - "The Lord's Prayer"

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

# LEVEL TWO

**Mark 10:14** Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

**John 8:12** Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

**John 10:11** I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Luke 6:31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.

**Philippians 4:13** I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

**Ephesians 6:1** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

**1 Peter 5:7** Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

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Psalm 51:1-13 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you.

# LEVEL FIFTEEN

**Psalm 103:1-5** Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits – who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**Revelation 3:20** Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with them, and they with me.

**Revelation 21:3-7** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is among the people, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To those who are thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life. Those who overcome will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children."

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**Psalm 19:14** May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

#### The Books Of The New Testament

| Matthew<br>Mark | Ephesians<br>Philippians | Hebrews<br>James |
|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Luke            | Colossians               | 1 Peter          |
| John            | 1 Thessalonians          | 2 Peter          |
| Acts            | 2 Thessalonians          | 1 John           |
| Romans          | 1 Timothy                | 2 John           |
| 1 Corinthians   | 2 Timothy                | 3 John           |
| 2 Corinthians   | Titus                    | Jude             |
| Galatians       | Philemon                 | Revelation       |

# LEVEL THREE

**Matthew 1:21** She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus because he will save his people from their sins.

**Psalm 8:1** O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

**Matthew 7:7-8** Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; everyone who seeks finds; and to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

**Matthew 28:19** Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Ephesians 4:32** Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

John 10:14 I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me.

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you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in

harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

Jeremiah 31:31-34 "The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the LORD. "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God. and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbors, or say to one another, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

# LEVEL FOURTEEN

Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Luke 2:8-14 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."

**Romans 12:9-18** Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute

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**Romans 3:23** For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

**Isaiah 9:6** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**John 11:25-26** "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

**The Twelve Disciples:** Simon Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Thomas, Matthew, James the Son of Alpheus, Thaddeus, Simon, Judas and Bartholomew

## LEVEL FOUR

**Psalm 19:1** The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

**Psalm 34:14** Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

**John 14:6** Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

**Hebrews 12:1** ...let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

**I John 3:16** This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

**I John 4:7-8** Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

**Psalm 103:8** The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

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atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to

love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

**Psalm 46** God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come and see the works of the LORD, the desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, he burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

# LEVEL THIRTEEN

**John 15:1-5** "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

**Exodus 34:6-7** And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation."

**1 John 4:7-12** Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an

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**Psalm 139:14** I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

**Psalm 23** The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even 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. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

# LEVEL FIVE

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**Hebrews 13:5** Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

**Psalm 96:4** For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

**Romans 8:28** And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

**Joshua 1:9** Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

**Matthew 22:37-39** Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself."

**John 6:35** "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

## BONUS DRAWING PAGE!

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#### **Books Of The Old Testament**

Genesis Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy Joshua Judges Ruth 1 Samuel 2 Samuel 1 Kings 2 Kings 1 Chronicles 2 Chronicles Ezra Nehemiah Esther Job Psalms Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Songs Isaiah Jeremiah Lamentations Ezekiel Daniel Hosea Joel Amos Obadiah Jonah Micah Nahum Habakkuk Zephaniah Haggai Zechariah Malachi

# LEVEL SIX

**1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

**Psalm 95:6** Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

**Galatians 5:22-23** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and selfcontrol. Against such things there is no law.

**Isaiah 9:2** The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.

Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of

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bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God.

**Daniel 7:13-14** "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed."

Philippians 4:6-8 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

# LEVEL TWELVE

Ephesians 6:10-17 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**Isaiah 52:7-10** How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices; together they shout for joy. When the LORD returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes. Burst into songs of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The LORD will lay

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the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

#### The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12)

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

# LEVEL SEVEN

**Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

**Hebrews 11:1** Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

**John 1:1-5** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

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1 Corinthians 13 If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put childish ways behind me. Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

# LEVEL ELEVEN

**Romans 8:35-39** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Psalm 91:1-6** Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

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#### The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:2-17)

"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

- 1. You shall have no other gods before me.
- 2. You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God.
- 3. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.
- 4. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God.
- 5. Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- 6. You shall not murder.
- 7. You shall not commit adultery.
- 8. You shall not steal.
- 9. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor."

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**Ephesians 2:8** For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.

**Colossians 3:17** And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**Micah 6:8** He has showed you what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

John 13:34-35 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

**2 Timothy 3:16-17** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

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John 14:1-3 Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

Jeremiah 9:23-24 This is what the LORD says: "Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, but let those who boast, boast about this: that they understand and knows me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares the LORD.

# LEVEL TEN

**Malachi 3:8-10** "Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. "But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' "In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse – the whole nation of you – because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

1 Chronicles 29:10-13 (David's Prayer) David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, "Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name."

**Psalm 24:1-6** The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it upon the seas and established it upon the waters. Who may ascend the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who do not lift up their souls to an idol or swear by what is false. They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God his Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

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**Isaiah 40:28-31** Do you not know? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

**Matthew 5:43-48** "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

# LEVEL NINE

Matthew 6:19-21 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Acts 2:37-39 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

**Deuteronomy 6:4-7** Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

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Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**Psalm 100** Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.