

2ND ADVENT REVIVAL MINISTRY

How to Be a Follower of Jesus

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leads us to repentance (**Romans 2:4, Acts 3:19**). Repentance includes sorrow for sin and a turning away from it. We confess our sins (**Proverbs 28:13, 1 John 1:9, 2 Chronicles 7:14**) and find victory through faith in Christ. Whatever we do not overcome will overcome us and cause our destruction.

We must give ourselves entirely to God (**James 4:7, John 15:4, Galatians 2:20**), and remain connected to Him. Complete surrender may be a struggle, but it is the key to freedom and transformation in Christ! Baptism shows that we have become His (**Acts 2:38**). (See study #25 on Baptism).

We walk in "newness of life" (**Romans 6:4**) as we follow Jesus' example (**1 Peter 2:21, 1 John 3:5**) and keep His commandments (**Revelation 22:14, Job 28:28, Psalm 119:1-3, 9-11, 14-16**). Our life in Him must be maintained through prayer (**Psalm 55:17**)

In order to come to God we must believe that He exists (**Hebrews 11:6**), that He loves us (**1 John 4:8**), and that He will accept us (**John 6:37**). Those who follow Jesus are happy (**Psalm 144:15**) and have peace (**Job 22:21**). God takes care of them and provides their needs. (**Phil. 4:19**) and will give them eternal life (**John 10:28**). Through sin, we became subjects of Satan; but through Jesus, we become sons of God, children of the King of the universe.

We are sinners (**Romans 3:23**) and can't change ourselves (**Job 14:4, Jeremiah 13:23**), but God promises to give us a new heart. (**Ezekiel 36:26**). We can be transformed! Then we find delight in obeying God (**Psalm 40:8**). God's goodness



and Bible study (**Acts 17:11**). God speaks to us in His word. In prayer, we talk to God about anything that concerns our peace. We ask Him for what we need to grow spiritually (**John 15:7**). Asking according to His will, we believe that we receive, and thank God for the blessing that becomes ours. We may fall, but we should not be discouraged. It is never too late to ask for help, and find forgiveness, grace and strength in Jesus.

We join other believers in fellowship for encouragement (**1 Thess. 5:11**). (See study #24 on **God's Remnant Church**) We walk in God's ways and use the gifts He has given us to help and bless others (**Romans 12:4-6**).

(Hebrews 11:6) But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

(1 John 4:8) He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

(John 6:37) All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out.

(Psalm 144:15) Happy are the people who are in such a state; Happy are the people whose God is the Lord!

(Job 22:21) Now acquaint yourself with Him, and be at peace; thereby good will come to you.

(Philippians 4:19) And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

(John 10:28) And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

(Romans 3:23) for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

(Job 14:4) Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one!

(Jeremiah 13:23) Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard its spots? Then may you also do good who are accustomed to do evil.

(Ezekiel 36:26) I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

(Psalm 40:8) I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart."

(Romans 2:4) Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

(Acts 3:19) Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,

(Proverbs 28:13) He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

(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.

(2 Chronicles 7:14) 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.

(James 4:7) Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

(John 15:4) Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

(Galatians 2:20) I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the

life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

(Acts 2:38) Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

(Romans 6:4) Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

(1 Peter 2:21) For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

(1 John 3:5) And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin.

(Revelation 22:14) Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

(Job 28:28) And to man He said, 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, And to depart from evil is understanding.' "

(Psalm 119: 1-3, 9-11, 14-16) Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord! (2) Blessed are those who keep His testimonies, who seek Him with the whole heart! (3) They also do no iniquity; they walk in His ways... (9) How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word. (10) With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! (11) Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You. (14) I have rejoiced in the way of Your testimonies, As much as in all riches. (15) I will meditate on Your precepts, and contemplate Your ways. (16) I will delight myself in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word.

(Psalm 55:17) Evening and morning and at noon I will pray, and cry aloud, and He shall hear my voice.

(Acts 17:11). These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.

(John 15:7) If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

(1 Thessalonians 5:11) Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

(Romans 12:4-6) For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, (5) so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. (6) Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith;