



HAMILTON SQUARE
BAPTIST CHURCH

DISCIPLESHIP LESSON #17

HAPPINESS FOREVER

THE FRUIT OF FAITHFULNESS

As you go through each lesson, look up the Bible verses and answer the questions in the blanks provided. When you are finished with this lesson you and your mentor will meet to discuss your answers and any questions you may have. This is not a pass/fail test, so answer honestly as you understand things. We want you to understand, not just to give the “right” answer.



This is the final lesson in the Discipleship Training Course!

You have worked diligently to reach this point.

Don't stop studying and growing spiritually. Make up your mind to continue living out what you have already learned, and to stay faithful to the Lord.

Isaiah 26:3-4** (NASB) **The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in You. 4 Trust in the LORD forever, for in GOD the LORD, we have an everlasting Rock.

Psalm 1:1-3** (NASB) **How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! 2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. 3 He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers.

The word "blessed" means "happy" and refers to a deep abiding joy and fulfillment. Please substitute the word "happy" for "blessed" and then read the above verses again.

After you finish this lesson, you will want to continue to live a happy Christian life. In order to do so, there are several things you must remember to do for your Lord.

We are instructed in the Bible to spend a certain portion of each day alone with the Lord. You ought to set out now to find time each day for a quiet time in which you talk to God and allow God to talk to you as you read His Word.

Set aside one hour, or thirty minutes, or at least fifteen minutes when your mind is the clearest. Get away from all noise, commotion, telephone, TV, radio, the Internet, your children, wife, roommate, husband, etc. Make it a special time with just you and the Lord!

1. Read Luke 9:23. How often should we take up the cross of Jesus?

2. Read Luke 9:23 and Luke 9:23. What time of the day is a good time to be alone with the Lord?

THE MORNING WATCH

The early morn with Jesus; His happy, welcome guest!
The first glad thought for Jesus. The brightest and the best!

Alone, alone with Jesus. No other may intrude.
The secrets of Jehovah are told in solitude.

This is the time to worship. This is the time for prayer.
The sweetest time for laying the heart's petitions bare.

The time for holy wrestling. The time to intercede.
The time to win from Jesus the help and strength we need.

- Author Unknown

THE SECRET

I met God in the morning
When the day was at its best,
And His Presence came like sunrise,
Like a glory in my breast.

All day long the Presence lingered,
All day long He stayed with me,
And we sailed in perfect calmness
O'er a very troubled sea.

Other ships were blown and battered,
Other ships were sore distressed,
But the winds that seemed to drive them
Brought to us a peace and rest.

When I thought of other mornings,
With a keen remorse of mind,
When I too had loosed the moorings
With the Presence left behind.

So I think I know the secret,
Learned from many a troubled way;
You must seek Him in the morning
If you want Him through the day.

- Ralph S. Cushman

4. List several things you can do when you get alone with the Lord?

Revelation 1:3 _____

II Timothy 2:15 _____

Psalm 119:9 & 11; Proverbs 7:3 _____

Romans 10:1 & James 5:16 _____

5. When you pray, there are several things which should be included in prayer. Name them:

• **I John 1:9** _____

• **I Thessalonians 5:18** _____

• **Ephesians 1:15-20** _____

• **Matthew 7:7** _____

6. Read Matthew 6:5-6. Where can you go to be alone with Jesus?

7. Read II Corinthians 9:7. What does the Lord especially love?

8. Read II Corinthians 9:6. What is the best way to ensure a life of abundant fruit for the Lord?

9. Read II Timothy 4:8. Jesus has promised a crown of righteousness for those who do what?

10. Read II Peter 1:3-4. What has Jesus given us?

11. Read John 14:1-3. Where is Jesus today?

12. Re-Read John 14:1-3. What is Jesus doing in Heaven?

True happiness in the Christian's life results when Christians are faithful to the Lord in all things such as:

- Praying
- Tithing
- Being Baptized
- Soul-Winning
- Preaching God's Word
- Joining A Church
- Reading & Studying the Bible
- Having Victory Over the Devil
- Separating From the World
- Obeying God's Commands

13. Read Joshua 1:7. What did the Lord tell us to do so that we may prosper?

14. Read Joshua 1:8. What did the Lord tell us to do so that we may have good success?

15. Read Hebrews 12:5-9. How does God deal with a disobedient Christian?

Please note that the word "chasten" means *to discipline*. It is important that you understand that discipline can be administered for two totally different reasons:

- to correct wrong conduct.
- to develop and strengthen Christian character and moral virtues.

God's discipline comes to us many times for the second reason.

Adversity strengthens our character, and whether we enjoy it or not, we need it.

When God disciplines us we should examine our lives to see if there is disobedience or wrong conduct in our lives.

- If there is, we should immediately confess and correct it!
- If we know of none, we should joyfully submit to God's dealings with us in faith believing.

Hebrews 12:11 (NASB) *All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.*

16. Read I John 5:16. What drastic measure will God sometimes take with a Christian who lives in gross sin or persistent rebellion?

17. Do you desire to always live a godly life for the Lord Jesus Christ?

YES _____ NO _____

18. What did you learn from this lesson that you did not know?

19. How can you make this a part of your everyday life?

Please go back and review each of the assigned memory verses from each of the previous lessons.

Work at them diligently until you can say them "word perfect" and then seek to tell the world what you have learned!

**CONGRATULATIONS
ON FINISHING
THIS LESSON SERIES!**

**MAY GOD BLESS YOU RICHLY
AS YOU CONTINUE TO LIVE
WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED!**

MEMORIZE THESE VERSES for Lesson 17

(Choose the translation that works best for you)

Title to verses: **HAPPINESS FOREVER**

I Corinthians 15:58 (KJV) Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

I Corinthians 15:58 (NASB) Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

Philippians 1:6 (KJV) Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:6 (NASB) For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

I Thessalonians 5:24 (KJV) Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

I Thessalonians 5:24 (NASB) Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.



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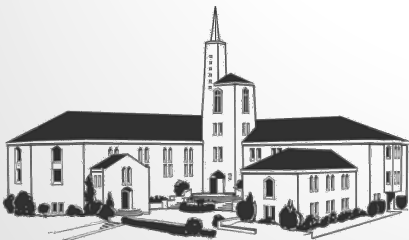
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Remember:

It's important to be at church whenever you are able, so you can continue to grow in the Lord!

SUNDAYS

9:45 am – Bible Study or Sunday School

10:50 am – Morning Worship Service

Lunch & Mingle

1:30 pm – Afternoon Church Service

WEDNESDAYS

7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Study & Prayer Meeting



11 Timothy 2:2

The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

WHO
WILL YOU
MENTOR
IN THE WAYS
OF THE LORD?



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THE DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING COURSE

Lesson Schedule

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Lesson #7	Church Membership Matters	Membership
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Lesson #11	Putting Anger & Bitterness to Rest	Bitterness
Lesson #12	Alcohol & Other Addictive Substances	Addictions
Lesson #13	Music and the Christian	Music
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Lesson #16	Bloom Where You’re Planted! Staying in the City	City Ministry
Lesson #17	Happiness Forever: The Fruit of Faithfulness	Heaven

If you have questions, ask your mentor to help you.

If he or she can’t help you,
they will help you set up an appointment with a pastor at our church.

They are here to help you!