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WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD

A WORK ILLUMINATING WHAT
GOD DESIRES FROM YOU NOW
THAT YOUR ARE SAVED

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A work illuminating what God desires from you now that you have accepted Jesus Christ into your life.

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DEDICATION

This work is first dedicated to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who commanded us to “Go ye into all the world.” Secondly, this book is dedicated to all the Five-fold ministry gifts including Pastors, Missionaries, Evangelists and Saints that have won Souls but wished there was something more that could be done for follow-up care and nurturing of the newborn believer.

INTRODUCTION

“Wow! This is where it all starts!”

If you prayed the Sinner’s Prayer (in the following section) or a similar one, you just got saved or born again. Make no mistake about it...you are now saved.

If you died right now you would go straight to heaven and be in the presence of Jesus.

But if by chance you prayed that prayer, meant it from your heart and continue to live (which is our prayer and desire for you), then there are some things God is expecting you to do as you live this newfound Christian Life.

That is the purpose of this mini book. To walk you through what God is expecting from you now that you have given your life over to him.

Let me be one of the first to say...

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD

All we have done is take the scriptures and expounded on them so that you can understand

what the Bible says and what God wants from you.

From this moment on, every believer you come in contact with is your Brother or Sister in Christ. Believers all want the best for you because we are all a part of the Body of Christ.

We trust that as you read this mini book, you begin to immediately implement what's written in it.

Don't wait, don't put it off. Start today!

THE SINNER'S PRAYER

Dear God:

I come to you now, in the name of Jesus.

Asking you to forgive me of all my sins.

Make me whole again.

I believe in my heart that you, Father, raised Jesus up from the grave just for me.

I confess him now, as my Lord and Savior.

Live your life through me and help me live for you from this day forward.

And fill me with your Holy Spirit.

In Jesus' name I pray.

AMEN.

FIND A CHURCH HOME

Hebrews 10:25

*Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves
together, as the manner of some is; but
exhorting one another, and so much the
more, as ye see the day approaching.*

Isaiah 66:23

*And it shall come to pass, that from one new
moon to another, and from one Sabbath to
another, shall all flesh come to worship before me,
saith the Lord.*

There are six things in particular that God is expecting from you as you begin this new life. As you mature, you will find that He requires more. The six things listed are simple, not hard and can be done by you.

The first thing God is now expecting from you as one of his Dear Children, is that you “Find a Bible believing, Bible teaching Church to not just go to, but to join up with. Put your name on the roll.”

This is important because:

- it will be your spiritual home-base where you will learn and come into spiritual maturity.
- it will give you a spiritual covering that will continually pray for you.
- it will be the place where you can actively participate in building God's Kingdom and doing charitable works.

“A Bible believing church is important because they are not operating from a set of manmade rules and regulations. A Bible believing Church operates directly from what and how the Bible (which is God's word to us) says we should live. Believe it or not, there are Churches that do not use the Bible as their guideline for living.

STUDY THE WORD

2 Timothy 2:15

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Psalm 119:11

Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee.

The Second thing that God desires from you is that you begin to study and read the word for yourself.

This will require that you get or purchase a Bible (Old and New Testament) if you don't have one. May I suggest that you ask "the place where you joined" to help you with obtaining a Bible. You are not asking them for money to purchase one but rather which translation to get, where to start reading, and even if they have extra for you to keep. I am sure they will be more than happy to assist you in some way.

Reading and studying the Bible for yourself is important because:

- you will begin to see for yourself what God desires from you and exactly what He wants you to do.
- you will begin to develop a relationship with God as He reveals himself to you through His word.
- You will begin to understand how to successfully live sin free, in a sin filled world.

PRAY

1 Thessalonians 5:17

Pray without ceasing.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in the time of need.

The third thing that God is expecting from you is that you pray.

Prayer is not something that is deep and for super spiritual people only. It's simply communication or talking to our Heavenly Father in the name of His Son Jesus. I define prayer as open communication to God. You talk to God and then allow God to talk back to you.

Prayer is important because:

- it deepens our relationship with God
- It provides an avenue of communication whereby you can express to the Father your anxieties, wants, and desires. It is also a

way the Father can express to you his desires, revelation, and instruction.

- it reminds us that all of our help and strength comes from Heaven and can be obtained if we simply ask of God.

SUPPORT AND BE COMMITTED

The fourth thing God desires from you is that you support and be committed to the place of worship you feel God has led you to.

Your commitment needs to be expressed in 3 ways:

1. Presence.

Each time you go into the house of the Lord to worship, God has something there for you. If you aren't there to receive it, you could very well miss out on what could be the very word that could change your life forever.

2. Support

Proverbs 3:9

Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

Malachi 3:10

Bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of host, if I will not

open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

God has a specific plan as to how His Church is to be provided for by your giving. It's called tithes and offerings. Every entity and organization needs finances to operate. Many people believe that since the Church is God's House, He will supernaturally and magically take care of the financial needs of the Church. They don't understand that God works through people. We the Church can't expect the people of the world to support and provide the finances needed so that the Church can operate and function. This means that if the Church is going to operate, then the People of God (those that are committed to that local assembly) will have to support financially through their tithes and offerings.

I have a separate teaching on giving called "Seedtime and Harvest." I encourage you to inquire about it. I'm sure it will bless your life.

3. Commitment

How you can express your commitment is covered in the next chapter.

PUT YOUR HANDS TO WORK

2 Corinthians 6:1

We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

The fifth thing God is expecting from you and the third way your commitment can be expressed is by you physically doing something to help build the Kingdom. Everyone can't be the Preacher, or the Organist, or the Chairman of the Board of Directors. But there is something you can do.

Maybe you are qualified to do some of those other things I mentioned. The point is, if the Body of Christ is going to function and fulfill the assignment that each local assembly has been assigned by Jesus the head of the Church, it's going to take willing workers, on one accord, putting their hands to do what they can do.

Becoming a willing worker within the Church is important because:

- it equips that particular local assembly with things that are necessary for that local assembly to operate.
- it draws others to that local assembly.
- it helps maintain order and helps that local assembly fulfill its assignment.
- It helps your local assembly display Kingdom excellence.

So join the Choir if you can sing. Be an Usher if you don't mind the people. Work with the

Women, Men, Youth or Children's Department.
The point is...do something!

Just like all the cells in the human body need to function in order for the body to work properly, the same applies to the Church. The Church needs all of its Members doing something so that the Body of Christ can function properly.

EVANGELIZE

Matthew 28:19-20

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

The sixth thing that God desires from you is that you tell others about Jesus Christ and what He has done for you.

This is called Evangelism!

Each and every one of us have people that are connected to us in some way, whether it's Family, Friends, Co-workers, or Neighbors. Each and every day we come in contact with people. More than likely many of them need Jesus Christ in their life. God doesn't require that you become some sort of a "Jesus freak." But rather a casual mention of Him from time to time lets people know where you stand. Soon enough they will begin to ask you to pray for them or want to talk to you about spiritual things. Also, a cordial invite to your place of worship is a great way to fulfill the great commission. Then there will be times where you need to tell your testimony. That's simply letting someone know where you were in life and how God saved you, delivered you, and set you free or helped you out of a dilemma. You may also find yourself faced with an opportunity to pray the Sinner's Prayer with someone. These are all things that God desires from you now that you are one of his children. You can use the Sinner's Prayer in this book to pray with someone who wants to accept Jesus Christ into their life.

Telling other people about Jesus is important because:

- God desires that all be saved.
- it helps expand God's Kingdom.
- it lets those without hope know that there is hope in Jesus Christ.

SUMMARY

1. Find a Church Home
2. Study the Word of God
3. Pray
4. Support and be committed
5. Put your hands to work
6. Evangelize

As others accept him through your efforts, share this book with them and encourage them to share it with someone else.

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Discipling, Developing & Demonstrating
the Love of God**

WHO WE ARE

Our founder, the late Pastor Wesley Hayden, had a heart and love for the people of God. The entire ministry is founded on demonstrating the Love of God in some way. It is our desire and prayer that you too find that Family of Believers where you can grow, be nurtured, and begin to demonstrate to others the Love of God that has been shown to you. As always, we welcome you to be a partner with us if you so choose.

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