

Terry Fullam Audio Library

Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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CHILDREN OF GOD

1:30 1 John 3:1-3 Reading, then teaching begins.

2:30 John 3:1-8 Conversation with Nicodemus and then reference to Luke 1:34-38 where Mary learns of the Holy Spirit.

4:00 1 John 3:1 God's love expressed to us in that we are able to be children in his family. Father and child relationship.

8:00 John 8:42-47. Although God is the creator of all people he is not the Father of all.

9:25 1 John 3:1 – The reason why the world does not understand what it means to be the children of God is because they do not know Him. Reference to John 1:10-13 Belief and reception of Jesus (as Lord), and not belief alone. Reference James 2:19, even the demons believe but they do not follow his Lordship. Reference Revelation 3:20. We must open the door and let the Lord in.

15:00 1 John 3:2 We are children now and we are commanded many times in the scripture to love the other brothers and sisters. If we are in Christ and continue in intimacy with him we shall become more like him.

16:25 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 We are being transformed into his likeness. Reference Romans 8:29-30 The Christian

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walk is a process whereby we become more and more like Him. Reference Ephesians 4:11-16. All Christians are to be ministers, not the ordained alone. Some are called, as having special gifts, to equip the entire body to do the work of the ministry. Our individual maturity is not set apart from the maturity of the entire body. We are to nourish one another along to Christ likeness.

27:00 There is an audio break – sorry. Terry was making the point that the body (in this case the body of Christ – the members of the church) is to grow and mature into fullness. In the missing audio he obviously makes reference to Hebrews 5:12- 6:2. Teaching follows on the Hebrews passage.

29:45 1 John 3:2-3 Maturing into his likeness; in part by allowing the Holy Spirit to purify us. To depart from darkness.

32:15 Terry opens the forum for questions. The first question is on the relationship of free will and predestination. Question Two. How does it happen that the veil, which kept people from seeing the totality of God, is pulled back so we can see God. Reference 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 – The answer is that Jesus Christ's coming removed the veil. God is now visible in Jesus. Reference 4:3-4 God is only hidden to those who refuse him.

40:30 Return to 1 John 3:4-6 One of the definitions of sin is – lawlessness. In this case the Greek word anomia. Not wanting to submit to the law of God. Reference Genesis 3, where Adam and Eve disregarded God's command. God created us with the capacity to say "No" to him.

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46:50 A person asks a question about how did Adam and Eve “entertain” the idea of refusing God’s command. Terry makes the point that not only did they entertain the idea of disregarding God’s command – they acted on it. Reference James 1:13-15

49:40 Question – If God knew Adam and Eve would disregard his command why did he permit the episode to take place ? He had made provision for the redemption of mankind even before the beginning and someday we will see the justification for giving man free will.

52:30 Question – is evil thought sinful, even if not acted upon? Answer: If it is dwelled upon so that the thought becomes a substitute for the act.

Question – Is it possible for us to live a sinless life ? Audio is poor – sorry. Answer: We will always sin, but our sin should become less and less as we mature in Christ. Reference 1 John 1:8-10.

1John 3:1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 3 And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

John 3:1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born anew.' 8 The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit."

Luke 1:34 And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" 35 And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God."

Luke 1:36 And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. 37 For with God nothing will be impossible." 38 And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

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John 8:42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I proceeded and came forth from God; I came not of my own accord, but he sent

me. 43 Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. 44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks according to his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies. 45 But, because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. 46 Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? 47 He who is of God hears the words of God; the reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

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John 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. 11 He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. 12 But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

James 2:19 You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe — and shudder.

Rev. 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any one hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.

Eph. 4:11 And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature

manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the cunning of men, by their craftiness in deceitful wiles. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every joint with which it is supplied, when each part is working properly, makes bodily growth and upbuilds itself in love.

Heb. 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need some one to teach you again the first principles of God's word. You need milk, not solid food; 13 for every one who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their faculties trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

Heb. 6:1 Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, 2 with instruction about ablutions, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.

2Cor. 3:12 Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, 13 not like Moses, who put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not see the end of the fading splendor. 14 But their minds were hardened; for to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is it taken away. 15 Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their minds; 16 but when a man turns to the Lord the veil is removed. 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

2Cor. 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. 4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the likeness of God.

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James 1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted with evil and he himself tempts no one; 14 but each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. 15 Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin; and sin when it is full-grown brings forth death.

1John 1:8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.