  **CHRIST COMPANION BIBLE CHURCH**

 **Weekly Bible Study**

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**THE HARVEST IS RIPE PART 5 (STUDY 38)**

**Text**: Genesis 3:1-7.

**Memory Verses**: Jude 1:23, Proverbs 11:30, Daniel 12:3

Every sinner lives in darkness! They operate under perversed and beguiled atmosphere inherited in the fallen Adam! In most cases, they tend to hide or resist the light unless the power holden them at ransom is dealt with by prayers and the word of authority! There is therefore need to break forces of sin and Satanic stronghold in order to breakthrough into sinners’ hearts.

**BREAKING SATANIC BAITS OVER SINNER’S NEW CREATION. 1PETER 5:6-9.**

 The new creation is the only remedy to absolve individual from innocent cooperation and entanglement with the devil. Note that Satan is in desperate rebellion and utter opposition to God. An unrepented individual is under the captivity of sin and Satanic subtle deception.

 ***Understanding the sinner’s frame of mind will help you administer help towards the Salvation of their souls:***

**1. Like Eve, Satan has unrestrained access to the mind of every unbeliever**. ie, ***"sinners’ mind is the devil's workshop"***. Without the gospel light, sinners are at his mercy.

***Implication to soulwiners***:

 Spiritual warfare to break Satanic stronghold and anti-gospel imaginations is necessary to achieve sinners’ repentance and conversion.

**2. Every sinner is made to possess erroneous perception and conception about God and himself!** For example, Eve was told in Genesis 3:4-5 (KJV), ***"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: [5] For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil ".*** Thus by this statement, Eve was made to believe that God was a lier and saw herself as inferior being! That better adventure should be sought aside God's commandment to be at her best.

Lies of Satan today include:

*i. "The earth will never perish, nothing like judgement, hell or heaven!"*

*ii. "Enjoy yourself, while still you may, stop cheating yourself base on unrealistic religious adherence".*

*iii. If God is love, why must he create Satan or allow evil? iv.”Religion is nothing but mere societal opium!"*

*v. "We are all sinners, no one can be truly holy"* etc.

***Implication to soulwiners***: He must understand and consider every sinner as someone taking refuge in lies of the devil! They therefore need to be liberated by plain application of the gospel truths according to the scripture. Romans 3:23.

**3. Every sinner is under two oppressive burdens**:

(a) Guilt and fear as a result of awareness of their sinful and depraved state. This was what made Adam and Eve ran away hiding from God's presence.

(b) False confidence and pretence as a result of human rebellious and deceitful state. This, like Cain, made sinners to appear ready to dear God! With refuge in lies, human philosophies and insensitivity to spiritual things become norm of life.

***Implication to soulwiners***:

A soul winner must understand that beyond and beneath whatever falsehood facade a sinner puts on, such remains a naked, deceived and needy soul in begging for mercy, hope and salvation that only Jesus can give. Therefore you must press on to unveil the priceless and helpless captive soul within by prayer, wisdom and persistence.

**4. Every sinner by nature will run from God to hide from the light of His presence!** This is because their work is evil according to John 3:19-20 (KJV), ***"And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. [20] For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved"***.

***Implication to soulwiners***: Don't give up, even though, your targeted prospective converts resist your first attempts to introduce Christ to them.

**5. Expect wall of defense and self justification to be raised by sinners**! It is the attribute of the fallen nature!

 Adam blamed Eve, and Eve blamed Satan in self defense when confronted with the truth of their sinful state.

 Rarely will sinner unfold readiness without the light of heaven prevailing, and revealing their true sinful state!

 ***Implication to soulwiners***:

 Sinners are best convinced and convicted by the Holy Spirit through the discerning two edged scriptural word (truth)!

 Get equipped scripturally and pray well to be led to apply the word rightly by the Holy Spirit.

**6. Condemn sin, but spare the soul, by pointing sinners to the Loving Christ, who has been made curse for humanity’ salvation sake.**

 2 Corinthians 5:21 KJV ***"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him"***.

 However sinful a soul is, press such to repentance.

God is merciful to everyone that believes Christ and His atonement for sin.

**7. Believe God to perfect the work of salvation of everyone you reach out to with the salvation message! Sow in hope, expecting to reap bountifully.**

Luke 8:15 KJV ***"But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience"***.

 May your effort bring souls to Christ throughout year 2025 and beyond in Jesus name. Strive to work while it is day, the night cometh when you no longer can. May God help you to influence your generation for Christ in Jesus Mighty Name. Amen.

**HYMN 1: JESUS SAVES**

**HYMN 2: SPEED AWAY! SPEED AWAY ON YOUR MISSION OF LIGHT**

1. Speed away, speed away, on your mission of light,
To the lands that are lying in darkness and night;
’Tis the Master’s command; go ye forth in His Name,
The wonderful Gospel of Jesus proclaim;
Take your lives in your hand, to the work while ’tis day,
Speed away, speed away, speed away.
2. Speed away, speed away with the life giving Word;
To the nations that know not the voice of the Lord;
Take the wings of the morning and fly o’er the wave,
In the strength of your Master the lost ones to save;
He is calling once more, not at moment’s delay,
Speed away, speed away, speed away.
3. Speed away, speed away with themessage of rest,
To the souls by the tempter in bondage oppressed;
For the Savior has purchased their ransom from sin,
And the banquet is ready, O gather them in;
To the rescue make haste, there’s no time for delay,
Speed away, speed away, speed away.

1. We have heard the joyful sound

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Spread the tidings all around

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Bear the news to ev’ry land

Climb the steeps and cross the waves

Onward! ‘tis our Lord command

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

2. Waft it on the rolling tide

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Tell to sinners far and wide

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Sing, ye island of the sea!

Echo back, ye ocean caves

Earth shall keep her jubilee

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

3. Sing above the battle strife

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

By His death and endless life

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Sing it softly thru the gloom

When the heart for mercy craves

Sing In triumph o’ver the tomb

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

4. Give the winds a mighty voice

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Let the nations now rejoice

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

Shout salvation full and free

Highest hills and deepest caves

This our song of victory

Jesus saves! Jesus saves!