



ELEMENTARY BIBLE MEMORY: SOUL WINNING

2027 and 2030

I. THE WORTH OF A SOUL

A. A soul is worth more than the entire world. Matthew 16:26

For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

B. A soul is worth God's love. I John 4:10

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

C. A soul is worth Christ's sacrificial death. I Peter 2:24

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

II. SEPARATION OF THE SOUL FROM GOD BY SIN

A. Man's nature is sinful. Romans 5:12-14

12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

B. All mankind has committed sinful acts. Romans 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

C. Sin separates man from God. Isaiah 59:2

But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

III. PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL DEATH FOR THE UNBELIEVERS

A. Physical death is not the end of man's existence. John 5:28-29.

28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

B. Judgment for sins occurs after physical death. Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

C. Hell is referred to as the second or spiritual death. Revelation 21:8

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

IV. PHYSICAL DEATH AND SPIRITUAL LIFE FOR THE BELIEVER

A. Physical death for the believer is termed "sleep." I Thessalonians 4:13-15

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

B. Physical death for the believer is merely absence from the body. II Corinthians 5:6-8

6 Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

8 We are confident, *I say*, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

C. The believer shall never experience spiritual death or separation from God. John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?



V. THE IMPERATIVE OF SOUL-WINNING

A. Death is certain. Psalm 89:48

What man *is he that* liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.

B. Judgment is certain. Romans 2:5-9

5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;

6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:

7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

8 But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,

9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;

C. Christ, our Example, came to win souls. Luke 19:10

For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

VI. ATTRIBUTES OF THE SOUL-WINNER

A. The soul-winner is saved. John 15:5

I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

B. The soul-winner is faithful in prayer. I Thessalonians 5:17

Pray without ceasing.

C. The soul-winner realizes he is but a messenger. Matthew 10:20

For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.

VII. THE PLAN OF SALVATION

A. We must acknowledge that we are all sinners. Romans 3:10

As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

B. We must acknowledge that we can do nothing about our sinful condition. Isaiah 64:6

But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

C. The penalty for sin is death. Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

D. Jesus paid the penalty for our sin. Romans 5:8

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

E. Salvation is a gift, nothing we can earn. Ephesians 2:8-9

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

F. Each person must appropriate God's forgiveness as an act of faith in Christ. Romans 10:9-10

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.