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For Your Consideration

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It's All About Relationships

GOD — CREATION

God **created** man in His own image, in the image of God He **created** him;
male and female He **created** them.

Genesis 1:27

FATHER — CHILDREN

“Pray, then, in this way: ‘Our **Father** who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.’”

Matthew 6:9

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become **children** of God,
even to those who believe in His name.

John 1:12

KING — CITIZENS OF HIS KINGDOM

For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the **kingdom** of His
beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sin , , , For our **citizenship**
is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:13-14; 3:20

CHRIST — CHRISTIANS

“... the disciples were called **Christians** first in Antioch.”

Acts 11:26

LORD — SERVANTS

The Lord's **bond-servant** must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach,
patient when wronged.

2 Timothy 2:24

BROTHER, SISTER — FAMILY

Do not sharply rebuke an older man, but rather appeal to him as a **father**, to the younger men as
brothers, the older women as **mothers**, and the younger women as **sisters**, in all purity.

1 Timothy 5:1-2

MEMBER — BODY

For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one **body**, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves
or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:13

Now you are Christ's **body**, and individually **members** of it.

1 Corinthians 12:27

SORROW

Mental suffering or pain caused by injury, loss, or despair.

A shoplifter is caught stealing merchandise; he says he's sorry.

A speeding motorist is pulled over; she says she's sorry.

A careless driver causes an accident; he says he's sorry.

Question:

Are they upset? No doubt. Humiliated? Possibly. Mad? Maybe.

Are they penitent? Not sure. Sorry? That depends on what kind of sorrow.

Two Kinds of Sorrow

For the sorrow that is according to the will of God produces a repentance without regret, leading to salvation; but the sorrow of the world produces death.

2 Corinthians 7:10

GODLY SORROW

Godly sorrow is according to the will of God, rendering the heart humble, contrite, submissive; disposed to mortify every sin, and to walk in newness of life.

WORLDLY SORROW

Worldly sorrow is according to the will of the individual. It promotes great emotional distress over what has been lost or has happened. Often it causes one to do desperate things.

REPENTANCE

A change of mind involving a change of purpose or direction.

Five Aspects of Repentance

Regret: To feel sorry, disappointed, or distressed about; look back with distress. When there is no regret, one feels self-acquitted.

Reform: To improve by alteration, correction of error, or removal of defects; put into a better form or condition. When there is no reform, there is a strong likelihood the deed will be repeated.

Remorse: Moral anguish arising from repentance for past misdeeds. Moral anguish is needed as a constant reminder of the seriousness of sin.

Repugnance: Aroused disgust or aversion; offensive or repulsive. A strong repugnance keeps sin from appearing attractive again.

Restoration. To bring back into existence or use; reestablish; to bring back to an original condition; to put (someone) back in a former position; to make restitution of; give back.

NOT TO BE OVERLOOKED

No amount of sorrow (worldly or godly) and true repentance can undo what was done. There are consequences that must be faced. Consider Esau, who sold his birthright to his brother, "You know how he later wanted it back. But there was nothing he could do to change things, even though he grieved his father and cried." Hebrews 12:17 ESV

Famous Hymns



Lord, We Come Before Thee Now

William Hammond, 1719-1783

Draw Near to Him

Lord, we come before Thee now,
At Thy feet we humbly bow:
Oh, do not our suit disdain!
Shall we seek Thee, Lord, in vain?

Depend on Him

Lord, on Thee our souls depend;
In compassion now descend,
Fill our hearts with Thy rich grace,
Tune our lips to sing Thy praise.

Seek His Way

In Thine own appointed way
Now we seek Thee, here we stay.
Lord, we know not how to go
Till a blessing Thou bestow.

Rejoice in Him

Grant that all may seek and find
Thee a gracious God and kind.
Heal the sick, the captive free;
Let us all rejoice in Thee.

Pray for Others

(Additional verse in original lyrics.)
Comfort those who weep and mourn,
Let the time of joy return;
Those that are cast down lift up,
Make them strong in faith and hope.

TWO WORDS

DEFINE

To state the precise meaning of a word.

DESCRIBE

To convey an idea or impression of; characterize.

FAITH DEFINED

Confident belief in the truth, value, or trustworthiness of a person, an idea, or a thing.

FAITH DESCRIBED

The basis (foundation) for activity or belief.

EXAMPLE

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1

Hebrews chapter 11 lists the names of numerous individuals who hoped for what was not seen. They were able to do this because of their confident belief in God. In each instance (19 times) it is said of them "by faith" they obeyed God.

Our faith (confident belief) is the substance (foundation) for things hoped for and what is not seen, except by the eye of faith.

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

Hebrews 11:6

THE LESSON

May we live "by faith" – pleasing Him by doing what is commanded. Lovingly doing His will because our faith is well supported by His word.

For by it the men of old gained approval.

Hebrews 11:2



Ponder This

'What About Him?'

So Peter seeing him said to Jesus, "Lord, and what about this man?" Jesus said to him, "If I want him to remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow Me!"

John 21:21-22

Peter, having been told what would befall him, asked what was going to happen to "him." [It is commonly believed that this man was John.]

'You Follow Me'

We need to be a faithful follower of the Lord. Fully committed. This is a personal commitment that must not depend on whether others (family, friends, brethren) follow the Lord and support our godly walk or oppose us.

As Christians we can (and must) help and support each other in following Jesus. While there is strength in numbers, salvation is personal. God doesn't save churches (religious groups), He saves individuals.

So then each one of us will give an account of himself to God. Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather determine this – not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's way.

Romans 14:12

'What About Me?'

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58



YIELD

To submit to the decision of another through respect of authority or judgment.

Yield to Civil Authority

Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

Romans 13:7

Yield to Spiritual Leaders

Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

Hebrews 13:17

Yield Unto God

Neither yield ye your members [as] instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members [as] instruments of righteousness unto God.

Romans 6:13 KJV

Yield Not to False Teachers

But we did not yield in subjection to them [false brethren] for even an hour, so that the truth of the gospel would remain with you.

Galatians 2:5

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