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[Sunday Morning Bible Study @ 9:30AM](#)

"Seeing Jesus In The Old Testament" Lesson 11

[Sunday Morning Worship Service @ 10:30AM](#)

Men meet @ 10:20AM before services!

[Sunday Spanish Speaking Services @ 1:30PM.](#)

[Sunday Evening Youtube Service @ 6:00PM](#)

[Monday Dinner & Bible Study @ the Seim's](#)

Dinner starts @ 5:15PM & Study starts @ 6:30PM

[Wednesday Night Zoom Bible study @ 6:30PM](#)

This week studying Lesson 13... 2 Timothy 1:1-7

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[GBN Video... Should Christians use gender preferred Pronouns](#)

FROM THE BACK PEW!

*How Are You Going To Win... If You Are Not Right Within!
Without Spiritual Growth... Numerical Growth Won't Happen!*

This month is **Women's History Month**, so let's take a look at some women in the **Bible** who were instrumental in the teachings of **Jesus**. First of all there are only two books in the **Bible** named after women they are **Ruth** and **Esther**.

Ruth... was the great-grandmother of king David and an unwavering woman, she was fearless, determined, and courageous.

Esther... was the queen of Persia, a member of the Jewish community, she was known for loving **GOD** as an example for all. And most of all a woman of faith, virtuous.

Eve... was a woman who had all that was good, beloved, chosen, and redeemed by **God**, but lost it for doing something she was told not to do. The first woman of the world.

Mary... of Nazareth the mother of **Jesus**. She was a woman of virtue, obedience and courage.

Mary Magdalene... often misunderstood, faithful follower of **Jesus**. She walked with **Jesus** in **His** ministry, meeting **His** needs and encouraging the disciples.

Rachel... she waited to marry Jacob (14 years)... patient.

Hannah... made a promise to **God** that if she were permitted to bare a child, she would devote the child to **God**. Her son was named Samuel.

Deborah... the only female named judge during the time when Israel fell back into idolatry and disobedience. She had to reign Israel back in to remember who is the one true **God**.

Miriam... was a prophetess and Moses' older sister. She helped save Moses as an infant. Miriam instilled in Moses a devotion to **God**.

Priscilla... she and her husband (**Aquila**) helped lead the church in maintaining religious purity, to love the poor, mentorship showing that women can lead by example in faithfulness and hospitality.

Eunice... the mother of Timothy and **Lois** his grandmother, these two women were instrumental in teaching Timothy how to be a leader in the church.

These are a few of the women in the **Bible** and how they had an impact on leading and being an example to us. Women have their role in building up **God's** kingdom.

3 Reasons I Want to Go to Heaven



Allen Webster

This article is a personal project. The world and its constant busyness keeps drawing me, taking my energies, occupying my time, and dominating my thoughts. After a recent birthday, I decided to remind myself again of what I believe and what my purpose is.

Why do I really want to go to heaven?

I Want To Go To Heaven To See People I Miss, And Continue Relationships With The People I Love.

My desire for heaven gets stronger with each trip to the cemetery. The older we grow, the more we talk about the people of the past. At some point, we realize that we have more loved ones on the other side than we have here.

The Old Testament recognizes this truth and often uses the expression that one “*was gathered to his people*” (Genesis 25:8, 17; 35:29; 49:33). When Jacob thought Joseph was dead, he longed to see him (Genesis 37:35), and no doubt longed more for heaven than he had before. David wanted to go to heaven to see his son that lived only a short time (2 Samuel 12:22–23). Personally, I want to see my father, elders I have served under, my teachers and mentors, preachers I have known and respected, and fellow Christians with whom I have worshiped and worked. I can see them in my mind’s eye lining the shores of the Jordan to welcome my boat as it arrives!

Further, I want to go to heaven so I can continue relationships with the people I love. The only way one can continue a relationship with a spouse, children, parents, grandparents, extended family, brothers and sisters in Christ, and friends is to go to heaven together. We cannot continue relationships indefinitely here, for either circumstances or death eventually part us. There will be no camaraderie in hell, for it is a comfortless place filled with darkness, agony, thirst, and misery (Luke 16:19–31). Since relationships offer joy and respite, we may rest assured that they will not be allowed in the devil’s realm.

Yet, in heaven, Christians can continue relationships with all the people we love. Jesus explained that we will not remain married in heaven (Matthew 22:30), but we will know one another there. Abraham was still Abraham and Lazarus was still Lazarus there (Luke 16:23). They knew each other, although they had never met on earth. Peter, James, and John recognized Moses and Elijah on the Mount of Transfiguration (Matthew 17:3–4). Paul told the Thessalonians that when Jesus returned, He would bring with Him the spirits of their loved ones who had died as Christians (1 Thessalonians

4:14). Those spirits would be recognizable, or these words would not have comforted them (4:18).

I Want To Go To Heaven So I Can Be Free Of The Fear Of Death.

I will be honest: I do not look forward to dying. I will have to die once to get out of this world (unless Jesus comes), but I surely do not want to do it twice! And we will not have to, for “*the last enemy that will be destroyed is death*” (1 Corinthians 15:26). Death is used 904 times in the Bible (in various forms). The next-to-last time is Revelation 21:4, which says that death will come to an end in heaven. The hearse will have made its last trip. You will not see long lines of cars following a coach with their lights on. There will be no more funeral services, no tombstones, no expensive funeral plans, and no tearful good-byes. There will be no hillsides dotted with the markers of loved ones. You will not find silent cities of the dead in heaven, for no one ever dies there!

I Want To Go To Heaven To See My Father.

I have preached sermons on heaven now for a quarter century. The content of those sermons has changed little through the years, but the emphasis has. It used to be more about mansions, crowns, reunions, and rewards. Now it is more about who will be there than what will be there.

Someone observed, “*What makes heaven heaven is God.*” If the street were gravel instead of gold, if the walls were particle board instead of jasper, if Main Street had mud knee-deep, and if weeds overgrew the lowers, it would still be heaven because God is there. The greatest treat of Paradise was not the climate or the fresh fruit; it was that God walked with Adam and Eve in the cool of the day (Genesis 3:8). He did not just create them, put them in their garden, and forget them. He spent time with them.

That is what heaven will be like. God will spend time with each one of us. John heard a great voice out of heaven saying, “*Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God*” (Revelation 21:3). The most wonderful aspect of heaven will be the presence of the divine Godhead—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Revelation 1:4–5). God is clearly the “star” of heaven. The four living creatures John described constantly worshipped Him, saying, “*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!*” (Revelation 4:8; cf. 4:10–11; 5:9).

R. G. Lee observed, “*Heaven is the most marvelous place the wisdom of God could conceive and that the power of God could prepare.*”¹

Do you have hope of heaven? Contact us!

Endnote: 1 Lee, R. G. The Place Called Heaven. Christ for the World Publishers, 1959.

Serving Today

Bible Class: Bro. Ron Clevenger
Streaming/Audio: Russell Weems
Song Leader: Bro. Lee Christensen

Worship Order

Call to Worship (Himno)

Announcements... Bro. Russell Weems

Opening Prayer (Oracion)... Bro. Andy Figueroa

Hymn (Himno)

Lord's Supper (Santa Cena)... Bro. Bill Wills

Hymn (Himno)

Reading- 2 Peter 3:18 (Bro. William White)

Sermon- *Growing In The Knowledge Of Jesus Christ (Mark Seim)*

Invitational Hymn (Himno)

Closing Hymn (Himno)

Closing Prayer (Oracion)... Bro. Bill Shurig

Congregational Notes

- We had a suggestion a few weeks ago about what to do with the used communion cups after the Lord's Supper. Last week we tried using ushers to collect the used cups during the hymn before the lesson. We will continue with this trial process as it seems to be least disruptive to the services.
- A friend of the Wills has some furniture pieces available;
 - D.R. set, arm chairs, coffee table, T.V. stand. etc. See Bill Wills if interested.
- The committee list is on the front bulletin board with the points of contact & committee leads. Get involved in an area that interest you.
- Please review membership list posted on bulletin board and fill out membership form if you are not on file. See Ron C. for a form. *Thank You*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **2026 Quarterly Business Meeting Schedule-** meetings are on Thursday and begin @ 6:30PM.
 - 19-Mar, 18-June, 17-Sep, 17-Dec.
- **Trip to Sight & Sound-** "Joshua" April 11th, 2026.
- Next Ladies get together will be at Terri Clevenger's house on Saturday, April 11th @ 11:30A.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MINISTRY

Proverbs 22:9

Next Outreach Is Saturday Mar-21

Bill Wills: (609)547-9408 or Javier Perez: (609)553-3990.

Items Needed.

Women items: *Underwear (Medium)*, socks.

Men items: *Underwear (Large)*, clothing (pants), socks.

Toiletries: Tooth brushes, toothpaste, mouth wash...

Food items: Tuna packs & snacks individually wrapped.

FOOD NEEDED FOR THE PANTRY!

1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Corinthians 9:7

*** **Black & Red Beans/White Rice/Cereal** ***

Oatmeal (Regular or Instant), Box Cereals, Grits (Regular or Instant), Tuna Fish (In the packets), Beans/Peas (Dry good bags), Mash Potatoes (Box/packets), Corn Meal, Flour, Cooking oil, Pasta, Sauce, Sardines, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Mac & Cheese, Soups, Canned fruits.

PRAYER REQUEST

- Mike Walsh's mom as she recovers from her surgery.
- There will be another memorial service in this area for Dave Peters in the summer.
- Debbie Shurig... health issues.
- Dalene White... recovering from fractured shoulder.
- Deb R. R... health issues.
- Melida... multiple health issues.
- Teri Clevenger... chronic back pain.
- Natalie Weems... health issues.
- Tim Height... health issues.
- Elsie Thompson... health issues.

FRIENDS & RELATIVES

- Debi R-R's sister Isabel and her son Tory dealing with major health issues.
- Terri's daughter Becca's doctor's are monitoring her thyroid.
- Gwendolyn, William Whites mothers roommate, health issues.
- Rhina attends Spanish speaking service, prayers for her health.
- Gary Smalls, (Ruth Stevens Son-in-law) health issues. Michelle (Ruth's daughter) is undergoing dialysis.
- From the Weems; Carolynne Searle- Stroke & loss of vision in one eye, Anthony Castagna- personal issues, Paul Huber (stepdad) health issues, Gina Palmer- lung cancer.
- Rob Mar (Linda's Meredith's cousin), Barbara Keenan (Linda's sister) Ryan Keenan (Linda's nephew) for spiritual strength & health, Jack Keenan (Linda's B.I.L.) suffering from cancer.

God's Plan for Saving Man

Divine Love: John 3:16

God's Grace: Ephesians 2:8

Christ's Blood: Romans 5:9

Holy Spirit's Word: 1 Corinthians 2:12-13

Sinner's Faith: Acts 16:31

Sinner's Repentance: Luke 13:3

Sinner's Confession: Romans 10:10

Sinner's Baptism (Immersion): Acts 22:16

Christian's Love: Matthew 22:37

Christian's Work: James 2:24

Christian's Hope: Romans 8:24

Christian's Endurance: Revelation 2:10

March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 AM Sunday AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Sunday AM Worship 1:30 PM Spanish Speaking Services	2 6:30 PM Monday Night Study at the Seims	3	4 6:30 PM ZOOM Bible Class	5	6	7
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22 9:30 AM Sunday AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Sunday AM Worship 1:30 PM Spanish Speaking Services	23 6:30 PM Monday Night Study at the Seims	24	25 6:30 PM ZOOM Bible Class	26	27	28
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CHRIST & THE CHURCH

CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF

Government
KINGDOM

John 18:37 • Col. 1:13-14

Unity
BODY

Eph.5:23 • Col. 1:18

Ownership
CHRIST

II Timothy 2:10

KINGDOM • BODY
CHURCH • HOUSEHOLD

Family
HOUSEHOLD

Hebrews 3:6 • Galatians 4:7

760 B.C. Isa. 2:2-3
580 B.C. Daniel 2:44
27 A.D. Mark 9:1
29 A.D. Matt. 16:18

PENTECOST
ACTS 2:47

30 A.D. Acts 5:11
46 A.D. Acts 14:23
96 A.D. Rev. 1:4

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"
Revelation 22:17

IMPORTANCE

Matthew 15:15

Builder Matthew 16:18

Blood Acts 20:20

Head..... Colossians 1:18

Foundation .. I Corinthians 3:11

Savior..... Ephesians 5:23

ONENESS

John 17:20-21 • I Corinthians 1:10

My Church Matthew 16:18

The Church Ephesians 1:22

One Body..... Ephesians 4:4

One Fold..... John 10:16

One Family..... I Timothy 3:15

SALVATION

Acts 4:12

Added Acts 2:47

Purchased Acts 20:28

Reconciled Ephesians 2:16

Saved II Timothy 2:10

Redeemed . Colossians 1:13,14

SERMON OUTLINE

Growing In The Knowledge Of Jesus Christ

2 Peter 3:18

Introduction... In 2 Peter 1:2-11, Peter has defined what it means to grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. This morning we will look more closely at just what is involved and consider why we should all desire to grow in this "*knowledge*."

I. What Growing In The Knowledge Of Jesus Christ Involves

- (A) The development of the "eight graces found in 2 Peter 1:5-7."
 - (1) Faith, Virtue, Knowledge, Self-control, Perseverance, Godliness, Brotherly kindness, Love.
 - (2) 2 Peter 1:2-3, 8
- (B) The developing of these graces in conjunction with one another.
 - (1) 2 Peter 1:5-7
- (C) It involves diligent effort.
 - (1) 2 Peter 1:5,10

II. Why We Should Be Growing In The Knowledge Of Jesus Christ

- (A) Grace and peace are Multiplied in this Knowledge (2 Peter 1:2).
 - (1) Matthew 5:45
 - (2) Philippians 4:6-7
 - (3) Ephesians 1:3
- (B) All things pertaining to Life and Godliness are Given Through this Knowledge (2 Peter 1:3-4).
- (C) Failure to grow in this knowledge can cause Spiritual "Myopia" or "Amnesia".
 - (1) 2 Peter 1:9
 - (2) Romans 8:29; Colossians 3:9-11
- (D) We Will Never Stumble (2 Peter 1;10).
 - (1) 1 John 1: 8,10
- (E) Entrance into the "Everlasting Kingdom" will be abundantly supplied (2 Peter 1:11).
 - (1) 2 Timothy 4:18
 - (2) 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Conclusion... The five reasons given in this lesson should sufficiently motivate us to be diligent in growing in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. Let's be sure to make our calling and election sure, and have a closer walk with God, by making every effort to add these graces to our lives.

Notes: