

There verses explain how vital fellowship with God and one another is. The value of our fellowship is often over looked and is only viewed as a gathering, but it is essential to our walk in Christ and among man. **Oswald Chambers** said in reference to fellowship that it is impossible for a saint, no matter what his experience, to keep right with God, if he will not make an effort to spend time with God. His said in order to keep the mind and heart awake to God's high ideas you have to keep coming back again and again to the primal source. If you do not, you will be crushed into degeneracy.

Week 1, June 4 - 10, 2017

(1 John 1:6-7)

If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

The issue raised by John in these verses is regarding man's professions and practices. **Verse six** suggests that man is prone to self-deception and hypocrisy. Our professions and practices may not be operating at the same level. The outward profession may be contrary to the inward reality. It is possible that the verbal affirmation may far exceed the visible actualization. It we say that which our character does not strengthen, we lie. Since God is light, the question is, Who can have companionship with him? The answer to that question is found in **verse seven**. John said, *"But if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin"* (NASB). This verse suggests that there must be an agreement. Man should be found walking in the same light as that of God. Those who walk in the light never walk alone. God walks with us personally and through other people.

This companionship with God and other people is due to the operation of grace. The eternal Son of God came into the world and sacrificed himself that we might have companionship with God. Jesus gives all that is needed for a habitual walk with God. If you will notice these two verses, John shifts his emphasis from profession to practice. His concern is not just with what we say, but also what we do. Our walking in the same light as that of God, produces fellowship with one another and cleansing from sin. Those who walk in darkness not only tell lies, they live a lie. John said that a person who claims to have companionship with God and does not walk in the same path as God, does not practice the truth. When the truth is practiced, fellowship among people is the result. The reason this is so is because salvation from sin's penalty and power is provided through the shed blood of Jesus. His blood is so effective that it does more than cleanse us from some sin; it cleanses us from all sin

Week 2, June 11 - 17, 2017

(Philippians 3:10)

That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death.

"That I may know Him..." Paul was aware that the best way to keep from following false teachings is a healthy relationship with Jesus. This is the secret to a sanctified life. A sanctified life is one that is devoted to knowing Christ. The word "know" (*ginosko*) means to learn to know, to come to know, to get a knowledge by perception and experience, to understand. It is a word that speaks of an intimate relationship or sexual intercourse. It is strange how much effort we put into things we consider valuable. I wonder how much effort we put into knowing Christ. If we would be honest, most of us would have to confess that we put far more effort into other things than we do into knowing Christ. The chief aim in Paul's life was knowing Jesus. There was nothing in his life that was as important to him as his relationship to Jesus. Knowing Christ was Paul's greatest ambition.

"That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection..." In this portion of **verse ten**, Paul was suggesting that he wanted to know Jesus in a personal and intimate way. He wanted the resurrection power that was available to him from Jesus to be operating in his life daily. The fact that Jesus is alive and well should transform life. The resurrection of Jesus means that he has conquered death and the grave. The death of Jesus saved us from the penalty of sin. His resurrection saves us from the power of sin. We need to know that the power of Jesus can operate in a Christian's life. This is the same power that raised Jesus from the dead and seated him at the right hand of the Father. This resurrection power is the same power that subjected

everything to the authority of Jesus Christ. It is the same power that made Jesus the great head of the church (**Ephesians 1:20-22**). This is the power that can and will operate in and through Christians. This power becomes active in our lives when we come to know Jesus.

"That I may know Him...and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death..."

Fellowship of the sufferings of Christ will bring us to the point of facing the rejection of the world. Jesus came into his own world and lived among his own people. But his own world and people did not accept him. When we identify ourselves with Christ, we share in his sufferings. This brings us into conformity with the death of Christ. It is through conformity to the death of Christ that we know something of the passion of Christ for a lost world. Paul was so much in fellowship with the sufferings of Christ that at one point in his life he said that he could be willing to go to hell if his going there could lead to the salvation of Jews (**Romans 9:1-3**). If more Christians knew Christ, the fellowship of his sufferings and were conformed to his death, we could not rest comfortably while the world is dying around us. We would not consider any sacrifice too great to win the world for Christ.

Week 3, June 18 - 24, 2017

(1 John 1:3)

That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

If you will notice what the apostle John was trying to do, you will discover that he was trying to bring his readers into a relationship with God the Father and Jesus Christ. The word "fellowship" (*koinonia*) means to communicate, to have communion, to have in common, partnership and participation. Those who received the revelation of Jesus were those who shared the revelation with the world. That which was revealed to the apostle was made known to the world that the world would have a relationship with God the Father, Jesus Christ and other Christians. The fellowship to which John drew attention was salvation experienced through Jesus Christ. It suggested a common participation in the grace of God. John was suggesting to his readers that life in Jesus offered them a new relationship with God and one another. Wherever there is a relationship with God the Father and Jesus the Son, there must also be a relationship with those who believe in them.

Week 4, June 25 - July 1, 2017

(Acts 2:42)

And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

The background Scripture for this little talk focuses upon the apostles and the disciples on the day of Pentecost. After the Holy Spirit had descended upon the apostles and the disciples, they were empowered for work and worship. Christ established the church as the agency through which he would carry on his work in the world. When the believers in the early church were baptized, they devoted themselves to the teachings of the apostles. They devoted themselves to fellowship. They also devoted themselves to the ordinances of the church, baptism and the Lord's Supper. These were contributing factors in the church in Jerusalem growing. I want to consider the fellowship of the church. The word "fellowship" (*koinonia*) means to share in or to participate. It means to have communion or intimacy. It has reference to a close bond and union between people. It is important to understand that fellowship has more to do with the attitude of the heart than with the place and activity of the body. It is possible for people to be in the same place, at the same time, engaged in the same activity, and there can still be no fellowship. Fellowship begins when the hearts and minds of those present being in one accord. The church in Jerusalem was a growing church because the people were in fellowship with one another. When the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the church at Pentecost, they were not split into many factions with each of them hostile to the others. The fellowship of the early church was visible. When the world sees that the church is united in people, the church will be powerful in her work and growth. The reason the early church was in fellowship was because they were on one accord. The church of today could be more effective if church members did not have their own agendas. We could experience qualitative and quantitative growth if we stop trying to accomplish our own purposes. Fellowship is a condition of the heart that is absolutely necessary to the growth of the church because without it the church will be trying to move in as many directions as there are purposes.



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MANNA TO MEMORIZE is a tool intended to inculcate, equip and empower us for the Kingdom battle and Kingdom building. I am encouraging every member to memorize each verse per week and study its meaning. David said in *(Psalm 1:2-3) But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.* Let's plant our roots deep in The Word of God.

The Outline of the Books of The Bible

I. Book of the Law (5) (The Pentateuch also The Torah)	<u>Chapter(s)</u>	<u>Verses</u>
1.The 1st Book of Moses Called Genesis	50	1,533
2.The 2nd Book of Moses Called Exodus	40	1,213
3.The 3rd Book of Moses Called Leviticus	27	859
4.The 4th Book of Moses Called Numbers	36	1,288
5.The 5th Book of Moses Called Deuteronomy	34	959
II. Old Testament (Total Books 39)		
Narrative or History (12)		
6.The Book of Joshua	24	658
7.The Book of Judges	21	618
8.The Book of Ruth	4	85
9.The 1st Book of Samuel	31	810
10.The 2nd Book of Samuel	24	695
11.The 1st Book of Kings	22	816
12.The 2nd Book of Kings	25	719
13.The 1st Book of Chronicles	29	942
14.The 2nd Book of Chronicles	36	822
15.The Book of Ezra	10	280
16.The Book of Nehemiah	13	406
17.The Book of Esther	10	167

The Outline of the Books of The Bible (cont'd.)

III. Wisdom Literature or Poetry (5)	<u>Chapter(s)</u>	<u>Verses</u>
18.The Book of Job	42	1070
19.The Book of Psalms	150	2461
20.The Book of Proverbs	31	915
21.The Book of Ecclesiastes	12	222
22.The Song of Songs (or Song of Solomon or Canticles)	8	117
IV. Major Prophetic Books (5)		
23.The Book of Isaiah	66	1292
24.The Book of Jeremiah	52	1364
25.The Book of Lamentations	5	145
26.The Book of Ezekiel	48	1273
27.The Book of Daniel	12	357
V. Minor Prophetic Books (12)		
28.The Book of Hosea	14	197
29.The Book of Joel	3	73
30.The Book of Amos	9	146
31.The Book of Obadiah	1	21
32.The Book of Jonah	4	48
33.The Book of Micah	7	106
34.The Book of Nahum	3	47
35.The Book of Habakkuk	3	56
36.The Book of Zephaniah	3	53
37.The Book of Haggai	2	38
38.The Book of Zechariah	14	211
39.The Book of Malachi	4	55
VI. New Testament (Total Books 27)		
Gospel Narrative (4)		
*Synoptic Gospels		
40.*The Gospel According to Matthew	28	1071
41.*The Gospel According to Mark	16	678
42.*The Gospel According to Luke	24	1151
43. The Gospel According to John	21	879
VII. History of The Early Church (1)		
44.The Acts of the Apostles	28	1007

The Outline of the Books of The Bible (cont'd.)

VIII. Pauline Epistles (13) (21) total	<u>Chapter(s)</u>	<u>Verses</u>
45.The Epistle of Paul to the Romans	16	433
46.The 1st Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians	16	437
47.The 2nd Epistle of Paul to the Corinthians	13	257
48.The Epistle of Paul to the Galatians	6	149
49.The Epistle of Paul to the Ephesians	6	155
50.The Epistle of Paul to the Philippians	4	104
51.The Epistle of Paul to the Colossians	4	95
52.The 1st Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians	5	89
53.The 2nd Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians	3	47
54.The 1st Epistle of Paul to Timothy	6	113
55.The 2nd Epistle of Paul to Timothy	4	83
56.The Epistle of Paul to Titus	3	46
57.The Epistle of Paul to Philemon	1	25
IX. General Epistles (8)		
58.The Epistle to the Hebrews	13	303
59.The General Epistle of James	5	108
60.The 1st Epistle of Peter	5	105
61.The 2nd Epistle of Peter	3	61
62.The 1st Epistle of John	5	105
63.The 2nd Epistle of John	1	13
64.The 3rd Epistle of John	1	13
65.The Epistle of Jude	1	25
X. Apocalyptic Epistle (1)		
66.The Book of Revelation (or The Apocalypse of John)	22	404

Total Chapters 1,189 Total Verses 31,102