

HEAVEN

My Father's House

Bible Study Instructions

As you complete this study, follow these steps to get the most out of each lesson's scripture passages:

1

BEGIN BY READING THE DESIGNATED PASSAGE OF SCRIPTURE

This is printed for you on each lesson's Bible Study worksheet. When you have finished reading the passage, move to step 2.

2

LIST THE FACTS:

Make a verse-by-verse list of the outstanding facts. Don't get caught up in the details; just pinpoint the most obvious facts. Ask yourself who is speaking, what is the subject, where is the action taking place, when did it happen, and so on. As you make your list, do not paraphrase but use actual words from the passage itself. Take a moment to read the completed example of a worksheet focused on John 14:1-3. When you have read the passage in John (in Step 1), look over the facts listed in Step 2 so that you understand these instructions more clearly.

3

LEARN THE LESSONS:

After looking at the passage and listing the facts, you are ready for Step 3. Go back to the list of facts in Step 2 and look for a lesson to learn from each fact. Ask yourself what are the people in this passage doing that I should be doing? Is there a command I should obey? A promise I should claim? A warning I should heed? An example I should follow? Look again at the completed example on John 14:1-3. Note that you may have more than one lesson for each verse.

4

LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

The fourth step is the most meaningful, but you cannot do it until Steps 1, 2, and 3 have been completed. In order to complete Step 4, rephrase the lessons you found in Step 3 and put them in the form of questions you could ask yourself, your spouse, your child, your friend, your neighbor, or your co-worker. As you write out the questions, listen for God to communicate to you personally through His Word.

Remember, there are some challenging passages in Revelation. It may take several moments of prayerful meditation to discover meaningful lessons and hear God speaking to you.

5

LIVE IT OUT!

On the "My Personal Journey" worksheets, record what God seems to be saying to you in the corresponding verses and your response to Him. You should read the assigned Scripture passages prayerfully, objectively, thoughtfully, and attentively as you listen for God to speak. He may not speak to you through every verse, but He **will** speak.

HEAVEN

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PREPARATION

Bible Study Example

JOHN 14:1-3

1 LOOK IN HIS WORD:

Feel free to underline, circle, or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

John 14:1 Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me.

14:2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

2 LIST THE FACTS:

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most outstanding, obvious facts. Be literal as you answer.

v.1 Do not be troubled. Trust in God, also in me.

v.2 In my Father's house are many rooms. I'm going to prepare for you.

v.3 If I go, I will come back that you may be where I am.

3 LEARN THE LESSONS:

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

v.1 The antidote to a fearful, troubled heart—especially concerning the future—is faith in God.

v.2 Knowing where I am going in the future takes the fear out of getting there.

v.3 My future is certain because I am going to be with Jesus.

4 LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

What does the passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from Step 3 in the form of questions. Be personal as you answer.

v.1 What is troubling me about the future?

v.2 How much do I know about where I am going?

v.3 What are some reasons that give me hope about the future?

HEAVEN

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PREPARATION

Lesson 1: Bible Study

REVELATION 21:1-3

1 LOOK IN HIS WORD:

Feel free to underline, circle, or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

Revelation 21:1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea.

21:2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.

21:3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God."

2 LIST THE FACTS:

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most outstanding, obvious facts. Be literal as you answer.

3 LEARN THE LESSONS:

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

4 LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

What does the passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from Step 3 in the form of questions. Be personal as you answer.

HEAVEN

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PERFECTION

Lesson 2: Bible Study

REVELATION 21:4-6

1 LOOK IN HIS WORD:

Feel free to underline, circle, or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

Revelation 21:4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

21:5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

21:6 He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life."

2 LIST THE FACTS:

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most outstanding, obvious facts. Be literal as you answer.

3 LEARN THE LESSONS:

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

4 LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

What does the passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from Step 3 in the form of questions. Be personal as you answer.

HEAVEN

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PRESENTATION

Lesson 3: Bible Study

REVELATION 21:9–14

1 LOOK IN HIS WORD:

Feel free to underline, circle, or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

Revelation 21:9 One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”

21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.

21:11 It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

21:12 It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel.

21:13 There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west.

21:14 The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

2 LIST THE FACTS:

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most outstanding, obvious facts. Be literal as you answer.

3 LEARN THE LESSONS:

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

4 LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

What does the passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from Step 3 in the form of questions. Be personal as you answer.

HEAVEN

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS POPULATION

Lesson 4: Bible Study

REVELATION 21:7–8, 22–27

1 LOOK IN HIS WORD:

Feel free to underline, circle, or otherwise mark text if it will aid your study.

Revelation 21:7 He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

21:8 But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.

21:22 I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

21:23 The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.

21:24 The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.

21:25 On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there.

21:26 The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it.

21:27 Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

2 LIST THE FACTS:

What does the passage say? Make a verse-by-verse list of the most outstanding, obvious facts. Be literal as you answer.

3 LEARN THE LESSONS:

What does the passage mean? What lessons can be learned from these facts? Be spiritual as you answer.

4 LISTEN TO HIS VOICE:

What does the passage mean to you? Rewrite the lessons from Step 3 in the form of questions. Be personal as you answer.

HEAVEN

Lesson 1: My Personal Journey

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PREPARATION

5 WHAT DOES GOD SEEM TO BE SAYING TO YOU THROUGH YOUR STUDY OF REVELATION 21:1-3?

6 AS YOU WATCH THE VIDEO, USE THIS SPACE TO NOTE ANY CHALLENGES, ENCOURAGEMENT, OR INSIGHTS YOU GAIN FROM ANNE'S TEACHING.

7 LIVE IT OUT! WRITE DOWN TODAY'S DATE AND WHAT YOU WILL DO NOW ABOUT WHAT GOD IS SAYING TO YOU.

HEAVEN

Lesson 2: My Personal Journey

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PERFECTION

5 WHAT DOES GOD SEEM TO BE SAYING TO YOU THROUGH YOUR STUDY OF REVELATION 21:4-6?

6 AS YOU WATCH THE VIDEO, USE THIS SPACE TO NOTE ANY CHALLENGES, ENCOURAGEMENT, OR INSIGHTS YOU GAIN FROM ANNE'S TEACHING.

7 LIVE IT OUT! WRITE DOWN TODAY'S DATE AND WHAT YOU WILL DO NOW ABOUT WHAT GOD IS SAYING TO YOU.

HEAVEN

Lesson 3: My Personal Journey

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS PRESENTATION

5 WHAT DOES GOD SEEM TO BE SAYING TO YOU THROUGH YOUR STUDY OF REVELATION 21:9-14?

6 AS YOU WATCH THE VIDEO, USE THIS SPACE TO NOTE ANY CHALLENGES, ENCOURAGEMENT, OR INSIGHTS YOU GAIN FROM ANNE'S TEACHING.

7 LIVE IT OUT! WRITE DOWN TODAY'S DATE AND WHAT YOU WILL DO NOW ABOUT WHAT GOD IS SAYING TO YOU.

HEAVEN

Lesson 4: My Personal Journey

My Father's House ...IS BEAUTIFUL IN ITS POPULATION

5 WHAT DOES GOD SEEM TO BE SAYING TO YOU THROUGH YOUR STUDY OF REVELATION 21:7-8 AND 21:22-27?

6 AS YOU WATCH THE VIDEO, USE THIS SPACE TO NOTE ANY CHALLENGES, ENCOURAGEMENT, OR INSIGHTS YOU GAIN FROM ANNE'S TEACHING.

7 LIVE IT OUT! WRITE DOWN TODAY'S DATE AND WHAT YOU WILL DO NOW ABOUT WHAT GOD IS SAYING TO YOU.

*The Heavenly Father
Requests the Honor of Your Presence In*

Heaven

*Which He Has
Lovingly Prepared for You
As a Perfect Place*

*That Is His Actual, Physical Home
Populated by His Family
Where He Will Live with You Forever*

The favor of a reply is required.

*M*_____

_____ *I accept the Father's invitation to Heaven by choosing
to confess and repent of my sin, claiming Jesus as my
Savior, and inviting Him into my life as my Lord.*

_____ *I confirm my previous acceptance of the Father's invitation
to Heaven by recommitting my life to Jesus Christ.*

_____ *I commit to telling my family, friends, and others about
the Heavenly Father's gracious invitation that requires
an RSVP.*

You may send your reply directly by faith through prayer to the Heavenly Father.