

Lesson Five:

FIVE STEPS OF MAN WITH MAN

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“Walk In Love”
(Ephesians 5:1,2)

SELF

1
 Matthew 22:39
 Acts 9:6
 I Corinthians 9:27
 Philippians 3:13,14
 Acts 2:40
 Matthew 16:24-27

FAMILY

2
 Deuteronomy 6:3-15
 Ephesians 5,6
 Genesis 18:19
 II Timothy 1:5
 Luke 2:49-52
 Ruth 1:16,17
 Joshua 24:15

CHURCH

3
 I Peter 2:17
 John 13:34,35
 I John
 I Peter 1:22
 John 15:12-14

NEIGHBOR

4
 Luke 10:27-37
 Luke 19:10
 Romans 13:9,10
 Galatians 6:10
 Acts 10:34,35

ENEMY

5
 Matthew 5:43-48
 Luke 23:34
 Acts 7:59,60
 Galatians 4:16
 Romans 12:14,18-21
 Romans 5:8,9

Questions from the Chart: 5 Steps of Man with Man

1. "Walk in Love" (Ephesians 5:1-2): "Be ye therefore _____ of God, as dear children; And _____ in _____, as Christ also hath _____ us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour."
2. Fill in the blanks from the chart.

Step "Walk in Love" First Reference

1	toward
2	toward
3	toward
4	toward
5	toward

Questions from the Video

3. This lesson is about our responsibilities toward all people—including self. The principle that will guide us is stated in Ephesians 5:1–2:

"Walk in _____."

Every step we take is to be taken carefully in light of what the Bible teaches (Ephesians 5:15-17). Let us use the Bible to learn how to think, speak, and act properly in every circumstance and toward every person in the world.

Self

4. Match the reference with the proper phrase.

_____ Matthew 22:39	a. Love thy neighbor as thyself
_____ Acts 9:6	b. Save yourselves
_____ 1 Corinthians 9:27	c. I keep under my body
_____ Philippians 3:13-14	d. What wilt thou have me to do?
_____ Acts 2:40	e. If any man will come after me
_____ Matthew 16:24-27	f. This one thing I do

5. Philippians 3:13-14: "Brethren, I count not _____ to have apprehended: but this one thing ___ do, forgetting those things which are behind, and _____ _____ unto those things which are before, I _____ toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Family

6. Match the phrase with the proper reference.

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| ___ For I know him, that he will command his children | b. Ephesians 5-6 |
| ___ Thy God shall be my God | c. Genesis 18:19 |
| ___ Childhood of Jesus | d. 2 Timothy 1:5 |
| ___ And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children | e. Luke 2:49-52 |
| ___ As for me and my house | f. Ruth 1:16-17 |
| ___ Children, obey your parents | g. Joshua 24:15 |

7. Joshua 24:15: "And if it seem evil unto you to _____ the Lord, _____ you this _____ whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for _____ and my _____, we _____ the Lord."

Church

8. Match the reference with the quote from it.

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| ___ 1 Peter 2:17 | a. Unto unfeigned love of the brethren |
| ___ John 13:34-35 | b. This is my commandment |
| ___ 1 John 4:7 | c. Love the brotherhood |
| ___ 1 Peter 1:22 | d. Beloved, let us love one another |
| ___ John 15:12-14 | e. By this shall all men know |

9. 1 John 3:16-18: "Hereby perceive we the _____ of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our _____ for the _____. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have _____, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how _____ the _____ of God in him? My _____, let us _____ love in word, neither in tongue; but in _____ and in _____."

Neighbor

10. Match the scripture with the point we should learn from it.

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| ___ Luke 10:27-29 | a. Someone needs to seek and save the lost! |
| ___ Luke 10:30-37 | b. God is no respecter of persons |
| ___ Luke 19:10 | c. Love God with your whole being |
| ___ Romans 13:9-10 | d. Love does not work ill to a neighbor |
| ___ Galatians 6:10 | e. Everybody is my neighbor |
| ___ Acts 10:34-35 | f. We should do good to all |

11. Match the person with that which he said or did (see Luke 10:30–37).

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| _____ Jesus | a. He received two pence |
| _____ A certain man | b. "Go and do thou likewise" |
| _____ A certain priest | c. He looked on him and passed by |
| _____ A Levite | d. He saw him and passed by |
| _____ A certain Samaritan | e. Fell among thieves |
| _____ The host | f. "He that shewed mercy on him" |
| _____ A certain lawyer (v. 25) | g. He had compassion on him |

Enemy

12. True or False (place a "T" or an "F" in the blank). _____ Jesus taught that we must hate our enemies (Matthew 5:43-48).
 _____ Jesus said that we should "bless them that bless you" in Matthew 5:44.
 _____ Jesus said, "Father, forgive them" when He was on the way to Calvary (Luke 23:34).
 _____ Stephen said, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge" in Acts 7:59-60.
 _____ Paul wrote, "Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?" in Galatians 4:16.
13. Romans 5:8-10: "But God _____ his _____ toward us, in that, while we were yet _____, Christ died for us. _____ then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were _____, we were _____ to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life."

Four Final Questions

Have you ever made a decision that you later regretted because you did not have enough facts to make your decision wisely? So have I! Let me say at the outset of this conclusion that I am more convinced now than ever that THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS THE ONLY LIFE WORTH LIVING! And the only way to live the Christian life is to love Jesus enough to obey Him (John 14:15,21,23; 15:14; 1 John 5:3).

What is My Attitude?

What is my attitude toward my sin, my eternity, my God, myself, and the truth of God's word?

Am I being honest about all of this? Do I really want to see things as they are and then deal with them according to God's perfect plan?

Honesty means that every time I learn a truth that exposes my errors and sins, I change myself so as to be right. God's word is truth, and every time I differ with it in word or deed, I am the one who is wrong!

In other words, do I have the attitude of David as expressed in Psalm 19:14: "Let the _____"

of my mouth, and the _____ of my heart, be _____ in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my _____"?

Can I repeat the words of Psalm 139:23–24 as my own heart's desire? "_____ me, O God, and know my _____: try me, and know my _____: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and _____ me in the way everlasting."

Since it is true that God is, that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him, and that He knows all there is to know about me, why shouldn't I be honest with Him and learn His ways?

"Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with _____" (Hebrews 4:13).

What Will I Be?

If I obey the plan of salvation (see Lesson 3: Five Steps from Man to God), I will be a Christian (Acts 11:26). But I will also be:

- a member of the one body (Ephesians 4:4)
- a member of the one _____ (Acts 20:28)
- a member of the one _____ (Matthew 6:33; Colossians 1:13)
- a member of the one _____ (Ephesians 3:15)
- a member of the one _____ [over which Christ serves as High Priest] (Ephesians 2:20-22)
- a member of the one vineyard [Christ is the vine and we are the _____] (John 15:1-8)
- a member of the one army [and we are to put on the whole _____] (Ephesians 6:10-20)

How Do I Decide?

The simplest way to answer this question is to say that I must "count the cost." To assist in this, Jesus taught a lesson in Luke 14:25-33. He makes it clear that following Him calls for a great commitment—a commitment to renounce any and all who would keep me from following Him. He taught that "cross-bearing" is a key term to describe the idea of being His disciple (learner). He said those things to emphasize that He does not want me to follow Him before I do count the _____.

Am I willing to renounce immorality, false doctrine, false religions, and all other sin? Do I realize that Jesus never taught that His way was an easy way? Do I understand that Satan will be "after" me more than ever before if I love and obey Jesus?

On the other hand, what is the cost to be paid if I do not follow Him? At stake is my own soul, those who will be affected by my life, and the very truth of God!

Yes, I must count the cost!

What Am I Waiting For?

Now that I know the way into the body—church—kingdom—family—temple—vineyard—army of God, and now that I have seen the necessity of counting the cost, I must make a decision.

In the sermon on the mount, the Lord taught the sad truth that many are headed toward the destination of eternal destruction, while few are headed toward life. "Enter ye in at the _____: for wide is the gate, and _____ is the way, that leadeth to _____, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and _____ is the way, which leadeth unto life, and _____ there be that _____ it" (Matthew 7:13-14).

Wouldn't it be wise for me to gladly receive His word and be baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38,41)? Wouldn't it be wonderful to know that I have obeyed Jesus (not man) and have been added to His church (John 14:15; Acts 2:47)?

ISN'T IT URGENT FOR ME TO NOW COUNT THE COST, AND AFTER COUNTING THE COST, TO OBEY THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST AT ALL COSTS??!!

Conclusion

Dear Student, my final word to you is to weigh all of the things you have studied in these five lessons and then to delay no longer.

Do not be grieved by God's commands—be grieved by your sin, and then obey God's commands so you can have all of those sins blotted out forevermore (1 John 5:3).

After Paul had grieved over his own condition outside of Christ, Ananias was sent to him with this message: "And now why tarriest thou? _____, and _____, and _____, calling on the name of the Lord" (Acts 22:16).

I ask you the same—why are you delaying? Delay no more—obey Jesus now. Accept the way of truth and follow it all of your days.

You will never regret it.

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