

BASIC BIBLE **TRUTHS**

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Dedication

With deep love and thanksgiving for my wife, Debby,
whose steadfast love and childlike faith have been an
encouragement to me.

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Preface

New believers in Christ need to be instructed in the Word of God as soon as possible. The best and most profitable way is by daily use and repetition of the Scriptures.

All you need to complete this study is your Bible and a pen. Look up the verses indicated and fill in the blanks. Memorize the verses that are marked with an asterisk (*).

—Ralph O. Burns

My Condition Before God Saved Me

God's Word does not commend my condition before I was saved, but it does describe that condition in a way that is true and correct.

I was like a sheep going _____ (Isaiah 53:6*).

I was a _____ (Romans 5:8).

I was _____ and _____ (Romans 5:6).

I was an _____ of God (Romans 5:10).

I was a sinner (1 Timothy 1:15*).

God says I was _____ in trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1).

I was following Satan, the prince of the power of the air (Ephesians 2:2).

As an unbeliever, I was already _____ (John 3:18).

God's _____ was upon me because I was an unbeliever (John 3:36).

God says, "All have sinned." I must acknowledge that I am a _____ (Romans 3:23*).

I was _____ Christ, _____ from the commonwealth of Israel, a _____ from the covenants of promise. I had no _____, and I was without God (Ephesians 2:12).

I was far off from God (Ephesians 2:13).

That is what I once was, but now I am saved!

My Condition Now

Page 7 was a review of my condition before God saved me. Now I want to see what He says about me after I am saved.

I am a _____ (John 1:12*).

I am a believer (Acts 5:14).

I am a(n) _____ of Christ (1 Corinthians 11:1).

I am now a Christian (Acts 11:26).

I am a new _____ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

What God said about me before I was saved was not good, but what He says regarding my condition now is indescribably good!

I have been _____ by God (Ephesians 1:6).

I have been saved (Acts 16:31*).

I have been _____ (John 3:5-7*).

I have been redeemed and forgiven (Colossians 1:14; 2:13).

I have been cleansed (Ephesians 5:26).

I have eternal life (John 3:16*).

I am a partaker in the _____ (2 Peter 1:4).

What Has Happened to Me?

God's Word tells me why I am so different since I have been saved.

I _____ on the Lord Jesus Christ, and He _____ me (Acts 16:31).

I am now converted (Acts 28:27).

God says I am _____ (Acts 13:38–39). That means I have a new legal standing before God: He has declared me righteous.

The _____ of Jesus Christ cleanses me from _____ sin (1 John 1:7*).

I have been reconciled to God, brought back into His favor (Romans 5:10).

In Christ I have two things:

1. _____ through His _____ (Ephesians 1:7).
2. Forgiveness of _____ by His grace (Ephesians 1:7).

I now possess the _____ of Christ (2 Peter 1:4). I have two natures: my own human nature and Christ's divine nature. Since my human nature is unable to please God (Romans 7:18), I must not obey its suggestions. It is not trustworthy (Philippians 3:3). Instead, I should allow the divine nature to control my human nature.