

The ten things God desires all human beings to do...

- 1) Listen to what Jesus Christ, His Son, says.
- 2) Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3) Show your belief in Christ Jesus by being baptized.
- 4) Always seek to be filled with the Spirit of God.
- 5) Follow Jesus, by taking up your cross, and denying yourself.
- 6) Do not sin, but if you do sin, always confess your sins to God.
- 7) Read the Word of God, the Bible, all the time.
- 8) Pray and fellowship with the Lord Jesus every day.
- 9) Be faithful to attend the church meeting.
- 10) Always be ready to share with others the good news of Jesus.

How do we know the ten points above are true? We know this because God tells us the following about each of these points in the Bible.

- 1) **Listen to what Jesus Christ, His Son, says.** God says this about Jesus Christ – “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!” **Matthew 17:5.** And if we should listen to Jesus, what does Jesus say? Jesus says, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to [God] the Father, but through Me” **John 14:6.** And concerning our sin Jesus says, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand,” **Matt. 4:17.** Why? – Because “God now commands all men everywhere to repent.” **Acts 17:30b.**
- 2) **Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.** The Bible says – “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.” **John 3:16.** Why? – Because the Bible says that Jesus died on the cross for our sins – “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” **Romans 5:8.** And it says, He “...was buried and... rose again on the third day.” **I Cor. 15:2-3.** Therefore, salvation is not rewarded because of our good works, but it is rewarded by believing in Him. The Bible reminds us of this when it says, “For by grace you have been saved, through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is a gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast.” **Ephesians 2:8-9**
- 3) **Show your belief in Christ Jesus by being baptized.** The Bible says – “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.” **Matthew 28:19.**

- 4) **Always seek to be filled with the Spirit of God.** Jesus says in the Bible – “Now suppose one of your fathers is asked by his son for a fish; he will not give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? ... If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?” **Luke 11:11-13.**
- 5) **Follow Jesus, by taking up your cross, and denying yourself.** The Bible tells us that Jesus said the following in **Matthew 16:24**, “Then Jesus said to His disciples, ‘If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.’”
- 6) **Do not sin, but if you do sin, always confess your sins to God.** The Bible says in **John 8:11a**, “...go and sin no more...” but, if we do sin, it tells us we should confess our sins to God, “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” **I John 1:9.**
- 7) **Read the Word of God, the Bible, all the time.** The Bible says, “Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.” **Psalms 119:11**, and it also says, “It is my meditation all the day.” **Psalms 119:97b.**
- 8) **Pray and fellowship with the Lord Jesus every day.** The Bible says that we are called to fellowship with Jesus – “What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, that you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.” **I John 1:3** – and it says that we should “pray without ceasing.” **I Thessalonians 5:17.**
- 9) **Be faithful to attend the church meeting.** The Bible says the following – “not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.” **Hebrews 10:25.**
- 10) **Always be ready to share with others the good news of Jesus Christ.** The Bible says – “but sanctify in your hearts Christ as Lord: *being* ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason concerning the hope that is in you.” **I Peter 3:15.**

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