So far we have seen and heard:

- GOD created the heavens and the earth, heavenly lights, plants and animals, and mankind in ADAM and EVE
 - We can follow God's timeline in history
 - God gave us His rules for life in the 10 commandments
 - Mankind remains forever sinful
 - Immortality of the soul
 - Eternal life
 - Why did Jesus Christ buy us from the slave market? Romans 11:36 For of Him, and through Him, and to Him
 - **FAITH in WHAT** ? (The object)
 - The New Heaven and the New Earth
 - Slavery to Satan / Freedom in Christ
 - Kingdom of God
 - · Sin, attitude, behaviour, rebellion



<u>CARNAL Christians</u> in the flesh won't **inherit the** kingdom of God

Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. Romans 8:7

For ye are yet <u>carnal</u>: for whereas *there is* among you <u>envying</u>, and <u>strife</u>, and <u>divisions</u>, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? 1 Corinthians 3:3

Kingdom of GOD = <u>inside</u> us / a renewed heart / attitude **Kingdom of Heaven** = 1000 year peace on earth and king Jesus reigns

Christian means "Christ like"

It means a changed life from **WITHIN** (from the heart / a new spirit) that shows outward

Many people think if they stop doing sin, stop drinking, smoking, dancing, being nasty etc, that they are now Christians, but it doesn't make them "Christ like".

They say: Look at me. I am changed!. Yea, on the outside, but my inside is still the same. People can change their outward lifestyle without being saved

It is all about what is in your heart:

If you are changed on the **inside (heart)** it **automatically** works outwardly.

And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will **take the stony heart out** of their flesh, and will give them **an heart of flesh**: Ezekiel 11:19

Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. Hebrews 13:21

How does a carnal mind live?

But foolish and unlearned questions <u>avoid</u>, knowing that they do gender <u>strifes</u>. 2Timothy 2:23

Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. But now (that you are saved) ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Colossians 3:5-8

And even as they did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to <u>a reprobate mind</u>, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all <u>unrighteousness</u>, <u>fornication</u>, <u>wickedness</u>, <u>covetousness</u>, <u>maliciousness</u>; <u>fullof envy</u>, <u>murder</u>, <u>debate</u>, <u>deceit</u>, <u>malignity</u>; <u>whisperers</u>, <u>Backbiters</u>, <u>haters of God</u>, <u>despiteful</u>, <u>proud</u>, <u>boasters</u>, <u>inventors of evil things</u>, <u>disobedient to parents</u>, <u>Without understanding</u>, <u>covenantbreakers</u>, <u>without natural affection</u>, <u>implacable</u>, <u>unmerciful</u>: Romans 1:28-31

What should a true Christian be like – how should a Christian live to show a changed lifestyle?

And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The <u>kingdom</u> <u>of God</u> cometh <u>not with observation</u>: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, <u>the kingdom of God is within</u> <u>you.</u> Luke 17:20-21

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the **inward** man is **renewed** day by day. 2Corinthians 4:16

For I delight in the law of God after the **inward man**: Romans 7:22

But he *is* a Jew, which is one <u>inwardly</u>; and circumcision *is that* of <u>the heart, in the spirit</u>, and not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God. (NOT good works) Romans 2:29

Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have <u>put off the old man</u> with his deeds;

And have **put on the new** *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: Colossians 3:9-10

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of <u>mercies, kindness</u>, <u>humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering</u>; <u>Forbearing one another</u>, and <u>forgiving one another</u>, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye. And <u>above all</u> these things <u>put on charity</u>, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the <u>peace of God rule in your hearts</u>, to the which also ye are called in one body; and <u>be ye thankful</u>. Let the <u>word of Christ dwell in you</u> richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing <u>with grace in your hearts to the Lord (when did your heart come right with Jesus</u>. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, <u>do</u> all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. Colossians 3:12-17

Let your **speech** be alway **with grace**, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man. Colossians 4:6

To <u>speak evil</u> of no man, to be <u>no brawlers</u>, but <u>gentle</u>, shewing all <u>meekness</u> unto all men. For we ourselves also were sometimes <u>foolish</u>, <u>disobedient</u>, <u>deceived</u>, <u>serving divers lusts and pleasures</u>, <u>living in malice and envy</u>, <u>hateful</u>, <u>and hating</u> one another. . Titus 3:2-3

In all things shewing thyself <u>a pattern of good works</u>: in doctrine *shewing* <u>uncorruptness</u>, <u>gravity, sincerity</u>, <u>Sound speech</u>, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you. Titus 2:7-8

... follow <u>righteousness</u>, <u>faith</u>, <u>charity</u>, <u>peace</u>, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 2Timothy 2:22

And the servant of the Lord must <u>not strive</u>; but <u>be gentle</u> unto all *men*, <u>apt to teach</u>, <u>patient</u>, 2Timothy 2:24

Not slothful in business; **fervent in spirit**; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in **hope**; **patient** in tribulation; continuing **instant in prayer**; **Distributing** (giving) to the necessity of saints; given to **hospitality**. **Bless** them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. **Rejoice** with them that do rejoice, and **weep** with them that weep. **Be** of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but **condescend to men of low estate**. **Be not wise** in your **own conceits**. (You think you are right and everybody else is wrong) Recompense to **no** man **evil for evil**. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, **live peaceably** with all men. Dearly beloved, **avenge not yourselves**, but **rather** give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance **is** mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but **overcome evil with good**. Romans 12:11-21

And <u>be renewed</u> in the spirit of your <u>mind</u>; And that ye <u>put on the new man</u>, which after God is created <u>in righteousness</u> and <u>true holiness</u>. Wherefore putting away lying, <u>speak</u> every man <u>truth</u> with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry, and <u>sin not</u>: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: Neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him <u>labour</u>, <u>working with his hands</u> the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And <u>grieve not the holy Spirit of God</u>, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all <u>bitterness</u>, and <u>wrath</u>, and <u>anger</u>, and <u>clamour</u>, and <u>evil speaking</u>, be <u>put away from you</u>, with all <u>malice</u>: And <u>be ye kind one to another</u>, <u>tenderhearted</u>, <u>forgiving</u> one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. Ephesians 4:23-32

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Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit (in the heart) is (this is how God judges people – the inward person)

love,
    joy,
    peace,
    longsuffering,
    gentleness,
    goodness,
    faith,
    meekness,
    Temperance
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Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. Do all things without murmurings and disputings: That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain. Philippians 2:12-16

From the beginning God has had a magnificent plan for human beings—to extend to us **His gift of eternal life**.

God promises us that "he who **overcomes** shall inherit all things, and <u>I will be his God and he shall be My son</u>"
Revelation 21:7

"I will be a Father to you," He says, "and you shall be My sons and daughters" 2 Corinthians 6:18

God gives us immortality so that it is possible to <u>live with</u> <u>Him forever</u>. He wants to begin a close family relationship with us now. John 14:23









