

DISCOVERING JESUS

An Introduction to the Savior

LESSON 2 RESPONSE BOOK

*Matthew's Gospel:
"The Road Less Traveled"*

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General Directions:

Two separate types of responses are requested as you finish this lesson of your Bible course.

First, please write out your answers to PART 1 - THE SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS. Use your Bible and the information in this lesson to answer these questions.

Second, we invite you to give heart responses to God's Word in PART 2 - PERSONAL REFLECTION QUESTIONS. Note that on the first question (in Part 2) a sample answer has been given to guide you as you form your answers.

Be sure to fill out your name and address on the return address panel on the back of this booklet. Simply tape or staple the booklet closed, stamp, and mail.

Use This Space for Study Notes:

4. What do you do if you do not think you have the strength to make the changes that God is calling you to make?

a. Where does the power come from to make changes?

b. How does God's grace and Spirit help us (Ephesians 2:1-22, 2 Timothy 1:7)?

5. Do you have spiritual needs or questions which you would like to share with us? If so, please tell us about them.

PART 1
SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Jesus says that there are reasons for rejoicing when you experience persecution, blame, or ill treatment for being a Christian. Name some of these reasons (Matthew 5:10-11).

2. How are Christians like salt or light (Matthew 5:13-14)?

3. What was wrong with the Scribes and Pharisees (Matthew 23)?

4. If you have unresolved conflict with a "brother" (meaning fellow believer, whether a man or a woman), what are you supposed to do (Matthew 5:21-26)?

5. If the Kingdom of God already exists, is it proper to pray “Your Kingdom come” (Matthew 6:10)? Why or why not?

6. God forgives our “debts” upon what particular condition (Matthew 6:12-14)?

7. What can we learn from the birds and the wild flowers (Matthew 6:25-32)?

8. What does Jesus say we are to do that “sums up the Law and the Prophets” (Matthew 7:12, James 1:27)?

9. Who will be allowed to enter the Kingdom of Heaven (Matthew 7:21-27)?

PART 2
PERSONAL REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Read Matthew 7:7-11 carefully. Do you consider yourself to be a seeker? Do you hunger and thirst for righteousness (Matthew 5:6)? Write about your life as a seeker.

SAMPLE ANSWER: Yes, I do hunger and thirst for righteousness. But, I have a hard time living like a Christian. Some of Jesus’ teachings are so hard for me to follow, like loving my enemies. There are some people who have hurt me, and it doesn’t seem fair that I have to love them. Do I really have to feel love towards these people to love them like Jesus? Please help me in this area. I really want to follow Christ.

2. Make a list of major “crossroads” or “forks” in your spiritual journey. Have you ever taken the “road less traveled” or the “narrow road”? When? What happened as a result of your choice?

3. The Lord’s Prayer (also called the “Disciples’ Prayer” appears in Matthew 6:9-13. Pray this prayer several times throughout the week. How does this model prayer affect your view of God, yourself, and others?
