

Bible/College Class Notes – Motto Text 2023

This is Our Motto Text for 2023

This week – we learn that God is Triune – eternal and unchanging Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**“I am Alpha and Omega,
the beginning and the ending,
saith the Lord ... the Almighty.” Revelation 1v8**

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	Revelation 1 (The Eternal God – Alpha and Omega)	
Monday	Revelation 22 (Alpha and Omega; Beginning and End)	
Tuesday	John 1v1-14 (In the beginning – The Word is God, Creator)	
Wednesday	Genesis 1 (In the beginning God – The Eternal God, Creator)	
Thursday	Psalms 90 (From everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God)	
Friday	Acts 4v1-21 (Christ - the Chief Cornerstone of salvation)	
Saturday	1 John 1 (The Lord Jesus is Eternal God, Alpha & Omega)	

Important Thought for us Today: Do You Make New Year Resolutions? Have you managed to keep them? We must admit that we fail to keep them because we have made them in our own strength, and very soon they lapse and are broken. It is good to be resolved to do the right thing, but we need the **resolve of faith** to keep our promise to God to be a Christian. Faith is the gracious gift of God, (**Ephesians 2v8**). This is the work of God The Holy Spirit, (**Ephesians 2v1**). It is He Who quickens us, (to bring us alive to God through the New Birth), such that we can be resolved to hate our sin, turn from it, and repent: believing in the Saviour Who died on Calvary as our substitute. It is this gift of faith from God which causes us to take note of Christ calling us to seek and find Him and which enables us to exercise it to truly repent our sin and be saved.

Earnestly seek the Lord in prayer for His gift of Saving Faith. Ask for a repentant heart.

Hymn 192, Everyone will bow and confess that Christ is God on the Judgement Day.

1. At the name of Jesus Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess Him King of Glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word:

“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” Acts 4v12.

EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible

The LORD Jesus Christ Declares That He Is Eternal God.

- **We Live in The Limits of Time. God Lives Without Limits in Eternity.**
 - **Time started at Creation.** It will end at the Lord's return – **Judgement Day.**
 - Events in time vary – **Queen Elizabeth II** reigned 70 years and 214 days. **Liz Truss** recently lasted as UK's Prime Minister for less than 50 days. **The Titanic**, (largest ship afloat at the time), sank 8 days after completion.
 - **What is in a name? Why is the Lord called Alpha and Omega?**
 - **Alpha** is the first letter of the Greek Alphabet and **Omega** is the last.
 - These Names tell us that the **Lord always was, is now, and always will be.** He is the beginning and ending, the first and last. **Jesus is eternal God.** **Genesis 1v1, “In the beginning God.” John 1v1, “In the beginning was the Word.” Psalm 90v2, “from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.” Eternally God.**
 - There was never a time before the Lord God existed. **He always has been.**
 - **Coming First. Jesus Christ Must Be Our Alpha - First in our lives.**
 - We like to come first – to win, to get the best marks, for our team to win.
 - Christ is the **Cornerstone** of our Salvation. **Acts 4v11.** Promised from eternity.
- So, we must remember to put the Lord first in all things. He is Alpha and Omega.**
- **From Cover to Cover, From Beginning to End, and Everything In-between.**
 - The **Lord Jesus Christ has many names.** He is mentioned in every book of the Bible. **In Genesis 3 - the Promised Seed. In Genesis 4 - pictured by Abel's lamb sacrifice. In Genesis 6 - pictured by Noah's ark. In Exodus 12 as The Passover Lamb** saving the Israelites. **We are slaves to our sin; we need a Saviour to save us from it.** **In John 1v29** we hear John the Baptist preaching, **“Behold, The Lamb of God”** coming to save sinners, and God declaring Him to be **His Eternal Son.** **In Revelation 20v15** we hear of **The Lord as The Lamb** and of His Book of Life.
 - **Almighty To Save. God has infinite power over life and death Rev1v18**
 - He gives us our living soul in the womb, our first breath at birth, and watches over us until we die. He wants us to have fulness of life in our souls - the joy of knowing His power to forgive our sin. **We live in time, but we must prepare for eternity.**
 - **The Ending. Not Sad, Quite the Opposite – A Successful Saviour.**
 - On the cross the Lord triumphed over sin and death, purchasing eternal life for all believers. It was His plan to die on the cross and rise again. He said, **“I am He that liveth, and was dead; and behold, I am alive for evermore.” Revelation 1.18.**
 - The ending on the cross is where we begin if we come as sinners to Jesus. Having successfully accomplished His earthly mission, the Lord is now back at the right hand of the Father reigning for ever. The Lord will return to take believers who have sincerely repented to a new eternal Heaven and Earth.

Start 2023 with a new name – Christian; Begin a new adventure with the Saviour.