



MASTER BOOKLET

I. INTRODUCTION



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Key Objectives

- Understanding the **Elementary Teachings** of God's Word
- Developing the **ability to teach others** the Elementary Teachings.
- Engaging in **further teachings** to equip students with deeper knowledge and practical application.

Omission

- **Ill-equipped** to be effective in God's kingdom
- Separated from God because of a **lack of knowledge**

Legend Keys:

- Read scripture
- Heart question
- Draw
- Memory verse
- Greek word
- Hebrew word
- Group practice
- Watch YouTube
- Key scripture
- Group discussion
- Prayer point

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Foreword

Brother Steyn van Wyk very much reminds me of the wise ministry of the apostle Paul. His counsel to Timothy applies, “Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth. But avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness,” (2 Tim 2:15-16). At significant cost to himself, of time, talents, and treasure, and despite no formal theological qualifications, Steyn has laboured hard and long, with much prayer, to be able to communicate the essence of the Gospel of Christ to all who desire to follow Jesus as faithful disciples. I heartily recommend his work to all who want to experience the “great grace” (Acts 4:33) that was upon the Early Church. In Christ, Rev. Dr. John C Yates, Perth Western Australia



Steyn van Wyk
Ordinary disciple

Get the Most Out of It



Before we dive in, let's make one thing clear: While gaining knowledge from scripture is important, it alone won't transform your character or deepen your relationship with Christ. The real key is **putting that biblical knowledge into action**. This is how you unlock God's power, change hearts, and truly change lives (see **John 8:31-32**).

This study method is designed so that you discover the answers in the **Scriptures themselves**, guided by the Holy Spirit and with the support of a friend on your faith journey. Taking shortcuts or not paying attention will **diminish the impact of this study**, robbing you of the opportunity to deepen your understanding and relationship with God.

Here are some key points to help you get the most out of this booklet series:

Mentorship Study Approach: We recommend using this as a mentorship study approach. **Finding a mentor** who has completed this series can provide valuable support. These booklets are designed to spark meaningful discussions and help build godly relationships. Forming friendships through shared study will enrich your spiritual journey (see references in Matthew 28:20, John 21:17, Galatians 6:6). If you're struggling to find a mentor, reach out to us. We host many online sessions and are eager to assist you on your journey.

Pray: Always begin your study by praying. **Invite God, through His Holy Spirit**, to open your mind and heart as you engage with the material.

Read the Scriptures: It's crucial to use your Bible to read the relevant passages before answering the questions (see Romans 10:17). Engaging directly with God's Word will strengthen your ability to **handle it independently**, without relying solely on others. We all need to learn to stand on our own spiritual feet.

Your Opinion Doesn't Count: When you answer the questions, always **find your answers in the Bible**. Even if you think you know the answer, start by searching the Scriptures. In this study, your personal opinions don't matter; only what is written in God's Word matters. This study is about resetting your understanding based on what scripture actually teaches (see 2 Timothy 4:3). It's your responsibility to protect yourself from false teachings and religious opinions.

Scripture's Answer Counts: Complete all the answers in the booklet based on the actual scripture. Sometimes the answers are simple, but the challenge lies in practising them. Engage in discussions with your study partner to grasp what the Scriptures truly convey, and approach this with humility.

Be Vulnerable: Be honest with yourself, even if it's uncomfortable. Personal questions can be challenging because they test how you apply scripture in your life. Remember the saying, **"no pain, no gain."** When you meet with your study partner, have a "follow-up conversation" about how you applied the teachings. We're all on this journey and fall short in many ways. That's why it's often best not to study in large groups, as it can hinder vulnerability and the power of this study.

Memory Verse: Always work on **memorizing a verse**. This helps keep your mind focused on God and His will, especially in a world filled with distractions.

Share your journey: Deliberately share what you learn with someone, and don't get discouraged when others don't share your experience. God will use our humble and gentle conversations to encourage others to grow in their relationship with Him. He loves us all, and His patience is infinite.

I hope you find great joy in this series, and may it be an eternal source of encouragement on your spiritual journey.

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INTRODUCTION TO ELEMENTARY TEACHINGS


Elementary teaching helps Christians or Spiritual people evaluate their maturity to grow and become effective in God's kingdom.

Understanding where you are on the maturity journey is key to deepening your walk with Christ. Use this roadmap as a guide to help you focus on areas that need growth, and share your experiences with others.

Reflection: Do you ever feel that even after being a Christian for many years, you are still ill-equipped and unenabled to do God's work?

Working through these scriptures and answering the questions below can give insight into what spiritual maturity means. It will give you a growth plan and something you can share with the people around you. Sadly, many Christians today do not know these basic but essential teachings.

Visualize Maturity Levels:





 **Heb 5:11-14** We have much to say about this, but it is ...read all. For further context you can read Heb 5:1-10.

 YouTube Watch the video on **Maturity Levels**

(<https://www.jesusdust.org/fourmaturitylevels>) and practice teaching this in small groups of 4. After watching, engage in the following exercises:



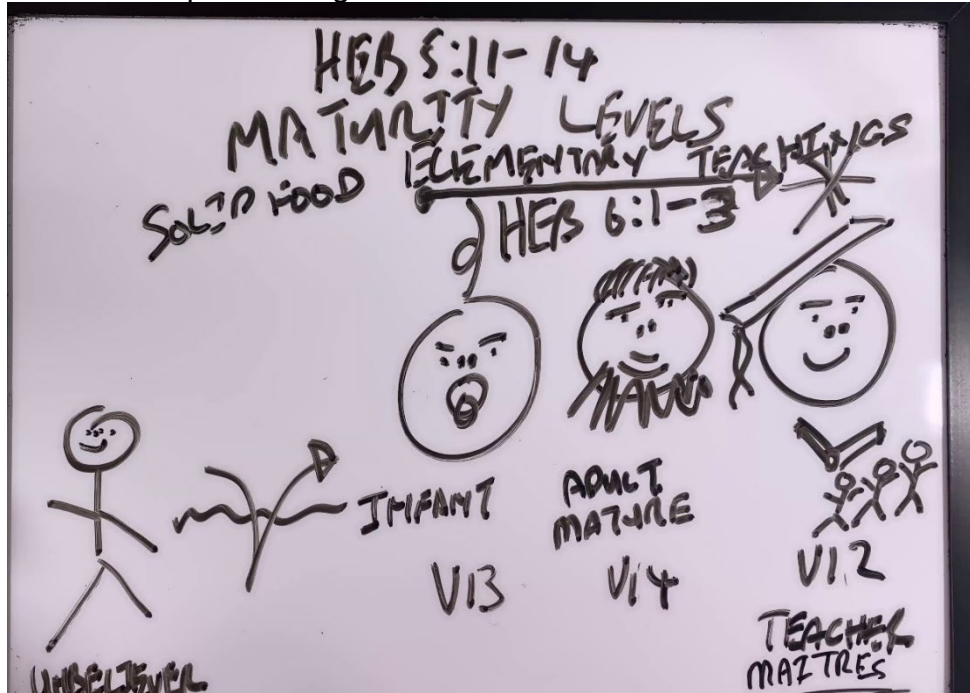
The table below provides the key for participating in making a drawing of this topic.

<u>Position on page</u>	Indicate the position on the page of the text or drawing
"Wording"	Write the wording on the page location
Drawing	Draw a concept on the page location.
 Scripture	Write and read the scripture on the page location.
 Discuss	Discuss the question from a section on the page related to this concept.
 Heart question	Reflect on your obedience and practice of the scripture.
 Draw	Make a drawing of the concept or refer to the sample drawing provided

✍ DRAWING INSTRUCTIONS:

Heading for the drawing is "Heb 5:11-14 - Maturity Levels"

See the sample drawing below.



Discussion and complete the questions below.



To Whom is this teaching addressed?



What are the spiritual maturity levels? (Read Heb 5 & list them below)

✍ DRAWING INSTRUCTIONS:

Refer to the sample drawing provided or create your own depiction of our spiritual growth.

Draw the following: Start on the left of the page with a **standing man** (Novice or **unsaved person**),

- To the right, draw the **water baptism** with **arrows in and out of the water** (New life - Rom 6:1-9),
- To the right draw the **babe with flame on the head** (Infant disciple filled with God's spirit - Heb 5:13),
- To the right draw the **standing man with flame on his head** (Mature disciple - Heb 5:14),

- Finally, on the right-hand side of the page draw a **teacher with a flame on his head** (Teacher - Heb 5:12).

HEART QUESTIONS:

♥ What maturity level does God want you (everybody) to be?

♥ Are you able to equip other believers, and what can you do to grow in this area?

♥ **A call to Action:** What steps will you take this week to move toward that level? Write down one action you will commit to.

Visualize Elementary Teachings

▶ YouTube Watch the video on **Elementary Teachings** (<https://www.jesusdust.org/elementaryteachings>) and, in small groups of about 4, practice teaching one another these foundational principles.

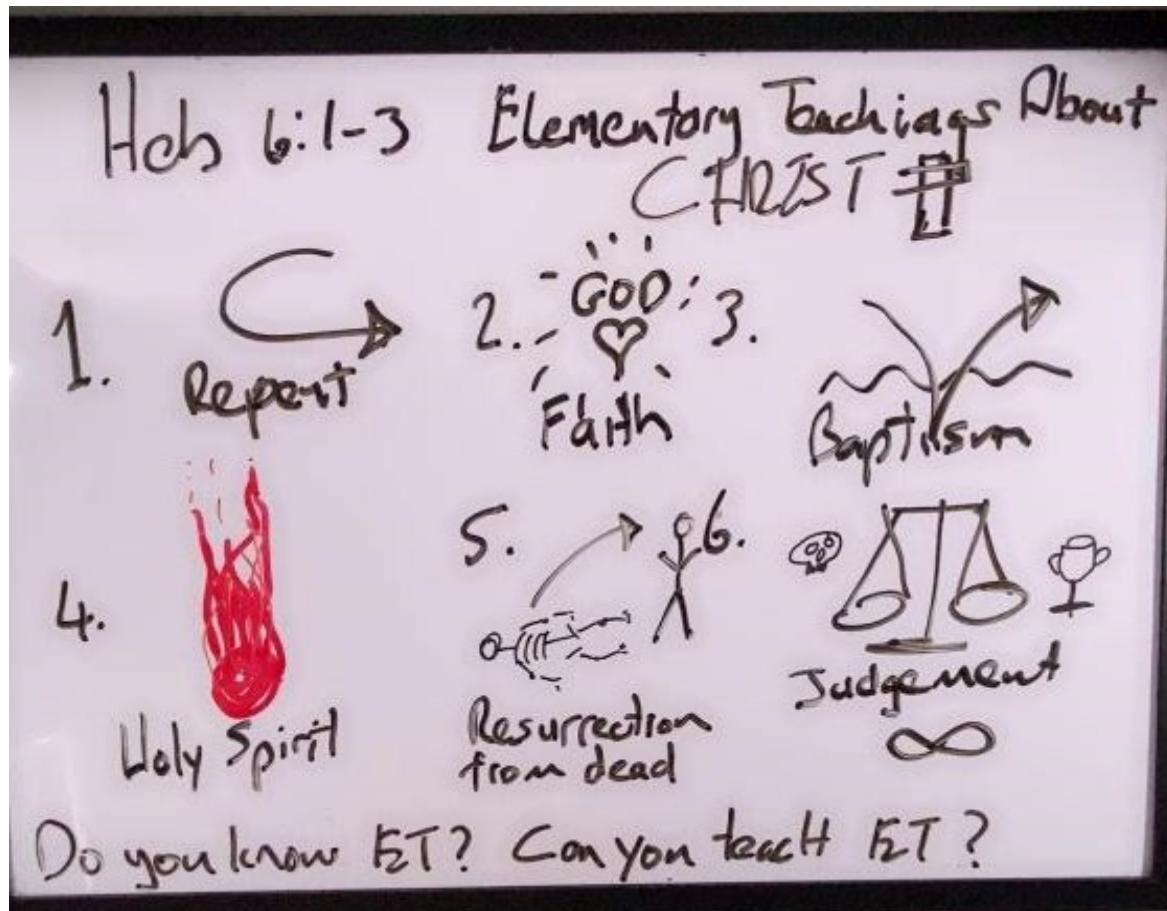


📖 **Heb 6:1-3** Therefore let us leave the elementaryread all

✍ DRAWING INSTRUCTIONS:


Heading: Label your drawing "**Heb 6:1-3 - Elementary Teachings**"

See the sample drawing for Elementary Teachings about Christ below:



KEY QUESTIONS:

 What does "Elementary Teachings" mean?

 How many elementary teachings are there, and can you list them on a diagram? _____

 List the **elementary teachings** and draw them in a diagram as follows:

Divide the page into six sections (Two rows and three columns).

- Section one: Draw a **Hook** (Repentance)
- Section two: Draw **GOD** and the **Heart** (Faith in God)
- Section three: Draw **Water**, **arrow in and out** (Baptism)
- Section four: Draw **The flame** (Laying on of hands/ **Holy Spirit**)
- Section five: Draw **Skeleton** and **man standing up** (Resurrection of the dead)
- Section six: Draw **Scales** (Eternal Judgement), **Victory cup** (reward), and **Skeleton** (death)



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✍ Complete the questions on the drawing:

♥ Provide one "Scripture reference" to define each of the elementary teachings and discuss how we should practice and teach others.

HEART QUESTIONS:

♥ As a teacher, who have you trained in this teaching?

♥ On which level are you?

♥ Where does God want you to be?

♥ Which topics are you not confident in and unable to teach others today?

INTO PRACTICE

📖 **Joh 13:13-15** "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' andread all

KEY QUESTIONS:

📖 How do you think Jesus trained his disciples?

HEART QUESTIONS:

♥ What are some of the things that could make it difficult for you to "go on to maturity?" What is the hardest for you?



♥ List two action points that could help you to grow to maturity:

a). _____

b). _____

We encourage you to set up regular meetings with one or more spiritual friends to help you progress your journey. You will reap the rewards of your perseverance!





What are some of the benefits of being a mature disciple of Jesus?

THE STORY OF MY JOURNEY

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Please read the story of my journey as I grew in humility, knowledge and faith. The cracks in my life did not show up until later. Don't be fooled by life's honeymoon period! What is shocking is that after so many years of being exposed to mature church teaching, so many of us are still struggling with what is defined as elementary teaching. Faulty foundations often only become visible after many years. Initially, the house appears well until the first crack appears. Does a crack not tell us that all is not well?

MEMORY VERSE

Don't try to learn all the memory verses at once; select only one or two verses each week. Go at a pace that doesn't add too much pressure on yourself and others. You will find new meaning to the scriptures you memorize.



Heb 6:1 Therefore let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, 2 instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. 3 And God permitting, we will do so.

KEY OUTCOMES

We encourage you to take what you've learned and teach it to someone else. Sharing the gospel is a command, and now you're equipped to help others grow.

See if you achieved the key outcomes of this study.

- ☐ **Understanding** the Elementary Teachings of God's Word
- ☐ A decision to **enrol for further studies** to familiarise yourself with Elementary Teachings
- ☐ **Equipped to teach others** the Elementary Teachings.

NEXT

Congratulations! You've successfully started your **Elementary Teachings Series**. Now, you have an overview of the key topics and the study approach that we'll follow throughout this training series.

We recommend finding a friend to go through this series with you. You'll be amazed at how much more you'll learn and grow when studying together. If you prefer, you can also join one of our online training groups, or even start a local group. If you do start a group, let us know so we can refer others to join you!

Next, we'll dive into the topic "Word of God." This is a crucial part of the series because if we don't correctly handle the Word of God, we won't fully grasp the value of the Scriptures, and most importantly, we won't come to know God as He truly is.

To track your progress, use the diagram below as a guide. You can also print the enrolment card to keep track of your journey here: [JesusDust Syllabus Master PDF](#).

Elementary Teaching	Topic	Drawing	Your progress
Introduction	I. Introduction	Maturity Levels Elementary Teachings	
	II. Word	House on the Rock - Mat 7:24-27 Word of Life - Jon 12:47-48 Qualities of the Word Word's Authority - 2Ti 3:16-17 Word & Holy Spirit - 2Pe 1:18-21 Accountability - Heb 4:12-13 Life And Doctrine Four Obstacles Bereans Qualities - Act 17:10-11 Three Responses - Acts	
Repentance	III. Word - false doctrine 1.1. Repentance in the light	The Words "Repentance" Yhwh's Holiness Holiness and Sin Repentance - Metanoia	
	1.2. Repentance sin	Obvious Sin - Gal 5:19-21	



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		UnObvious Sin - 2Ti 3:1-4	
		Light & Darkness - 1Pe 2:9-10	
		My Lifeline	
	1.3. Repentance Jesus	Repentance - Cross - Mat 26:19-27:66	
	1.4. Repentance Jesus - medical account		
	1.5. Repentance godly sorrow	Understanding Godly Sorrow - 2Co 7:8-11	
		Temptation - Gen 3, Mat 4	
	1.6. Repentance Jesus - false doctrine	The Mediator	
		Jesus the son of God	
Faith in God	2.1. Faith in God introduction	Faith - What, Where	
		Faith - Who, How	
		Saved Circle	
	2.2. Faith in God - who I am	I Am	
	2.3. Faith in God - discipleship	Discipleship - Mat 28:17-20	
		Discipleship - Where, When, Who, How	
		Lead Like Jesus	
		Ministry Like Jesus	
	2.4. Faith in God - kingdom of God	Kingdom of God - What	
		Daniel's Dream - Kingdom Statue - Dan 2	
		When did the Kingdom Come	
		Peter's Keys - Mat 16:13-20	
		Seven Kingdom Keys - Act 2:14-41	
		Healthy Church Circle - Act 2:42-47	
	2.5. Faith in God - prayer	Lord's Prayer - Mat 6:5-15	
	2.6. Faith in God - grace	Faith & Grace - Gal 5:16	
Baptism	3.1. Baptism	Case Study - Paul's Conversion	
		Faith & Grace - Gal 5:16	
	3.2. Baptism - Into Practice	Baptism - What, Who, Where, How, When, Why?	
		Baptism - Ceremony	
	3.3. Baptism - OT & False Doctrine		
	4.1. Holy spirit purpose	Holy Spirit - Purpose - Joh 16:4-15	
Holy Spirit	4.2. Holy Spirit receiving	Receiving Holy Spirit - New Testament	
	4.3. Holy spirit fruit	Doing Well Spiritually	
		Love Is	
		Sliding Back - Gal 5:22-26	
	4.4. Holy Spirit gifts		
	4.5. Laying on of hands	Laying on of the Hands	
	5.1. Resurrection	Resurrection	
		Resurrection Meaning	
		Resurrection & Elementary Teachings	
Eternal Judgement	6.1. Eternal Judgement - The Judge	Judgement - What, How, Why, Who, Where	
	6.2. Eternal Judgement - Reward	Eternal Reward	
	6.3. Eternal Judgement - Punishment	Eternal Punishment	
	6.4. Eternal Judgement - False Teaching		

A FINAL WORD

Dear friends,

I am a humble follower of Christ Jesus, and I'm excited to share how our training ministry is making a positive impact and opening doors to share the Gospel globally. If you've found value in this booklet and have benefited from our teachings, we kindly invite you to consider supporting our ministry financially.



Your generous support will enable us to expand our reach, particularly in disadvantaged countries. We can hire more trainers, train new ones, and start new groups to spread Christ's message. Your contribution will make a meaningful difference in the lives of countless individuals who will benefit from the knowledge and teachings we share through our ministry.

If you'd like to support us, please visit our website at www.JesusDust.org, where you can securely and conveniently make a donation.

Moreover, we encourage you to become a certified trainer yourself and join us in this noble mission. Through online training and access to various resources, you can strengthen your own ministry and have a profound impact on others.

We value your feedback and suggestions, so please don't hesitate to contact us with any thoughts you may have. Your insights play a vital role in shaping and refining our ministry.

We deeply appreciate your involvement in our growth project and your support as we work towards bringing Christ's teachings to every corner of the world. Together, we can make a lasting impact on countless souls.

May God abundantly bless you as you partner with us in this important mission.

Sincerely,

Steyn van Wyk
Ordinary disciple of Christ Jesus

