



21 Things You'll Be Missing . . .



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Student Supplement – 51 Benefits of Salvation Assignment

Missing Component #2 – A salvic relationship with God and a personal closeness to God.

► **Why we need Salvation.** Because humans and all human systems are pretty messed up: Socially, emotionally, psychologically, spiritually, physically, and in every way.

SIN – the attitude, behavior and character that are AT ODDS with the Will, Purpose, and Plan of God is everywhere present in human life. Sin is ALWAYS a factor in human life and existence. It pervades every facet of all human structures and institutions. It shows itself in specific attitudes, behaviors, pleasures, and passions of life which issue from the human heart and mind. By themselves, humans are not capable of fully escaping the extremely potent, pervasive, and persuasive, power of sin.

So, do you need some examples of the actions and attitudes of sin? Well, here are some lists from the NT Scriptures. **Galatians 5:19-21; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Colossians 3:5-10**

KH NOTE: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 (Verse 11 "and such were some of you" – we all WERE some-thing, but now, we ARE something-else – SAVED AND SANCTIFIED.) **KH Note: Are you a WAS or an IS?**

KJV - verse 9 = *nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind*; NKJV = *nor homosexuals, nor sodomites*; NIV = *nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders*; NRSV = *male prostitutes, sodomites*;

► The 51 Benefits Assignment: (should you choose to accept it)

1. Choose your favorite (those that have special meaning and significance for you personally).
2. Choose your top 5.
3. Choose THE TOP ONE you need to experience, know the more about, or really need to believe and act upon as a part of your life. This is the one you need to experience or know more about in order to **more fully enjoy** this Benefit.
4. Discuss this one with your neighbor and why you believe you need to study or experience this in a greater way in your life.
5. If you need a NEW DEVOTIONAL for a while, choose to read and meditate upon a different Benefit DAILY for the next 7, 14, 21, 30 or 51 days. You can do this at your lunch time or break at work and at the beginning or end of the day. If you even quickly do this (10 minutes) at the beginning of the day you'll find yourself meditating upon and being empowered by that one Beautiful Benefit ALL DAY. Remember Psalm 103:2 - *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits*; and Psalm 1:2 - *But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night*.

► Bible Study Lesson Empowerment Tool: A Bible Dictionary (two suggestions)

(The **second** most important tool in your Bible study. The first being a good **S**_____ **B**_____.)

1. The New Unger's Bible Dictionary, Revised and Expanded Edited By: Merrill F. Unger
By: R.K. Harrison, ed. *Moody Publishers / 2006*

2. The Complete Word Study New Testament By: Spiros Zodhiates, *AMG Publishers / 1991*

This study aid is for those who want more **greekin'** in their Bible study lives.

This resource will give you the **definition and understanding** of the underlining Greek word for the KJV English word. Do you really know what **lasciviousness** is? How about **evil concupiscence**? Some think all you need to do is say, "Webster says this word means . . ." Webster is good for English, but has very little and sometimes no relationship to the meaning of biblical words and terms. OK, look up "**abusers of themselves with mankind**" (KJV 1 Corinthians 6:9) in Webster. What will you get? You will be **very far** from the true "biblical" definition. Webster has seven primary definitions for the word "**love**." Which ones are and ARE NOT "biblical" and how do you know for sure? Are ANY of them "biblical"? Use an English dictionary only AFTER you have obtained the true, biblical definition from the Hebrew or Greek word. And still then, be careful you do not change the biblical definition to an English word without word study support. Remember, the Bible was not originally written in the KJV 1611 Elizabethan English.