

## Lesson 9: Teacher

*I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you should go; I will counsel you with My eye upon you.*

**--Psalm 32:8**

Over the years, I have often heard an interesting comment from those who surrender their lives to Christ--including those who grew up in church or attended services for many years.

“Wow!” they say, “I got a brand new Bible!”

That doesn't imply they bought a new book. What their excited exclamation means is the Bible has come to life. The pages that once read like dry, dusty stories of dead people suddenly make sense. Now folks understand why Hebrews 4:12 describes the Word of God as “living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword.”

First Corinthians 2:12-14 discusses how the natural man can't understand the things of God. The passage concludes, “But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.”

However, now that we have received God's Holy Spirit, He reveals spiritual truth to us. He becomes our Teacher. You may have already seen that as you have worked on this study. Your Teacher-Father may have shed new light on things that were a mystery to you in the past. I certainly hope this has happened.

Yet, if you are puzzled about many things, don't be alarmed. Your Father will be faithful to teach you everything you need to know. Prayer is especially helpful as you begin to study His Word. Pray and ask God to guide you as you read. Ask Him to reveal truths to you from the Bible. Ask Him to teach you a new, fuller understanding of Himself and His nature. Then you will see the best lessons emerge.

**Deeper Study**

1. Identify some of the things these Bible verses say about your Father as your Teacher.

Exodus 4:12 \_\_\_\_\_

Psalm 119:26-27 \_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah 2:3 \_\_\_\_\_

Isaiah 48:17 \_\_\_\_\_

John 14:26 \_\_\_\_\_

John 16:13 \_\_\_\_\_

1 John 2:27 \_\_\_\_\_

2. What are some of the specific things the Bible promises that your heavenly Father will teach you?

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3. Does this eliminate the need for any other kind of education? Explain.

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4. John 14:26 says the Holy Spirit will teach you all things. But what obligation do you have in order for God to be an effective teacher? How will this affect your Bible study habits?

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5. List at least three things you can do to make it easier for the Father to teach you what He wants you to know.

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