



The Right Path

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DO YOU **KNOW** WHERE YOU ARE GOING WHEN YOU DIE?

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FOREWORD

Dear friend,

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate – warmest greetings!

It is my desire to be your friend. Therefore, I am sending you the lessons of this distance education course called *The Right Path*.

The goal of these studies is to help you in matters pertaining to life and eternity. *The Right Path* has 7 lessons. They have been sent to you for the sake of Allah, wishing to please Him.

So dear friend, I would like you to study these lessons very carefully. Please answer the statements and questions at the end of each lesson called *To Help You Learn*. Then when you have read all seven lessons, please answer the questions on the Answer Page at the end of the book. Send your Answer Page to the local address provided on page 2. We will correct it for you and send you more lessons.

I wish you Allah's goodness and peace.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

1 HOW MAN BECAME MISERABLE

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds, the Creator of all things by His Word. Prayer and praise, thanksgiving and worship be to Him who formed us from the dust and marvelously created us. Indeed, in this are wonders for those who perceive and comprehend.

I witness that there is no god other than Allah, the one God, the only eternal God, and that He has no associate. He rescues from error, leads to the truth, and guides to the right path.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- Questions About Life
- Allah the Creator
 - Where did humans come from?
 - Why did Allah create us?
- The Origin of Evil
- A Broken Relationship
- Allah's Response

QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE

As for what follows, often people ask themselves: Where did I come from? Why do I exist? Who am I? What is my reason for being? Most probably you have not found the solution and answer to these questions. You are more and more troubled and frustrated, and you realize you are

lost, wandering in darkness. You may try to satisfy yourself by studying philosophy. However, philosophy cannot satisfy your heart or quench your thirst. You search here and there, but you are still just as lost.

So come along with me, my friend, and let's try to understand humans—where they came from; how they came into existence; where they stand now; and where they are going.

ALLAH THE CREATOR

Indeed, Allah, glorified and exalted, is a reality—not a product of people's imagination or fantasy. We cannot comprehend how Allah exists, for our understanding is limited. Allah is Spirit, and because our vision is finite, we cannot see Him. He is present in every place and in every age. Allah is eternal. He has absolutely no beginning or ending whatsoever. And Allah is everlasting. He never changes.

I read a story about a king who wanted to see Allah. He called together all his advisors and religious leaders and ordered them to show him Allah. He said: "If you do not show me Allah, I will kill you all!" They were all puzzled as to how to deal with this difficult situation. A peasant who heard about their dilemma, was sure he could help solve the problem. He asked to see the king and said to him: "Your Majesty, if you want to see Allah, you must first look at the bright sun with your bare eyes." The king angrily replied: "You foolish man, do you want me to become blind? How can I look at the sun?" The peasant replied: "Your Majesty, if you would become blind by just looking at one of Allah's creations, how could you possibly look at Allah himself?"

So, if we cannot see Allah, how do we know that He exists? How can we be certain that He is?

Look at nature, my friend; look at all of creation. It points to the existence of Allah. It is absolutely certain that behind the creation there is a Creator. And there can be no doubt that behind all the intricate designs of the world there is a Mighty Designer! Allah, mighty and exalted, by His power says to something, "Be," and it is.

WHERE DID HUMANS COME FROM?

So first of all, Allah created the heavens and the earth. Then He made plants, the sun, moon and stars, the animals and birds. After that, Allah

created man. He breathed life into him, and the man began to live. This was Adam. Then Allah took a rib from Adam, made a woman from it, and gave her to Adam to be his wife. This was Eve. At that time, evil did not exist in man. Ungodliness, sin, guilt, rebellion, pain, sickness, hatred, wars, and death—none of these were known. There was peace, joy, harmony, and unity.

WHY DID ALLAH CREATE US?

Allah Almighty gave Adam and Eve power and authority over the earth and over all created things of the earth, vegetation and animals. People became Allah's deputies (caliphs) to rule over the earth so that Allah—may He be praised and honored—would receive glory and exaltation for His wisdom and power.

Then Allah planted a garden in Eden, in the East, and there he put the man he had formed. He made all kinds of beautiful trees grow there and produce good fruit. In the middle of the garden stood . . . the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad.

THE ORIGIN OF EVIL

Allah, exalted, instructed Adam, saying to him:

“You may eat the fruit of any tree in the garden, except the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad. You must not eat the fruit of that tree; if you do, you will die the same day.”

Death here means being cast away from Allah. It is spiritual death that leads to perishing in eternal hell.

Adam and Eve were naked and without shame, because they were completely innocent. They lived together in a state of happiness and well-being, and they had a good relationship with Allah, their Creator.

But one day, Satan came and slyly suggested to Eve to disobey Allah. Satan is humanity's worst enemy. His constant goal is to make people fall into disobedience. So Satan said to Eve:

“If you and Adam eat from the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad, you will not die. No, just the

opposite! Your eyes will be opened and you will become just like Allah, knowing what is good and what is bad.”

So Eve gazed at the tree and saw that its fruit was beautiful, appetizing, and good to eat. She took, ate, and gave some of the fruit to Adam, her husband: and he also ate the fruit.

Immediately, both of them realized that they were naked. They made garments of fig leaves as a covering for themselves. In the evening, Adam and Eve heard the voice of Allah in paradise. So they hid among the trees. Allah called to Adam and said:

“Where are you?” He answered, “I heard you in the garden; I was afraid and hid from you, because I was naked.” “Who told you that you were naked?” Allah asked. “Did you eat the fruit that I told you not to eat?” The man answered, “The woman you put here with me gave me the fruit, and I ate it.” Allah asked the woman, “Why did you do this?” She replied, “The snake tricked me into eating it.”

This was man’s first sin. What was the result?

A BROKEN RELATIONSHIP

Allah cast Adam and Eve out of paradise. They lost their free access to Him because they had listened to the words of Satan and disobeyed the commandment of Allah.

Therefore, the relationship, friendship, and mutual belonging that had existed between the Creator and man was broken. Evil, iniquity, corruption, pain, sickness, despair, and death entered his life because he had fallen into sin by yielding to Satan and disobeying Allah.

ALLAH’S RESPONSE

But Allah, glorified and exalted, did two things. First, He made Adam and Eve garments of animal skin to use as a covering instead of the fig leaves. Second, He promised He would send a Person from among their descendants. This Messenger would defeat Satan by giving him a blow that would finally lead to his destruction.

Allah thus demonstrated His love and care for people. He did not want to leave them lost and perishing. Rather, He planned to rescue them from the disobedience into which they had fallen.

So then, my dear friend, we have discussed the answers to at least some of the questions we asked at the beginning of this lesson.

Where did you come from? Allah created you by His power. Why did He create you? So that you would be His deputy on earth, and that this would bring Him glory and exaltation. Where are you now? And where are you going? Allah willing, we will discuss these questions in the following lesson.

So, in the keeping and protection of Allah.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

TO HELP YOU LEARN

Please complete the following statements in Part A. Then answer the questions in Part B. You may write in your book or on separate paper. After you complete this assignment you may compare your answers with the correct answers provided in the section called *To Help You Learn – Answers* toward the back of this book.

Completing this part of lesson one called *To Help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. The first man Allah created was _____ .
2. Allah gave Adam the freedom to obey Him, or to disobey Him; but Adam _____
3. Adam tried to cover himself with _____ but Allah made for him _____
4. Spiritual death is _____
5. Allah Almighty cares for people. That is why when man fell into sin, Allah planned to _____

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. How do we know that Allah exists? _____

2. Who is a person's greatest enemy, and what is his goal? _____

3. Why did Allah expel Adam and Eve from the garden?

4. What is the cause of disease, hatred, and wars?

5. Allah promised to send a Messenger from among Adam and Eve's offspring. What would this Messenger do?

2 WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah, King of kings, and Lord of the worlds. Praise to Him who leads, guides, and delivers from error and going astray.

I witness that there is no god other than Allah, the just Judge. He forgives and loves, hears and answers.

Oh, Allah, forgive us our sins and be gracious unto us. Lead us in the right path. Amen, oh Lord of the worlds.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- Two Groups of People
- Allah the Just Judge
- What Is Sin?
 - Where are you now?
- The Result of Sin
- The Real Problem
 - Where are you going after this life?

TWO GROUPS OF PEOPLE

As for what follows, man is essentially an immortal soul. The body we live in is a temporary dwelling. Life here is a short introduction to the life to come. So during our years on earth, we are preparing ourselves for a life that never ends. Immortality is a fact. In eternity, people are divided into two groups, one group that will live forever in paradise, and another that will be tormented in hell. On the resurrection day, those

who have done good will rise to eternal life, and those who have done evil will rise to be punished.

ALLAH THE JUST JUDGE

It is clear then that people will be divided into two groups according to works. After life's journey, Allah will judge us according to our works.

Allah is going to judge everything we do, whether good or bad, even things done in secret.

So we should ask ourselves: What are my works like? Are they good or bad? It is those works which please Allah that He counts as good. Even if we think our deeds are good or great, if they do not please Allah, they are evil.

We learned in lesson one that Adam fell into sin because he disobeyed Allah's command. Since that fall, people have been dominated by a natural inclination to disobey. Sin has ruled over them. They have lost the friendly relationship with Allah Almighty, and they have become estranged and cast out. Sin has reigned over humans.

WHAT IS SIN?

But what is sin? Sin, my friend, is not only horrible and evil. It is not just obvious corruption, as so many people think. Sin is wandering from the way of Allah, no matter how slight that deviation might be. Sin is separation of the creature from the Creator. It is like a thick, high wall that separates people from Allah, glorified. Sin is like a wide gulf that hinders a person from approaching Allah. It is spiritual blindness that plagues people and makes them unable to see or understand divine things. It makes them unable to do good works that really please Allah Almighty. This is demonstrated by the fact that humans do evil. Godlessness, lack of faith, murder, adultery, fornication, wars, stealing, lying, cheating, fraud, deception, hatred, treachery, jealousy, and strife, whether deliberate or hidden, these are some of the symptoms that indicate there is a critical problem in people's hearts. The problem is that humans are rebellious and disobedient to their Creator. Certainly, this is a serious matter.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Because of Adam's fall, disobedience spread into all his offspring. How? We know from the laws of nature that a creature produces after its own kind. And no creature can bring forth offspring that is not of its own kind. A cat, for example, cannot give birth to a dove.

A fig-tree . . . cannot bear olives; a grapevine cannot bear figs.

This law also applies to people. Adam, who was the father of all mankind, lost his innocence. He lost his fellowship with Allah; and so he was expelled from the garden. Then he fathered children. Would his children be like their father or different from him? Adam's descendants were not better than their father. They came, having the same nature that causes humans to commit sin and rebel against Allah, mighty and exalted. The soul of humans is prone to evil. And we have the evidence: one of Adam's sons killed his brother. All of Adam's descendants were inclined to disobey and fall into sin.

Sin came into the world through one man, and his sin brought death with it.

Evil is present in people's hearts and their deeds prove it. Sin is a result of the corrupt nature all humans inherit. Look at a little child when you tell him: "Come here!" and he doesn't come. You tell him: "Don't go over there," but he disobeys and goes anyway. Why does he do that? Did a teacher sit beside him and say: "When they tell you to come, don't go?" Of course not. That is our sinful human nature which does not need to be taught to rebel.

Sin is the fever that has touched everyone, the sickness that has spread in humans of all races. It is the reason for sickness, ignorance, misery, and humiliation. It takes away beauty and joy from life. Sin is the spiritual blindness that causes man to do evil things which ruin his reputation and dishonor him.

Perhaps you are bound by bad habits. Perhaps you are given to sadness, to adversity (misfortune), to loneliness, and to fear. The cause of all that is sin and rebellion. Perhaps you feel a heavy weight on your shoulders (your conscience) that worries you, causes you stress, and bothers you. Perhaps you do not know what that heavy weight is, and you do not know what to call it. But I tell you the truth: it is called sin.

THE RESULT OF SIN

Sin humiliates humans and makes them tired. Sin is not limited to adults, children, rich or poor. Sin treats you in a perverted way and makes you a slave. It starts with a simple look, then with a deceitful idea, then with an uncontrollable desire. Afterwards you find yourself bound by chains you cannot break and in a prison that you cannot get out of. Rebellion deserves punishment, and the wages of disobedience is hell. For the punishment of sin is death.

Death here is spiritual death, which, as we said in lesson one, involves perishing in eternal hell. Sin, my friend, is what makes you worried, tormented, and lost. You have no peace of heart. You experience no real happiness, and joys are not lasting. You laugh on the outside, but in your heart you cry and suffer. You have some money, but you are not satisfied. Perhaps you have many friends, but you do not feel secure. Or maybe you are from an honorable family or you have achieved a high level of education. Can the family or the diploma buy you happiness in eternity? No. You try to do the right things and to build good relations with people, but disappointments come. Maybe you try to fulfill all your religious obligations in the best way. You do your prayers, you fast, you give alms, and you are proud of your good deeds. But actually, you do not know Allah in a real way. On the contrary, you feel He is far from you. So on the outside you may look successful, but on the inside you are actually miserable and lost.

I read the story of a man who had a clock that did not give the exact time. So he opened the clock and removed the hands. He took them to a watchmaker and asked him to repair them. The watchmaker said: "I can't repair these hands if you don't bring me the clock." The man answered: "The clock hasn't stopped running, so the problem has to be with the hands." The watchmaker answered: "If the hands don't give the exact time, the problem must be inside the clock. That's what needs to be repaired."

THE REAL PROBLEM

And you, my friend, the cause of the confusion in your life is sin. The problem is not the things on the outside, the things we see; the real problem is that your soul has strayed from the right path.

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Then, what about the Day of Judgment? You know that the Day of Judgment is certainly coming. Allah, glorious and almighty, will judge you. But you do not know what is going to happen to you on that day. You do not know where you are going. Will Allah forgive you for your sins or not? Where will you go after the judgment—to paradise or to hell? You have no assurance, although this is a very serious matter.

So, my friend, we have discussed two important things. First: **Where are you now?** The answer is that all people are in sin. Second: **Where are you going after this life?** You do not know, and that causes you worry and trouble.

Is life then worry, misery, and guilt feelings? Has Allah Almighty created us to live in misery? No, no my friend. He is forgiving and compassionate. And no matter how hopeless and miserable you are, there is hope; there is a bright hope for you. Allah Almighty wants you to enjoy and delight in eternal life and its eternal joys. How is that? In the next lesson, Allah willing, we will discuss this important subject together.

In the keeping of Allah.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

TO HELP YOU LEARN

Please complete the following statements in Part A. Then answer the questions in Part B. You may write in your book or on separate paper. After you complete this assignment you may compare your answers with the correct answers provided in the section called *To Help You Learn – Answers* toward the back of this book.

Completing this part of lesson two called *To Help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. Man is unable to do the things that please Allah because of

2. Godlessness, lack of faith, murder, adultery, and so forth—all these indicate a critical problem in people’s heart which is

3. Sin came into the world through one man. His name was

4. According to the lesson, when Adam fell into sin, he lost his _____ and his _____ and was expelled from the _____.

5. The punishment of sin is death—that is spiritual death, which involves _____.

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. What is sin? _____

2. Why did rebellion spread into Adam’s offspring?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

3. According to the lesson, what makes you troubled, confused, and worried? _____

4. The lesson mentions several illustrations to explain sin. Give two here.
 - a. Sin is like _____
 - b. And it is like _____
5. Is it possible to know where you will spend eternity or to have the assurance of eternal life?

3 ALLAH HAS PREPARED SALVATION

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah—praise from him who has come to his senses, confessed his sin, repented of his disobedience, and turned to his Lord.

I witness that there is no god except Allah, the Living, the Mighty. Everything was created by Him and for Him. May He be glorified. He alone is omnipotent, rich, wise, forgiving, and merciful. His love is great, and Allah guides us in the right path.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- Is There Any Hope?
 - How can relationship with Allah be restored?
- The Sin Problem
 - How can relationship with Allah be restored?
- Allah the Merciful Maker
- The Messenger of Allah
 - Examples of Redemption

IS THERE ANY HOPE?

As for what follows, is there any hope that Allah would forgive our sins and pardon us for our disobedience? Does man have any hope for deliverance from hell, for assurance of eternal life? Yes, yes, my friend. So come with me to see how that is possible.

Allah, almighty and glorious, is the King of the Day of Judgment. He is the just Judge who will judge all people on the Last Day. In the second lesson we learned that everyone has fallen into sin and rebellion.

There is no one who is righteous, no one who is wise or who worships Allah. All have turned away from Allah; they have all gone wrong; no one does what is right, not even one.

There is no doubt that the sins and trespasses we commit will be judged sternly.

A rich landowner asked his steward to plant wheat in his fields. However, the manager planted corn. A little while later, the grain sprouted and began to produce fruit. The owner came to check his fields. He was surprised to find corn. He asked his steward: "Didn't I tell you to plant wheat?" "Yes sir, I planted corn, hoping that we would harvest wheat," answered the manager. When the rich man showed surprise, the wise manager said: "Master, in the same way, it is not possible to plant unkindness during one's life and then harvest happiness. People harvest what they plant." Therefore, Allah's Honorable book says:

Do not deceive yourselves; no one makes a fool of Allah. A person will reap exactly what he sows.

So on the Day of Judgment people are going to be punished. They will perish in eternal torment in the fire of hell.

THE SIN PROBLEM

Sin has caused all this. Sin has degraded humans and brought them down. They have become miserable slaves under the authority and power of Satan. Allah wants us to be His deputies (caliphs) on earth, the masters of His creation and obedient to His orders.

. . . Everyone who sins is a slave of sin.

As we said in the last lesson, sin is like a thick, high wall that separates humans from Allah Almighty. It is like a wide gulf that hinders people from approaching Allah. This wall, my friend, must be demolished so that the beautiful fellowship with Allah might be restored; so that we can be rescued from the torment of the Last Day. A bridge must be built over the wide gulf so that estranged people can approach Allah and enjoy His approval.

The peace, security, and well-being that humankind lost because of sin can be regained if the fellowship between people and Allah is restored. **But how can that relationship be restored?** On our part, we are blind; we are unable to recognize the right path. We are helpless. We

are not able to find the right path because we have fallen into a pit, and we have no strength to get ourselves out of it. So Allah Almighty in His power and glory and through His mercy and love has stretched out His hand to lift us up from the pit. He can guide us in the right path. He can deliver us from the torment of the Day of Judgment.

ALLAH THE MERCIFUL MAKER

Remember, my friend, Allah is righteous and good. He forgives sin and pardons disobedience. He is just, but merciful at the same time. He is strict and also loving. He loves people with a deep love. True, He hates our sins and hates the evil in our hearts and consciences. But He loves us. We are His creation; He is our Maker. He wants good relations to be restored—not because He needs us, but because He loves us. He wants a relationship with us.

Allah's justice demands that He punish us because we are sinners. The punishment that awaits sinners is eternal hell. However, Allah does not want us to perish, because He loves us and because He is merciful. Even so, Allah does not forgive people without punishing them for their sins. If He pardoned them without punishment, divine justice would not be satisfied. His rights would be trampled on and His honor violated, something that is impossible.

THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH

So Allah decided to send a Messenger to redeem miserable man who was lost and perishing. This Messenger came to the world and bore the punishment of sin on behalf of humankind. He demolished the wall that separated people from their Creator. He built a bridge and brought them close to Allah. He rescued them from the pit into which they had fallen. He reconciled the Creator with the creature.

EXAMPLES OF REDEMPTION

Indeed, the principle of redemption is known, accepted, and used by Allah and by people. For example, when a driver commits an offence against the traffic laws, he must pay a fine. This is actually like a redemption or a substitute for the driver himself who committed the

offence. And what do you think of a courageous soldier who sacrifices his life for the sake of his country? He dies in war to combat the enemy's aggression so that his countrymen might live with honor and pride. This is great redemption.

Therefore, with Allah, we know that the ram He sent to Abraham was intended to take the place of Abraham's son who was about to be sacrificed. The ram illustrates redemption for Abraham's son.

A policeman stopped a young man who had driven through a red light. He said to him: "The courthouse is just in front of us. Either pay a fine right now or go directly to the courthouse where they may put you in jail." Since the young man did not have the money to pay the fine, he made his way to the courthouse. The judge asked him if he admitted that he had run a red light. He said yes. Then the judge asked him why he had not paid the fine. The young man was ashamed and answered: "I don't have the money." So the judge told him the same thing the policeman had said: "Either you pay the fine, or you'll go to jail." The disappointed young man was surprised at the sentence because he had a special relation with the judge: the judge was the young man's father. His father had decided to put him in jail. How is that possible? Where is mercy? The policeman put the young man in jail. Immediately the judge left the court and found his son. He then gave him the money for the fine, saying: "My son, since I'm the judge, I must protect the law and apply it. And since I'm your father, I'm making this sacrifice for you and getting you out of jail."

My friend, that is what Allah has done for us. He enforces the law and makes us respect it because He is just. He is also loving and merciful, so He saves and delivers us.

Now, let me tell you the story of our master Noah. People of that time were so corrupt that Allah justly sentenced them to perish. But Allah Almighty prepared redemption and deliverance for those who would repent and obey Him.

So Allah instructed our master Noah to build a ship (or an ark). It was the means of salvation for whoever would take refuge in it from the terrible flood that was coming to cover the earth. Through this, Allah showed that He is just and strict and hates sin. He sent the flood to punish the wicked. At the same time He loves people and wants to bless them. He prepared deliverance for those who would choose it.

My friend, do you remember what we said in lesson one? When Adam and Eve fell into disobedience Allah made them garments of animal skin to use as a covering instead of the fig leaves. Where did the animal skin come from? Of course an animal had to be killed and skinned to provide that kind of garment. This is another picture of redemption. That animal died so that humans could be covered.

Could the Messenger who would redeem people be found among ordinary human beings like you and me? The answer is no because all people have fallen into sin. All are to be punished for their transgressions. It is not possible for a sinner to redeem sinners, for a criminal to mediate on behalf of criminals. The Messenger Allah sent to redeem humankind had to be sinless. He had to be pure, never having committed evil, rebellion, transgression, or wickedness. He never made a mistake. He was pure, clean, righteous, and perfect. Therefore, He was able to be the Redeemer.

My dear friend, this Messenger was not born like all other human beings. He came as a sign from Allah, almighty and glorious. He was conceived by a miracle. His mother was a virgin who had no marital relations with a man. Therefore, He had no earthly father like other people. So, who is this noble, honorable Messenger? I would like you, my friend, to think about this in preparation for lesson 4.

In the keeping of Allah.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

To HELP YOU LEARN

Please complete the following statements in Part A. Then answer the questions in Part B. You may write in your book or on separate paper. After you complete this assignment you may compare your answers with the correct answers provided in the section called *To Help You Learn – Answers* toward the back of this book.

Completing this part of lesson three called *To help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. On the Day of Judgment, all people are to be punished because all have _____.
2. Because of sin, I am in a deep pit, and I cannot _____.
3. Allah wants the good relations between himself and me to be restored because He _____.
4. The person able to redeem man had to be _____ and _____.
5. Go back to the lesson; study this statement; memorize it, and then write it here from memory:
“Do not deceive yourselves; _____

_____.”

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. According to the story of Noah, who is the One to provide deliverance and redemption?

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2. Does Allah love you? _____ Why?_____

3. What did the ram that Abraham found illustrate?

4. What would Allah's Messenger do for all humankind?

5. Why couldn't just an ordinary man redeem us?

4 THE MESSENGER OF ALLAH

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah, the Glorious, the Honorable. I praise Him morning and evening, noon and night. I repent and turn to Him, and I depend on Him.

I witness that there is no god except Allah, whom we worship and whose aid we do seek. To Him all creatures in heaven and on earth shall bow.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- The Messenger—The Unique One
- His Power
- His Teaching
- His Character
- His Purpose

THE MESSENGER—THE UNIQUE ONE

As for what follows, who is this Messenger who was born of a woman, having no earthly father? Who is this Person who was pure and sinless, who came to redeem all people from their sins? No doubt, my friend, using your own intelligence you have already discovered the answer. He is our Master Isa, the Son of Mary. May His peace be upon us. Although Isa was a man, He was different from all other men—He was unique.

HIS POWER

Isa worked miracles: He healed the sick; fed the hungry; made the blind to see, the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak. In all this He never used magic or superstition, but worked miracles by the power of Allah and His creative Word. On one occasion, people heard that Isa was at home.

So many people came together that there was no room left, not even out in front of the door. Isa was preaching the message to them when four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man to Isa. Because of the crowd, however, they could not get the man to him. So they made a hole in the roof right above the place where Isa was. When they had made an opening, they let the man down, lying on his mat. Seeing how much faith they had, Isa said to the paralyzed man, "Son, your sins are forgiven." Some of the teachers of the Law who were sitting there thought to themselves, "How does he dare to talk like this? This is blasphemy! Allah is the only one who can forgive sins!

At once Isa knew what they were thinking, so he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? Which is easier: to say to the paralyzed man, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk?' I will prove to you then, that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, pick up your mat, and go home!" While they all watched, the man got up, picked up his mat, and hurried away.

They were all completely amazed and praised Allah, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."

Isa Al-Masih had the power to forgive sins. He still has this same power today. He proved his power by healing the paralyzed man.

Isa had powers that belonged to Allah alone. By a word He calmed the winds and the storms and raised the dead from their coffins and graves. A young man died, and he was the only son of a widow. His mother wept and mourned because he was her only child, her hope, the light of her life. When they were taking the corpse to the burial ground, Isa arrived, accompanied by a big crowd. He went to the grieving mother and said: "Don't cry." Then He touched the burial cloth and said to the dead man:

“Get up, young man.” Then the young man sat up and started talking!

Try to imagine, my friend, that you were present at the funeral. One of your close family members had died, and they were taking him to the burial ground. On the way, a man that everyone respected stopped the funeral procession and ordered your dead family member to get up. What would you say? How would you act? Yes, Isa has the power to create things out of nothing and grant life.

HIS TEACHING

Isa was also known among His followers as the Teacher. He taught people godliness and righteousness; He commanded them to do good and forbade them to do evil; He showed them the way to Allah, the right path. People were amazed by His great ability to teach. His words were accompanied by the power of Allah. He really spoke to people’s hearts. Read, for example, these words of Isa’s teaching to a large crowd of people.

So do not worry about tomorrow; it will have enough worries of its own. There is no need to add to the troubles each day brings.

Do not judge others, so that Allah will not judge you.

Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you.

Go in through the narrow gate, because the gate to hell is wide and the road that leads to it is easy, and there are many who travel it. But the gate to life is narrow and the way that leads to it is hard, and there are few people who find it.

So then, anyone who hears these words of mine and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain poured down, the rivers overflowed, and the wind blew hard against that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on rock. But anyone who hears these words of mine and does not obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain poured down, the rivers overflowed, the wind blew hard against that house, and it fell. And what a terrible fall that was.

HIS CHARACTER

Isa Al-Masih never committed sin. He never did evil nor was He rebellious. So He never needed forgiveness for sin like all other people. He was sinless. Once He challenged the Jews who hated Him, saying:

“Which one of you can prove that I am guilty of sin?”

No one was able to meet that challenge because, indeed, Isa never committed sin. His life was an example of godliness and righteousness. He was matchless in His love for people. It is easy for us to love friends; actually, it is natural, but how about enemies? Isa forgave His enemies and loved them. They persecuted Him, mocked Him, ridiculed Him, beat Him, tormented Him; and He never had any enmity or hatred toward them. He never said anything that indicated revenge or hate. When the Jews brought Him to court, the judge was surprised by His calmness and serenity. The crowds, moved by the religious leaders, shouted, demanding that He should die. But He remained calm. And because He was sinless, the judge witnessed before His accusers, declaring to them:

“I find no fault in Him.”

Al-Masih’s message is the message of peace, joy, love, life, and forgiveness. The crusaders who came with hatred, malice, selfishness, fanaticism, and bloodshed, were not true followers of Isa. May His peace be upon us. Al-Masih used neither force nor a sword; rather He loved us and saved us. He taught forgiveness, mercy, and kindness. He served all and welcomed all. He said:

“I will never turn away anyone who comes to me.”

He declared to all that His primary goal for being here was to save humankind from sin and restore the beautiful relationship between Allah and people. Isa said:

“I alone am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to Allah except by me.”

HIS PURPOSE

So, after serving people and teaching them the way of Allah Almighty for about three years, Isa started journeying toward Jerusalem. He knew the Jewish religious leaders were plotting against Him. He also knew

by His divine power that they were going to arrest Him in Jerusalem, bring Him to an unjust trial, crucify Him, and kill Him. So He told His followers about all these things, saying that He would rise from the dead on the third day. However, His followers did not understand. They thought it would be better for their Teacher and Prophet not to go to Jerusalem since danger awaited Him there. But Al-Masih, peace be upon Him, told them He had come for that exact purpose—to redeem humankind—to pay the price for our sins, to save us from fear, and to be our substitute by taking the punishment for our sins upon himself.

Isa could have chosen not to go to Jerusalem. And after the Jews arrested Him, He could have escaped by a miracle. He could have asked Allah, almighty and glorious, to rescue Him from death. But He did not because He came to bear the punishment for the sins of all humankind. Therefore, the Glorious Book of Allah says:

This is a true saying, to be completely accepted and believed:

Al-Masih Isa came into the world to save sinners.

Isa, Servant of (abd) Allah, who never feared man, pain, or loss, took the place of sinners to face the justice of Allah on our behalf. He received the punishment for our sins. He knew that Allah Almighty would hide His face from Him while He took the place of sinful humankind. That was horrible for Al-Masih, who had been pure and sinless all His life. He had pleased Allah and depended on Him in everything. Because He obeyed the will of Allah, almighty and glorious, He became the sacrifice for our sins and the Savior of the world.

Isa is unique. His birth was miraculous. His character was sinless and pure. He loved friends and enemies. He worked miracles with an extraordinary power.

Because of sin, humans are like broken machines that have stopped working. They are like broken vessels. Isa, peace be upon Him, came to repair those machines and make those vessels new.

I read the story of a competition that took place in Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia. It was a 10 km. race. Two hours after it started, the spectators waiting at the finish line still did not see anyone coming. The organizers of the competition started getting worried. They wondered if there had been a serious problem. They got in their cars to look for the runners. They found them running, but in an area far away from where they were supposed to be. They had already run 16 km. When

they questioned them, they discovered that the first runner had taken a wrong turn and that all the others had followed him and gotten lost!

How many times have leaders made you lose your way, my friend! You have started following certain people considered models and great leaders, but unfortunately you have drifted far from the goal that Allah planned for you. You have placed your confidence in people who claim to be counselors, but you have been disappointed and have lost hope! Isa is the only trustworthy leader who can lead you on a path of peace, happiness, and security.

People are guilty because they are spiritually separated from Allah by their sin. Al-Masih came to draw us to Allah, almighty and glorious, and reconcile us with Him.

Yes, Allah Almighty has planned this deliverance for us. He wants to rescue us. He wants us to walk in the right path. He wants to give us eternal life in paradise.

Dear friend, in the next lesson, Allah willing, we will continue the rest of the story. In the keeping of Allah.

Your friend,
Sheikh Abdullah

To HELP YOU LEARN

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Completing this part of lesson four called *To Help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. Isa did not need forgiveness for sins because He was _____.
2. Al-Masih loved everyone and had compassion for all people, to the point that He even loved His _____.
3. Isa’s goal in coming to the world was _____.
4. Al-Masih has powers that belong to Allah alone. He is able to create from _____, heal the _____, calm the _____, and raise the _____.
5. Go back to the lesson, study this statement, memorize it, and then write it here from memory: Isa said, “I alone am the way, _____.”

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. Mention some of the miracles Isa performed.

2. How did Isa know that the Jews were going to arrest Him and kill Him? _____
3. Isa talked about the narrow and wide gates. Which one would you choose and why? _____

4. Explain in your own words the parable that Isa gave about the wise man and the foolish man.

5. In the miracle of healing the paralyzed man, why did Isa forgive the man's sins first and then heal him?

5 SOME BROTHERLY ADVICE

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah. There is no god other than the One who guides His servant in the right path; the Merciful; the Compassionate. He sent us a Messenger who is a sign and a source of mercy to all the worlds; in whom is redemption and guidance; and who is the Savior of all humankind.

I witness that everyone who believes in Him will have eternal life in Paradise. Woe to him who does not believe; wretched is he; his is fire and a horrible end.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- The Sufferings of the Messenger
- The Resurrection of the Messenger
 - How could sinless Isa die for the sins of humankind?
- The Ascension of the Messenger
- Allah's Gift of Eternal Life
 - How is it possible to receive Allah's gift?
- My Brotherly Advice

THE SUFFERINGS OF THE MESSENGER

As for what follows, what happened to Isa the Honorable Messenger when He went to Jerusalem (al Quds)? The Jews arrested Him and put Him on trial. Then they led Him to the Roman governor. The Romans were also unfair to Him. They despised Him; they beat Him; they cursed

Him, then they crucified Him. Even while He hung on the cross, they mocked Him. But He asked Allah to forgive them. This unlimited love, my friend, that does not seek vengeance, has to be divine. Al-Masih, may His peace be upon us, bore the judgment of people's sins and offered himself as a sacrifice on behalf of all humankind, even though He himself was sinless. This is the greatest sacrifice in history. As He was suffering in torment, He cried: *My God, my God (Elahi, Elahi), why did you abandon me?*

Moments later He died. They took His body and buried Him. Everyone thought that was the end of Isa. That took place on Friday.

THE RESURRECTION OF THE MESSENGER

Sunday morning, Isa Al-Masih rose from the grave, victorious over death and Satan. Allah, glorious, accepted that sacrifice, and proved it by raising Isa from the dead. Thus, Allah showed that the death of Al-Masih was the needed redemption to grant people pardon. Al-Masih's crucifixion satisfied the demands of Allah's justice—the punishment of sinful man. And satisfied Allah's mercy by the sacrifice offered on behalf of wretched humans. So by the death and resurrection of Al-Masih, the justice and mercy of Allah were reconciled. On this basis, people can be delivered on the Day of Judgment and obtain assurance of eternal life, starting even now.

Please notice, my friend, that this is not a commercial operation, nor is it a bribe. Allah loves us and has offered us His help by sending our Master Isa to redeem us.

Here we are faced with a question: **How could sinless Isa die for the sins of humankind, and what law accepts that?** The answer is that Al-Masih was not a mere man who was innocent and bore the punishment for sinful humankind. Otherwise, His death would have been unjust and unacceptable. Al-Masih was not an ordinary man. He was unique. He was matchless. He is more than a man—He is the Word of Allah. He came to the world and accepted willingly to suffer and die to redeem us.

THE ASCENSION OF THE MESSENGER

The story did not end with Isa Al-Masih's resurrection from the dead. He ascended alive to heaven, and His followers saw Him ascending until He disappeared in the clouds. Today His grave in Jerusalem is empty, and He is alive in heaven.

ALLAH'S GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE

My friend, through Al-Masih's sacrifice for you, Allah offers you forgiveness for your sins. You can know Allah and enjoy a beautiful relationship with the Glorious Creator and obtain eternal life in Paradise. But how is that possible? **How is it possible to receive Allah's gift of eternal life?** There are two steps to follow.

One: Believe. Allah's Glorious Book says:

Eternal life with our Lord (Maulana) Isa Al-Masih is a free gift from Allah . . . so whoever believes on Him will escape the punishment of the Day of Judgment. And whoever does not believe on Him, the punishment of the Day of Judgment will fall upon him, even from now.

My friend, Allah is offering you a gift. It is eternal life. It is your duty to accept what Allah offers you. If you accept His gift to you, you honor Allah Almighty. So believe in Him and accept His gift so that you may be set free from the debt of sins you are carrying.

Perhaps you say: I do believe in Allah. I am not an atheist (kafir). Good, my friend. I agree with you. However, the faith we are talking about here means that you put your trust in Al-Masih's redemption for you. That is, you believe that He died and rose from the dead for you personally. Therefore, Allah Almighty has said in His Glorious Book:

If you confess with your mouth that Isa is the Lord (Moula) and believe in your heart that Allah raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

To be saved means to be delivered from the burden of your sins, from the guilt of your tormented conscience. It means to be saved from the condemnation of the Last Day and from eternal hell.

It is because of Allah's goodness and grace towards us that He does not require of us things which are impossible. No, no. He only demands that we have true faith in our hearts; that's all. And this is the faith that stirs up in humans a superior quality of life—pure and decent. Life that has a real goal and purpose.

I was amazed when I read about our master Abraham because he lived in a place where people did not believe in Allah. Allah Almighty called him and commanded him to leave his city and tribe and set out on a journey. He promised He would bless him and give him children and land. Abraham believed Allah's words, obeyed, and set out as Allah directed.

Allah cares for people. And He stretches out His hand to help them. However, it is important that they respond by believing Allah's words of truth and obeying Him as Abraham did.

Two: Repent. What is repentance? It means that I change the direction of my life. It is like the driver of a car who suddenly discovers that he has taken the wrong road. He turns his car around and heads in the right direction. Repentance involves sorrow for having committed sin and determination never to return to it. You, my friend, must repent. You must realize that you are going the wrong way and change your direction. You need Isa to change your heart and to purify your mind.

Dear friend, every religion has its good points. But we are not talking about religion, nor are we comparing religions. This is the problem of people's guilt and how to have freedom from it. The biggest difficulty facing people today is the problem of guilt. We have discovered together that the only solution is to put our trust in Isa's redemption.

MY BROTHERLY ADVICE

Because Isa Al-Masih took your place on the cross, your life can be radically and totally transformed for the better. Al-Masih can change your feelings, your attitudes, and your heart. He can cleanse you from your sin and disobedience. He alone can set you free from the problem of guilt and the fear of hell.

Do you remember what we said in lesson three about our master Noah—how Allah ordered him to make a ship as a means of rescue for those who would repent? This shows us that deliverance is possible for

whoever chooses it. Do you not see with me, my friend, that Allah does not force anybody, but that He gives freedom to all people to choose the right path if they want to? He did not compel anybody to take refuge in the ship. Noah and his family were the only ones who chose to enter, and they were delivered from the flood. All the rest of the people perished.

My advice to you then is this: Put your trust in Isa and surrender to Him. Let Allah be your support (wakil). If you do that, your heart will be filled with hope. Your life will be filled with peace and light. You will not need to fear death or to expect torment on the Day of Judgment.

I read the story of a rich prince who sent one of his servants into town to make the following announcement: "All those who come to the palace next Saturday between 8 o'clock and 10 o'clock in the morning will have their debts cancelled. Each one must bring his papers to prove what his debt is." Everybody thought that sounded strange, and they started talking about it among themselves. Some said: "That's not possible. The prince is mean, and he is playing a trick on us." Others said: "How can he cancel all our debts? We don't believe it!" When Saturday came, the townspeople gathered in front of the palace and discussed the subject at length. Eight o'clock came, and no one entered the palace. More time passed, and at half past nine, an old man and his wife came with all their papers to prove the amount of their debt. They went right into the palace without stopping to talk with the people outside. Then the prince told his secretary to cancel their debt. The old man thanked the prince for his mercy and generosity and said to him: "I'm going to go outside now to tell the others that what you said is true, my lord." But the prince told him: "No! Don't go out now. Go out at 10 o'clock, when it will be too late. You believed in me and in what I said. You believed that my words were true and that my promise was sincere. They must believe my words and my promise in the same way." At 10 o'clock, the prince went out of the palace, followed by the old man who cried out: "May Allah bless you, my lord. Now I can die without leaving any debts behind me." The people watching ran behind the prince, crying out for him to cancel their debts too. But the prince refused, saying: "You refused to believe what I said, and now it is too late."

This is a simple story, but it shows us how Al-Masih forgives us because He is merciful and loving. He is the Redeemer who sacrificed himself for us on the cross. If you believe in Isa, He will forgive your disobedience and the sins you have committed. He will forgive your bad thoughts and desires, and the good that you failed to do. However, if you

refuse to believe in Isa, you will be the only one to blame.

Many people like you, Muslims and non-Muslims, who had lost all hope in life, have realized that Allah loves them. They have responded to His call and entered into His great peace. Isa is alive. He has conquered death and Satan. He gives victory to everyone who accepts Him and surrenders to Him.

So, my dear friend, I counsel you to choose the right path. Allah has made it clear that those who believe in Isa have the reward— eternity in Paradise. Those who do not believe in Isa will be damned forever. Therefore, I would like you to think about this, my friend. It is a very serious matter. You are choosing eternal happiness or eternal misery. If you choose the right path, I would ask you to say this supplication (du' a) to Allah Almighty.

SUPPLICATION

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds. O Allah, I witness that I believe in You and that You sent our Lord (Maulana) Isa, may His peace be upon us. He died to redeem me from my sin and rebellion, and rose victorious over death. He is alive in heaven now. I witness that I have surrendered to Him. O Allah, I repent and turn to You. Forgive my sin and accept my repentance. Grant me this new, beautiful relationship with You, O Master of the worlds. I thank You because You answer. In the name of Isa Al-Masih, Amen.

If you are truly sincere, Allah will answer your supplication.

In the keeping of Allah.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

To HELP YOU LEARN

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A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. Al-Masih died on the cross on this day _____ and rose again on this day _____.
2. I must repent. To repent means that I realize I am on the wrong road and decide to _____
3. If I put my trust in Isa and surrender to Him, my life will be transformed for the _____
4. Since Allah has given me free choice, if I refuse to believe in Al-Masih, the only one responsible for this will be _____
5. Go back to the lesson, study this statement, memorize it, and then write it here from memory: “Eternal life with our Lord Isa Al-Masih is _____.”

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. “If you confess with your mouth that Isa is your Lord and believe in your heart that Allah raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” What does “saved” mean?

2. Allah was satisfied with Al-Masih's sacrifice for humankind. What is the proof that Allah accepted that sacrifice?

3. What is the free gift that Allah gives you when you believe in Isa? _____

4. What has happened to the many people, Muslims and non-Muslims, who had lost hope in life but have responded to Isa's call?

5. Mention four things which show that Isa was unique and matchless. You may find part of the answer in lesson four.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

6 VICTORY IS YOURS

In the name of Allah, the Wise, the Omniscient, the Creator, the Merciful.

There is no god other than Allah, glorious in His might, and magnificent in His power. He is the one who leads us in the right path.

O Allah, I ask You to grant me Your good gifts and make me victorious over my enemy because You are the Almighty, the Powerful, the Rich, the All-Seeing. Amen, O Lord of the worlds.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- Allah Is Concerned for You
- New Life in Al-Masih
 - Where is Isa now?
- Victory Over Temptation
- Victory Through New Life
- Your Worst Enemy
- The Power of Al-Masih
 - Do you want Allah's special help?
- The Body of Al-Masih

ALLAH IS CONCERNED FOR YOU

As for what follows, the most important proof of Allah's greatness is that He himself, mighty and glorious, is interested in people who

have sinned and become disabled and hopeless. Allah has provided redemption, forgiveness, pardon, and deliverance. Indeed, “Allah-u Akbar.”

So, my friend, if you have believed this and have put your trust in Isa, I am sure that Allah has answered your supplication. He has, in reality, made a great change in your life.

NEW LIFE IN AL-MASIH

Our Master Isa, His peace be upon us, died and rose not only to bear the punishment of our sin, but also to give us spiritual power. He gives us power to live a righteous life that pleases Allah, the Most High. In the past, before you knew Isa in the right way and before you put your trust in Him, you were desperate, troubled, and confused. But now, because you believe in Him, He has given you new life—spiritual life—a new kind of life. It is a life of hope, joy, and peace. The True Book of Allah says:

You were spiritually dead because of your disobedience and sins in which you lived in the past . . . but Allah in His great mercy, and because He loved us so much, has granted us life in Al-Masih.

Therefore my friend, since you really have surrendered to Isa and actually accepted Him in your heart, you have become a new person. Allah has created a new nature in you. Allah’s Glorious Book says:

When anyone yields to Al-Masih and is united with Him, he becomes a new person. The old is finished and gone, and everything becomes new.

So where is Isa now? True, He is in heaven. However, since you have invited Him to come and deliver you, He actually has come and entered your heart. He has started to cleanse it and purify it from the poison of sin. He has started to give you power to overcome the problems and temptations you face. So Al-Masih is living in your heart. He is the Master of your life.

VICTORY OVER TEMPTATION

Notice, my friend that the old nature tends to sin and satisfy lustful pleasures. The soul is given to doing evil. It will continually try to make

you miserable and fall into sin. However, you are responsible to control and suppress it. Allah will give you the power to do that. He will give you victory over the temptations of sin.

You may know the story of our master Joseph. His brothers were jealous of him and sold him as a slave. They lied to their father and told him that their brother had been killed. However, while Joseph served as a slave, he lived according to high spiritual principles which filled his heart and life. So when he was tempted to sin and his master's wife asked him to commit fornication, he absolutely refused. Joseph came out victorious. He depended on Allah's power and faced Satan's challenge. He loved Allah Almighty and refused to disobey Him. So he defeated sin. And you, my friend, because Allah loves you and you love Him, you are responsible to stand up courageously and say "no" to sin. You must never yield to it.

VICTORY THROUGH NEW LIFE

You are also responsible to develop the new nature Allah has given you.

I warn you: do not continue to live like the heathen, whose thoughts are worthless and whose minds are in the dark. They have no part in the life that Allah gives, for they are completely ignorant and stubborn. They have lost all feeling of shame; they give themselves over to vice and do all sorts of indecent things without restraint.

That was not what you learned about Al-Masih! You certainly heard about him, and as his followers you were taught the truth that is in Isa. So get rid of your old self, which made you live as you used to – the old self that was being destroyed by its deceitful desires. Your hearts and minds must be made completely new. You must put on the new self, which is created in Allah's likeness and reveals itself in the true life that is upright and holy.

No more lying, then! Everyone must tell the truth to his fellow-believer, because we are all members together in the body of Al-Masih. If you become angry, do not let your anger lead you into sin, and do not stay angry all day. Don't give the

Devil a chance. The man who used to rob must stop robbing and start working, in order to earn an honest living for himself and to be able to help the poor. Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words; the kind that build up and provide what is needed, so that what you say will do good to those who hear you. And do not make Allah's Holy Spirit sad; for the Spirit is Allah's mark of ownership on you, a guarantee that the Day will come when Allah will set you free. Get rid of all bitterness, passion, and anger. No more shouting or insults, no more hateful feelings of any sort. Instead, be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as Allah has forgiven you through Al-Masih.

Maybe this kind of advice sounds impossible to follow. Who can stop lying in the kind of society we live in? Who can stop saying bad words? Who can get rid of bitterness, anger, and hatred?

True, if we try to reform ourselves by our own power and knowledge, it will be a most frustrating experience. We will not be able to make ourselves good enough to please Allah. We will be defeated by sin perhaps worse than ever before.

However, the Holy Spirit who is the Spirit of Al-Masih himself is working in my new life and in my new heart to help me reach the standard Allah wants. The Holy Spirit enables me to have victory over evil. He helps me to hate lying and love telling the truth; to hate stealing and love honorable work; to stop hating people, to stop fighting, and insulting. Since I have invited Al-Masih to change my heart, the Holy Spirit of Allah has taken command of my life. And the more I let Him take over, the more victories I win. The Holy Spirit is now in my heart. This explains what we said earlier: Al-Masih himself has come to live in me and fill my life with His character and love.

YOUR WORST ENEMY

I am sure you understand, my friend, that Satan is your worst enemy. When Allah, glorious, sends His Word to you to plant faith, peace, joy, and love in your heart, Satan comes and tries to snatch Allah's Word from you. He may say to you: "It is not true. Allah does not love you. Isa did not sacrifice himself for you. Allah is so far away from you. Why should He be interested in you? Why should He care for you? Al-Masih

cannot save you. He cannot give you the assurance of eternal life.” These are Satan’s words because he wants you to perish.

Therefore, my friend, you should depend on the Holy Spirit as you face Satan, your enemy. You have read the story of our Master Isa the Messenger of Allah that was explained in lessons four and five. You should depend on the power of Isa who defeated Satan. You should let the words of Isa and what He did be your weapons in this battle against Satan.

THE POWER OF AL-MASIH

Now my friend, do you feel that there are powers around you that try to destroy your life—yes, Satan, sickness, sin, death, magic, fear, wars, and hunger? The power of Isa Al-Masih is much greater than all of them. He is the One who defeated sin and Satan. He overcame disease and death. Therefore, He can stretch out His hand to help you and meet your needs. Yes, try it. You will become aware that He is close to you, and that you need to open your heart even more to Him. You need to trust Him more.

Maybe there is someone dear to you who is sick. We know that Isa healed the sick. He has the power to heal today because He is alive and not dead. Ask Allah in the name of Isa and by Isa’s power to heal your friend. Perhaps there has not been enough rain in your area or the crops seem to be failing this year. We know that Allah controls nature for man’s good. Ask Allah, believing in the name of Isa, and He will answer your supplication and send the rain and give abundant crops. Allah Almighty said in His Honorable Book that after three and a half years of drought, the prophet Elijah prayed, and the sky poured out its rain and the earth produced its crops.

Also, Allah’s Book says that He will love you and bless you, so that you will increase in number and have many children; he will bless your fields, so that you will have corn . . . and olive-oil.

Do you want Allah’s special help to give you success in your exams this year? Ask in the name of Isa, put your faith in action, study diligently, and He will grant your request. Maybe you have problems in your family—strife, hatred, and lack of understanding. Ask Allah in the name of Isa, and He will send peace, love, and joy. Maybe you need a job, and you have been searching for a long time to no avail. Perhaps your

family needs a place to live. Maybe you need to get married. Allah can guide you, help you, and give you victory in all these things. Ask Him in the name of Isa. He works miracles. Put your trust in Al-Masih, may His peace be upon us, and you will see that He is greater and mightier than Satan. Perhaps you are about to take a trip and you need Allah's protection and keeping to arrive safely.

Allah will command His angels to protect you all the way.

Do you know what that means for you? The Almighty commands His angels to guard your every step. What an extraordinary promise! Do you go to a fortune-teller or a soothsayer? Stop that immediately. Are you afraid of someone who uses magic? The power of Al-Masih is much greater than all of that. He is able to protect you and keep you. He will give you the answer to your questions and the things that confuse you. So ask Him, and no other.

Al-Masih sometimes appears in dreams or visions to comfort, encourage, strengthen, guide, and show His love to people. However, I would like you to notice, my friend, that a vision or a dream that really comes from Allah always agrees with Allah's words, Al Injil. There is no contradiction.

THE BODY OF AL-MASIH

There is something else that you must be aware of, my friend. By your faith in Al-Masih, you have become a member of His body. The body of Al-Masih is not a building, an organization, a club, or a secret society. Rather it is a group of believers in Isa from all generations and all times. These believers come from all ages and races, from every nation and country, from every people and language. The body of Al-Masih is all those who belong to Isa because He has forgiven their misdeeds, and taken away their disobedience. He has washed away their sin. He has written their name in the Book of Life. All of that is because He died for them and paid their debt. Then He rose from the dead triumphant in order to make them victorious! The body of Al-Masih is all those to whom Allah has given divine love. He gives them heavenly wisdom. He gives them confidence, knowledge, peace and joy. The body of Al-Masih is all those people to whom Allah speaks and says:

VICTORY IS YOURS

But you are the chosen race, the King's priests, the holy nation, Allah's own people, chosen to proclaim the wonderful acts of Allah, who called you out of darkness into his own marvelous light. At one time you were not Allah's people, but now you are his people; at one time you did not know Allah's mercy, but now you have received his mercy.

Then the Holy Spirit encourages them, saying:

I appeal to you, my friends, as strangers and refugees in this world! Do not give in to bodily passions, that are always at war against the soul. Your conduct among the heathen should be so good that when they accuse you of being evildoers, they will have to recognize your good deeds and so praise Allah on the Day of his coming.

This is the body of Al-Masih—all those who keep themselves from sin and disobedience. They are the people who live a holy life of love and sacrifice in quietness and peace.

Congratulations for your new life. In the keeping of Allah.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

TO HELP YOU LEARN

Please complete the following statements in Part A. Then answer the questions in Part B. You may write in your book or on separate paper. After you complete this assignment, you may compare your answers with the correct answers provided in the section called *To Help You Learn – Answers* toward the back of this book.

Completing this part of lesson six called *To Help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. In the past, I was spiritually dead because of my sins, but now _____
2. Satan is my greatest enemy. He tries to snatch _____ from my heart.
3. From now on I will no longer fear magic, and I will never go to soothsayers or fortunetellers because I believe that _____ is greater than all these.
4. Allah’s Book says that those who do not believe in Isa have thoughts which are _____, minds which are in the _____, and they are completely _____ and _____.
5. Go back to the lesson, study this verse, memorize it, and then write it here from memory. “When anyone yields to Al-Masih _____

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. What weapon should you use to defeat Satan?

2. Why should we forgive others when they offend us?

VICTORY IS YOURS

3. What would you do if there had been no rain or if there were strife and lack of understanding in your family?

4. What must you do in order for Isa to work miracles in your life? _____

5. Where does a new believer in Al-Masih stand concerning lying, lust, anger, and harmful words?

7 GO FORWARD WITH ALLAH'S BLESSING

In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

Praise be to Allah. There is no God other than Allah—One with no associate. He hears; He knows; He is faithful to His promises; He fulfills His words.

I witness that Isa Al-Masih is the Word of Allah. We believe in Him and trust Him and take refuge in Him. We live because of His mercy. Because of His love we are saved from sin and disobedience. And by His divine power we overcome evil and Satan.

IN THIS LESSON YOU WILL STUDY THE FOLLOWING:

- Follow Our Master Isa Al-Masih
- Confidential Conversation with Allah (Munajat Allah)
- Share the Blessings of Al-Masih with Others
- Be Willing to Suffer for the Glory of Allah
- Receive Power from Allah's Holy Spirit

FOLLOW OUR MASTER ISA AL-MASIH

As for what follows, I would like you to know, my friend, that the goal of these studies is for you to become a follower of our Master Isa Al-Masih. My desire is for you to stay culturally Muslim. But at the same time, I want you to have a personal relationship with Allah through our Master Isa Al-Masih. I want you to give Him all your allegiance because He is your Lord and Savior.

Because you believe in the redemption of Al-Masih, your sins have been forgiven. Allah has pardoned you for your disobedience. Your heart has been purified and cleansed because Isa sacrificed His precious blood for you. Therefore, although you live in the same circumstances as before, you are a new person both inside and outside. I would like to help you grow in this grace and advance continually. So I am going to offer you some advice that you should follow.

CONFIDENTIAL CONVERSATION WITH ALLAH (MUNAJAT ALLAH)

In communion with Allah, we come close to the Creator, almighty and glorious. We talk with Him in quietness and submission. Therefore, my friend, you should open your heart to Him and tell Him your thoughts. Thank Him for Al-Masih and for His sacrifice on your behalf. Thank Him for health, family, friends, school, joy, and all things. Tell Him about your problems, your hopes and dreams. Tell Him even the things you do not want to share with your family or friends. Have confidence that He will hear you and help you, for He has said:

“Ask, and you will receive; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you . . . If you ask me for anything in my name, I will do it.”

Allah is your Heavenly Father who loves you. You can talk with Him and have communion with Him at any time. Talk with Him simply, with respect, using the words you are accustomed to. We draw great spiritual power from talking with Allah. It is an important weapon we can use against Satan, and it causes miracles to happen. However, communion with Allah also means that Allah speaks to us. He whispers to us words of guidance, comfort, and encouragement. Perhaps it is an inaudible voice; perhaps it is a pure thought that sheds light on our path; or maybe it is words from Allah's Book.

You should notice, my friend, that for this beautiful, divine relationship to continue, your heart must be clean from any hatred, lust, or sin. Al-Masih's redemption always has the power to cleanse you from any evil. So if you fall into sin, immediately ask Allah to forgive you, and sincerely turn away from your wrongdoing. Make an honest decision that with Allah's help you will never repeat it. The blood of Al-Masih that was shed on the cross has the power to cleanse your heart and your spirit.

I would like to give you some advice concerning this confidential communion with Allah.

1. Have a specific time for communion with Allah every day.

We need to eat every day. If we miss a meal, we get hungry. If we do not eat for several days, we die. Our spiritual life also needs spiritual food regularly. We obtain this food at the time of speaking with and listening to Allah. Therefore, you should have this communion with Allah every day, perhaps in the morning before you face life's responsibilities. But if it is not possible in the morning, any other time will do – noon, evening, or night. The important thing is that you have a specific time every day. You need to feel that your soul has been fed in Allah's presence, your heart has been comforted, and your spirit strengthened. Then continue in the same spirit of close relationship with Him the rest of the day.

2. Choose a specific place for communion with Allah.

If you cannot find a room by yourself, try to have communion with Allah even in the presence of others, or while you are walking.

3. Have a specific goal for communion with Allah.

The goal should be to enjoy your time being in the presence of Allah, and talking with Him. Do not let your mind wander. Do not let responsibilities steal your attention. Be completely in the spirit of worship. Expect Allah Almighty to give you a spiritual blessing. If you do not expect anything, you will receive nothing.

4. Read Allah's Word.

When you write to me I will tell you how you can get your own copy of Allah's Holy Book. This is Allah's Word. If you read and obey Allah's Word and live for Him every day of your life, He will guide you and lead you. He will keep you for eternal life. Read His Word regularly. Read it every day with an open heart. Ask Allah to enlighten your mind and heart to understand His Word. Read with a spirit of submission and a humble heart. Enjoy and desire to know the truth. Respond and react with what you read. Obey Allah's Word. Apply its principles to your life, especially in your relations with others. *Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path.*

Study Allah's Word like someone who is hungry, searching for food. Study it like someone who is thirsty, searching for water. Allah's Word is spiritual food and life-giving water. Listen attentively because Allah himself, glorious and almighty, is speaking.

The word of Allah is alive and active, sharper than any double-edged sword. It cuts all the way through . . . It judges the desires and thoughts of man's heart.

When you read a verse that talks about a gift or a blessing that Allah has given you, stop and thank Him. When you read a verse that talks about a weak point in your spiritual or social life, stop and ask Allah to grant you victory over that. Try to commit to memory as many verses as you can.

All Scripture is inspired by Allah and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living, so that the person who serves Allah may be fully qualified and equipped to do every kind of good deed.

SHARE THE BLESSINGS OF AL-MASIH WITH OTHERS

Al-Masih, glory be to Him, has commanded us to extend His invitation to others so that they can believe in Him and put their confidence in Him. Our love for others, such as family and friends, moves us to do that. It is selfish to hide the blessing that Allah has given us and not share it with others. You, my friend, have found a treasure—new life and glorious victory. So help your friend or brother discover this great treasure also. You must invite others to believe.

At the same time, do not offend others. Do not try to prove to them that they are wrong and you are right. You live in a culture whose traditions you should respect. Perhaps your society does not like the fact that you have changed. Perhaps it does not accept freedom of choice. However, you must respect and love the people among whom you live even if you do not agree with them. It is your duty to offer them the message of love and peace that has filled your heart with light so that they too may obtain eternal life.

Please extend this invitation to them with compassion, forgiveness, and patience. Be wise, balanced, courageous and gracious. Your new life should have the impact and purity necessary to attract others to believe in Al-Masih. Let your actions speak for your faith in Al-Masih even louder than your words.

Start by sharing these things with a friend or relative that you trust. Tell him what has happened to you. Tell him about the change Al-Masih has brought into your life. Ask Allah to give you the right words and

thoughts to persuade your friend that he too needs Isa to be his Master, King, Redeemer, Lord and Savior.

BE WILLING TO SUFFER FOR THE GLORY OF ALLAH

My friend, you also need to be ready to face difficulties. In lesson six we talked about our master Joseph. What was the result of his courageous resistance to sin? What happened when he refused to commit fornication? He was put in jail. This was a painful trial for a pure, young man. Perhaps you will meet with persecution. Your colleagues may persecute you because you are honest. It may be that your family will hurt you or treat you unkindly because you follow the truth. Your friends may criticize you because you love Isa. However, Allah Almighty who helped Joseph when he was in prison will stretch out His hand to help you in your difficult situation. If you stay true to Him and keep your faith in Isa, He will give you power to be victorious.

Paul met with great persecution because he was a believer in Al-Masih. He said:

“I have worked...I have been in prison...whipped...and near death. Five times I was given the thirty-nine lashes by the Jews; the Romans whipped me three times and once I was stoned. I have been in three shipwrecks, and once I spent twenty-four hours in the water. In my many travels I have been in danger from floods and from robbers, in danger from fellow Jews and from Gentiles; there have been dangers in the cities, dangers in the wilds, dangers on the high seas, and dangers from false friends. There has been work and toil; often I have gone without sleep; I have been hungry and thirsty; I have often been without enough food, shelter, or clothing... Allah...knows that I am not lying. When I was in Damascus, the governor under King Aretas placed guards at the city gates to arrest me. But I was let down in a basket through an opening in the wall and escaped from him.”

Our Lord Isa, who sacrificed Himself for us, deserves that we sacrifice all for Him, even our life. Allah’s heart is full of love and compassion for you. He knows everything about you. He knows your pain and your suffering. He sees you even if you are in prison because of your faith. He

sees you even if you are all alone because you have been rejected. He comforts you. He fills your loneliness with peace and joy. He fills you with His presence and love. He gives you patience. He sends divine joy, not human joy which is based on circumstances. His divine joy is based on the cross of Al-Masih because Al-Masih gave His life for you, and you believed in His sacrifice. It is a joy that fills your heart with true happiness, even if you are suffering. He fills your heart with love even for the people who have made you suffer and who have persecuted you.

Perhaps those who have made you suffer are close to you. Perhaps those who have persecuted you are members of your family that you live with and whom you trust. Maybe they are friends or neighbors. Allah sees all of that, and He knows that you have been falsely accused. He says to you: *I have heard your prayer and have seen your tears.*

RECEIVE POWER FROM ALLAH'S HOLY SPIRIT

Al-Masih, glory be to Him, has provided unlimited and unending power for you to receive. You remember we said in lesson six that the Holy Spirit is already working in your heart and life. He is working to help you gain victory in different situations. There is a beautiful and deeper experience in which Allah releases the Holy Spirit in you without measure so that you will be filled with His power. Al-Masih said: *But when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me.*

How can you be filled with the Holy Spirit? You must ask Allah with faith in your heart. You will know when it happens, because He will fill you with joy that you have never before experienced. You will know, because while you are in communion with Allah, you will pray in a language you have never spoken before. Perhaps you will not understand what language it is. Then you will really know what fullness of joy in Allah's presence means. It is a glorious experience.

My dear friend, the Holy Spirit will be a power in your life that will never be defeated. He will comfort you; He will stand by you; and He will help you in the face of troubles and persecution. He will help you lead others to this new life. So, go forward with Allah's blessing.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah

TO HELP YOU LEARN

Please complete the following statements in Part A. Then answer the questions in Part B. You may write in your book or on separate paper. After you complete this assignment, you may compare your answers with the correct answers provided in the section called *To Help You Learn – Answers* toward the back of this book.

Completing this part of lesson seven called *To Help You Learn* will help you remember the important truths of this lesson.

A. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

1. I am a Muslim by upbringing and culture, but my sins have been forgiven because I _____.
2. In communion with Allah, I can talk to Him because He is my _____.
3. My new life should attract others to _____.
4. My family and friends need Isa, glory be to Him, to be their _____.
5. Go back to the lesson, study this verse, memorize it, and then write it here from memory: “All Scripture is inspired by Allah and is useful for _____”

B. ANSWER BRIEFLY

1. You may face difficulties because you believe in Isa. There are two things that will help you in your spiritual life to gain power and victory. What are they?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
2. What would you do if you fell into sin?

3. Allah's Book is inspired by Allah. How is it useful to you?

4. How does the Holy Spirit help you spiritually?

5. What are some of the things that motivate you to invite others to believe in Isa?

TO HELP YOU LEARN

A N S W E R S

The correct answers for the *To Help You Learn* pages at the end of each lesson are provided here. Please compare the answer you wrote with these correct answers.

LESSON 1

PART A.

1. Adam
2. disobeyed
3. leaves clothes from animal skins
4. being cast away from Allah
5. rescue him

PART B.

1. Through all of creation that He designed and made
2. Satan; to make us fall into disobedience
3. Because they listened to Satan and did not obey the commandment of Allah
4. Sin
5. Defeat Satan

LESSON 2

PART A.

1. sin
2. they are rebellious and disobedient to the Creator
3. Adam
4. innocence fellowship with Allah garden
5. perishing in eternal hell

PART B.

1. Turning away from the way of Allah
2. Because they have the same fallen nature as their father
3. Sin
4. a. A thick, high wall between people and Allah
b. A wide gulf that separates humans from Allah
5. Man away from Allah has no assurance

LESSON 3

PART A.

1. sinned
2. rescue myself
3. loves me I am His creation
4. sinless perfect
5. No one makes a fool of Allah. A person will reap exactly what he sows.

PART B.

1. Allah
2. Yes He is my Maker. I am His creation.
3. Redemption for Abraham's son
4. Redeem them
5. Because all people have fallen into sin. It is not possible for a sinner to redeem sinners.

LESSON 4

PART A.

1. sinless
2. enemies

3. to save people from sin
4. nothing sick storms dead
5. the truth, and the life No one can come to Allah except by me.

PART B.

1. Healed the sick; fed the hungry; made the blind to see, the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak
2. By His divine power
3. The narrow gate, because the wide one leads to hell
4. The wise man builds his life on the Word of Allah. He allows Isa Al-Masih to be his Master. The foolish man builds his life on things of this world. When the judgment comes, the wise man will enter into Paradise. The foolish man will be cast into hell.
5. Because sin is more serious than sickness, He dealt with it first.

LESSON 5

PART A.

1. Friday Sunday
2. change the direction of my life
3. better
4. me
5. a free gift from Allah

PART B.

1. To be delivered from the burden of sin, from the condemnation of the Last Day, and from eternal hell
2. Allah raised Isa from the dead

3. Eternal life
4. They have obtained peace from Allah
5. a. His birth
b. He was sinless
c. He worked miracles with divine power
d. His teaching was unique

LESSON 6

PART A.

1. because I believe in Isa, He has given me a new life.
2. Allah's Word
3. Isa
4. worthless dark ignorant stubborn
5. and is united with Him, He becomes a new person.

PART B.

1. The Word of Allah
2. Because Allah forgave us
3. I would ask for Allah's help in the name of Isa.
4. Believe in His divine power
5. He refuses to do these things.

LESSON 7

PART A.

1. believe in the redemption of Al-Masih
2. Heavenly Father
3. have faith in Al-Masih
4. Master, King, Redeemer, Lord, and Savior

5. teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults and giving instructions for right living.

PART B.

1. a. Stay true to Isa
b. Keep my faith in Him
2. I would immediately ask Allah to forgive me, and I would renounce my wrongdoing.
3. It teaches the truth; rebukes error; corrects faults; gives instructions for right living.
4. He fills me with power to tell others about Isa; comforts me; helps me in trouble and persecution.
5. Love, compassion, forgiveness, and patience

Please note: More books are available to help you learn more about our Master Isa Al-Masih. These are some of the titles:

- *We Hear from the Prophets*
- *Highlights in the Life of Al-Masih*
- *Your New Life*

INSTRUCTIONS

The following questions are called multiple-choice questions. Each question has three potential answers, but only one is correct. Mark the correct answer on the ANSWER PAGE. Please mark your answers in black ink or pencil.

When you have marked all your answers, please remove the ANSWER PAGE from this book and mail it to the address provided on the ANSWER PAGE. May Allah bless you as you answer these questions.

1. Please write your answers on the *Answer Page* itself.
2. Do not return the lessons to me. They are for you to keep.
3. Study the lessons well and carefully review them. Then answer the questions.
4. Write my office address clearly on an envelope. Be sure to put your return address and postage on the envelope. Then send it to the address provided.
5. If you do not receive a reply from me within one month, it means that we have not received your letter. Please write to me again.

ANSWER PAGE

Questions About The Right Path

1. Where did humans come from?
 - a. They evolved from apes
 - b. They came from other planets
 - c. Allah created us
2. Why did Allah create humans?
 - a. So that we could become gods like Allah
 - b. To be His deputies on earth and to bring Him glory
 - c. To conquer the earth
3. Has Allah created humans to live in misery?
 - a. Yes, because we are continually disobedient
 - b. No, He is forgiving and compassionate
 - c. Yes, it is our fate
4. How can relationship with Allah be restored?
 - a. Through Allah's love and because He wants a relationship with us, so He provided for our redemption
 - b. Through our good works
 - c. Through pleasing Him
5. According to Allah's Glorious Book, why did Isa Al-Masih come into the world?
 - a. He came to save sinners
 - b. He came to become king over the earth
 - c. He came because Allah forced Him to come
6. How could sinless Isa Al-Masih die for the sins of humankind?
 - a. Because He was an innocent man who took the punishment for sinful people
 - b. Because He was the Word of Allah who willingly died to redeem us
 - c. Because He was an ordinary man, He could die for ordinary people



7. How is it possible to receive Allah's gift of eternal life?
 - a. You must do good works, say prayers, and fast
 - b. You must hope that Allah will not punish you when you die
 - c. You must believe Allah's words of truth about Isa Al-Masih, obey Him, and repent of your sins

8. Where is Isa now?
 - a. He is buried somewhere in Afghanistan
 - b. Since I have invited Him to come and deliver me from my sins, He is in my heart
 - c. No one knows where He is

9. How can we stop lying, saying bad words, getting angry, and hating people?
 - a. By reforming ourselves through education
 - b. By fasting
 - c. By receiving the Spirit of Al-Masih and allowing Him to change our lives

10. Why is it important for us to enjoy communion with Allah?
 - a. Because if we don't pray to Him five times a day He will send us to hell
 - b. Because if we don't pray to Him we will commit a great sin
 - c. Because He is our Heavenly Father who gives us spiritual power when we talk to Him and He talks to us

Congratulations! When you send this Answer Page to me, I will correct it and mail it to you with more lessons about our Master Isa. We will also send you a Certificate of Award. So please write your name here as you want it to appear on the certificate.



RESPONSE PAGE

Thank you so much, my friend, for studying these lessons called *The Right Path*. If you have enjoyed studying this subject please write to me about the blessings you have received on the following lines.

I would also request that you tell me how you feel about Isa Al-Masih. Have you come to believe in Him as your Master, Lord and Savior? If you have trusted Him to take your sins away, please tell me about it.

After you have completed this page, please remove it from your book and send it to me with your ANSWER PAGE and the names and addresses of your friends who would also like to receive *The Right Path*.

My friend, I am really looking forward to receiving your response. May the joy and love of our Master Isa Al-Masih be with you.

Your Friend,
Sheikh Abdullah

Address of local office:



Dear friend,

Greetings to you. I trust all is well with you.

After you complete the seven lessons of the *The Right Path*, I am planning to send you a very nice booklet as a gift.

If you will send me the names of your friends who you think might enjoy receiving the *The Right Path*, I will send them a copy also.

May the blessings of Allah be yours.

Thank you.

Your friend,

Sheikh Abdullah



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