



**II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

**A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

Fiscal Years	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Revenues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Program Income (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
In-Kind Match (County)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>NET FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<u><u>\$-0-</u></u>	<u><u>\$-0-</u></u>	<u><u>\$-0-</u></u>	<u><u>\$-0-</u></u>	<u><u>\$-0-</u></u>
# ADDITIONAL FTE	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
POSITIONS (Cumulative)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes \_\_\_ No X  
 Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes \_\_\_ No X

*(Handwritten initials)*

Budget Account No: Fund \_\_\_ Department \_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_ RSource \_\_\_  
 Reporting Category \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

No fiscal impact.

*(Handwritten signature)*

**C. Departmental Fiscal Review:**

**III. REVIEW COMMENTS**

**A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:**

*(Signature)* 7/20/22  
 OFMB *(initials)* 7-20-22  
 MB 7/20/22

*(Signature)* 7/26/22  
 Contract Dev. and Control  
 7-21-22 TD

**B. Legal Sufficiency:**

*(Signature)* 8/11/22  
 Assistant County Attorney

**C. Other Department Review:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Department Director

REVISED 11/17

(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT)

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS

REGISTRATION  
FOR  
DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING

PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

2022-01

6/24/22

Identification Number

Date

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK THE REQUESTED INFORMATION

1. Full Name, Address and Telephone Number of Applicant (sponsor, promoter or organizer):

South Florida Public Witnessing, Inc.

401 East Las Olas Blvd, Suite 130-297

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 (954) 650-0196

2. The full name, address, and telephone number of each person who will participate in the authorized activities and of the authorized person(s) who shall have direct supervision of and formal responsibility for the proposed activities. In the alternative, the applicant may identify on the application one or more individuals who will act as coordinators or group leaders and, at the beginning of each day's activities, provide to the Director the names and other information required by this subsection regarding the individuals who will be participating in the applicant's activities on that day:

Victor Colón, 4785 NW 76th Street, Coconut Creek, FL 33073, (954) 650-0196

Guy Halligan, 12798 NW 98th Place, Hialeah Gardens, FL 33018, (786) 806-9136

Rafael Martinez, 2300 Oak Court, Pembroke Pine, FL 33026, (786) 356-2801

3. Briefly describe the nature of the activity proposed to be conducted, its purpose, and the type of communication to be involved:

Distribution of Literature

4. (a) The desired date or dates for conducting said activity is:

From 7/01/22 Through 7/01/23  
[Attach schedule for seven (7) or more consecutive days]

(b) The desired times of day during which said activity is to occur:

6:00am [A.M.] [P.M.] Through 10:00pm [A.M.] [P.M.]

(c) The number of people who shall participate in said activity: 8 - (2 at each location)

5. If applicable, submit one copy of any and all literature, hand-outs or other materials or items requesting to be distributed as part of the proposed activities.

6. Applicant hereby expressly covenants and agrees that if this Registration for Distribution of Literature or Picketing is approved pursuant to this Registration and the accompanying Rules and Regulations for same, applicant shall, as a condition of this Registration, indemnify Palm Beach County pursuant to the following provision which applicant acknowledges and agrees is made a part of and incorporated herein, without the necessity of any further action by the parties hereto:


“REGISTRANT agrees to protect, defend, reimburse, indemnify and hold Palm Beach County (the “COUNTY”), its agents, employees and elected officers and each of them, free and harmless at all times from and against any and all claims, liability, expenses, losses, costs, fines and damages (including attorney fees) and causes of action of every kind and character against or from COUNTY by reason of any damage to property or the environment, or bodily injury (including death) incurred or sustained by any party hereto, or of any party acquiring any interest hereunder, any agent or employee of any party hereto or of any party acquiring an interest hereunder, and any third or other party whomsoever, or any governmental agency, arising out of or incident to or in connection with this Registration, the conditions of the Airport terminal building, REGISTRANT’s acts, omissions or operations hereunder, or the performance, non-performance or purported performance of the REGISTRANT or any breach of the terms of this Registration; provided, however, the REGISTRANT shall not be responsible to COUNTY for damages resulting out of bodily injury or damages to property which REGISTRANT can establish as being attributable to the sole negligence of COUNTY, its respective agents, servants, employees or officers. REGISTRANT further agrees to hold harmless and indemnify COUNTY for any fines, citations, court judgments, insurance claims, restoration costs or other liability resulting from its activities on the Airport. Said indemnification shall be extended to include all deliverers, suppliers or others who may enter onto the Airport at the request of the REGISTRANT. REGISTRANT recognizes the broad nature of this indemnification and hold harmless clause, and voluntarily makes said covenant in recognition of the valuable consideration provided by COUNTY under this Registration. This clause shall survive the termination of this Registration.”

7. Applicant hereby agrees that the Registration, if granted, will not be used or represented in any way as an endorsement by the County, or by any of its departments, officers or employees thereof.

8. Applicant hereby acknowledges that it has received, read and fully understands the Rules and Regulations for Distribution of Literature or Picketing and Supplement to Registration for Distribution of Literature or Picketing attached hereto and made a part hereof and expressly covenants and agrees that it shall strictly adhere to same, as may exist now or as may hereafter be amended, modified or superseded.

**Applicant/Registrant:**

Victor Colón  
Print Name of Applicant’s Authorized Representative

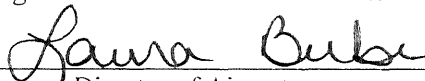
  
Signature of Applicant’s Authorized Representative

6/24/22  
Date

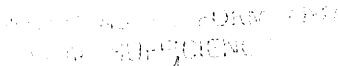
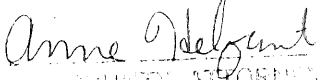
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**Approval:**

Registration for Distribution of Literature or Picketing is hereby approved by County:

  
By: Director of Airports

6-30-22  
Date

  
  
COUNTY ATTORNEY

**Supplement to Registration for Distribution of Literature or Picketing**

1. **Inspector General.** Palm Beach County has established the Office of the Inspector General in Palm Beach County Code, Section 2-421 – 2-440, as may be amended. The Inspector General’s authority includes but is not limited to the power to review past, present and proposed County contracts, transactions, accounts and records, to require the production of records, and to audit, investigate, monitor, and inspect the activities of the Applicant, its officers, agents, employees and lobbyists in order to ensure compliance with contract requirements and detect corruption and fraud. Failure to cooperate with the Inspector General or interfering with or impeding any investigation shall be in violation of Palm Beach County Code, Section 2-421 – 2-440, and punished pursuant to Section 125.69, Florida Statutes, in the same manner as a second degree misdemeanor.

2. **Scrutinized Companies.** As provided in Florida Statutes (F.S.) 287.135, by entering into this Registration or performing any work in furtherance hereof, the Applicant certifies that it, its affiliates, suppliers, subcontractors and consultants who will perform hereunder, have not been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that boycott Israel List, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, pursuant to F.S. 215.4725. Pursuant to F.S. 287.135(3)(b), if Applicant is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, this Registration may be terminated at the option of the County. When contract value is greater than \$1 million, as provided in F.S. 287.135, by entering into this Registration or performing any work in furtherance hereof, the Applicant certifies that it, its affiliates, suppliers, subcontractors and consultants who will perform hereunder, have not been placed on the Scrutinized Companies With Activities in Sudan List or Scrutinized Companies With Activities in The Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List created pursuant to F.S. 215.473 or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. If the County determines, using credible information available to the public, that a false certification has been submitted by Applicant, this Registration may be terminated and a civil penalty equal to the greater of \$2 million or twice the amount of this Registration shall be imposed, pursuant to F.S. 287.135. Said certification must also be submitted at the time of Registration renewal, if applicable.

3. **Signature Authority.** Applicant may be required to complete and submit additional documentation (i.e. corporate resolution, affidavit of limited liability company) confirming the representative has proper authorization to sign the Registration on behalf of the Applicant.

4. **Nondiscrimination.** The County is committed to assuring equal opportunity in the award of contracts and complies with all laws prohibiting discrimination. Pursuant to Palm Beach County Resolution R2017-1770, as may be amended, the Applicant warrants and represents that throughout the term of the Registration, including any renewals thereof, if applicable, all of its employees are treated equally during employment without regard to race, color, religion, disability, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or genetic information. Failure to meet this requirement shall be considered default of the Registration. Applicant shall comply with the Nondiscrimination Requirements set forth below:

**FEDERAL NONDISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENTS**

**A. Title VI Clauses for Compliance with Nondiscrimination Requirements.**

During the performance of this Registration, Applicant, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest, agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** Applicant will comply with the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities (“Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities” as set forth in paragraph B below), as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Registration.
2. **Nondiscrimination:** Applicant, with regard to the work performed by it during this Registration, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. Applicant will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, including employment practices when this Registration covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR part 21.
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by Applicant for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by Applicant of Applicant’s obligations under this Registration and the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

4. **Information and Reports:** Applicant will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, Applicant will so certify to the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the non-discrimination provisions of this Registration, County will impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Aviation Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Withholding payments to Applicant under this Registration until Applicant complies; and/or
  - b. Cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** Applicant will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. Applicant will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if Applicant becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, Applicant may request the sponsor to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the sponsor. In addition, Applicant may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**B. Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities.**

During the performance of this Registration, Applicant, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest, agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities, as may be amended, including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 USC § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC § 794 *et seq.*), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC § 6101 *et seq.*) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-209) (broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms “programs or activities” to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 USC §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Nondiscrimination statute (49 USC § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;

- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 USC 1681 et seq).

**C. Title VI Clauses for Construction/Use/Access to Real Property Acquired Under the Activity, Facility or Program.**

1. Applicant for itself and its successors in interest and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land that (1) no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that Applicant will use the Applicant Premises and any License Area in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Nondiscrimination Acts And Authorities.
2. In the event of breach of any of the above nondiscrimination covenants, County will have the right to terminate this Registration and to enter or re-enter and repossess the Applicant Premises and any License Area and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if this Registration had never been made or issued.

**D. Title VI Clauses for Transfer of Real Property Acquired or Improved Under the Activity, Facility, or Program.**

Applicant for itself and its successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land that:

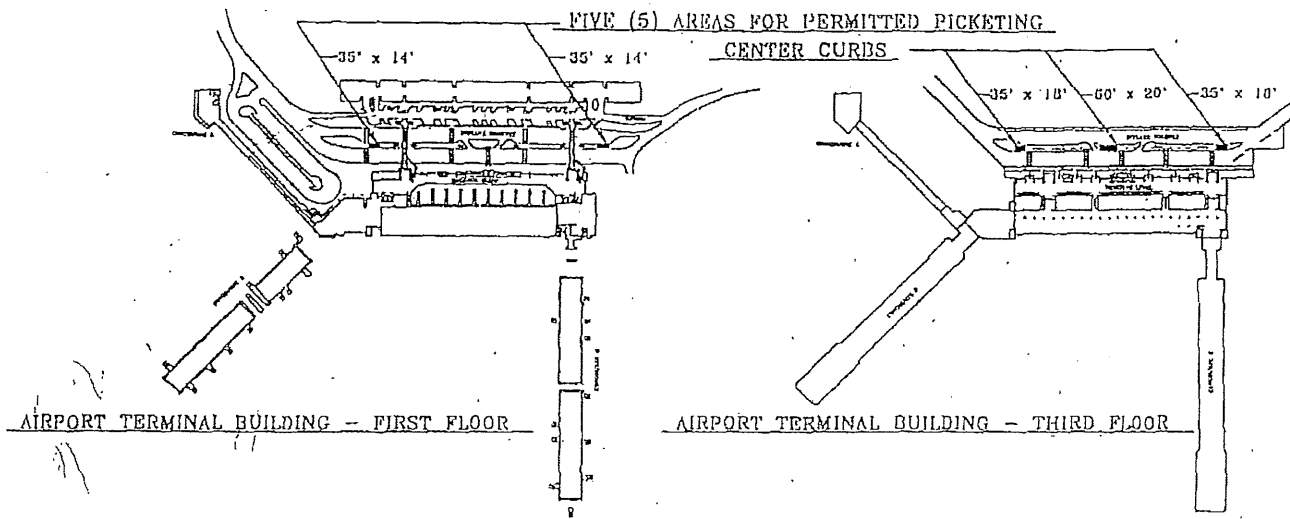
1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this Registration for a purpose for which a Federal Aviation Administration activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the Applicant will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities (as may be amended) such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
2. In the event of breach of any of the above nondiscrimination covenants, County will have the right to terminate this Registration and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if this Registration had never been made or issued.

**E. Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (“ACDBE”).**

It is the policy of County that ACDBEs shall have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts. In the event this Registration is found to be subject to the requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation’s regulations, 49 CFR Part 23, Applicant agrees that it will not discriminate against any business owner because of the owner’s race, color, national origin or sex in connection with the award or performance of any concession agreement, management contract, or subcontract, purchase or lease agreement, or other agreement covered by 49 CFR Part 23, and Applicant agrees to include the aforementioned statement in any subsequent concession agreement or contract covered by 49 CFR Part 23, that it enters and cause those businesses to similarly include the statements in further agreements.

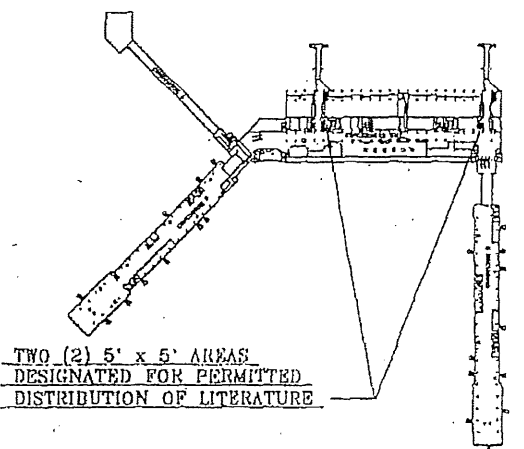
**F. General Civil Rights Provision.**

Applicant agrees to comply with pertinent statutes, Executive Orders and such rules as are promulgated to ensure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participating in any activity conducted with or benefiting from Federal assistance. If Airline transfers its obligation to another, the transferee is obligated in the same manner as Applicant. This provision obligates Applicant for the period during which the property is owned, used or possessed by Applicant and the Airport remains obligated to the Federal Aviation Administration. This provision is in addition to that required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.



AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING - FIRST FLOOR

AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING - THIRD FLOOR



AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING - SECOND FLOOR

PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

EXHIBIT "2-6. A."  
 REGISTRATION FOR DISTRIBUTION  
 OF LITERATURE ON AIRPORT

PALM BEACH COUNTY  
 DEPARTMENT OF AIRPORTS  
 PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
 BUILDING #10  
 WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33406-1101

DRAWN BY: J. DIF





Section 2-1. **DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING –  
Registration Required, Procedures.**

A. No person, group of persons, association, organization or business entity (referred to herein as “applicant” or “registrant”) shall distribute literature or picket or display signs for any purpose whether charitable, nonprofit, commercial or otherwise, at the Airport without obtaining an approved registration form issued by the Director of the Department of Airports (hereinafter sometimes referred to as “Director” and may also include any designee of the Director), in accordance with the guidelines set forth herein, or without a license, permit, lease, or contract for a commercial enterprise to be conducted at the Airport. A “commercial enterprise” means any person, group of persons, association, organization or business entity engaging in any profit-making activity, and does not currently qualify for exemption from taxation under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended.

B. Authorization to distribute literature or to picket, as provided for in Section 2-1.A. of these Rules and Regulations, shall be issued using the Registration for Distribution of Literature or Picketing form (the “Registration”), included herein as Section 2-6. of these Rules and Regulations. All applicants shall provide the following required information:

1. The full name, mailing address and telephone number of the applicant;
2. The full name, address, and telephone number of each person who will participate in the authorized activities and of the authorized person(s) who shall have direct supervision of and formal responsibility for the proposed activities. In the alternative, the applicant may identify on the Registration one or more individuals who will act as coordinators or group leaders and, at the beginning of each day’s activities, provide to the Director the names and other information required by this subsection regarding the individuals who will be participating in the applicant’s activities on that day;
3. A description of the nature and purpose of the proposed activity, the type of communication to be involved and, if applicable, submit a copy of any and all literature, hand-outs or other materials or items requesting to be distributed as part of the proposed activities;
4. The requested date(s) and hour(s) on and during which the activities are proposed to be conducted, and the expected duration of the proposed activities;
5. The number of any and all persons to be engaged in such activities in accordance with the limitations set forth in these Rules and Regulations;
6. A statement that the Registration, if granted, will not be used or represented in any way as an endorsement by the County, or by any of its departments, officers or employees thereof;
7. A statement that the applicant has read these Rules and Regulations and agrees to abide thereby;  
and
8. A statement that applicant agrees to indemnify Palm Beach County for any action arising out of the performance of the proposed activities.

C. Upon the applicant providing all of the information required by the Registration and a finding that the information required is complete, the approved Registration shall be signed and issued immediately by the Director. The registrant may, upon issuance, immediately conduct the activities authorized by the Registration, subject to these Rules and Regulations.

D. Registration forms issued pursuant to these Rules and Regulations shall bear the name and address of the registrant, the identification number of the registration, the date issued, and a statement that the Registration does not constitute an endorsement by Palm Beach County or any of its departments, officers or employees.

E. Any Registration form issued under these Rules and Regulations shall be non-transferable and shall be valid only for the periods set forth therein.

F. During the term of any Registration granted herein, if there is any change in fact that would alter the information provided by the registrant, the registrant shall promptly notify the Director of such change, including, if applicable, any change in the literature to be distributed.

G. If a Registration submitted for signing by the Director is denied, a written statement shall be immediately furnished to the applicant setting forth the reason why the Registration has been denied. If such a statement of reasons for denial has not been mailed or delivered within forty-eight (48) hours of the date of receipt by the Director of the completed Registration, an interim Registration shall be deemed issued to the applicant and all activities proposed to be conducted in the Registration may be conducted as subject to the same restrictions and obligations established by these Rules and Regulations for other registrants. A Registration shall be denied for no reason other than any of the following:

1. The applicant has not furnished the information required by these Rules and Regulations;
2. The applicant is a commercial enterprise as set forth in Section 2-1.A. of these Rules and Regulations;
3. A determination of the Director that emergency conditions exist at the Airport which make the applicant's proposed activity incompatible with the operational function of the Airport. For the purposes of these Rules and Regulations, "emergency conditions" shall mean unusually congested conditions due to adverse weather, schedule interruptions, or extremely heavy traffic movements, or for emergency security measures as set forth in Section 496.425(8), Florida Statutes;
4. The Director has determined that one or more statements made in the Registration form are not true or that the activities permitted hereunder will not be under the control or supervision of responsible or reliable persons; or
5. The application is for charitable solicitation and is therefore subject to the Airport's Rules and Regulations for Solicitation of Funds.

H. If the Director notifies the applicant that the Registration is denied, the County Attorney's Office shall within five (5) days of such denial file an appropriate action in a court of competent jurisdiction and venue for a judicial determination as to whether the proposed activity described in the complaint may be prohibited, naming the applicant as a party defendant. Palm Beach County shall exert every reasonable effort to have the issue heard on its merits without delay and as quickly as legally possible. The burden of showing that the proposed activity may be prohibited shall rest with the County. If the issue for judicial determination is not heard and decided on the merits by the court within ten (10) days from the date the complaint is filed then an interim Registration shall be deemed issued to the applicant as set forth in Section 2-1.G. of the these Rules and Regulations.

**Section 2-2. DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING –  
Suspension or Revocation of Registration.**

A. A Registration may be suspended or revoked by the Director for one or more of the following reasons:

1. Violation of any material restriction imposed by these Rules and Regulations or the Registration;
2. Continued, substantial complaints from the public concerning harassment;
3. Any action by the registrant or its agents that adversely affect the health or safety of the public;  
or
4. Fraud or misrepresentation in the Registration.

B. A suspension shall not exceed a period of six (6) months. If a registration has been revoked, a new Registration may not be issued to the person or organization for six (6) months after the revocation. Notice of suspension or revocation shall be in writing and shall be supported by a statement of facts and shall include a list of any witnesses thereto. Such notice shall be personally served upon the registrant or any of its agents, or in the alternative, may be mailed to the registrant by certified mail, return receipt requested. The registrant may request a hearing on a suspension or revocation which shall be held within sixty (60) days of such request.

**Section 2-3. DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING –  
Duration of Registration and Notice to Commence Activities.**

A. An approved Registration form shall be effective for one (1) year from the date of issuance. Once expired, a registrant may apply again on the same basis and subject to the same requirements as any other applicant.

B. During the effective term of the Registration, a registrant may request permission to distribute literature or picket by written request to the official designated on the registration form, or, in the alternative, by reporting in person to such official. Permission will be granted subject only to the limitations set forth in Section 2-4. of these Rules and Regulations.

**Section 2-4. DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING –  
Limitations.**

A. All authorized activities shall be conducted in person by the registrant or the registrant's authorized representatives. No registrant shall place donation boxes, booths, tables, chairs, kiosks or display racks within the Airport terminal building or any other areas of the Airport.

B. In order not to unduly interfere with the orderly flow of the traveling public, all distribution of literature or picketing activities shall be strictly limited to only those non-secured, public use areas of the Airport terminal building as specifically designated on Exhibit "2-6.A" of Section 2-6. of these Rules and Regulations. These designated areas shall be available on a first-come, first-served basis. No more than four (4) persons conducting distribution of literature activities, as authorized pursuant to these Rules and Regulations, shall be present at one-time within those certain areas specified for the conduct of such activities and as designated on Exhibit "2-6.A". All picketing activities, as authorized pursuant to these Rules and Regulations, shall be strictly limited to only those certain areas outside the Airport terminal building specified for the conduct of such activities and as designated on Exhibit

"2-6.A". No more than ten (10) persons conducting picketing activities pursuant to these Rules and Regulations shall be present at one time within each area.

C. While participating in the activities as authorized by the Registration, registrants shall prominently display on his/her person an identification badge or insignia which shall be visible at all times. Such identification shall be furnished by the Registrant and shall require the prior written approval of the Director. All such badges shall bear the Identification Number of the Registration on file with the Department of Airports.

D. Registrants shall not be permitted to:

1. Obstruct, delay, or in any way interfere with the free movement of others;
2. Seek to coerce or physically disturb others;
3. Hamper or impede the conduct of business;
4. Use any sound or voice amplifying apparatus;
5. Use any drum, bell, tambourine, horn, or other noise making device;
6. In any way indicate to the public that he or she is a representative of the County, the Director or the Airport, or otherwise misrepresent his identity in any way; or
7. Display or carry signs that are larger than three (3) square feet, and such signs shall not be attached or connected to a stick or post of any kind. No sign shall be attached to any portion of the premises of the Airport. All signs and any literature authorized for distribution shall be removed when registrant is not present. No person shall carry more than one (1) sign.

E. The Director may declare an emergency, as set forth in Section 496.425(8), Florida Statutes, as amended, due to unusually congested conditions in, on or about the Airport terminal building which may be caused by adverse weather, schedule interruptions, extremely heavy passenger traffic or any other emergency security situation. In such event, the Director shall cause the registrant or its representative(s) to be so advised either directly or via announcement, and either verbally or in writing. Immediately upon being so advised, the registrant and all representatives of the registrant shall cease conducting any and all activities until such time as the Director provides written notice that the declared emergency no longer exists and that the registrant is specifically authorized to resume its permitted activities.

**Section 2-5. DISTRIBUTION OF LITERATURE OR PICKETING – Scope.**

These Rules and Regulations shall apply to all Palm Beach County owned and operated airports except Section 2-4.B., which shall apply only at Palm Beach International Airport. The Director shall have the authority to prescribe from time-to-time the designated areas and maximum number of persons allowed within such areas for the conduct of authorized distribution of literature and picketing activities at all County owned and operated airports other than Palm Beach International Airport.

CERTIFICATE  
(Corporation)

The undersigned hereby certifies that the following are true and correct statements:

1. That Freddie N Fitzgerald, Jr is the Secretary of South Florida Public Witnessing, Inc., a corporation organized and existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Florida, hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation", and that the following Resolutions are true and correct copies of certain Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Corporation as of the 4th day of February, 2020, in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, the Articles of Incorporation and the By-laws of the Corporation:

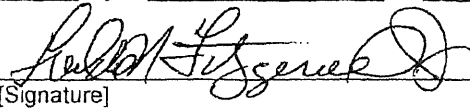
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2. That the foregoing resolutions have not been modified, amended, rescinded, revoked or otherwise changed and remain in full force and effect as of the date hereof.


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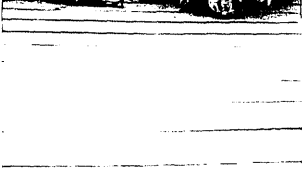
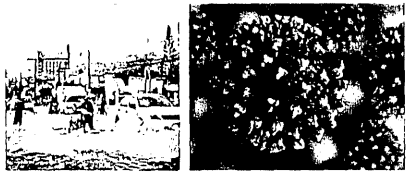
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**A WORLD  
IN TURMOIL**

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## A World in Turmoil —How Can You Cope?

Do you feel that the problems common in the world are now, more than ever, affecting you personally? Do you encounter any of the following where you live?

- armed conflicts
- epidemics
- natural disasters
- poverty
- prejudice
- violent crime

When tragedy strikes, many victims experience shock and hopelessness. Some people react to calamities with what has been called emotional flatness. Yet, when facing a tragedy, prolonged shock and emotional paralysis only make things worse.

In the midst of turmoil, you must act decisively to protect your loved ones, your health, your livelihood, and your happiness.

What can you do now to minimize the impact that this world's turmoil has on you personally?



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### A WORLD IN TURMOIL—HOW CAN YOU COPE?

- 1 Protect Your Health
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As world conditions worsen, more of us are suffering the tragic consequences of both natural disasters and man-made problems. Learn how you can cope with such challenges and minimize their effect on you and your loved ones.



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# 1

## A WORLD IN TURMOIL Protect Your Health

### WORLDWIDE NEWS

A crisis or a disaster can negatively affect people's health either directly or indirectly.

Adversities leave people feeling stressed, and prolonged stress can make them more susceptible to illness.

Crises can strain health-care systems and limit the availability of medical resources.

Calamities affect people's finances, hindering their ability to pay for essentials such as nutritious food or health care.

#### What You Should Know

- Serious illness and mental stress can affect your judgment, which can cause you to neglect healthy habits. As a result, you may become even sicker.
- Left untreated, health problems can worsen and even threaten your life.
- The healthier you are, the better prepared you will be to make good decisions in the midst of turmoil.
- Regardless of your economic situation, you can take steps to protect your health.

#### What You Can Do Now

Whenever possible, a wise person considers potential dangers and takes preventive measures to avoid them. This may be applied to health. Often you can minimize the risk of disease or its severity by practicing good hygiene. Prevention is better than cure.

"By keeping ourselves and our living space clean, we definitely save on expenses related to doctor visits and medication."—Andreas.\*

\*Some names in this magazine have been changed.

# HOW TO GROW Helpful Tips



**PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE**



**GET REST**

During times of turmoil, protect your health by following these practical steps:



**EXERCISE**

## PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE

The Bible says: "The shrewd one sees the danger and conceals himself." (Proverbs 22:3) Try to anticipate and avoid potential threats to your health.

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, especially before touching food or after using the toilet.
- Regularly clean and disinfect your home, particularly surfaces and objects that are touched frequently.
- Whenever possible, avoid close contact with people who have an infectious disease.

## MAINTAIN A HEALTHY DIET

The Bible says: "No man ever hated his own body, but he loves and cherishes it." (Ephesians 5:29) We show that we love our body by being careful about what we take in.

- Drink plenty of water.
- Eat a wide variety of fruits and vegetables.
- Limit your intake of fats, salt, and sugars.
- Do not use tobacco or abuse alcohol or drugs.

"To avoid getting sick, we try to maintain a healthy diet; otherwise, we would have to spend our small income on medical expenses. We prefer to invest in a good diet."—Carlos.

## GET EXERCISE AND ENOUGH REST

The Bible says: "Better is a handful of rest than two handfuls of hard work and chasing after the wind." (Ecclesiastes 4:6) We need to balance work with sufficient rest.

- Stay physically active. You can start by just taking regular walks. Physical activity can improve your health even if you are older, disabled, or limited by chronic illness.
- Get proper rest. In the short term, insufficient sleep can increase stress and reduce concentration. Over time, it can lead to serious health problems.

- Set a realistic time to go to bed, and follow through with it. Try to go to bed and get up at the same time every day.

- Avoid watching TV or using electronic devices in bed.

- Avoid heavy meals, caffeine, and alcohol before bedtime.

"I find that my sleep affects all aspects of my health. If I do not sleep enough, I sometimes get headaches and my body feels sore, but when I get plenty of sleep, I feel as though I could take on the world! I have lots of energy, and I get sick much less frequently."—Justin.

**LEARN MORE.** Watch the video *Virus Outbreaks: What You Can Do*. Search for the video title on [p.org](#). Also, read the article "Ways to Improve Your Health." Search for the article title on [p.org](#).



# 2

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## Protect Your Livelihood

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Many people struggle each day just trying to make ends meet. Sadly, world turmoil can make that challenge even more difficult. *Why?*

Communities in turmoil experience a rise in the cost of living—including food and housing.

Crises can increase unemployment or decrease wages.

Disasters can damage or destroy people's business establishments, homes, or other assets, forcing many into poverty.

### What You Should Know

- The better you manage your money, the better you may be able to cope during a crisis.
- Financial security is not necessarily permanent; income, savings, and assets can lose value.
- There are things that money cannot buy, such as happiness and family unity.

### What You Can Do Now

The Bible says: "Having food and clothing, we will be content with these things."—1 Timothy 6:8.

Being content involves limiting our wants and being satisfied when our daily needs are met. This is especially important when our livelihood has been affected.

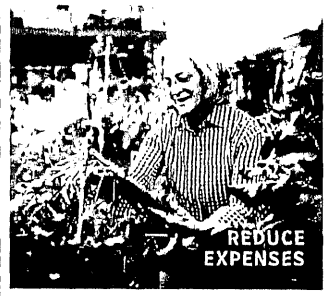
To be content, you may have to adjust your lifestyle. If you live beyond your means, your financial situation will only get worse.



**AVOID DEBT / SAVE MONEY**



**MAKE A BUDGET**



**REDUCE EXPENSES**

During times of turmoil, protect your livelihood by following these practical steps:



**WORK HARD / KEEP A JOB**

**REDUCE EXPENSES**

- Delay upgrading or replacing appliances or clothing. Ask yourself: "Can I do without a vehicle? Can I plant a vegetable garden?"
- Before buying something, ask yourself: "Do I really need it? Can I afford it?"
- Apply for government or humanitarian assistance if it is available.

"We sat down as a family and looked at our lifestyle. We canceled or reduced any forms of recreation that cost money. We also started preparing meals that cost less." —Gitt.

**MAKE A BUDGET**

The Bible says: "The plans of the diligent surely lead to success, but all who are hasty surely head for poverty." (Proverbs 21:5) A budget will help you make sure that your expenses do not exceed your income.

- First, list your expected monthly income.
- Next, itemize your current monthly expenses and carefully examine your spending habits.
- Then compare your income with your expenses, and if necessary, identify what you can reduce or eliminate to stay within your income.

"Each month, we make a list of our income and expenses. We try to maintain an emergency fund and plan for future expenses. Thanks to this, we are less anxious because we know in advance how we will use our income." —Carlos.

**AVOID DEBT / SAVE MONEY**

- Have a good plan to reduce debt. If possible, avoid debt altogether. Instead, try to save up to buy what you need.
- Set aside a little money each month to have a fund for expected or unexpected future expenses.

**WORK HARD / KEEP A JOB**

The Bible says: "There is benefit in every kind of hard work." —Proverbs 14:23.

- Maintain a good attitude about your work. Even if your job is not your dream job, it still gives you an income.
- Strive to be industrious and dependable. This can help you keep your employment or, at the very least, make it easier for you to obtain future employment.

"I take the jobs that are available, even if I don't like the work or the salary isn't as much as I would expect. I am always conscientious and do good, quality work, as though I were working for myself." —Dmitry.

If you are looking for work...

- Take the initiative. Call on businesses that could have jobs you can do, even if they have not advertised a position. Tell friends and family that you are looking for work.
- Be adaptable. You are unlikely to find a job that has everything you want.

LEARN MORE. Read "How to Live on Less." Search for the title on [jw.org](http://jw.org).



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A WORLD IN TURMOIL

**Protect Your Relationships**

**WHY IT MATTERS**

As anxiety over world turmoil increases, many people unwittingly allow their relationships to suffer.

- People isolate themselves from their friends.
- Spouses become increasingly contentious with each other.
- Parents pay little or no attention to the anxieties of their children.

**What You Should Know**

- Friendships are essential to your health and stability, especially during difficult times.
- The stress that results from world turmoil can test your family life in unexpected ways.
- Disturbing news reports may affect your children more intensely than you realize.

**What You Can Do Now**

The Bible says: "A true friend shows love at all times and is a brother who is born for times of distress." —Proverbs 17:17.

Think of someone who is supportive and can give practical advice. Just knowing that someone cares can strengthen your determination to face up to the day's challenges.



**STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE**



**MAINTAIN YOUR FRIENDSHIPS**

During times of turmoil, protect your relationships by following these practical steps



**BE A SUPPORTIVE PARENT**

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**STRENGTHEN YOUR MARRIAGE**

The Bible says: "Two are better than one... For if one of them falls, the other can help his partner up." (Ecclesiastes 4:9, 10) Marriage mates should act as a pilot and a copilot with the same flight plan, not as two fighter jets on a collision course.

- Resolve that you will not take out your stress on each other. Patience and tolerance go a long way.
- At least once a week, discuss with your mate the situations that need to be addressed. Remember to target the problem—not each other.
- Make time to do things together that you both enjoy.
- Reminisce about good times that you have shared together, perhaps looking at photos of your wedding or other pleasant memories.

"A couple might not agree on everything, but that doesn't mean that they can't work as a team. A couple can make a decision together and then work together to make that decision succeed." —David.

**MAINTAIN YOUR FRIENDSHIPS**

- In addition to receiving support from friends, think of ways you can give support. By strengthening others, you strengthen yourself.
- Reach out to a couple of friends each day to see how they are doing.
- Ask your friends how they have coped with challenges that are similar to the ones you are facing.

"When you face a storm of adversity, friends are like a point of reference. They can nudge you in the right direction, even if it's just by reminding you of things that you already know. Friends care for you, and they know that you care for them." —Nicole.

**BE A SUPPORTIVE PARENT**

The Bible says: "Be quick to listen, slow to speak." (James 1:19) Initially, your children may be reluctant to express their fears and concerns, but by patiently listening, you will help them to open up.

- Create an environment that makes it comfortable for your children to express themselves. Some children talk more readily while relaxed, such as when riding in the car or walking, rather than when sitting with a parent face-to-face.
- Make sure that your children are not over-exposed to disturbing news reports.
- Let your children know what steps you have taken to keep the family safe.
- Have a plan for emergencies, and rehearse it with your children.

"Talk to your children, and allow them to express how they feel. They might be hiding their fear, anxiety, or anger. Let them know that you struggle with the same feelings, and tell them how you've dealt with such feelings." —Bethany.

LEARN MORE. Watch Your Family Can Be Happy. Search for the video title on [jw.org](http://jw.org).





# 4

## A WORLD IN TURMOIL Protect Your Hope

### HOW TO COPE

Anxiety over world turmoil can take a toll on people physically and emotionally. Many who have been affected by these events see no hope on the horizon. How do they react?

Some refuse even to think about the future.

Others escape their anxieties through alcohol or drugs.

A few conclude that death is preferable to life. "Why go on?" they ask.

#### What You Should Know

- Some of the problems you face might be temporary and could change unexpectedly for the better.
- Even if your situation does not change, there are things you can do that can help you deal with it.
- The Bible provides genuine hope—a permanent solution to mankind's problems.

#### What You Can Do Now

The Bible says: "Never be anxious about the next day, for the next day will have its own anxieties. Each day has enough of its own troubles."—Matthew 6:34.

Take one day at a time. Do not let anxieties about tomorrow keep you from handling today's responsibilities.

Worrying about negative things that *might* happen will only add to your stress and weaken your hope for a better future.

## HOW TO COPE Helpful Tips

### FOCUS ON THE POSITIVE

The Bible says: "All the days of the afflicted one are bad, but the one with a cheerful heart has a continual feast." (Proverbs 15:15) A negative outlook can blind you to solutions that are readily available. In contrast, a positive attitude might help you think of ways to deal with your situation.

- Limit the amount of time and attention you give to the news.
- At the end of each day, list two or three things for which you can be thankful.
- Make a to-do list, and include only what you can do today. Break down larger tasks into smaller ones so that you will see the results of your efforts at the end of the day.

### GET SUPPORT

The Bible says: "Whoever isolates himself . . . rejects all practical wisdom." (Proverbs 18:1) You cannot climb out of a deep pit by yourself, but with a helping hand, you can succeed.

- Reach out to family members or friends for support.
- Also, look for ways that you can help them. Doing things for others will help you keep your problems in perspective.
- If you have lost hope and feel that life is not worth living, consider getting a medical checkup. Sometimes feeling overwhelmed is a symptom of a health disorder, such as depression. Many people have been helped by getting treatment.\*

\*Awake! does not endorse any particular health treatment.



## The Bible Offers Genuine Hope

An ancient psalmist said in prayer to God: "Your word is a lamp to my foot, and a light for my path." (Psalm 119:105) Consider how the Bible—God's Word—is just that.

On a dark night, a lamp helps us decide where to walk. Likewise, the Bible contains practical wisdom that can guide us when we need to make a difficult decision.

A light can illuminate our path so that we can see what is farther ahead. In a similar way, the Bible can illuminate our view of what the future holds.



The Bible is a sacred book that not only traces man's history from the start but also provides genuine hope for the future. It answers these questions:

#### How?

How suffering began: The Bible says that "through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because they had all sinned." (Romans 5:12)

#### Why?

Why human rule has failed to fix our problems: The Bible says that "it does not belong to man who is walking even to direct his step." (Jeremiah 10:23) A look at the world scene confirms that fact.

#### What?

What God will do to address the situation: The Bible shows that "he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore." (Revelation 21:4)

LEARN MORE. Watch *Why Study the Bible?* Search for the video title on [jw.org](http://jw.org).



## In This Issue of Awake!

The world is in turmoil. Sooner or later, natural disasters and man-made problems are likely to bring suffering to each one of us. How can you and your family cope with the turmoil affecting mankind? Learn how you can:

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Protect Your Hope



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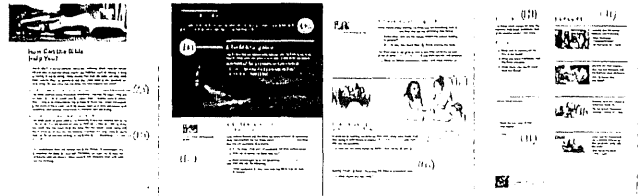


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INTRODUCTORY BIBLE LESSONS

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### FIRST PART

Read each paragraph, including the bold questions (A) and scriptures (B) that emphasize the main points. Note that some scriptures are marked to "read."

### MIDDLE PART

The initial statement (C) under *Big Deeper* explains what follows. Subheadings (D) outline the discussion. Read the scriptures, answer the questions, and watch the videos (E). Consider the artwork and captions (F), and think of how to answer what *Some People Say* (G).

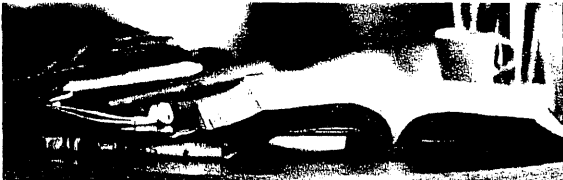
### LAST PART

*Summary and Review* (H) wrap up the lesson. Enter the date when the lesson is completed. *Goal* (I) gives you something to work on. *Explore* (J) contains optional information for you to read or watch.



### How to find Bible verses

Scriptures are indicated by the Bible book (A), the chapter (B), and the verse or verses (C). For example, John 17:3 refers to the book of John, chapter 17, verse 3.



## How Can the Bible Help You?

Nearly all of us have questions about life, suffering, death, and the future. We are also concerned about day-to-day matters, such as making a living or having a happy family. Many people find that the Bible not only helps them answer life's big questions but also gives them practical advice for daily living. Do you think that the Bible can help anyone you know?

### 1. What are some questions that the Bible answers?

The Bible answers these important questions: How did life begin? Why are we here? Why do innocent people suffer? What happens when a person dies? If everyone wants peace, why is there so much war? What will happen to the earth in the future? The Bible encourages us to seek answers to such questions, and millions have found its answers very satisfying.

### 2. How can the Bible help us to enjoy our daily life?

The Bible gives us good advice. For example, it teaches families how to be truly happy. It offers advice on how to deal with stress and how to enjoy our work. You will learn what the Bible teaches about these topics and much more as we discuss this material together. You may come to agree that "all Scripture [everything in the Bible] is . . . beneficial."—2 Timothy 3:16.

*This publication does not replace the Bible. Rather, it encourages you to examine the Bible for yourself. Therefore, we urge you to read the scriptures that are listed in these lessons and compare them with what you are learning.*

## BIG DEEPER

Consider how the Bible has helped people, how you can enjoy reading it, and why it is good to get help to understand it.

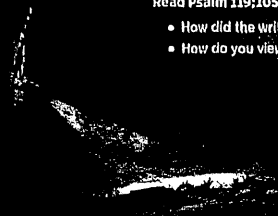
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### 3. The Bible can guide us

The Bible is like a powerful light. We can use the Bible to show us how to make good decisions and to help us see what lies ahead.

Read Psalm 119:105, and then discuss these questions:

- How did the writer of this psalm view the Bible?
- How do you view the Bible?





VIDEO: *Never Give Up Hope!* (1:40)

### 4. The Bible can answer our questions

One woman found that the Bible provided answers to questions that had troubled her for many years. Play the VIDEO, and then discuss the questions that follow.

- In the video, what sort of questions did this woman have?
- How did studying the Bible help her?

The Bible encourages us to ask questions. Read Matthew 27, and then discuss the following:

- What questions do you have that the Bible may be able to answer?



VIDEO: Bible Reading (2:05)

### 5. You can enjoy reading the Bible

Many people enjoy reading the Bible and are benefiting from it. Play the VIDEO, and then discuss the questions that follow.

- In the video, how did the young people feel about reading in general?
- Why do they now feel differently about reading the Bible?

The Bible says it can give us instruction that comforts us and gives us hope. Read Romans 15:4, and then discuss this question:

- Does the Bible's promise of comfort and hope interest you?



### 6. Others can help us to understand the Bible

In addition to reading the Bible on their own, many have found that discussing it with others is helpful. Read Acts 17:26-31, and then discuss this question:

- How can we understand the Bible?—See verses 30 and 31.

The Ethiopian man needed help to understand the Scriptures. Many people today find it helpful to discuss the Bible with others.

### SOME PEOPLE SAY: "Studying the Bible is a waste of time."

- What would you say? Why?

### SUMMARY

The Bible offers advice for daily life, answers important questions, and gives people comfort and hope.

### Review

- What kind of advice can we find in the Bible?
- What are some questions that the Bible answers?
- What would you like to learn from the Bible?

Lesson completed on \_\_\_\_\_

### Goal

Read the first part of the next lesson.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### EXPLORE



Consider how the Bible's advice is practical today. "Bible Teachings—Timeless Wisdom" (The Watchtower No. 1 2018)



See how the Bible helped a man who had struggled with his emotions since childhood. "How My Happy New Life Began"



Examine the Bible's practical advice for family life. "12 Secrets of Successful Families" (Awake! No. 2 2018)



Learn how the Bible clears up a common misconception about who really rules the world. "Why Study the Bible?—Full Length"



To find all media for LESSON 01 scan code or go to the publication Enjoy Life Forever! on jef.org

### DIG DEEPER

Examine some of the conditions that the Bible promises for the future. See how the hope the Bible gives is helping people today.



## The Bible Gives Hope

People around the world deal with problems that cause them to feel sadness, anxiety, and even pain. Have you ever faced a situation that made you feel those things? Perhaps you are suffering because of an illness or because someone you love has died. You may ask yourself, "Will life ever get better?" The Bible provides a reassuring answer to that question.

#### 1. How does the Bible give hope?

The Bible not only explains why the world is filled with problems but also shares the good news that these problems are temporary and will soon be gone. The Bible's promises can "give you a future and a hope." (Read Jeremiah 29:11, 12.) Those promises help us to cope with our present problems, to have a positive attitude, and to find lasting happiness.

#### 2. What kind of future does the Bible describe?

The Bible describes a future time when "death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore." (Read Revelation 21:4.) The problems that can make life seem hopeless today—such as poverty, injustice, sickness, and death—will no longer exist. The Bible promises that humans will be able to enjoy life forever in Paradise on earth.

#### 3. How can you build up your trust in the hope the Bible gives?

Many people hope for good things to happen, but they cannot be sure that their hopes will ever be fulfilled. What the Bible promises is different. We can build up our trust in what it says by "carefully examining the Scriptures." (Acts 17:11) As you study the Bible, you will be able to decide for yourself whether you can believe what it says about the future.

### 4. The Bible offers the hope of everlasting life in perfect conditions

Look at the following list of promises found in the Bible. Which ones especially appeal to you? Why?

Read the scriptures cited next to those promises, and consider these questions:

- Do you feel that these scriptures give hope? Could they give hope to your family and friends?

Picture living in a world where

#### NO ONE WILL . . .

- feel pain, weaken with age, or have to die.—Isaiah 25:8.
- get sick or live with a disability.—Isaiah 33:24; 35:5, 6.
- experience injustice.—Isaiah 32:16, 17.
- suffer as a result of war.—Psalm 46:9.
- be plagued by troubling thoughts or memories.—Isaiah 65:17.

#### EVERYONE WILL . . .

- see dead loved ones resurrected, brought back to life on earth.—John 5:28, 29.
- enjoy good health and youthful energy.—Job 33:25.
- have plenty to eat, a comfortable home, and satisfying work.—Psalm 72:16; Isaiah 65:21, 22.
- experience complete peace.—Psalm 37:11.
- live forever in ideal conditions.—Psalm 37:29.



## 5. The Bible's hope can make a difference

Many people are discouraged or even angered by the problems they see around them. Some fight to try to change things for the better. See how the Bible's promise that things will get better helps people now. Play the VIDEO, and then discuss the questions that follow.

- In the video, what injustice troubled Rafika?
- Although the injustice that she saw did not go away, how did the Bible help her?

The hope that the Bible offers for the future can help us to battle discouragement and cope with our problems successfully. Read Proverbs 17:27 and Romans 12:12, and then discuss these questions:

- Do you think that the message of hope found in the Bible could make a difference in your life now? Why?



VIDEO: *I Wanted to Flight Injustice* (4:07)



SOME PEOPLE SAY: "The Bible's promises for the future are too good to be true."

- Why do you think it is important to examine the evidence?

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## Can You Trust the Bible?

The Bible makes many promises and offers much advice. Likely you are curious about what it teaches, but perhaps you are also cautious. Should you trust promises and advice from such an old book? Can you really believe what the Bible says about enjoying life now and in the future? Millions of people do. Let us see whether you can too.

### 1. Is the Bible a book of fact or fiction?

The Bible claims to be a record of "accurate words of truth." (Ecclesiastes 12:10) It relates real events that involved real people. (Read Luke 1:3; 3:1, 2.) Many historians and archaeologists have confirmed the accuracy of important dates, people, places, and events described in the Bible.

### 2. Why can we say that the Bible is not out-of-date?

In many ways, the Bible has proved to be ahead of its time. For example, it touches on scientific subjects. Much of what it says on those subjects was controversial when it was written. However, modern science confirms that what the Bible says is accurate. It is "always reliable, now and forever." —Psalm 111:8.

### 3. Why can we trust what the Bible says about the future?

The Bible contains prophecies\* that foretell "the things that have not yet been done." (Isaiah 46:10) It accurately foretold numerous historical events long before they occurred. It also described today's world conditions in striking detail. In this lesson, we will examine some of the Bible's prophecies. Their accuracy is amazing!

\* Prophecies include messages from God about future events.

## SUMMARY

The Bible gives us hope and helps us to cope with challenges by promising a future filled with happiness.

## Review

- Why do people need hope?
- What does the Bible say about the future?
- How can having a hope for the future help you now?

Lesson completed on \_\_\_\_\_

## Goal

Become more familiar with the Bible's promises by reading the verses listed in this lesson.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXPLORE



Learn more about the power of hope. "Hope—Where Can You Find It?" (*Awake!*, April 22, 2004)



Discover how hope for the future can help those who are living with chronic illness. "Living With Chronic Illness—Can the Bible Help?" (Web article)



When you watch this music video, picture yourself and your family enjoying life in the Bible's promised future Paradise. *Imagine the Time*



Read how a social activist's life changed once he learned the Bible's hope for the future. "I No Longer Feel That I Have to Change the World" (*The Watchtower*, July 1, 2013)



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## DIG DEEPER

Examine how modern science agrees with the Bible, and Investigate a few impressive Bible prophecies.

### 4. Science agrees with the Bible

In ancient times, most people believed that the earth rested upon something. Play the VIDEO.



VIDEO: *The Earth Hangs Upon Nothing* (1:13)

Notice what was recorded in the book of Job some 3,500 years ago. Read Job 26:7, and then discuss this question:

- Why is the statement that the earth is suspended "upon nothing" surprising?

It was not until the 1800's that the earth's water cycle was well understood. Yet, notice what the Bible stated thousands of years ago. Read Job 36:27, 28, and then discuss these questions:

- Why is this simple description of the water cycle remarkable?
- Do the scriptures you just read strengthen your trust in the Bible?

The Bible describes earth's water cycle



VIDEO: *The Bible Foretold the Fall of Babylon* (0:50)

### 5. The Bible foretold important events

Read Isaiah 44:27–45:2, and then discuss this question:

- What details did the Bible foretell 200 years before the fall of Babylon?

Play the VIDEO.

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History confirms that King Cyrus of Persia and his army conquered the city of Babylon in 539 B.C.E.\* They diverted the river that protected the city. After entering the city through gates that had been left open, they captured it without a battle. Today, over 2,500 years later, Babylon lies in ruins. Note what the Bible foretold:



Babylon's ruins in modern-day Iraq

Read Isaiah 13:19, 20, and then discuss this question:

- How does what happened to Babylon confirm the fulfillment of this prophecy?

\*B.C.E. means "Before the Common Era," and C.E. means "Common Era."

## 6. The Bible foretold things we see today

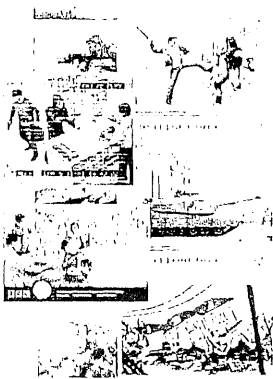
The Bible refers to our time as "the last days." (2 Timothy 3:1) Notice what the Bible foretold about this time period.

Read Matthew 24:6, 7, and then discuss this question:

- What significant conditions did the Bible say would exist during the last days?

Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5, and then discuss these questions:

- What common attitudes of people during the last days did the Bible describe?
- Which of these attitudes have you observed?



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SOME PEOPLE SAY: "The Bible is a book of myths and legends."

- In your opinion, what is the strongest evidence that the Bible is trustworthy?

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## SUMMARY

History, science, and prophecy all indicate that you can trust the Bible.

### Review

- Is the Bible a book of fact or fiction?
- What are some areas where science agrees with the Bible?
- Do you think that the Bible foretells the future? Why, or why not?

## EXPLORE



Are there scientific errors in the Bible?  
"Does Science Agree With the Bible?" (Web article)



What are the facts about "the last days"?  
"6 Bible Prophecies You Are Seeing Fulfilled" (The Watchtower, May 1, 2011)



Learn how Bible prophecies about the Greek Empire came true.  
"Fulfilled by 'the Prophetic Word'"



Discover how Bible prophecies changed one man's view of the Bible.  
"For Me, God Did Not Exist" (The Watchtower No. 5 2017)

Lesson completed on

### Goal

To strengthen your trust in the Bible, read or watch one of the items in the Explore section.

Other:



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- 1 2 How to find real peace
- 1 3 How families can be happy
- 1 4 What the Bible promises for the future



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## Is it possible to enjoy life forever?

Would you say . . .

- yes?
- no?
- maybe?

### WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

"The righteous will possess the earth, and they will live forever on it."  
—PSALM 37:29.

### WHAT THAT CAN MEAN FOR YOU

A happy, peaceful future with family and friends. —JEREMIAH 29:11.  
Enjoying life, not just for a short time, but forever.—PSALM 22:26.

### CAN WE REALLY BELIEVE WHAT THE BIBLE PROMISES?

Yes! To see why, please consider the evidence presented in the three lessons in this brochure. They are entitled:

- How Can the Bible Help You? The Bible Gives Hope
- Can You Trust the Bible?



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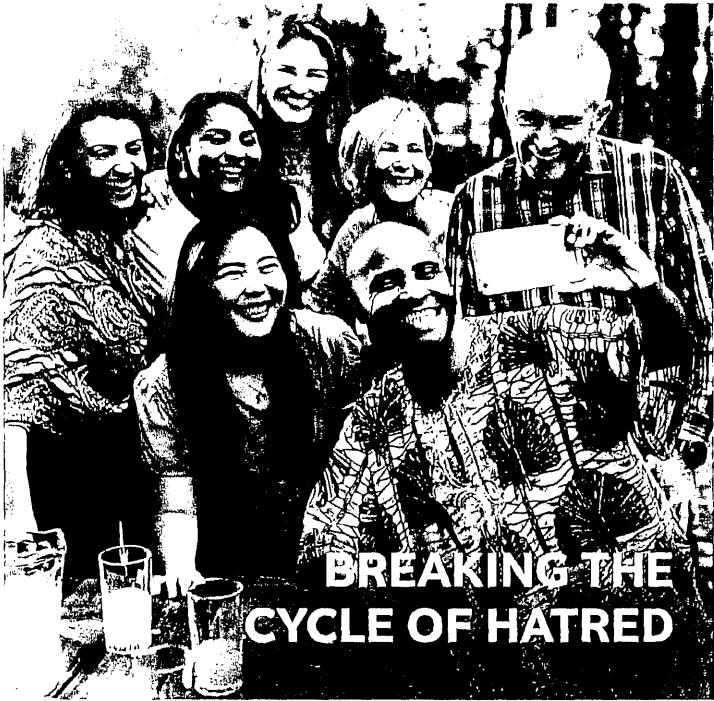
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Our world seems saturated with hatred. Whether in the form of discrimination, harassment, verbal abuse, or assault, hatred is being expressed in countless cruel ways. Can hatred be conquered? The articles in this issue show how we can break the cycle of hatred with the help of Bible teachings. They also reveal God's promise to eradicate hatred forever.



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## We Can Conquer Hatred!

Have you been the victim of hatred?

If not, you have likely observed it in one form or another. The news is filled with reports of racism, homophobia, and xenophobia—expressions of hatred based on race, sexuality, or nationality. As a result, many governments are passing laws against various hate crimes.

Hatred easily leads to more hatred. Victims of hatred often retaliate with revenge and fuel an ongoing cycle of hatred.

Perhaps you have experienced prejudice, stereotyping, ridicule, insults, and threats. Yet, hatred often goes further. It frequently erupts into cruel aggression, bullying, vandalism, assault, rape, murder, or even genocide.



This magazine will address the following questions and show how hatred can be conquered:

- Why is there so much hatred?
- How can the cycle of hatred be broken?
- Will there ever be a time when hatred will be gone forever?

## Why Such a Cycle of Hatred?

Why is there such a vicious cycle of hatred in the world? To know the reason, we need to understand what hatred is, why people start to hate, and how it spreads.

### What Is Hatred?

Hatred is an extremely strong dislike for or intense hostility toward another person or group of people. It is an ongoing feeling of ill will.

### WHY PEOPLE START TO HATE

People begin to hate for many reasons. Hatred is often directed toward others, not necessarily because of *what they do*, but because of *who they are*. Those hated may be perceived as evil, intent on doing harm, or unable to change for the better. They may be viewed as inferior, as a threat, or as the cause of problems. Those who feel hatred toward others may have suffered violence, injustice, or some other event that caused hostile feelings to take root.

### HOW IT SPREADS

A person can hate others without ever having had direct contact with them. For example, an individual may unconsciously adopt the biased views of those whom he respects and feels close to. Thus, hatred can easily spread and become the shared view of an entire group.

When we understand the pervasive nature of hatred, we can see why it has a hold on so many people. However, to break the cycle of hatred that grips our world, we must get to the very roots of hatred. Those roots are exposed in the Bible.

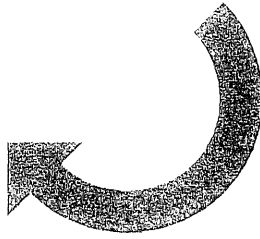
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**Factors in the Cycle of Hatred**

**HATRED**

Prejudice  
Discrimination  
Violence



**IGNORANCE OF**

Culture  
Race  
Religion

**FEAR OF**

Change  
Loss  
The Unknown

**THE BIBLE REVEALS THE ROOTS OF HATRED**

**MALICIOUS HATRED DID NOT ORIGINATE WITH HUMANS.** It started when an angel in heaven, who came to be called Satan the Devil, rebelled against God. The Devil “was a murderer when he began” his rebellion. As “a liar and the father of the lie,” he has continued to instigate hatred and aggression. (John 8:44; 1 John 3:11, 12) The Bible describes him as malicious, angry, and aggressive.—John 2:7; Revelation 12:9, 12, 17.

**IMPERFECT HUMANS ARE INHERENTLY PRONE TO HATE.** The first man, Adam, followed Satan’s sinful course. As a result, all humans have inherited sin and imperfection. (Romans 5:12) Adam’s first son, Cain, hatefully murdered his own brother Abel. (1 John

3:12) True, many humans display love and compassion. But because of inherited sin, multitudes are prone to show selfishness, envy, and pride—qualities that fuel hate.—2 Timothy 3:1-5.

**HATRED THRIVES IN INTOLERANCE.** The world we live in feeds hatred by promoting merciless and harmful attitudes and behavior. Intolerance, prejudice, insulting speech, bullying, and vandalism thrive because “the whole world is lying in the power of the wicked one,” Satan the Devil.—1 John 5:19.

However, the Bible does more than merely expose the roots of hatred. It also points to the solution.

# How to Break the Cycle of Hatred

God’s Word, the Bible, has the power to help people change for the better. (Hebrews 4:12) Its teachings have enabled countless people to overcome the hatred they once felt toward others. Let us consider four Bible teachings that have helped many people to break the cycle of hatred.

## 1 BE IMPARTIAL

**Bible Teaching:** “God is not partial, but in every nation [everyone] who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.”—ACTS 10:34, 35.

**What It Means:**

Jehovah\* God does not judge us by our nationality, race, skin color, or culture. Rather, he focuses on what really counts—what we are on the inside. Indeed, “mere man sees what appears to the eyes, but Jehovah sees into the heart.”—1 Samuel 16:7.

**What You Can Do:**

Although we cannot read hearts, we can try to imitate God and view others impartially. Strive to see people as individuals rather than as groups. If you sense that you have negative feelings toward others—perhaps those of another race or nationality—pray to God and ask him to help you root out such feelings. (Psalm 139:23, 24) If you sincerely ask Jehovah to give you the strength to be impartial, you can be sure that he will listen to your prayer and help you.—1 Peter 3:12.

\* Jehovah is God’s personal name.—Psalm 83:18.



“I had never before sat down peacefully with a white person . . . Now I was part of a genuine international brotherhood.”—TITUS



**Real-Life Experience**  
**TITUS**  
Overcame a Cycle of Hatred

Titus was a member of a violent gang that was outraged by oppressive segregation laws. He says: “We would go to places in town where black men were not welcome, such as hotels and bars, just to provoke fights.” Titus acknowledges that he was driven by hate, and he adds: “If I got into an argument with anyone, man or woman, I would always be the one to strike the first blow.”

Titus began to change when he started to study the Bible with Jehovah’s Witnesses. When he read the Bible, it had a powerful effect on him. He was especially moved by the promise of a future world where “death will be no more, neither will mourning, nor outcry nor pain be anymore.”—Revelation 21:3, 4.

At first, Titus struggled to let go of the hatred in his heart. “It was very difficult to change my way of thinking and acting,” he says. But he was helped by what he learned from Acts 10:34, 35, which describes God as being impartial.

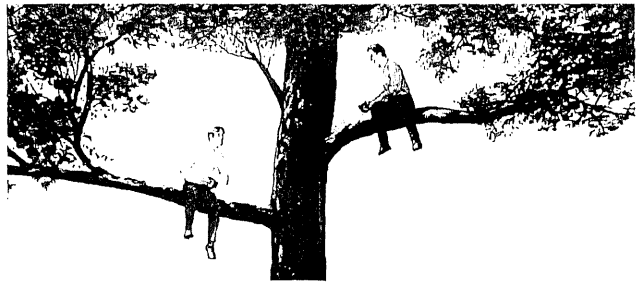
What was the result? Titus explains: “I became convinced that Jehovah’s Witnesses practice the true religion when I saw the love evident among them, no matter what their race or color. Even before I was baptized as a Witness, a white member of the congregation invited me to his house to share a meal. It was like a dream. I had never before sat down peacefully with a white person, let alone shared a meal in his home. Now I was part of a genuine international brotherhood.”

Read more of Titus’ story in *The Watchtower* of August 1, 2009, pages 20-29, available on JW.org.



## 2 DO NOT SEEK REVENGE

**Bible Teaching:** “Return evil for evil to no one. . . . If possible, as far as it depends on you, be peaceable with all men. Do not avenge yourselves, . . . for it is written: “Vengeance is mine; I will repay,” says Jehovah.”—ROMANS 12:17-19.



**What It Means:**

Although it is natural to feel angry when we have been wronged, God does not approve of our taking revenge. Rather, he urges us to wait on him because he will soon right all wrongs.—Psalm 37:7, 10.

A cycle of revenge is self-defeating.

### What You Can Do:

When imperfect humans take revenge, it perpetuates the cycle of hatred. Therefore, if someone has offended or harmed you, do not retaliate. Try to respond peacefully and with restraint. In some cases, it may be less painful to let the matter go. (Proverbs 19:11) Of course, if there is some clear advantage, you may choose to address the problem. For example, in cases where you are the victim of a crime, you may choose to report the crime to the police or other authorities.

What if there does not seem to be a peaceful way to solve the problem? Or what if you have already done all you can to solve it in a peaceful way? Do not take revenge. That will likely make the situation worse. Rather, break the cycle of hate. You can learn to trust in God's way of resolving the problem. "Rely on him, and he will act in your behalf." —Psalm 37:3-5.



Real-Life Experience  
**ADRIÁN**  
Overcame Feelings of Revenge

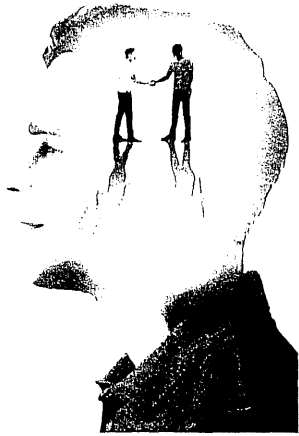
As an adolescent, Adrián became a hate-filled street fighter out for revenge. He relates: "I was often involved in gun fights, and several times I ended up covered with blood and was left for dead on the street."

Adrián began to study the Bible when he was 16. He adds: "As I progressed in my Bible study, I saw the need to make changes in my personality." He needed to let go of "hatred and stop resorting to violence. I especially appreciated what he learned from Romans 12:17 about not taking revenge. He says: "I came to accept that Jehovah will take care of injustice in his own way and time. Little by little, I overcame my violent lifestyle."

One evening, Adrián was attacked by a former rival gang. The leader shouted: "Defend yourself!" Adrián admits: "I felt a very strong urge to retaliate." But instead of retaliating, he said a brief prayer to Jehovah and left the scene.

Adrián continues: "The next day I encountered the gang leader by himself. Vengeful anger welled up in me, but again I silently begged Jehovah to help me control myself. To my surprise, the youth came right up to me and said: 'Forgive me for what happened last night. The truth is, I would like to become like you. I want to study the Bible.' How glad I was that I had been able to control my anger! Thanks to that, we began to study the Bible together."

Read more of Adrián's story in *The Watchtower* of May 7, 2010, pages 14-15, available on jw.org.



God's Word can help us overcome hatred in our heart and mind



Real-Life Experience  
**STEPHEN**  
Changed His Way of Thinking

Stephen and members of his family had experienced hatred from white people. As a result, he was influenced by a political group that took a militant approach to civil rights issues. In time, he participated in hate crimes himself. Stephen says: "On occasion my friends and I saw films featuring the past suffering of African slaves in the United States, licensed by those injustices, we assaulted white youths right there in the movie theater. Then we went to white neighborhoods, looking for more people to beat up."

Stephen's viewpoint changed drastically when he started studying the Bible with Jehovah's Witnesses. He recalls: "Having been exposed to so much racial prejudice, I saw things among the Witnesses that astounded me. For example, when a white Witness had to travel abroad, he left his children in the care of a black family. Also, a white family took into their home a black youth who needed a place to live." Stephen became convinced that Jehovah's Witnesses are the loving brotherhood that Jesus foretold would exist among true Christians. —John 13:35.

What enabled Stephen to abandon his hateful actions? The scripture at Romans 12:2 helped him. He says: "I began to realize that I needed to change my thinking. I had to make my mind over so that I not only acted peacefully but also saw this as the best way of life." Stephen has now enjoyed a life free of hateful feelings for over 40 years.

Read more of Stephen's story in *The Watchtower* of July 1, 2019, pages 10-11, available on jw.org.

## 3 GET HATRED OUT OF YOUR MIND

Bible Teaching: "Be transformed by making your mind over, so that you may prove to yourselves the good and acceptable and perfect will of God." —ROMANS 12:2.

### What It Means:

The way we think matters to God. (Jeremiah 17:10) While we should avoid saying or doing anything hateful, we need to go further. The cycle of hatred begins in the mind and heart. Therefore, we must root out any hint of hatred from our thoughts and feelings. Only then can we truly "be transformed" and break the cycle of hatred.

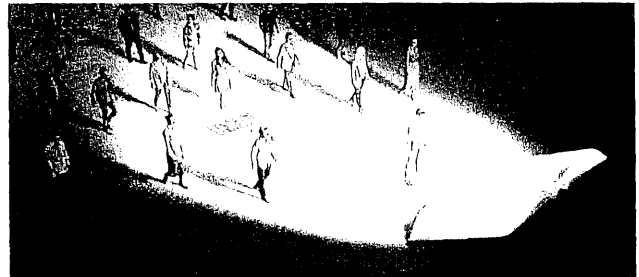
### What You Can Do:

Take an honest look at how you think and feel about others—especially those of another race or nationality. Ask yourself: "How do I view them? Is my viewpoint based on what I personally know about them? Or is it based on prejudice?" Avoid social media, movies, or entertainment that feature hatred and violence.

It is not always easy to evaluate our own thoughts and feelings objectively. But God's Word can help us to "discern thoughts and intentions of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12) So keep examining the Bible. Compare its teachings with your thinking, and do your best to bring your thinking in line with what the Bible teaches. God's Word can help us overcome hatred that is "strongly entrenched" in our mind and heart. —2 Corinthians 10:4, 5.

## 4 CONQUER HATRED WITH GOD'S HELP

Bible Teaching: "The fruitage of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, mildness, self-control." —GALATIANS 5:22, 23.



### What It Means:

Breaking the cycle of hatred is possible with God's help. His holy spirit can produce in us qualities that we might never possess on our own. So rather than trying to overcome hatred in our own strength, we do well to rely on the help that God provides. If we do, we can have the same experience

as the apostle Paul, who wrote: "For all things I have the strength through the one who gives me power." (Philippians 4:13) Indeed, we will be able to say: "My help comes from Jehovah." —Psalm 121:2.





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and fulfilling life. But how do  
we plan to do so? It's time to  
wake up and learn the  
wisdom of the Bible.

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## Wisdom for Life and Happiness



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## Wisdom for Life and Happiness

"Although I feel sad when I see the badness in the world—war, poverty, disease, and the mistreatment of children—I am no longer without hope." RANI

Rani found real happiness when she learned about the Source of true wisdom—our Creator, the almighty God. As you read the following articles, see how his teachings can help you to . . .

\* Names in this magazine have been changed.

- enjoy family happiness
- have peaceful relationships with others
- find contentment
- understand the root causes of suffering and death
- have a sure hope for the future
- get to know our Creator and draw close to him

You will also see that our Creator's wisdom is not just for a select few but is freely available to all who seek it.

## Wisdom for Family Happiness

Marriage and children are precious gifts from our Creator. He wants us to have a happy family life. So by means of an ancient sacred book, he has given us guidance that can make our family life better and happier. Consider the following wise counsel.

### Husbands, Love Your Wives

"Husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. A man who loves his wife loves himself, for no man ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cherishes it."—EPHESIANS 5:28, 29.

The husband is head of the family. (Ephesians 5:23) But a good husband is not harsh or demanding. He values his wife and takes good care of her material and emotional needs. He also tries hard to please her, not always insisting on doing what he wants. (Philippians 2:4) He communicates openly and listens when she speaks. He does not become "bitterly angry" with her or hurt her physically or emotionally.—Colossians 3:19.

### Wives, Respect Your Husband

"The wife should have deep respect for her husband."—EPHESIANS 5:33.

When a wife respects her husband and supports his decisions, she promotes family peace. If he makes a mistake, she does not belittle him, but she remains mild and respectful. (1 Peter 3:4) When she needs to bring a problem to his attention, she chooses a good time to do so and speaks to him respectfully.—Ecclesiastes 3:7.

### Be Faithful to Your Marriage Vow

"A man will . . . stick to his wife, and they will become one flesh."—GENESIS 2:24.

When a man and a woman marry, they form a close family bond. So a married couple should work hard to keep their marriage strong through heartfelt conversations and small acts of kindness. They should also be faithful to each other by not having sex outside the marriage. Infidelity is cruel. It destroys trust and can break up the family.—Hebrews 13:4.

### Parents, Train Your Children

"Train a child in the way he should go; even when he grows old he will not depart from it."—PROVERBS 22:6, footnote.

God has given parents the responsibility to train their children. That includes teaching them how to behave and setting a good example for them. (Deuteronomy 6:6, 7) When a child misbehaves, a wise parent does not overreact. He or she is "quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger." (James 1:19) If the parent determines that discipline is needed, he or she administers it in love, not in anger.



### I Became a Better Husband

"Because of my family background, I used to be very demanding. But I learned that as head of my family, I should listen to my wife and not be selfish or domineering. In God's eyes, she and I are one flesh, and I should treat her as my own body. Thanks to that wise guidance, I have become a much better husband, and I enjoy a happy family life."—*Hahid.*

### Children, Obey Your Parents

"Children, be obedient to your parents . . . "Honor your father and your mother."—EPHESIANS 6:1, 2.

Children should obey their parents and treat them with deep respect. When children show honor to their parents, they bring much joy into the home and contribute to family peace and harmony. Adult children honor their parents by ensuring that they are well cared for. That may include helping them to maintain their home or giving them needed financial assistance.—1 Timothy 5:3, 4.



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## Guidance for Peaceful Relationships



Our Creator tells us how we can enjoy peaceful relationships with others, whether at home, at work, or with friends. Consider some examples of his wise counsel that many people have successfully applied.

### Be Forgiving

"Continue . . . forgiving one another freely even if anyone has a cause for complaint against another."—COLLOSSIANS 3:13.

We all make mistakes. We might offend others, or they might offend us. Whatever the case, we all need to forgive and to be forgiven. When we forgive, we stop feeling resent-

ment toward the person who offended us. We do not "return evil for evil," and we do not constantly remind the person of his failings or weaknesses. (Romans 12:17) But what if we have been deeply hurt and cannot stop thinking about what happened? Then we should respectfully talk to the person about the matter in private. Our goal should be to make peace, not to win the dispute.—Romans 12:18.

### Be Humble and Respectful

"With humility consider others superior to you."—PHILIPPIANS 2:3.

When we are humble and respectful, people enjoy being with us. They know that we will be kind and considerate and that we will not

intentionally hurt their feelings. But if we view ourselves as superior to others or if we always insist on getting our way, we create strife and tension. People will avoid us, and we will have few friends, if any.

### Be Impartial

"God is not partial, but in every nation the man who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him."—ACTS 10:34, 35.

Our Creator does not favor people because of their nationality, language, social standing, or skin color. "He made out of one man every nation of men." (Acts 17:26) So in a sense, all humans are brothers and sisters. When we treat everyone with dignity and kindness, we make them happy, we ourselves are happier, and we please our Creator.

### Be Mild-Tempered

"Clothe yourselves with . . . mildness."—COLLOSSIANS 3:12.

When we are mild-tempered, we put others at ease. They feel free to talk to us and

even to correct us because they know we will remain calm. And when someone is angry with us, our mild response may calm the person down. "A mild answer turns away rage, but a harsh word stirs up anger," says Proverbs 15:1.

### Be Generous and Thankful

"There is more happiness in giving than there is in receiving."—ACTS 20:35.

Many people today are greedy and think only of themselves. But true happiness comes to those who are generous. (Luke 6:38) Generous people are happy because they love people more than things. That same love moves them to be thankful and to show their appreciation when someone is generous toward them. (Colossians 3:15) Ask yourself, "Whom do I like to be with—the stingy and thankless or the generous and thankful?" The point? Be the kind of person you want others to be.—Matthew 7:12.

## Keys to Contentment

All of us—whether single or married, young or old—want to be happy and content. Our Creator wants us to feel that way too, so he has given us excellent advice.

### Work Diligently

"Let him do hard work, doing good work with his hands, so that he may have something to share with someone in need."—EPHESIANS 4:28.

Our Creator encourages us to have a positive view of work. Why? A person who works hard is happy because he is able to provide for himself and his family. He may even be able to help someone in need. His employer will value him too. So a good worker is more likely to keep his job. The Scriptures rightly describe the rewards of hard work as "the gift of God."—Ecclesiastes 3:13.

### Be Honest

"We trust we have an honest conscience, as we wish to conduct ourselves honestly in all things."—HEBREWS 13:18.

If we are honest, we have self-respect, we enjoy inner peace, and we sleep better at night. Additionally, others will trust and respect us. Dishonest people rob themselves of those good things. Also, their conscience may trouble them, and they may live with the fear of one day getting caught for their dishonesty.

### Have a Balanced View of Money

"Let your way of life be free of the love of money, while you are content with the present things."—HEBREWS 13:5.

We need money for food and other necessities. However, "the love of money" is very dangerous. It can cause a person to use most of his time and energy striving to make more money. This quest for money can put a strain on his marriage, rob him of time with his children, and even harm his health. (1 Timothy 6:9, 10) What is more, a person who loves money may be tempted to be dishonest. A wise man said: "A faithful man will receive many blessings, but the one hastening to get rich will not remain innocent."—Proverbs 28:20.

### Obtain the Best Education

"Safeguard practical wisdom and thinking ability."—PROVERBS 3:21.

A good education helps us to be responsible adults and parents. But a fine secular education alone cannot guarantee lasting security or happiness. To be truly successful in all aspects of life, we need the education God gives us. The Scriptures say of the person who listens to God: "Everything he does will succeed."—Psalm 1:3.

### I No Longer Look Down on People

"The Scriptures say, 'Have the same attitude toward others as toward yourselves . . . Do not become wise in your own eyes.'" (Romans 12:16) "This guidance helped me to fight pride and the tendency to look down on people. I no longer see my ethnic group as better than others, and I do not look down on people of another religion. Also, I am friendlier and more willing to greet others."—*Asha.*



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and will end sickness and death.

"The tent of God is with mankind . . . And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore." —REVELATION 21:3, 4.

Suffering and sickness will end because God will undo all the harm caused by Satan, Adam, Eve, and our own imperfections. As a result, even "death will be no more." Humans who love and obey the Creator will live forever. But where will they live?

Our Creator Will Make the Earth into a Paradise

"The wilderness and the parched land will exult, and the desert plain will be joyful and blossom as the saffron." —ISAIAH 35:1.

When God brings an end to the wicked, the earth will thrive! It will abound with delightful parks and gardens, and it will produce plenty of food. (Psalm 72:16) The oceans, lakes, and rivers will be clean and teem with

life. Even the word "pollution" may disappear from our vocabulary! People will live in homes they built and own. And never again will anyone be homeless, hungry, or poor. —Isaiah 65:21, 22.

God Will Bring the Dead Back to Life

"There is going to be a resurrection." —ACTS 24:15.

Would you like to see your dead loved ones again? The almighty God will bring them back to life—or resurrect them—in Paradise on earth. You will recognize them, and they will recognize you. Imagine your joy and thirst! Why can we be sure of this hope? Because the Bible gives us examples of adults and children who were brought back to life and reunited with their families. Moreover, Jesus often resurrected the dead in front of many witnesses. — Luke 8:49-56; John 11:11-14, 38-44.

## Knowledge That Draws Us to God

Our Creator is not merely a force. He has endearing qualities. And he wants us to learn about him and draw close to him. (John 17:3; James 4:8) That is why he has revealed much about himself.

Our Creator Has a Personal Name

"May people know that you, whose name is Jehovah, you alone are the Most High over all the earth." —PSALM 83:18.

The Bible teaches that Jehovah is the one true God. He is the Creator of the universe and of all life. He alone deserves our worship.—Revelation 4:11.

Jehovah Is a Loving God

"God is love."—1 JOHN 4:8.

By means of the Bible and the natural world around us, Jehovah has revealed many of his qualities. Love is his foremost quality. It defines who he is. The more we learn about Jehovah, the more we love him.

Jehovah Is a Forgiving God

"You are a God ready to forgive." —NEHEMIAH 9:17.

Jehovah knows that we are imperfect. So he is "ready to forgive" us. When we tell him we are sorry and try hard to stop doing bad things, he will forgive us and not hold our past sins against us. —Psalm 103:12, 13.

Jehovah Welcomes Our Prayers

"Jehovah is near to all those calling on him . . . He hears their cry for help." —PSALM 145:18, 19.

Jehovah requires no special rituals or religious objects in his worship. He listens to our prayers just as loving parents listen to their dear children.

OUR CREATOR'S NAME

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जहोवा	ARABIC
यहुवा	SYRIAC
యెహోవా	HEBREW
యెహోవా	ARABIC
Jehovah	HEBREW

### Now I Am Truly Happy

"I remember the first time I heard about a paradise earth free from suffering, sickness, and death. In my heart I laughed, thinking that this can't be true! But my study of the Bible gave me reasons to trust this unique book and its promises. I am convinced that the Bible is from God. In the past, I often had a worried, sad expression on my face. Now I am truly happy. Even my family and friends can see the difference in me."—Ravi.



Want to learn more about the Creator's purpose for humans? Join the Creator on a paradise earth? Or would you like to know more about BIBLE TEACHING? BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED? LIFE & DEATH?

### BIBLE FACTS

- 66** The number of books, or sections, that make up the Bible.
- 40** The number of men God used to write the Bible.
- 1513 B.C.E.** The year the Bible began to be written more than 3,500 years ago!
- 3,000+** The number of languages in which the Bible, or parts thereof, is available.



### My Confusion Went Away When I Read the Bible

"From a very young age, I was confused about who the Creator is. I wondered, 'How could each nation rightly have its own god or creator?' So I love what the Bible says at Romans 3:29 that the true God is 'the God of people of the nations.' He also has a personal name—Jehovah—and he wants us to be his friends."—Rakesh.

## Wisdom Within Your Reach

"All Scripture is inspired of God." (2 Timothy 3:16) In this verse, "inspired" means that Almighty God put his thoughts into the minds of the Bible writers.

God Is Alive. You Can Benefit From His Wisdom

"I, Jehovah, am . . . teaching you to benefit yourself, the One guiding you in the way you should walk. If only you would pay attention to my commandments! Then your peace would become just like a river and your righteousness like the waves of the sea."—ISAIAH 48:17, 18.

Consider those words as a personal invitation from God. He wants you to have inner peace and lasting happiness, and he can help you to find them.

God's Wisdom Is Available to You

"In all the nations, the good news has to be preached."—MARK 13:10.

The "good news" includes Jehovah's promises to end suffering, to make the earth a paradise, and to bring our dead loved ones back to life. Jehovah's Witnesses are preaching that Bible-based message worldwide.

Would you like to know more?



A wise man wrote: "Wisdom is the most important thing, so acquire wisdom, and with all you acquire, acquire understanding." (Proverbs 4:7) Our Creator helps us to develop wisdom and understanding so that we can make good decisions and have a happy life.

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