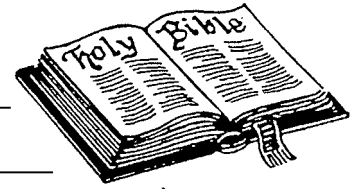


PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY

(find out for yourself what the Bible teaches)

YOUR NAME: _____

YOUR ADDRESS: _____



(In answering these questions, please use a King James Bible if possible)

1) THE BIBLE

1. Does the Bible claim to be inspired by God (2 Timothy 3:16)? _____
2. What did the Lord Jesus say about the Holy Scriptures?
 - a. John 10:35 _____
 - b. Mark 14:49 _____
 - c. Luke 24:44 _____
 - d. Matthew 24:35 _____
3. Did the Lord Jesus believe that the Bible (God's Word) is true (John 17:17)? _____
4. Is the Bible simply the words, ideas and opinions of men or is it more than that (1 Thessalonians 2:13)? _____

5. What is it that will stand forever (Isaiah 40:8)? _____

6. We know that God's Word is true because...
 - a. GOD CANNOT _____ (Titus 1:2)
 - b. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR _____ (Hebrews 6:18)
7. Who MOVED the Bible writers (such as Moses and Isaiah and David and Luke and Paul) in such a way that the words they wrote were accurate, without mistakes, without errors and exactly the words God wanted them to write (2 Peter 1:21 and compare 2 Samuel 23:1-2)? _____

2) THE PERSON OF GOD

1. How many Gods are there (Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 44:8)? _____
2. There is ONE GOD, and this great God eternally exists in three Persons. Name the 3 Persons of the Trinity (see Matthew 28:19 and compare 2 Corinthians 13:14):
 - 1) _____
 - 2) _____
 - 3) _____

3) JESUS CHRIST

1. Does the Bible ever refer to Jesus Christ as God (John 1:1; John 10:30; John 20:28; Romans 9:5; Titus 2:13)? _____
2. What part did Jesus Christ play in creation (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16)? _____
3. Did the Son of God exist even before His birth in Bethlehem (John 1:1-2; John 8:58)? _____ Was the birth of Christ a natural birth or a supernatural birth (Luke 1:34-35)? _____
4. Why did Jesus Christ come into the world (1 Timothy 1:15)?

5. Did He come to judge the world or save the world (John 3:17)?

6. As to His character and conduct, Jesus Christ did not _____ (1 Peter 2:22) and He knew no _____ (2 Corinthians 5:21). He is called "Jesus Christ the _____" (1 John 2:1).
7. What do we need to believe about Jesus (John 20:31)?

4) MAN'S BASIC PROBLEM

1. TRUE or FALSE: _____ Man was created as a sinner. (Genesis 1:26-27)
2. In what early chapter in the book of Genesis do we read about man's fall into sin? _____
3. Does the sin of Adam affect you in any way (Romans 5:12)?

4. How many people have sinned in God's sight (Romans 3:23)? _____ Does this include you (1 Kings 8:46; 1 John 1:8,10)? _____
5. How many people are perfectly righteous in God's sight (Romans 3:10)? _____ "There is _____ that doeth good, no, not one" (Romans 3:12).
6. How many people stand GUILTY before a holy God (Romans 3:19)?

7. Did Jesus teach that man was basically good or basically evil (Mark 7:21-23 and compare Matthew 7:11)? _____
8. Consider the two greatest commandments mentioned by Jesus in Matthew 22:36-40 and also the 10 Commandments listed in Exodus chapter 20. Do you think there is anyone who has kept these commandments perfectly (apart from the Lord Himself)? _____ Jesus once said to some very religious people, "None of you _____ the _____" (John 7:19). We are all LAWBREAKERS! Even if we kept all of the commandments except for one, would we still be guilty (James 2:9-11)? _____

5) THE DEMANDS OF JUSTICE

1. In Romans 1:29-31 we have a horrible list of sins and vices. Those who do such things are worthy of _____ (Romans 1:32). The Old Testament teaches the same thing: "The soul that sinneth, it shall _____" (Ezekiel 18:4).
2. If God were to pay us ("wages") for the way we have lived, what would that payment be (Romans 6:23)? _____ (God's "payday" is not something to look forward to). "Sin, when it is finished, _____" (James 1:15). Does Romans 5:12 also teach that sin and death go together? _____
3. What is this DEATH PENALTY? The "DEATH" spoken of in these verses is more than just physical death. DEATH as God's penalty for sin involves basically two things: 1) SEPARATION FROM GOD 2) PUNISHMENT BY GOD. The following verses speak about the punishment that the wicked deserve. For each verse write down the part of the verse that indicates separation from God and also the part that indicates that punishment is involved:

2 THESSALONIANS 1:9

SEPARATION _____
PUNISHMENT _____

MATTHEW 25:41

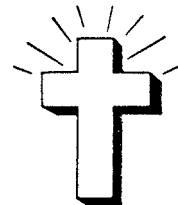
SEPARATION _____
PUNISHMENT _____

MATTHEW 25:46

SEPARATION _____
PUNISHMENT _____

(See also Revelation 20:15)

4. Man deserves D _____ (Romans 6:23) but God wants to GIVE man E _____ L _____ (Romans 6:23)! We shall now see what God has done to make it possible for sinful man to have the gift of life.

6) GOD'S SOLUTION

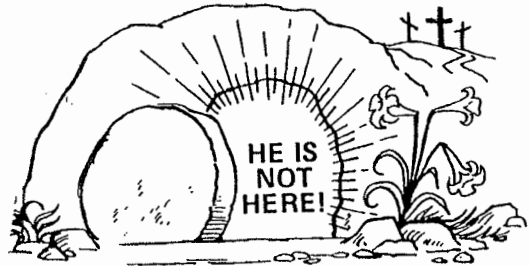
1. The "GOOD NEWS" of the gospel is that Christ _____ for our _____ (1 Corinthians 15:3).

2. When we were lost sinners deserving the death penalty, what did the Saviour do for us (Romans 5:8)? _____
(He suffered the penalty which we deserved!)
3. According to 1 Peter 3:18, what did Jesus do for us when He died on the cross? _____

What did He do for us when He died on the cross according to 2 Corinthians 5:21? _____

4. When the Lord Jesus died on the cross, did He experience SEPARATION FROM GOD (Matthew 27:46 and Psalm 22:1-3)? _____
Did He experience PUNISHMENT BY GOD (Isaiah 53:4,5,6,10)? _____
He paid the penalty which we should have paid! He died in my place! He died as the sinner's Substitute! He died so that we might live! See 1 Peter 2:24.
5. How did God prove that He loved sinful man (John 3:16 and Romans 5:8)? _____
Paul knew the love of Christ and he praised "the Son of God who _____ me and _____ Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

7) THE EMPTY TOMB



1. Did the crucifixion really result in death?
Did Jesus really die (John 19:31-35)? _____
2. The death of Christ on the cross and what He did for us there is only the first half of the good news. The second half completes the good news: "And that he was buried, and that he _____ the _____ day according to the scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:4).
3. More than (how many?) _____ people saw the risen Lord (1 Corinthians 15:6). For example, consider "Doubting Thomas." What made this man become "convinced Thomas" (John 20:24-29)? _____
4. Did the early Christians go around preaching that Jesus was alive (Acts 2:23-24; 2:32; 3:15; 4:10; 10:39-40; etc.)? _____

5. To be saved a person must believe that God _____
Jesus from the _____ (Romans 10:9).
6. What will never have dominion over Jesus Christ (Romans 6:9)?
_____ He is alive for how long (Revelation 1:18)?

7. TRUE or FALSE: _____ Someday every person will
recognize and acknowledge that Jesus Christ is the living Lord
(see Philippians 2:9-11).

8) AN ETERNAL DWELLING PLACE

1. Did the Lord Jesus speak about a real heavenly home (John
14:1-3)? _____ What is the only way a person can get to
heaven (John 14:6)? _____
2. How is heaven described in Revelation 21:3-4? _____

3. Will everyone go to this eternal home (Revelation 21:8 and
compare Revelation 20:15)? _____
4. According to the Lord, how many are on the road headed for
destruction (Matthew 7:13)? _____ How many are on the
road headed for life (Matthew 7:14)? _____

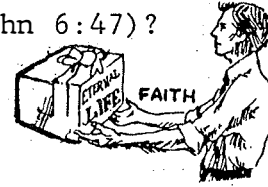


9) GOD'S FREE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE

1. According to Ephesians 2:8 and Romans 6:23, SALVATION (or
eternal life) is the G_____ of God. Who paid for this
precious gift (1 Peter 1:18-19)? _____
Salvation is free but it is certainly not cheap!
2. Do all men receive God's gift of salvation (John 1:11-12;
John 3:18; John 3:36)? _____ According to John 3:16, those
who reject God's gift will _____.
3. Can there be salvation apart from the Lord Jesus Christ
(Acts 4:12; 1 John 5:11-12)? _____
4. Can a person be saved by trying to keep the law (Galatians
2:16,21; 3:10,11)? _____
5. Can a person be saved by trying to perform good works
(Ephesians 2:8-9; Titus 3:5)? _____

6. How does the Bible define ETERNAL LIFE (John 17:3)? _____
 _____ According to
 this verse, is eternal life doing something or is it knowing
Someone? _____ Is eternal life some kind
 of religious ritual or activity or is it an eternal, intimate
 RELATIONSHIP with the Person of God? _____

7. What must a person do to have eternal life (John 6:47)? _____



10) MAN'S NEEDED RESPONSE

1. What must a person do to be saved (Acts 16:30-31)? _____
 _____ Salvation is not
 TRYING, it is TRUSTING. Salvation is not based on what we might
 do; it is based on what Christ has ALREADY DONE! When Jesus
 completed His work of salvation on the cross, what did He cry
 out (John 19:30)? _____
2. Will the Lord Jesus ever turn away or cast away the person who
 comes to Him in simple faith (John 6:37)? _____
3. God's invitation is given in Revelation 3:20. What is Christ
 doing? _____ What must you do?
 _____ If you do this, what does He
 promise to do? _____
4. Prayerfully read John 3:16. Are you a WHOSOEVER? _____ Can you
 put your name in this verse? _____ Have you "called upon the
 Name of the Lord" (Romans 10:13) and asked the Lord Jesus Christ
 to save your soul and be the Lord of your life? _____

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What is the mark of a true disciple of Jesus Christ (John 8:31)?

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