

SUGGESTED ANSWERS FOR QUESTIONS

1 In The Beginning: The Good News About The Bad News

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1. He wanted to deceive Eve.
2. God made two statements. Satan took one phrase from each and turned it into a question. “Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat from every tree of the garden?’”
3. Satan said “You will not die.” You don’t need to obey God. The consequences God said would happen, will not happen.
4. They should know about evil. He implied they should not obey God.
5. Realizing they were naked, they tried to cloth themselves with fig leaves and then tried to hide when God came.
6. God asked, “Where are you?” God respects our freedom. He wanted to give them an opportunity to be honest and confess what they did.
7. Adam: He blamed God and Eve, but acknowledged what he did. The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me the fruit and I ate.
Eve: She tried to justify herself by saying she was deceived, but then acknowledged what she did. The serpent deceived me, and I ate.
8. The serpent would crawl on its belly.
9. Satan is called “that serpent of old” in Revelation 12:9.
10. Satan’s head would be bruised. He would be destroyed. Jesus’ heel would be bruised. He would be hurt, but not destroyed.
11. Enmity or hatred
12. A. Women would bring forth children with pain and sorrow.
B. She would desire to belong to her husband. He would rule over her.
13. Men would need to work in order to eat, for the ground would grow thorns and thistles rather than food. They would die and return to dust.
14. A. one; B. one, offense, condemnation; C. disobedience, made sinners; D. in me; flesh nothing good; law, evil, present
15. We were brought forth in iniquity. We go astray from birth.
16. We all have gone astray and turned to our own way – selfishness.
17. The heart is deceitful and desperately wicked.

18. Jesus described Laodicea as “wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked.” They described themselves as rich, increased with goods and not needing anything. Jesus is right. He is the true Witness.
19. Nothing
20. Bad trees produce bad fruit. Good trees produce good fruit. The Bible says there is nothing good in us, so we can only be described as bad trees.
21. 1. Love 2. Joy 3. Peace 4. Longsuffering 5. Kindness 6. Goodness
7. Faithfulness 8. Gentleness 9. Self-control
22. A. No one is good but God. B. Jesus refers to us as evil, even though we can give good gifts to our children.
23. Verse 6: without strength, ungodly; verse 8: sinners; verse 10: enemies
24. Jesus died for us, loved us, justified us, and reconciled us to God.
25. God made clothes from the skin of animals that died that day. The animals represented Jesus who would die for the sin of the world.
26. Thought questions:

2 The Love Of God

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1. What did Paul pray that we might experience?
 - A. That Christ might dwell in my heart;
 - B. That I might be rooted and grounded in love;
 - C. That I might understand how wide, long, high, and deep is God’s love;
 - D. That I might be filled with all the fullness of God.
2. God is love
3. A. love; B. love; C. love
4. Thought questions
5. He wrote on the ground. Then He said, “He who is without sin among you, let him throw a stone at her first.”
6. Thought question
7. Condemn; world; saved
8. Luke 7:36-50
 - A. washed his feet with her tears; kissed his feet; anointed his feet with fragrant oil.

B. If this man were a prophet, He would know what kind of woman is touching him.

C. A person owed 500 denarii and another owed 50. The person who was owed the money forgave them both. Jesus asked, which one loved him more?

D. Those who are forgiven much, love much. Those who are forgiven little, love little.

9. Enemies; hate; curse; pray; spitefully; Give; asks; want; do; do
10. Loving those who love us; Doing good to those who do good to us. Lending only to those we know will pay us back.
11. The world loves its own.
12. A. Be able to speak with the tongues of men and angels; B. Have a faith that can work miracles; C. Give all I have to the poor or become a martyr
13. He makes the sun shine and the rain fall on the just and unjust.
14. We are to love others as Jesus has loved us.
15. Revelation 2:1-5
 - A. They would not tolerate evil; they were able to test and discern who was a false prophet; they were persevering in their labor for Jesus without becoming weary.
 - B. They had left their first love, working for God out of a selfish motive.
 - C. Their light would go out, their candlestick would be removed.
16. Matthew 24:12-14
 - A. The love of many would grow cold.
 - B. Lawlessness leads to love growing cold.
 - C. This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness or testimony to all nations.

3 Motivated By Fear Or Love

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1. 2 Timothy 1:7
 - A. Fear; B. Power, Love, Sound Mind
2. Mark 4:35-41
 - A. They thought they were going to die.
 - B. Don't you care that we are perishing?

- C. Thought Question can lead to various answers. One might be they wanted Him to help bail water.
- D. Jesus commanded the storm to stop; He asked, “Why are you afraid? How is it that you have no faith?”
3. Mark 5:1-20
 - A. An uncontrolled demon possessed man met Jesus.
 - B. Come out of the man;
 - C. The Swine ran into the sea and drowned.
 - D. Sitting and clothed and in his right mind.
 - E. They began pleading with Him to leave.
 - F. He proclaimed in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him.
 4. They forsook Him the fountain of living water and dug out cisterns that could hold no water.
 5. Fear (Greek word is phobos)
 6. Thought question
 7. Thought question
 8. Thought question
 9. A. beginning, knowledge, wisdom;
B. hated knowledge, choose, fear;
C. hate evil;
D. wisdom;
E. prolongs days, shortened.
 10. Fear God rather than men
 11. God understands our needs and cares for us, for we are very valuable to Him.
 12. Reverence and godly fear
 13. Jesus described them as being fearful (deilos). After the storm Mark says they feared (phobeo) exceedingly.
 14. What ultimately leads us to repent and to surrender our lives to God?
 - A. everlasting, drawn;
 - B. peace, evil, future, hope;
 - C. goodness, leads, repentance

15. Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you shall follow me afterward.
16. Lord, I will lay down my life for you.
17. Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.
18. Jesus promised He would not forsake them. He would be going to prepare a place for them so they could be together forever. He also told Peter He would be praying for Him.
19. A. Three times; B. Two times; C. One time
20. Jesus was communicating that Peter would one day be crucified.

4 The Gospel: Finding Security In Christ

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1. A. Love; B. Love; law
2. Law, faith, does, live
3. Death
4. A. just; B. just; C. establish, law
5. The soul who sins shall die.
6. A. condemnation; B. die
7. A. Justification, life; B. alive
8. The last Adam or the second Man
9. Mankind
10. Judge, one, all, all died
11. God reconciled the world to Himself. He is not counting their transgressions against them.
12. People are urged to be reconciled to God
13. Jesus became sin for us in order that we might become the righteousness of God in Christ.
14. Colossians 1:12-14
 - A. The inheritance of the saints;
 - B. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of Jesus;
 - C. everyone

15. 1 John 5:10,11
 - A. I experience the witness in my life – peace with God and being born again;
 - B. a liar;
 - C. God has given us eternal life and this life is in His Son.
16. Jesus came to save the world, not to condemn
17. People are condemned because they love darkness and hate the light.
18. God wants us to live with the assurance that we have eternal life.
19. Instead of living for ourselves, we are free to live for Jesus, the One who died for us and rose again.
20. We are to view people based upon God’s perspective. Everyone is equally lost and sinful because of Adam’s choice. We all are equally loved and redeemed because of Jesus’ choice.
21. In Christ, creation, old, new
22. Rich in Christ
23. Thought question

5 Jesus, The Savior Of The World

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1. A. The gospel is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes
B. The gospel reveals the righteousness of God.
2. A. All; B. All C. All
3. We all are guilty and cannot justify ourselves
4. The righteousness of God is revealed apart from the law.
5. Jesus’ faith
6. God is righteous and just
7. Faith in the gospel excludes all boasting
8. Faith in Jesus upholds God’s law.
9. Everyone was saved by grace, for Jesus did this “even when we were dead.”
10. A. alive, Christ; B. raised, sit, in Christ Jesus;
11. A. The exceeding riches of God’s grace
B. Faith in Jesus enables us to experience the blessings of His salvation.
C. Good works

12. Titus 2:11-14

- A. Brings salvation to all men;
- B. Soberly, righteously and godly as we look forward to Jesus' return.
- C. To redeem us from every lawless deed; and to
To purify for Himself a people who are zealous for good deeds.

6 Jesus, A Complete Savior From Sin

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- 1. A. Death; wages, death; B. Slave; slave, sin; C. Pain; pain, thorns, thistles
- 2. A. compels, all, all; B. law died, crucified; C. have been sanctified
- 3. A. truth, free; B. Spirit, life, free, sin, death, fulfilled in C. perfected, are being sanctified.
- 4. Those who are being sanctified
- 5. A. incorruptible; B. death, sorrow, crying, pain; C. defiles, lie.
- 6. The weekly Sabbath
- 7. A. Sanctify, completely, will; B. sanctify, word, holy; C. complete; D. keep, stumbling, faultless
- 8. A. Believe, saved; B. confess, forgive; C. repent, converted, blotted, refreshing; D. holy, transformed, renewing, mind.
- 9. Thought Question

7 Our Redeemer: Jesus Gave His Life A Ransom For All

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- 1. Dominion over all the earth
- 2. Authority over the kingdoms of the world
- 3. A. ruler; B. ruler; C. ruler
- 4. Matthew 12:22-30
 - A. He casts out demons by the power of Beelzebub;
 - B. The kingdom of God has come upon us;
 - C. Satan is the strong man;
 - D. Jesus needed to regain the rightful dominion over the human race so He could free us from Satan's control.
- 5. His own blood – Jesus gave His life for us

6. Those who deny that the Lord bought them will bring on themselves swift destruction.
7. A. Because we have been bought with a price, we belong to God;
B. Living for the glory of God in all we do.
8. A. The power of darkness;
B. The kingdom of the Son – Jesus’ kingdom
9. The curse of the law
10. By becoming a curse for us
11. From under the law
12. Jesus death released us from the fear of death.
13. Sin
14. Jesus
15. We died in Christ the death the law demanded.
16. It frees us to live for God out of love, rather than out of fear or reward. The law doesn’t change, but our motive does.
17. Sitting together in the heavenly places.
18. A. They tried to establish their own righteousness, rather than submit to God’s.
B. Seeking to earn righteousness through their own keeping of the law.
C. Believe and confess that Jesus is their Lord and Savior.

8 Grace Is Greater Than Our Sin

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1. V. 6-Without strength; V. 6-ungodly; V. 8-sinners; V. 10-enemies
2. V. 9 - Justified by His blood; V. 10 - Reconciled to God
3. Saved from wrath by His life
4. Reconciliation with God
5. A. through one man (Adam); B. because all sinned; C. sin; D. no
6. Adam’s 1 sin brought death. The free gift brought justification after many sins.
7. They will reign in life with Jesus
8. A. V. 18 – all were condemned; V. 19 – Many were made sinners;
B. V. 18 - Justification of life to all men; V. 19 - Many will be made righteous.
C. Adam – past tense; Jesus – future tense

9. The law entered that the offense might abound
10. Grace abounds much more
11. A. death; B. righteousness and eternal life
12. A. Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?
B. Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace?
13. Romans 6:14, 15, 23 along with Galatians 3:10-13; 4:4,5
A. We have all sinned and the wages of sin is death;
B. Everyone is under grace and not under law;
C. At the cross, Jesus redeemed the human race from the curse of the law.
14. V. 7 – we are free from sin; V. 14 – We are free the dominion of sin
15. We are dead to sin and alive to God.
16. V. 12 – We don't have to let sin reign over us or control us;
V. 13 – To present ourselves to God as instruments of righteousness;
V. 16 – To present ourselves as slaves of obedience & righteousness;
17. under the law
18. A. Serve one another with love;
D. Love and the fruit of the Spirit is fulfilling the law;
E. Take up our cross daily and follow Jesus.

9 The Supreme Sacrifice Of Christ

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1. The attitude or mind of Christ
2. A. Equal with God;
B. In the beginning Jesus was with God and was God. Through Jesus, all things were created.
3. A. reputation; B. bondservant; C. likeness of men; D. death; E. death, cross
4. A. from, comeliness, beauty; B. nothing, myself, nothing; C. rich, poor, poverty
5. A. served, serve, give; B. One, serves; C. My, will, will, Him
6. A. likeness, sinful flesh, condemned; B. made; C. redeem
7. A. sanctifies, sanctified, one; B. destroy, devil, release, fear, bondage;
C. merciful, aid, tempted

8. A. satisfied; B. world, Him, dies, alone, dies; C. joy, endured, shame
9. A. redeemed, curse, law, curse, tree; B. death, hang, tree, hanged, cursed; C. killed, hanged, trees,
10. They wanted Jesus to be crucified
11. They were to be stoned
12. If God allowed Jesus to be crucified, that would prove Jesus was not the Messiah.
13. A. He saved others; Himself he cannot save; B. If he is the King of Israel, let Him come down from the cross and we will believe Him. C. He trusted God; Let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him.
14. Darkness covered the land for 3 hours.
15. My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?
16. A. finished; B. hands, commit
17. A. The veil in the temple torn in two from top to bottom;
B. An earthquake opened graves and many of the saints were raised
C. After Jesus was resurrected, the resurrected saints appeared to many.
18. He would draw all people to Himself.
19. Behold or contemplate the great love that God has for us. In the light of Jesus laying down His life for us, we ought to lay down our lives for others.
20. Thought question

10 Jesus Receives Sinners: The Gospel According To His Enemies

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1. Luke 5:27-32
 - A. Levi, a tax collector, (Matthew 9:9 refers to him as Matthew.)
 - B. Levi left all and followed Jesus.
 - C. He wanted his friends to meet Jesus and follow Him also.
 - D. Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?
 - E. The sick need a physician. I have come to call the sinners to repentance.
 - F. Personal response
 - G. The goodness of God leads us to repentance

2. Luke 19:1-10
 - A. Jesus took the initiative to stay at Zacchaeus' house
 - B. He received Jesus joyfully
 - C. Jesus went to be the guest at the house of a sinner
 - D. Zacchaeus said he would give half his goods to the poor and repay people fourfold if he cheated them. (This shows he was familiar with the law in Numbers 5:6,7. It also shows how Jesus' graciousness in accepting him led him to repentance.)
 - E. The Son of Man has come to seek and save the lost.
 - F, G, H - Personal response
3. Receives sinners, eats
4. A. Multiple choice, Personal response

(Author suggests "All of the above.")

The focus of heaven is reaching out to this world.

People who have repented are also seeking to help others know Jesus.

The scribes and Pharisees didn't feel their need to repent. They considered themselves as part of the 99, but in reality they were in need of being "found" by the Good Shepherd.

 - B. Jesus loves every one of His sheep. No one is left out of His care.
 - C, D, E - Personal response
5. A, B - Personal response
6. Luke 15:11-32
 - A. Older: obedient and hardworker; Younger: Lazy, unloving, rebellious
 - B. Older: – angry, rebellious, selfish, uncaring; Younger: – repentant, loving
 - C. Older: – loving, pleading; Younger: - patient, loving, forgiving
7. – 12 Personal responses

11 Experiencing The Abundant Life

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1. Satan – comes to steal, kill and destroy
Jesus - came that we might have abundant life
2. Murderer and a liar

3. How can we discern what is truth and what is a lie?
 - A. Make a choice to embrace God's will when it is revealed.
 - B. Abiding in the Word of God will enable us to know what truth is.
 - C. The Holy Spirit will lead us into truth as we are able to receive it.
 - D. Transformation comes when we replace lies with Bible truth.

4. In the left hand box, follow the diagonal line that begins at the top left. At the bottom of that diagonal line, the line that is just to the right is the same line that is in the box on the left. (There are two lines close together. It is the line on the left.)

5. John 4:4-42
 - A. Jesus needed physical water; He offered living, spiritual water
 - B. She was married 5 times and was living with a man who wasn't her husband.
 - C. Even though Jesus knew she had sinned, He didn't condemn her. She pointed to this as evidence that Jesus may be the Messiah.
 - D. The Savior of the world.

6. The Holy Spirit
7. Thought questions
8. What questions did the rich young ruler ask Jesus?
 - V. 16 – What good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?
 - V. 20 – What do I still lack?
9. Thought question (Options: peace, security, love, joy, hope)
10. Ruler (in the synagogue or in the Sanhedrin)
11. Sell what he had, give to the poor, and follow me.
12. Blameless
13. What are the two different ways of relating to the law?
 - A. Newness of the Spirit;
 - B. Oldness of the letter
14. The 10th commandment - You shall not covet.

15. Romans 7:8-12
 - A. Paul was alive without the law;
 - B. When the commandment came sin revived and he died.
16. Romans 7:13-23
 - A. The law of sin;
 - B. Paul did what he hated; what he didn't want to do; what was evil
 - C. Nothing good dwelt in him; The law of sin within him did the evil.
 - D. Wretched man
17. How does Paul summarize his internal conflict? Romans 7:25
 - A. The law of God
 - B. The law of sin.
18. There is no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus.
19. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus.
20. Condemned sin in the flesh
21. The righteous requirement of the law is fulfilled in them.
22. We bear much fruit and bring glory to God.

A. Living By Faith Or Believing A Lie

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1. Faith
2. Faith is the substance of things hoped for; the evidence of things not seen.
3. The creation of life reveals that God exists.
4. Hebrews 11:5,6
 - A. Without a clear understanding of God we won't want to come to God
 - B. God rewards the ones who diligently seek Him
5. What do we receive when we seek God?
 - A. We find God when we seek Him with all our hearts.
 - B. God wants to live in us and make our lives His home.
 - C. The Holy Spirit will be given to all who ask for Him to come.

6. Hebrew 11:13-16

- A. Strangers and pilgrims on earth; The world of sin was not their home
- B. They desire a homeland that is better – a heavenly home
- C. God is not ashamed to be called their God

7. Belief and Action

Heb 11	People	Belief	Choices/Action
4	Abel Gen. 3:21-4:6	He needed a Savior from sin. He trusted in God's plan to come into the world to save the human race.	Abel sacrificed a sheep that represented the Savior who would die for the sin of the world.
7	Noah Genesis 6-9	God would destroy the world with a flood.	Built an ark as God instructed.
8-10	Abraham Gen. 12:1-4	God called him to leave home to go to an unknown place. He would be the father of a great nation. In him all the nations of the earth would be blessed.	Abraham left his home, not knowing where he was going.
17-19	Abraham Gen. 22; 17:19; 21:12	God asked him to offer Isaac as a sacrifice. He believed God would raise him up for God had said earlier that through Isaac he would be the father of a great nation.	Offered Isaac on the altar. When he made a commitment to sacrifice him, God stopped him and provided a ram.
24-29	Moses Exodus 2:1-22; Acts 7:20-36	Believed God's plan to free Israel from slavery to Egypt.	Refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; chose to suffer with the people of God and lead Israel out of Egypt.

8. A. No

B. No

9. Rebellion

10. Those who suppress the truth

11. Think of God as selfish like themselves or even worse, someone who acts like an animal, out of instincts and passions, rather than out of reason.
12. The creature, rather than the Creator
13. Retain God in their minds
14. How is the wrath of God revealed?
 - A. Gave them up
 - B. Gave them up
 - C. Gave, debased, fitting
15. They will practice and approve of evil; call evil good and good evil
16. 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 compared with 2 Timothy 4:3,4
 - A. Those who perish will refuse to receive a love of the truth
 - B. Believe a lie
 - C. They have pleasure in unrighteousness
17. How do people overcome Satan's lies?
 - A. The blood of the Lamb
 - B. The word of their testimony
 - C. They love not their lives to the death

13 Increase Our Faith . . . Thank You For The Trials

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1. Jesus said to forgive a person repeatedly if they repent repeatedly.
2. Faith the size of a mustard seed can move a mulberry tree. In other words the size of your faith is not as important as who your faith is in.
3. A. Personal Response
 - B. God promises that when we give to others, He will continue to give to us so that we may have more to give and also have what we need.
4. Matthew 17:14-21
 - A. Heal the boy that was an epileptic.
 - B. Faithless; perverse
 - C. Unbelief; prayer; fasting
 - D. A mountain

5. Jesus took 3 disciples up a mountain where He was transfigured and met with Elijah and Moses. The other disciples stayed behind.
6. 1 Peter 1:6-9
 - A. Grief
 - B. Faith that is genuine
 - C. By fire
 - D. By fiery trials
 - E. Rejoice with joy inexpressible
7. 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
 - A. To keep him humbly relying upon God
 - B. My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.
 - C. He took pleasure in his infirmities knowing they would help him rely upon God, rather than in his own strength.
8. 1 Corinthians 10:13
 - A. The temptations we face are similar to what others have faced.
 - B. God will not allow us to be tempted beyond what we are able.
 - C. God will provide a way of escape that we may be able to bear it.
9. 2 Corinthians 1:8-10
 - A. He felt the trial was beyond what he was able to handle.
 - B. The only escape plan he could see was the resurrection.
10. James 1:2-4
 - A. Count it joy (Choose to rejoice)
 - B. Patience (as we learn to trust God, waiting upon His plan of escape).
 - C. They will grow into maturity, becoming perfect and complete in loving.
11. James 1:5-8
 - A. Wisdom
 - B. When we have failed, it is easy to think we don't deserve help from God. We are assured of help when we honestly seek Him.
 - C. A wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind; double-minded; unstable in all our ways

12. Philippians 4:6,7
 - A. Make our requests known to God
 - B. Thanking God expresses our confidence that God has heard and will answer in the time and way that He sees is best.
 - C. Inner peace that cannot be explained.
13. When the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?
14. Those who keep the commandments of God and have the faith of Jesus.
15. What is the key to overcoming trials and temptations?
 - A. Victory, overcome, faith
 - B. Fight, faith

14 Born Again: Spiritually Alive

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1. Ruler of the Jews; teacher of Israel
2. At night
3. We must be born again or more accurately, born from above.
4. Believe in Jesus and receive Him as our Savior and Lord
5. Physical birth
6. In John 3:5-8, how did Jesus clarify his message to Nicodemus?
 - A. Being born of water
 - B. Flesh; Spirit
7. Those who are sick; those who are sinners
8. Bear fruits worthy of repentance; or consistent with repentance
9. How can these things be?
10. As the serpent was lifted up on a pole, so the Son of Man must be lifted up.
11. When we are born of the Spirit, God gives us a new heart.
12. The right to be called children of God.
13.
 - A. Life; abundantly
 - B. No blanks
 - C. Do not worry
 - D. Hundredfold;

14. What may be the result of following Jesus?
 - A. Kill the body
 - B. Sword
 - C. Enemies; household
15. What cost is involved in following Jesus?
 - A. Hate; own life; cannot; disciple
 - B. Bear; cross; cannot; disciple
 - C. Forsake all; cannot; disciple
16. Deny himself; save; life; lose; gains
17. Do not repay evil with evil; do good to others; live at peace with others as far as is possible; let God be the judge and bring justice;
18. They wanted the earthly benefits Jesus could give.
19. Many turned their back on Jesus and walked with Him no more.
20. John 16:8-11 – The Holy Spirit convicts of:
 - A. Sin, because they don't believe in Jesus
 - B. Righteousness, because Jesus goes to the Father and we don't see Him anymore.
 - C. Judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.
21. What will the Holy Spirit do for us when we are born again?
 - A. Abide with us forever; living in us
 - B. Teach us and help us remember the truth Jesus taught.
 - C. Lead us into all truth; tell us things to come; glorify Jesus.
22. The Holy Spirit
23. The things of God – His truth, perspective, and promises.
24. The Holy Spirit
25. Personal thoughts
26. Personal thoughts

1. It is a symbol of repentance
2. To fulfill all righteousness
3. Wisdom
4. The will of His Father in heaven
5. What did the Holy Spirit do for Jesus at His baptism?
 - A. Descended upon Him in the form of a Dove.
 - B. Anointed Him for ministry
6. You are My Beloved Son; in You I am well pleased
7. What is the meaning of the symbol of baptism in Romans 6:2-5?
 - A. Death
 - B. Burial
 - C. Resurrection
8. The old man that represents the human race
9. We have been freed or justified from sin
10. Matthew 28:18-20
 - A. All authority in heaven and on earth
 - B. What did Jesus command His followers to do?
 - a. Go and make disciples of all nations
 - b. Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
 - c. Teaching them to observe all that He has commanded us
11. I will be with you always, even unto the end of the world
12. God will make His home with us; we will be one with Him
13. Jesus is like a husband to His church and the Head of the body.
14. How do people become united to the church, the body of Christ?
 - A. The Holy Spirit baptizes us into the body
 - B. Through baptism we communicate to others our decision to surrender our lives to Jesus and join with others in building up the body of Christ.
15. Each member is important and respected. As they work together and speak the truth in love, the whole body is able to grow into maturity.

16. Loving our brother freely – our brother is any fellow human being.
17. Loving fellow church members is evidence we are Jesus' disciples.
18. We encourage one another to continue to trust God and love others.
19. Personal response

16 Growing Into Maturity

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1. Carnal; babes in Christ
2. Sanctified in Christ; called saints
3. There was envy, strife, and divisions among them.
4. Paul wrote that he and Apollos were both working for Jesus. They were given different assignments, but working for same goal.
5. Jesus is the foundation we are to build upon.
6. 1 Corinthians 3:12,13
 - A. Gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw
 - B. Fire will test each one's work.
7. Questions related to 1 Corinthians 3:14,15
 - A. The one who's work endures will receive a reward
 - B. The one who's work is burned up will suffer loss.
 - C. He can still be saved, but will be tested by the fire himself.
 - D. Thought question. See note for author's answer.
8. God will destroy us; We will destroy ourselves.
9. Dangers Jesus warns against that could lead us away from Jesus:
 - A. Tribulation – Trouble of all kinds in a world of sin
 - B. Persecution – As a result of being a Christian
 - C. Cares of this world
 - D. The deceitfulness of riches (the love of money)
10. Milk
11. What kind of "food" were they to A.) lay aside; B.) eat
 - A. Malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking,
 - B. Pure milk of the word

12. What the scribes and Pharisees neglected and were like:
 - A. The weightier matters of the law: justice, mercy and faith or faithfulness.
 - B. Blind guides; hypocrites; full of extortion and self-indulgence
13. What are babies unskilled in and the mature able to discern?
 - A. The word of righteousness
 - B. Able to discern both good and evil
14. To deny or say no to ungodliness and worldly lusts and live soberly, righteously, and godly.
15. Comparing the Christian life to running a race in Heb. 12:1-3:
 - A. Any weight, even good things, and sin or temptations to sin
 - B. With endurance
 - C. Keeping our eyes on Jesus, the One who makes life worth living
 - D. The joy set before Him enabled Him to endure the cross
16. Matthew 11:28-20
 - A. All who labor and are heavy laden
 - B. Rest; rest for their souls
 - C. Two things He invites us to do:
 - a. Take His yoke
 - b. learn from Him
 - D. Gentle and lowly in heart
 - E. His yoke is easy

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1. When God made clothes from “skin,” an animal had to die.
2. An offering of fruit from the ground.
3. An offering from his flock of sheep.
4. Abel’s offering was accepted, but Cain’s was not. Then God appealed to Cain to not continue in the path he was heading.
5. The Passover
6. God delivering the Israelites out of Egypt and passing over the houses that had the blood of the lamb on the doorposts.

7. By celebrating the Passover, children would ask why this is being done. Parents would then be able to explain how God delivered them.
8. They were to be a kingdom of priests to lead others to know God.
9. In the kingdom of God, true greatness is being a servant to others.
10. The disciples were still arguing over who would be the greatest.
11. Jesus washed all of the disciple's feet.
12. We should wash one another's feet.
13. The Passover Lamb
14. Living with sincerity and truth.
15. A. Body; B. blood
16. Until Jesus returns
17. We are to prayerfully examine ourselves to see if we need to confess and repent of any sin or whether we need to forgive anyone. If the answer is yes, choose to do so.
18. We are guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.
19. What promises are included in the new covenant?
A. Law; hearts; B. God; people; C. Teach; D. Merciful; remember
20. Personal responses
21. The same gospel that is preached in the New Testament
22. God's promises to Israel
A. Priests; holy; B. Your; C. sins; D. love
23. How did Israel respond to God's covenant and promises?
A. We will do; B. They broke; C. Promises; faultless; fault with them
24. What was the result of not trusting God?
A. Unbelief; B. Deceitfulness; C. Hearts; D. Rebelled; E. Obey; F. Unbelief
25. Their lives can be an example to us. Since we have the same nature and tendencies, we can learn the lesson that we need to trust God and not ourselves.
26. God will not allow us to be tempted beyond what we are able. He will make a way of escape so we may be able to bear it.
27. God wants us to experience unity with God and with each other.