

Dear Young Believers,

Congratulations on mastering and studying the words of Scripture. Words have power, especially the words that you have been memorizing for competition. While all words have power, the words that you have committed to memory are the “Words of God.” According to Scripture, it was words that He used to create the heavens and the earth as He spoke the world into existence by the power of His words (see Hebrews 11:3). The Bible tells us that even the power of life and death are found within the small confines of the tongue that utters these words (see Proverbs 18:21). Words can lift you up or drag you down. They can take root in the fertile ground of your soul. Jesus even said, “The words that I speak to you are spirit and . . . life” (John 6:63-64 NKJV). That's a lot of power residing in your mouth!

However, Research proves you are what you believe. Do you believe that? Did you know that what you believe determines how you live? This may seem like a nice competition to see who has the power to harness memory. But, let me assure you that something much more powerful is going on down deep in your Spirit. Your future is living in your mouth! Therefore, I want to take a moment and encourage you to do three simple things with all this effort:

1. Know what you believe about your words! Over 25,000 archaeological sites have confirmed the words that you have memorized! These are the words of historical facts.
2. Show what you believe about your words! Faith without works is dead. What good does it do to remember the scripture about a Good Samaritan and then fail to give help to someone in need?

3. Hold on to what you believe about these words! Jesus said in John 14:23, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word” (NKJV). Paul tells the church of Philippi, “Hold firmly to the word of life” (Philippians 2:16 NIV).

Words have creative power because Jesus Christ is the Word (see John 1:1). Paul again in Colossians 1:16 reminds us that, “[The Son] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible ... all things were created through Him and for Him” (NKJV). So those little words that you have spent so much time memorizing are actually so powerful that nothing was formed without their influence! This means that the Word of God created even the smallest cell or atom.

Congratulations on your discipline to study and put to memory such powerful words. I pray that they are brought back to your memory as you compete. However, never quote them without realizing that they are rooted in historical facts and carry the power to give your future life and life more abundantly!

Good Luck!

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BIBLE FACTS:

1. Quote the Great Commission as recorded by Matthew.

ANSWER: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen."

(Matthew 28:19, 20 NKJV)

2. Quote the Great Commission as recorded by Mark.

ANSWER: "And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15 NKJV)

3. Quote the Great Commission as recorded by Luke.

ANSWER: "...and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." (Luke 24:47 NKJV)

4. Quote the Great Commission as recorded by John in his gospel.

ANSWER: "So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." (John 20:21 NKJV)

5. Quote the Great Commission as given in the Book of Acts.

ANSWER: "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8 NKJV)

6. Quote Luke 19:10, which identifies Christ's mission to the earth.

ANSWER: "...for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10 NKJV)

7. Where in the Book of Acts is a specific example of a church commissioning missionaries?

ANSWER: ACTS 13

8. What material did God use to make man?

ANSWER: "...the dust of the ground," (Genesis 2:7 NKJV)

9. What happened when God breathed into Adam's nostrils?

ANSWER: He "...became a living being." (Genesis 2:7 NKJV)

10. How was man's creation different from that of the beast?

ANSWER: Man was created in God's image. (Genesis 1:26)

11. What are the three parts of man as a trinity?

ANSWER: Body, Soul, and Spirit

12. What part of the trinity of man is the source of life?

ANSWER: The Spirit

13. What part of the trinity of man is the intelligent principle directing the body?

ANSWER: The Soul

14. What part of the trinity of man houses the soul and spirit?

ANSWER: The Body

15. What person in the Book of Acts was referred to as an evangelist?

ANSWER: "Philip" (Acts 21:8)

16. Give a scripture reference which shows that teaching is a part of the Great Commission.

ANSWER: Matthew 28:19, 20

17. Where in the New Testament would you find the most extended passage on giving money?

ANSWER: 2 Corinthians 8 and 9

18. State Paul's missionary burden as given in 1 Corinthians 9:16.

ANSWER: "...woe is me if I do not preach the gospel!" (1 Corinthians 9:16 NKJV)

19. The Ten Commandments are also known as what?

ANSWER: The Decalogue

20. Give two scriptures in the Hebrew Bible that list the Ten Commandments.

ANSWER: Exodus 20:1–17; Deuteronomy 5:4–21

21. Both Old Testament scriptures listing The Ten Commandments state that they were written by God on what?

ANSWER: On two stone tablets

22. Quote Matthew 19:18-19 where Jesus repeated five of the Ten Commandments.

ANSWER: "He said to Him, "Which ones?" Jesus said, " 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Matthew 19:18, 19 NKJV)

23. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the first commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall have no other gods before Me."(Exodus 20:3 NKJV)

24. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the second commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not make for yourself a carved image," (Exodus 20:4 NKJV)

25. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the third commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain," (Exodus 20:7 NKJV)

26. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the fourth commandment?

ANSWER: "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." (Exodus 20:8 NKJV)

27. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the fifth commandment?

ANSWER: "Honor your father and your mother," (Exodus 20:12 NKJV)

28. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the sixth commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not murder." (Exodus 20:13 NKJV)

29. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the seventh commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not commit adultery." (Exodus 20:14 NKJV)

30. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the eighth commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not steal." (Exodus 20:15 NKJV)

31. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the ninth commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." (Exodus 20:16 NKJV)

32. The Ten Commandments, given to Moses are very important, what is the tenth commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall not covet." (Exodus 20:17 NKJV)

33. What are the three points of the Gospel found in I Corinthians 15:1-6?

ANSWER:

A. Christ died for our sins.

B. He was buried.

C. He rose again on the third day.

34. What are the three points of the Great Commission found in Matthew 28:19-20?

ANSWER:

A. Evangelism

B. Baptism

C. Discipleship

35. Quote John 3:16.

ANSWER: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16 NKJV)

36. Quote John 1:1.

ANSWER: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1 NKJV)

37. Quote I John 1:9.

ANSWER: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:9 NKJV)

38. Quote Romans 3:10.

ANSWER: "As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one;" (Romans 3:10 NKJV)

39. Quote Romans 3:23.

ANSWER: "...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (Romans 3:23 NKJV)

40. Quote Romans 6:23.

ANSWER: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23 NKJV)

41. Dogs are mentioned 41 times in the Bible, what other popular house pet is never mentioned?

ANSWER: Cats are never mentioned.

42. Who was the first Christian martyr recorded in New Testament scripture?

ANSWER: Stephen (Acts 6:7-8:2)

43. Who was the first apostle martyred in New Testament scripture?

ANSWER: James (Acts 12:1-2)

44. Jesus is mentioned by far the most times in the Bible. What noted figure comes in second?

ANSWER: David is mentioned 1139 times in the Bible, second only to Jesus.

45. List the three angels mentioned by name in the Bible.

ANSWER: Gabriel, Michael, and Lucifer.

46. Which verse is quoted or referred to more in the New Testament than any other Old Testament verse?

ANSWER: Psalm 110:1

47. Quote Psalms 110:1.

ANSWER: "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." (Psalms 110:1 NKJV)

48. What two brothers of Jesus wrote books in the Bible?

ANSWER: James and Jude

49. List three warriors in the Bible who killed lions?

ANSWER:

Samson (Judges 14:5-9)

David (1 Samuel 17:34-36)

Benaiah (2 Samuel 23:20, 1 Chronicles 11:22)

50. What is the longest Verse in the Bible, and how many words does it contain?

ANSWER: Esther 8:9 containing 81 words

51. Quote Revelation 14:6.

ANSWER: "Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth— to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—"

(Revelation 14:6 NKJV)

52. List the members of the missionary team who went to Thessalonica in response to God's leading?

ANSWER: Paul, Silas, Timothy and Luke

53. After His resurrection, how many days did Jesus stay with His disciples before He ascended to Heaven?

ANSWER: For 40 days

54. Quote the instructions the resurrected Jesus gave His disciples in Acts 1:4.

ANSWER: "And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me;" (Acts 1:4 NKJV)

55. Jesus' words were fulfilled on the day of Pentecost when the disciples were filled with the Holy Ghost, and _____ preached his first sermon.

ANSWER: Peter preached his first sermon

56. How many people were converted on the Day of Pentecost?

ANSWER: "...about three thousand souls were added" (Acts 2:41 NKJV)

57. Jesus delivered what great church growth ideal in John 12:32?

ANSWER: "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." (John 12:32 NKJV)

58. The message of Good News is described as a narrative in the four gospels. Name the four gospels.

ANSWER: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

59. In Hebrew, the word "Torah" means_____.

ANSWER: "teaching", "doctrine", or "instruction"

60. What books in the Old Testament comprise the Torah?

ANSWER: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy

61. Although Moses was the primary writer of the books of the Torah, the last eight verses in Deuteronomy, which described his death and burial, were written by _____.

ANSWER: Joshua

62. Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy are collectively called by what distinctive titles?

ANSWER: The 'Pentateuch' in Greek, and the 'Torah' in Hebrew.

63. List the names of six of the twelve apostles as stated in Matthew 10:2-4.

ANSWER:

Simon, who is called Peter

Andrew his brother

James the son of Zebedee

John his brother

Philip

Bartholomew

Thomas

Matthew, the tax collector

James, the son of Alphaeus

Thaddaeus

Simon, the Canaanite

Judas Iscariot

(Matthew 10:2-4 NKJV)

64. According to Luke 24:10; who were the women who came to Jesus' tomb early Sunday morning?

ANSWER: It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them. (Luke 24:10 NKJV)

65. List four of the six Biblical events that happened on Sunday, or 'the first day of the week.'

ANSWER:

A. Jesus was resurrected (John 20:1)

B. Jesus appeared to the disciples (John 20:19)

C. A week later Jesus appears to His disciples (John 20:26)

D. Pentecost (The outpouring of God's Holy Spirit) (Acts 2:1)

E. The Church's first public sermon delivered by Peter (Acts 2:14-15)

F. The first baptisms performed by the early Christian church (Acts 2:41)

66. How many books are in the Bible?

ANSWER: The Bible contains 66 books, divided among the Old and New Testaments.

67. How many books are in the Old Testament?

ANSWER: There are 39 books in the Old Testament.

68. How many books are in the New Testament?

ANSWER: There are 27 books in the New Testament.

69. What does the word "Testament" mean?

ANSWER: Covenant

70. Which single author contributed the most books to the Old Testament, and what group of books did he write?

ANSWER: Moses. He wrote the first five books of the Bible, referred to as the Pentateuch; the foundation of the Bible.

71. What is the 'youngest' book in the Old Testament?

ANSWER: The book of Malachi, written about 400 B.C.

72. What is the 'youngest' book in the New Testament?

ANSWER: The Book of Revelation is the youngest book of the New Testament, written about 95 A.D.

73. Name the different languages in which the Bible was originally written?

ANSWER: The Bible was written in three languages: Hebrew, Aramaic, and Koine Greek.

74. In what year, and by whom, was the first English translation of the Bible made?

ANSWER: 1382 A.D., by John Wycliffe.

75. What is the longest book in the Bible?

ANSWER: Jeremiah (with 33,002 words)

76. What is the shortest book in the Bible?

ANSWER: 3rd John (with 219 words)

77. What is the longest chapter in the Bible?

ANSWER: Psalm 119

78. What is the shortest chapter in the Bible?

ANSWER: Psalm 117

79. Who was the oldest man that ever lived, and how long did he live?

ANSWER: Methuselah who lived to be 969 years old (Genesis 5:27).

80. Who were the two men in the Bible who never died, and how were they caught up into heaven?

ANSWER:

A. Enoch, who walked with God and was no more. (Genesis 5:22-24)

B. Elijah, who was caught up by a whirlwind into heaven

(II Kings 2:11)

81. What is the Greatest Commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." (Matthew 22:37 NKJV)

82. What is the second Greatest Commandment?

ANSWER: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:39 NKJV)

83. What is the Golden Rule?

ANSWER: "Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them," (Matthew 7:12 NKJV)

84. What was the test of a prophet, to know that he was truly from God?

ANSWER: He had to be 100% accurate in his prophecies. (Deuteronomy 18:20-22)

85. To whom did God give the 10 Commandments?

ANSWER: Moses (Exodus 20)

86. What is the root of all kinds of evil?

ANSWER: The love of money (1 Timothy 6:10)

87. What is the beginning of wisdom?

ANSWER: The fear of the Lord (Psalm 111:10)

88. Who delivered the Sermon on the Mount?

ANSWER: The Lord Jesus (Matthew 5-7)

89. Who was the Roman Governor who sentenced Christ to death?

ANSWER: Pontius Pilate (Matthew 27:26)

90. Who are the Major Prophets?

ANSWER: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel.

91. What people group is the Old Testament about?

ANSWER: The Hebrews, who became the nation of Israel.

92. What happened while the Lord Jesus was in the desert for 40 days?

ANSWER: He was tempted by the devil.

(Matthew 4:1, Hebrews 4:15)

93. Name the people who were saved on the ark?

ANSWER: Noah and his wife, his three sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and their wives. (Genesis 7:13, 1 Peter 2:5)

94. Who was the first murderer, as recorded in Genesis?

ANSWER: Cain (Genesis 4:8)

95. What Old Testament person suffered the loss of his children and all his material possessions, yet trusted God through it all?

ANSWER: Job (See book of Job)

96. Who was Israel's most well-known and well-loved king?

ANSWER: David (1 Chronicles 29:28)

97. Who is known as "the weeping prophet?"

ANSWER: Jeremiah

98. Who was thrown into the lion's den?

ANSWER: Daniel (Daniel 6)

99. Who were the two people in the most famous fight with a stone and a sling?

ANSWER: David and Goliath (1 Samuel 17)

100. What is the setting for the book of Acts?

ANSWER: The early years of the church, as the gospel begins to spread throughout the world.

101. In Luke's account of the Sermon on the Mount to whom does Jesus say "God is kind"?

ANSWER: The unthankful and the evil (Luke 6:35)

102. What are epistles?

ANSWER: Letters

103. On what occasion was the Holy Spirit given to the church?

ANSWER: Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4)

104. Whom did God command to sacrifice his only son?

ANSWER: Abraham (Genesis 22:2)

105. What was the Old Testament feast that celebrated God's saving the firstborn of Israel the night they left Egypt?

ANSWER: Passover (Exodus 12:27)

106. Who was the Hebrew who became Prime Minister of Egypt?

ANSWER: Joseph (Genesis 41:41)

107. Who was the Hebrew woman who became Queen of Persia?

ANSWER: Esther (Esther 2:17)

108. Who was the pagan woman who became David's great-grandmother?

ANSWER: Ruth (Ruth 4:17)

109. Which angel appeared to Mary?

ANSWER: Gabriel (Luke 1:26)

110. Which two animals talked with human speech?

ANSWER: The serpent in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:3), and Balaam's donkey (Numbers 22:28).

111. Who was the female judge of Israel?

ANSWER: Deborah (Judges 4:4)

112. Who was the wisest man in the world?

ANSWER: Solomon (1 Kings 3:12)

113. Who was the most humble man on earth?

ANSWER: Moses (Numbers 12:3)

114. Who was the strongest man on earth?

ANSWER: Samson (Judges 13-16)

115. Where were the two nations of God's people taken into captivity?

ANSWER: Israel was taken into Assyria (2 Kings 17:23), and Judah into Babylon (2 Chronicles 36:20).

116. Which cupbearer to a foreign king rebuilt the wall of Jerusalem?

ANSWER: Nehemiah (Nehemiah 2:5)

117. For which Israelite commander did the sun stand still?

ANSWER: Joshua (Joshua 10)

118. Who was the first king of Israel?

ANSWER: Saul (1 Samuel 13:1)

119. Who built the temple in Israel?

ANSWER: Solomon (1 Kings 6)

120. Which of the twelve tribes of Israel served as priests?

ANSWER: Levites (Deuteronomy 10:8)

121. Which city fell after the Israelites marched around it daily for seven days?

ANSWER: Jericho (Joshua 6:20)

122. What did God give the Israelites to eat in the wilderness?

ANSWER: Manna and quail (Exodus 16)

123. Which two people walked on water?

ANSWER: Jesus and Peter (Matthew 14:29)

124. Who was the first martyr?

ANSWER: Stephen (Acts 7)

125. Who betrayed Jesus to the priests, and for how much?

ANSWER: Judas betrayed Him for 30 pieces of silver. (Matthew 26:14-15)

126. Which prophet and cousin of the Lord was beheaded?

ANSWER: John the Baptist (John 14:10)

127. To what country did the young Jesus and His parents escape when Herod was threatening His life?

ANSWER: Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15)

128. What was Christ's first miracle?

ANSWER: He turned water into wine at the wedding at Cana. (John 2:11)

129. Which one of the Lord's personal friends did He raise from the dead?

ANSWER: Lazarus (John 11)

130. Whom did an angel release from prison in Acts 12?

ANSWER: Peter (Acts 12)

131. How many sons did Jacob have, and why is it important?

ANSWER: Twelve. They were the ancestors of the twelve tribes of Israel. (Genesis 35:22-26)

132. List six of the twelve sons of Jacob.

ANSWER:

A. Reuben

B. Simeon

C. Levi

D. Judah

E. Dan

F. Naphtali

G. Gad

H. Asher

I. Issachar

J. Zebulun

K. Joseph

L. Benjamin

133. Who appeared with the Lord Jesus in glory on the Mount of Transfiguration?

ANSWER: Elijah and Moses (Mark 9:4)

CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS

134. The word “apologetics” is derived from the Greek word _____, which was originally a speech of defense or an answer given in reply.

ANSWER: Apologia

135. State two of Robert Reymond’s fourfold analysis of the task of Christian apologetics.

ANSWER:

A) Apologetics answer particular objections—obstacles like alleged contradictions between scriptural statements and misconceptions about Christianity.

B) It gives an account of the foundations of the Christian faith by delving into philosophical theology.

C) It challenges non-Christian systems.

D) Apologetics seek to persuade people of the truth of the Christian position.

REFERENCE CITATION: Robert L. Reymond, *The Justification of Knowledge: An Introductory Study in Christian Apologetic Methodology*, Phillipsburg, N.J.: Presbyterian & Reformed, 1976

136. What quote about the importance of Christianity is credited to C.S. Lewis?

ANSWER: "Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance, the only thing it cannot be is moderately important." - C.S. Lewis

137. There are three major arguments used to “prove” God’s existence. List these arguments.

ANSWER:

A. The creation argument

B. The design argument

C. The moral argument

138. In 1961, what finding offered remarkable archaeological testimony that a man named Pontius Pilate once governed Judea.

ANSWER: “The Pilate Inscription”

139. What proof shows that the house and kingdom of David really existed?

ANSWER: The Tel Dan Stele is a piece of stone found in northern Israel from the time of the Davidic reign with an inscription referring to the ‘House of David’.

140. What is the oldest fragment of the New Testament known to exist?

ANSWER: A first century fragment found of the Book of Mark.

REFERENCE CITATION: Daniel Wallace, Dallas Theological Seminary

141. What is the importance of the fragment found of the book of Mark?

ANSWER: This manuscript would have been written before the New Testament was completed.

REFERENCE CITATION: Daniel Wallace, Dallas Theological Seminary

142. What ancient people were once thought to be a Biblical legend until their capital and records were discovered in Bogazkoy, Turkey?

ANSWER: The Hittites

REFERENCE CITATION: The Hittites: The Story of a Forgotten Empire By Archibald Henry Sayce Queen's College, Oxford

143. What great discovery proved Belshazzar King of Babylon, existed in exactly the way the Bible depicted in Daniel 5?

ANSWER: The Nabonidus cylinder shows that Belshazzar was Nabonidus' son who served in Babylon.

REFERENCE CITATION: The translation of the Nabonidus Cylinder was made by Paul-Alain Beaulieu, 1989

144. The Ebla tablets are a collection of artifacts that prove many early Biblical facts are true. How many were found and in what city?

ANSWER: 1800 complete clay tablets, 4700 fragments in the ancient city of Ebla, Syria.

REFERENCE CITATION: The Biblical Archaeologist (1980:76-87); Palace G in the excavation reports.

145. The discovery of the Ebla archive in northern Syria in the 1970s has shown the Biblical writings concerning _____ are true?

ANSWER: The Patriarchs

REFERENCE CITATION: The Biblical Archaeologist (1980:76-87); Palace G in the excavation reports.

146. The discovery of the Ebla archive has shown a Biblical name was in fact accurate despite critics having once said it was not used during that time period. What is this name?

ANSWER: Canaan

147. The word "Tehom" translated "the deep" was part of the vocabulary at Ebla, found in the Ebla archive meaning this word was in use _____.

ANSWER: Some 800 years before Moses.

148. In Genesis 1:2 what word was said to be a late word demonstrating the late writing of the creation story?

ANSWER: The word tehom ("the deep")

149. What source outside the Bible describes the fall of Nineveh exactly as prophets Nahum and Zephaniah predicted?

ANSWER: The Tablet of Nabopolassar

150. List six sources other than the Bible that recorded the existence of Jesus Christ.

ANSWER: Josephus, Suetonius, Thallus, Pliny the Younger, the Talmud, and Lucian.

151. The Biblical record, unlike other 'scriptures' is _____, opening itself up for testing and verification.

ANSWER: historically set

152. The 19th-century critics used to deny the historical truth of what three people groups mentioned in the Bible?

ANSWER: The Hittites, the Horites, the Edomites.

153. The Bible states that the earth is round, approximately 1500 years before Pythagoras, whom history credits with being the first person to assert this fact. Cite the scripture and verse where this declaration is made.

ANSWER: Job 26:10

154. Quote Job 26:7 which expresses (in a poetic way) the fact that the earth is unsupported by any other object—something quite unnatural for the ancient writers to imagine.

ANSWER: "He stretches out the north over empty space; He hangs the earth on nothing." (Job 26:7 NKJV)

155. There is a verse that suggests that the universe has actually increased in size since its creation. God has stretched it out. He has expanded it and is perhaps still expanding it. Quote that verse.

ANSWER: "Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in." (Isaiah 40:22b NKJV)

156. What type of challenges do theories like the theory of evolution face?

ANSWER: We have never seen life evolve from non-life, nor have we ever seen a living organism evolve into another kind with greater specified complexity.

157. The word, "apologetics" comes from the Greek word, "apologia." It means "a verbal defense." How many times is "apologia" used in the New Testament?

ANSWER: "apologia" is used eight times in the New Testament. (Acts 22:1, 25:16, 1 Cor. 9:3, 2 Cor. 7:11, Phil. 1:7, 2 Tim. 4:16, and 1 Pet. 3:15)

158. Quote the statement Roman historian Tacitus made concerning Christ that offers historical evidence outside the Bible for the life of Jesus.

ANSWER: "Christus, from whom the name had its origin, suffered the extreme penalty during the reign of Tiberius at the hands of...Pontius Pilate."

REFERENCE CITATION: Tacitus, Annals 15.44, cited in Strobel, The Case for Christ, 82

159. Quote the statement that historian Edwin Yamauchi made concerning Tacitus's statement about Christ.

ANSWER: "Probably the most important reference to Jesus outside the New Testament."

REFERENCE CITATION: Edwin Yamauchi, quoted by Lee Strobel, The Case for Christ, Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1998

160. Quote the statement made by Pliny the Younger that offers historical evidence outside the Bible for the life of Jesus Christ.

ANSWER: "They were in the habit of meeting on a certain fixed day before it was light, when they sang in alternate verses a hymn to Christ, as to a God,"

REFERENCE CITATION: Pliny, Letters, transl. by William Melmoth, rev. by W.M.L. Hutchinson (Cambridge: Harvard Univ. Press, 1935), vol. II, X:96, cited in Habermas, The Historical Jesus, 199

161. According to New Testament scholar James Dunn, nearly all modern scholars consider what two facts to be historically certain.

ANSWER: The baptism of Jesus, and Jesus crucifixion.

REFERENCE CITATION: Jesus Remembered by James D. G. Dunn 2003

162. List five of the eight elements about Jesus and his followers that can be documented outside of scripture as historical facts.

ANSWER:

- A. Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist.
- B. He called disciples.
- C. He had a controversy at the Temple.
- D. Jesus was crucified by the Romans near Jerusalem.
- E. Jesus was a Galilean.
- F. His activities were confined to Galilee and Judea.
- G. After his death his disciples continued.
- H. Some of his disciples were persecuted.

REFERENCE CITATION: Prophet and Teacher: An Introduction to the Historical Jesus by William R. Herzog

163. Is there evidence that the existence of Jesus was ever denied in antiquity by those who opposed Christianity?

ANSWER: No pagans and Jews who opposed Christianity denied Jesus' historicity or even questioned it.

REFERENCE CITATION: Van Voorst, Robert E (2000). Jesus Outside the New Testament: An Introduction to the Ancient Evidence.

164. Daniel knew that Nebuchadnezzar was responsible for the splendor of Babylon, according to Daniel 4:30. When were modern historians able to confirm this fact?

ANSWER: This was unknown to modern historians until it was confirmed by the German professor Koldewey, who excavated Babylon approximately 100 years ago.

165. The Dead Sea Scrolls have provided copies or fragments of every Old Testament book except _____.

ANSWER: Esther

166. The Dead Sea Scrolls are dated _____ years earlier than all known copies of the Old Testament at that time.

ANSWER: About 1,000 years earlier

167. What simple details about Nineveh and the account of Jonah point to the Bible's historical accuracy?

ANSWER: The symbol of Nineveh was a pregnant woman with a fish in her womb.

168. Has archaeology ever disproved the accuracy of one sentence in the Scriptures?

ANSWER: No, Archaeology time and again agrees with the Bible.

169. Quote Luke 19:40.

ANSWER: "But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out." (Luke 19:40 NKJV)

170. What did Jesus say about the prophecy statements of the Old Testament?

ANSWER: "...these are they which testify of Me." (John 5:39 NKJV)

171. What Messianic prophecy in the Hebrew Scriptures precisely states that the Messiah will die by crucifixion?

ANSWER: Psalm 22:16

172. Quote Psalm 22:16, the prophecy of the way Jesus will die by crucifixion.

ANSWER: "For dogs have surrounded Me; The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet;" (Psalms 22:16 NKJV)

173. Quote John 20:31.

ANSWER: "...but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:31 NKJV)

174. Quote Matthew 26:56a.

ANSWER: "But all this was done that the Scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled." (Matthew 26:56 NKJV)

175. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by multiple voices over a period of 500 years, yet they were all fulfilled within what time period?

ANSWER: Within twenty-four hours on the day that He died for the sins of the world.

176. Quote the prophecy about Jesus recorded in Zechariah 11:12.

ANSWER: "Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver."

(Zechariah 13:7 NKJV)

177. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Zechariah 11:13 is fulfilled in Matthew. List both prophecy and fulfillment we find stated.

ANSWER:

- A) It was silver
- B) There were 30 pieces (Matt. 27:3)
- C) They were thrown down
- D) They were cast down in the House of the Lord
- E) The money was used to purchase the potter's field.

(Matthew 25:5-7)

178. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Psalm 55:12-14 says He will be betrayed by whom?

ANSWER: Jesus will be betrayed by a friend.

179. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Zechariah 13:7 declares what about the disciples?

ANSWER: That the disciples forsook Jesus

180. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Isaiah 50:6 says what striking statement?

ANSWER: "I gave My back to those who struck Me, And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting." (Isaiah 50:6 NKJV)

181. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Isaiah 53:7 says what about how Jesus carried himself surrounding the crucifixion?

ANSWER: "He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth." (Isaiah 53:7 NKJV)

182. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Isaiah 53:5 says what about how Jesus carried our sins?

ANSWER: "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5 NKJV)

183. There were many prophecies about Jesus stated by many different voices. Psalm 22:18 is a prophecy about how Jesus' clothing was disposed of. Quote the verse.

ANSWER: "They divide My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots." (Psalms 22:18 NKJV)

184. What statement prophesied in Psalm 22:1 and fulfilled in Matthew 27:46 was said on the cross?

ANSWER: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" (Matthew 27:46 NKJV)

185. List three examples of prophecies concerning the Messiah that could not have been purposefully fulfilled.

ANSWER:

A. The town of His birth (Micah 5:2)

B. The nature of His betrayal (Psalm 41:9)

C. The manner of His death (Zechariah 13:6 and Psalm 22:16)

186. How many Old Testament prophecies did Jesus fulfill?

ANSWER: He fulfilled 108.

187. There are approximately _____ prophecies that appear in the pages of the Bible?

ANSWER: 2,500 prophecies appear in the pages of the Bible.

188. There are hundreds of Biblical cities that have been verified in archaeological digs. In which of these cities did the walls fall?

ANSWER: Jericho (Joshua 6:20)

189. How many Archaeological sites confirm the historical accuracy of Scripture?

ANSWER: Over 24,000

REFERENCE CITATION: PJ Wiseman, Ancient Records and the Structure of Genesis, Nashville Tn: Thomas Nelso, 1985

190. How many artifacts confirm the people, culture, and places of Scripture have been uncovered in just Israel/Palestine?

ANSWER: Over 100,000.

REFERENCE CITATION: ISRAEL ANTIQUITY AUTHORITY:THE POPULAR HANDBOOK OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE BIBLE:

191. There are hundreds of Biblical cities that have been verified in archaeological digs. Name five.

ANSWER: Arad, Bethel, Capernaum, Chorazin, Dan, Ephesus, Gaza, Gezer, Hazor, Jericho, and Nineveh

192. Give three details found in Matthew 14:1-10 which were confirmed by the first century historian, Flavius Josephus.

ANSWER:

A. Herod Antipas

B. Herod's adulterous wife

C. The murder of John the Baptist

REFERENCE CITATION: Antiquities of the Jews, Josephus

193. Quote the statement by Josephus which verifies that John the Baptist was an actual person and that he was put to death by Herod.

ANSWER: "John, that was called the Baptist...was a good man, and commanded the Jews to exercise virtue...Herod, who feared the great influence John had over the people...sent a prisoner (John), to the castle I before mentioned, and was there put to death."

REFERENCE CITATION: Antiquities, 18:116-119

194. Josephus mentions more than a dozen individuals talked about in the Bible. Name three.

ANSWER: Herod the Great, Caiaphas, Pontius Pilate, James "the brother of Jesus," Felix, Festus, Jesus.

REFERENCE CITATION: Antiquities of the Jews

195. Name three outside sources which collaborate facts regarding Jesus' life, teachings, crucifixion, and resurrection.

ANSWER:

A. Cornelius Tacitus

B. Gaius Suetonius

C. The Jewish Talmud

REFERENCE CITATION: The Historical Jesus: Ancient Evidence for the Life of Christ by Gary R. Habermas

196. What is the archaeological evidence that proves 1st century Romans did crucify people in Israel with nails?

ANSWER: The only known remains of a crucifixion victim were found in 1968, at Giv'at ha-Mivtar, in Israel. A nail was driven through the heel bone, and remained in place since the nail bent and could not be removed for reuse by executioners.

197. How many Greek and Latin handwritten copies of the New Testament still exist?

ANSWER: 5,650 handwritten copies have survived in Greek, and over 10,000 in Latin.

198. The next ancient text, whose numbers rival that of the Bible, is what noted book and how many copies have survived?

ANSWER: Homer's Iliad, which is thought to have survived in 643 ancient copies.

REFERENCE CITATION: Komoszewski, J. Ed; Wallace, Daniel J. (2006). Reinventing Jesus: What the Da Vinci Code and Other Novel Speculations Don't Tell You. Grand Rapids, Mich: Kregel Publications.

199. Quote the statement made by F. E. Peters about the vast numbers of Biblical manuscripts that survived from ancient times.

ANSWER: "...on the basis of manuscript tradition alone, the works that make up the Christians' New Testament texts were the most frequently copied and widely circulated [surviving] books of antiquity".

200. Quote Ignatius' statement about the writings of the apostles.

ANSWER: "I will base my entire life on the accuracy of the Writings of the great apostles. I have seen ample material and witnesses to support the trustworthiness of the Scriptures."

201. The Creation Argument provides reasoning for God based on the existence of the universe. There are three parts to remember, what are they?

ANSWER:

A. The universe had a beginning.

B. Anything that had a beginning must have been caused by something else.

C. Therefore the universe was caused by something else, which we call God.

202. Give five facts that can be known about Jesus based on 1st century non-canonical writings.

ANSWER:

A. Jesus was predicted by the Old Testament as described in the New Testament

B. Jesus is divine as described in the New Testament

C. Jesus taught His disciples as described in the New Testament

D. Jesus worked miracles as described in the New Testament

E. Jesus was born of a virgin as described in the New Testament

F. Jesus lived, ministered, was crucified and died as described in the New Testament

G. Jesus rose from the dead and demonstrated His deity as described in the New Testament

REFERENCE CITATION: J. Warner Wallace, Cold-Case Christianity

203. Both liberal and conservative scholars in recent years have moved to the view that ALL of the New Testament gospels were written prior to what historic event?

ANSWER: The destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD.

REFERENCE CITATION: John A. T. Robinson, Redating the New Testament.
Kenneth Gentry, Before Jerusalem Fell

204. What historical record contains the first documentation of the name 'Israel'?

ANSWER: The Merneptah Stele

REFERENCE CITATION: Hasel 1998, p. 194

205. The context of the Merneptah Stele indicates that Israel was a significant power in what century?

ANSWER: The late 13th century B.C.

206. What is meant by “verbal inspiration?”

ANSWER: God-Breathed, man-written

(2 Timothy 3:16)

207. How many times is the phrase, “and God said,” or its equivalent, used in the Old Testament?

ANSWER: Over twenty-six hundred times (2600)

208. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Micah 5:2?

ANSWER: His birthplace (Micah 5:2)

209. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Isaiah 7:14?

ANSWER: His virgin birth (Isaiah 7:14)

210. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Hosea 11:1?

ANSWER: His Flight to Egypt (Hosea 11:1)

211. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Isaiah 9:1, 2?

ANSWER: The character of His ministry

(Isaiah 9:1, 2)

212. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Zechariah 9:9?

ANSWER: His triumphant entry into Jerusalem (Zechariah 9:9)

213. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Psalm 41:9?

ANSWER: His betrayal (Psalm 41:9)

214. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Psalm 27:12?

ANSWER: His trial (Psalm 27:12)

215. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Isaiah 53:9?

ANSWER: His death and burial (Isaiah 53:9)

216. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Psalm 16:10?

ANSWER: His resurrection (Psalm 16:10)

217. What prophecy concerning Christ is found in Psalm 68:18?

ANSWER: His ascension (Psalm 68:18)

THE LIFE OF PAUL:

218. What was Paul's name before he became a Christian?

ANSWER: Saul

219. The Apostle Paul was born in what city?

ANSWER: Tarsus

220. Paul was a citizen of what city?

ANSWER: Rome

221. Quote Acts 22:25.

ANSWER: "And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said to the centurion who stood by, "Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman, and uncondemned?"

(Acts 22:25 NKJV)

222. Paul was present for the stoning of what early disciple of Christ?

ANSWER: Stephen

223. What road was Paul traveling when Jesus appeared to him?

ANSWER: The road to Damascus

224. What happened to Paul after Jesus finished speaking to him on the road to Damascus?

ANSWER: Paul was made blind

225. Paul was sent to preach to the _____?

ANSWER: Gentiles

226. Who did the people at Lystra think Paul and Barnabas were?

ANSWER: "Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes"

(Acts 14:12 NKJV)

227. In what city did Paul speak on the Areopagus, or "Mars Hill"?

ANSWER: Athens

228. While on his voyage to Rome, Paul was shipwrecked on what island?

ANSWER: Malta

229. Quote Acts 22:3.

ANSWER: "I am indeed a Jew, born in Tarsus of Cilicia, but brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, taught according to the strictness of our fathers' law, and was zealous toward God as you all are today." (Acts 22:3 NKJV)

230. Paul was born and raised an Israelite from what tribe?

ANSWER: Benjamin (Phillippians 3:4-6)

231. By what trade did Paul support himself as he served in ministry?

ANSWER: Paul was a tentmaker.

232. In Paul's epistle to the Galatians, he describes his relationship to Judaism in what way?

ANSWER: "And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers."
(Galatians 1:14 NKJV)

233. Quote Philippians 3:5, which speaks of Paul's qualifications.

ANSWER: "...circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee;" (Philippians 3:5 NKJV)

234. Quote the scripture in the 23rd chapter of Acts that proves that Paul used his strict Pharisaical background, in what way?

ANSWER: "Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee; concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!" (Acts 23:6 NKJV)

235. Who was the Gamaliel under whom Paul trained?

ANSWER: A Jewish teacher of law, a leading authority in the Sanhedrin in the early 1st century.

236. Quote the scripture in the 23rd chapter of Acts that proves that Paul had a sister.

ANSWER: "So when Paul's sister's son heard of their ambush, he went and entered the barracks and told Paul." (Acts 23:16 NKJV)

237. According to Acts 26:10; Paul was a member of the _____.

ANSWER: The Jewish council.

238. According to the 22nd chapter of Acts, what was Paul's involvement in the persecution of early Christians?

ANSWER: "I persecuted this Way to the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women," (Acts 22:4 NKJV)

239. According to the 22nd chapter of Acts what was Paul's involvement in the persecution of Stephen?

ANSWER: "...I also was standing by consenting to his death, and guarding the clothes of those who were killing him." (Acts 22:20 NKJV)

240. According to the 22nd chapter of Acts what early church martyr did Paul see executed?

ANSWER: Stephen

241. What letters from Paul are known as the Prison Epistles?

ANSWER: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon.

242. What letters from Paul are known as the Pastoral Epistles?

ANSWER: 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, and Titus

243. List the eight 'known' authors of New Testament scripture?

ANSWER: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Peter, James, Jude, and Paul.

244. Luke is mentioned three times in the New Testament, each time by Paul. List the references.

ANSWER: Colossians 4:14; Philemon 24; II Timothy 4:11

245. According to 1 Corinthians 1:12, who were the religious leaders claimed by the Church at Corinth.

ANSWER: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, Christ

(1 Corinthians 1:12)

246. Quote 1 Corinthians 4:20.

ANSWER: "For the kingdom of God is not in word but in power." (I Corinthians 4:20 NKJV)

247. According to Galatians 6:11, Paul's writing had what characteristics?

ANSWER: "See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand!" (Galatians 6:11 NKJV)

248. Where did Paul say he received his inspiration directly from according to I Corinthians?

ANSWER: "For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread;"

(I Corinthians 11:23 NKJV)

249. What was Paul's view of himself?

ANSWER: "For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle,"

(I Corinthians 15:9 NKJV)

250. According to I Corinthians 15:9, what reason did Paul give for being "not worthy to be called an apostle,"?

ANSWER: "...because I persecuted the church of God."

(I Corinthians 15:9 NKJV)

251. What was the reaction of the church members in Galatia to Paul's health problems?

ANSWER: The Galatian Church "...did not despise or reject, but you received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus." (Galatians 4:14 NKJV)

252. What does the Bible say regarding Paul's oratory skills?

ANSWER: "For his letters," they say, "are weighty and powerful, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible." (II Corinthians 10:10 NKJV)

253. According to Acts 9:1-2; Saul had permission from the High Priest to persecute those found worshipping the Lord. Quote the request.

ANSWER: "Then Saul...went to the high priest and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

(Acts 9:1, 2 NKJV)

254. As a devout Jew, Saul sought to quiet the quickly growing movement of men and women who followed what religious leader?

ANSWER: Jesus Christ

255. In what city did Paul make his appeal to Caesar?

ANSWER: Caesarea (Acts 25:1-11)

256. How did Paul's ministry differ from that of the disciples?

ANSWER: Paul preached to non-Jews with the message that through Jesus God had made salvation available to the Gentiles.

257. List one of Paul's most important contributions to Christian theology?

ANSWER: Justification by faith

258. Paul believed that the gospel was a transforming fact. Quote the scripture in Corinthians that makes this claim.

ANSWER: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

(II Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)

259. Where did Paul plant several churches?

ANSWER: Asia Minor and Europe.

260. Paul took advantage of his status with what two important groups in order that he might minister to both Jewish and Roman audiences?

ANSWER: Paul was both a Jew and a Roman citizen.

261. Paul was struck blind, but after three days his sight was restored through _____.

ANSWER: Ananias of Damascus (Acts 9:17 NKJV)

262. Quote Acts 9:17.

ANSWER: "And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 9:17 NKJV)

263. What was Paul's reaction to receiving his eyesight?

ANSWER: "...he arose and was baptized." (Acts 9:18 NKJV)

264. Approximately how much of the book of Acts deals with Paul's life and works?

ANSWER: Over half of the book

265. In the book of Galatians Paul describes going to what city three years after his conversion?

ANSWER: Jerusalem

266. In 1 Corinthians the 15th chapter, Paul lists the order in which Jesus appeared to his disciples after His resurrection. What does he also reveal about himself?

ANSWER: "Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time."

(I Corinthians 15:8 NKJV)

267. In Jerusalem Paul met James, and stayed with Simon Peter for how long?

ANSWER: 15 days (Galatians 1:18)

268. What did Paul say was the result of his time in Jerusalem?

ANSWER: "And they glorified God in me." (Galatians 1:24 NKJV)

269. Paul asserted that he received the Gospel not from man, but directly from whom?

ANSWER: "...it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ." (Galatians 1:12 NKJV)

270. It was in what city that the followers of Jesus were first called 'Christians'?

ANSWER: Antioch (Acts 11:26)

271. Luke, the author of Acts, arranges Paul's travels into how many missionary journeys?

ANSWER: Three separate journeys.

272. As Paul's ministry team sailed to Perga in Pamphylia who leaves them and returns to Jerusalem?

ANSWER: John Mark

273. In Cyprus, Paul rebukes and blinds what man for criticizing his teachings?

ANSWER: Elymas the magician (Acts 13:8-12)

274. At the end of his first missionary journey, Paul stayed in what city for a long time?

ANSWER: Antioch (Acts 14:28 NKJV)

275. Despite the agreement achieved at the Council of Jerusalem, Paul recounts how he later publicly confronted which disciple in a dispute sometimes called the "Incident at Antioch"?

ANSWER: Peter

276. Why was Peter reluctant to share a meal with Gentile Christians in Antioch?

ANSWER: They did not strictly adhere to Jewish customs.

(Galatians 2:12)

277. How did Paul say he handled the disagreement with Peter?

ANSWER: "...when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed;" (Galatians 2:11 NKJV)

278. During one of their missionary journeys Paul and Barnabas decided to separate. What was the dispute concerning?

ANSWER: John Mark

279. After Paul and Barnabas separated, Barnabas took John Mark with him, while Paul was joined by whom?

ANSWER: Silas

280. Paul and Silas initially visited what three cities?

ANSWER: Tarsus (Paul's birthplace), Derbe and Lystra.

281. In Lystra, Paul and Silas met Timothy. How was Timothy spoken of by the brethren according to Acts 16:2?

ANSWER: "He was well spoken of by the brethren who were at Lystra and Iconium." (Acts 16:2 NKJV)

282. In Philippi, Paul cast a spirit of divination out of a servant girl. How did her owners react to this miracle?

ANSWER: They were then unhappy about the loss of income her soothsaying provided (Acts 16:16–24).

283. Quote Philippians 4:6.

ANSWER: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;"

(Philippians 4:6 NKJV)

284. What miraculous act caused Paul and Silas both to become freed from prison?

ANSWER: An earthquake

285. What Corinthian couple became faithful believers, and helped Paul throughout his missionary journeys?

ANSWER: Priscilla and Aquila (Acts 18:2)

286. E. P. Sanders concludes that Paul's writings reveal what he calls the 'essence of the Christian message.' List what Paul's writings reveal.

ANSWER:

- A. God sent his Son.
- B. The Son was crucified for the sins of humanity.
- C. After being dead three days, the Son was raised from the dead, defeating death.
- D. The Son would soon return.
- E. Those in Christ will live with him forever.
- F. Followers are urged to live by a set apart (sanctified) standard.

REFERENCE CITATION: Sanders, E. P. "Saint Paul, the Apostle"

287. According to the book of Acts, what were the places Paul visited on his final missionary journey?

ANSWER: Crete, Malta, Rhegium, Rome (Acts 27, 28)

288. State Paul's 'missionary burden' as given in 1 Corinthians 9:16.

ANSWER: "For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for necessity is laid upon me; yes, woe is me if I do not preach the gospel!"

(I Corinthians 9:16 NKJV)

289. On Paul's journey to Rome, at what locations did he meet brethren whom he thanked God for?

ANSWER: Appii Forum and Three Inns.

(Acts 28:15)

290. In the Bible there are ten places where people were raised from the dead. In Acts 20:9-12 who is raised from the dead in Paul's ministry?

ANSWER: Eutychus (Acts 20:9-12)

291. Which two New Testament books were written by a doctor who was a great friend of the Apostle Paul?

ANSWER: Luke and Acts. (2 Timothy 4:11)

292. The reference in Acts to Proconsul Gallio helps ascertain the date Paul was in Corinth. How long was he there?

ANSWER: Paul spent 18 months in Corinth.

293. Quote Ephesians 2:8.

ANSWER: "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God," (Ephesians 2:8 NKJV)

294. In the 16th chapter of Romans, Paul praises two women for their work as a deaconess and as being respected "among The Apostles." Who are these ladies?

ANSWER: Junia and Phoebe (Romans 16:1-7 NKJV)

295. Paul's writings include the earliest reference to the "Lord's Supper", in the newly birthed church. Name the book, chapter, and verse.

ANSWER: 1 Corinthians 10:14-17

296. What two sources provide us with our knowledge of Paul?

ANSWER: The book of Acts; Paul's own letters.

297. Paul's life was an interesting paradox. Give an example.

ANSWER: Paul was a man who worked with his hands but wrote with the grace of a Greek philosopher; a Jewish zealot who nevertheless enjoyed the rights of citizenship in the world's greatest empire.

298. The earliest followers of Jesus were devout Jews who continued to offer sacrifice at the Temple and to observe the whole Jewish Law. Would they have been "Christians" as we understand the term?

ANSWER: No. Essentially, they were a small sect within Judaism.

299. What is Biblical "doctrine?"

ANSWER: "Doctrine is truth revealed from Scripture regarding God, His ways, and His purposes."

300. Define Eschatology.

ANSWER: "The doctrine of last things, including the return of Christ and the ultimate destiny of individuals."

301. Define Theology.

ANSWER: "The study of God and His attributes, including His triune nature."

302. Define Christology.

ANSWER: "The doctrine of Christ, including His divine and human natures, as well as His work on the cross on behalf of humanity."

303. What does Paul mean by "sound doctrine" in Titus 2:1-5?

ANSWER: That "sound doctrine" must be in harmony with the rest of Scripture.

304. Quote the scripture where Paul warned Timothy that people would not endure sound doctrine.

ANSWER: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;"

(II Timothy 4:3 NKJV)

305. What roles did Paul say that he, Apollos, and God had in the salvation of the Corinthians?

ANSWER: "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase."

(I Corinthians 3:6 NKJV)

306. What did Paul say about his calling into ministry?

ANSWER: "...as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it."

(I Corinthians 3:10 NKJV)

307. In 1 Corinthians 4:9, what did Paul say the apostles were made to the world, to angels, and to men?

ANSWER: "...for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men." (I Corinthians 4:9 NKJV)

308. Who is the Christian servant described by Paul as "my beloved and faithful son in the Lord"?

ANSWER: Timothy (1 Corinthians 4:17)

309. According to 1 Corinthians 8:11, for whom did Christ die?

ANSWER: "...the weak brother"

(I Corinthians 8:11 NKJV)

310. What Old Testament personality did Paul quote in 1 Corinthians 9:9?

ANSWER: Moses (1 Corinthians 9:9)

311. According to his own words, what did Paul do to 'win the more'?

ANSWER: "For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more;" (I Corinthians 9:19 NKJV)

312. Paul said the Gentiles sacrificed to whom?

ANSWER: "...they sacrifice to demons and not to God," (I Corinthians 10:20 NKJV)

313. Paul made reference to which church ordinance in I Corinthians 11:20?

ANSWER: "The Lord's Supper."

(I Corinthians 11:20 NKJV)

314. Who instituted the Lord's Supper, and when was it first observed?

ANSWER: "...the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread;" (I Corinthians 11:23 NKJV)

315. What lasting quality is characteristic of love, as compared to the other listed characteristics found in I Corinthians 13:8?

ANSWER: "Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away." (I Corinthians 13:8 NKJV)

316. Who did Paul say the Corinthians, as the epistle of Christ, were written by?

ANSWER: "...written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart." (II Corinthians 3:3 NKJV)

317. What caused Titus's affection toward the Corinthians to become more abundant?

ANSWER: "...his affections are greater for you as he remembers the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling you received him."

(II Corinthians 7:15 NKJV)

318. Quote Romans 3:23.

ANSWER: "...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," (Romans 3:23 NKJV)

319. Quote Romans 8:28.

ANSWER: "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28 NKJV)

320. What does Romans 7:15 say about Paul's personal battles with his flesh?

ANSWER: "For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do." (Romans 7:15 NKJV)

321. What does the Bible say is the 'gift of God'?

ANSWER: "...the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23 NKJV)

322. According to Acts 18:9, when the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, what was spoken?

ANSWER: "Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent;" (Acts 18:9 NKJV)

323. What conditions are set in Romans 10:9 for salvation?

ANSWER: "That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9 NKJV)

324. Quote II Corinthians 5:21.

ANSWER: "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." (II Corinthians 5:21 NKJV)

325. The Hill of Ares, or the Areopagus, is a hill in Athens, Greece better known by its Roman name, _____?

ANSWER: Mars Hill (Acts 17:19, 22)

326. According to Acts 17:22, when Paul stood in the midst of the Areopagus, what did he perceive?

ANSWER: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in all things you are very religious;" (Acts 17:22 NKJV)

327. According to Acts 17:23, Paul found an altar with what inscription?

ANSWER: "TO THE UNKNOWN GOD."

(Acts 17:23 NKJV)

328. According to Acts 17:23, who did Paul proclaimed to the men of Athens?

ANSWER: "...the One whom you worship without knowing," (Acts 17:23 NKJV)

329. According to Acts 17:23, Paul was passing through and considering _____.

ANSWER: "...the objects of your worship,"

(Acts 17:23 NKJV)

330. Quote Acts 17:24.

ANSWER: "God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands." (Acts 17:24 NKJV)

331. According to Acts 17:30, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to do what simple act?

ANSWER: Repent (Acts 17:30 NKJV)

332. Quote Acts 4:12.

ANSWER: "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." (Acts 4:12 NKJV)

333. What did Festus make of Paul's defense?

ANSWER: "Paul, you are beside yourself! Much learning is driving you mad!" (Acts 26:24 NKJV)

334. After Agrippa heard Paul's testimony, what was his conclusion?

ANSWER: "You almost persuade me to become a Christian." (Acts 26:28 NKJV)

335. Where did Paul go on his first missionary journey?

ANSWER: Antioch in Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra, and Derbe

336. List Paul's itinerary for his second missionary journey.

ANSWER: Antioch in Syria, Cilicia, Galatia, Troas, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, and Corinth

337. Where did Paul go on his third missionary journey?

ANSWER: Antioch, Phrygia, Galatia, Ephesus, Macedonia, Greece, Corinth, Philippi, Miletus, Tyre, Ptolemais, and Caesarea.

CHURCH OF GOD DOCTRINE AND DISTINCTIVES:

338. The Church of God teaches that the baptism of the Holy Spirit is experienced subsequent to regeneration. This means that it is experienced

_____.

ANSWER: After or following regeneration

339. The purpose of the baptism of the Holy Spirit is

_____.

ANSWER: Power for service. (Acts 1:8)

340. The baptism of the Holy Spirit was first experienced on

_____.

ANSWER: The day of Pentecost in Jerusalem.

(Acts 2:1-4)

341. When the first outpouring came, how many people received the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: About 120

342. According to Acts 1:8, when we receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit and are endowed with power, what is the result?

ANSWER: We shall be witnesses to 'Him'.

343. The Church of God teaches that the baptism of the Holy Spirit provides power to be witnesses, quote Acts 1:8.

ANSWER: "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8 NKJV)

344. How many of the original twelve disciples received the baptism of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost?

ANSWER: Eleven

345. What two things did Jesus say that the Comforter (which is the Holy Spirit) would do for believers?

ANSWER: "He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." (John 14:26 NKJV)

346. When the outpouring of the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost, where were the 120 assembled?

ANSWER: In an upper room

347. According to Acts 2:1, when the Day of Pentecost had fully come, where and in what frame of mind were those tarrying?

ANSWER: "...they were all with one accord in one place." (Acts 2:1 NKJV)

348. When the 120 received the Holy Spirit, what three outstanding things happened?

ANSWER:

A. A sound came from Heaven as of a rushing, mighty wind.

B. Divided tongues like fire sat upon each of them.

C. They spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

349. According to Acts 2:4, how is one able to speak in tongues?

ANSWER: As the Spirit gives utterance.

350. According to Luke 24:49, the baptism of the Holy Spirit is to the child of God _____.

ANSWER: "The promise of the Father."

351. According to Acts 2:39, the promise of the Holy Spirit baptism is to whom?

ANSWER: "...to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:39 NKJV)

352. Which disciple preached a sermon on the Day of Pentecost?

ANSWER: Peter

353. How many souls were added to the Church after Peter's sermon at Pentecost?

ANSWER: About three thousand (Acts 2:41)

354. Cite the Old Testament passage that prophesied the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

ANSWER: Joel 2:28, 29

355. Joel's prophecy concerning the coming baptism of the Holy Spirit was given _____.

ANSWER: Six hundred years before the Holy Spirit came.

356. Quote Joel 2:28.

ANSWER: "And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days."

(Joel 2:28, 29 NKJV)

357. Upon whom did Joel say God would pour out His Spirit?

ANSWER: "On all flesh" (Joel 2:28 NKJV)

358. What did Joel say sons and daughters would do after receiving God's Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Prophecy (Joel 2:28)

359. Quote Joel 2:23.

ANSWER: "Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the Lord your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month."

(Joel 2:23 NKJV)

360. What did Joel say young men would do when they received God's Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: "See visions" (Joel 2:28)

361. What did Joel say old men would do when they received God's Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: "Dream dreams" (Joel 2:28)

362. In Joel 2:28, what does the writer say will come to pass?

ANSWER: "That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh;"

(Joel 2:28)

363. What did Joel say of menservants and maidservants on whom God would pour out His Spirit?

ANSWER: "They shall prophesy" (Acts 2:18)

364. What happened, according to Acts 8:17, when Peter and John laid their hands on the Samaritans and prayed for them?

ANSWER: "Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit." (Acts 8:17 NKJV)

365. "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works _____ is accepted by Him."

ANSWER: Righteousness (Acts 10:34, 35)

366. According to Acts 10:44, what happened at Cornelius' house as Peter preached the Word?

ANSWER: "While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word." (Acts 10:44 NKJV)

367. According to Acts 10:46, what evidence was there that those at Cornelius' house had received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: "...they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God." (Acts 10:46 NKJV)

368. Quote Acts 11:17.

ANSWER: "If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?" (Acts 11:17 NKJV)

369. In Acts 11:12 Peter said he was sent to Cornelius' house by _____.

ANSWER: "...the Spirit."

(Acts 11:12 NKJV)

370. What happened in Acts 19:6 when Paul laid hands on the Christians at Ephesus?

ANSWER: "...the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied." (Acts 19:6 NKJV)

371. Quote Isaiah 28:11.

ANSWER: "For with stammering lips and another tongue He will speak to this people," (Isaiah 28:11 NKJV)

372. What element is associated, or identified with, the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Fire

373. Name the three basic baptisms for Christians according to scripture.

ANSWER:

A. Baptism into Christ or into His body (Spiritual Baptism) (1 Corinthians 12:13)

B. Water Baptism (Matthew 28:19)

C. Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4)

374. Define sanctification.

ANSWER: Sanctification subtracts, taking away sin and purging us.

375. With regard to the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the Greek word for "power" is _____, and means "the ability to do something."

ANSWER: Dunamis (doo nah miss)

376. When the outpouring of the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost, how many nationalities and cultures of people were present to hear?

ANSWER: Fifteen

377. According to Acts 2:12, what was the initial response of the observers at Pentecost?

ANSWER: "So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?" (Acts 2:12 NKJV)

378. At Pentecost, some people mocked and made false accusations against the apostles. Of what did they specifically accuse them?

ANSWER: "Others mocking said, "They are full of new wine." (Acts 2:13 NKJV)

379. What was Peter's response to the accusation that the apostles were drunken men?

ANSWER: "For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:" (Acts 2:15, 16 NKJV)

380. Since there is but one primary Hebrew word (ruach) and one Greek word (pneuma) for "spirit" and "ghost," it is correct to address the third Person of the Trinity as either _____ or _____.

ANSWER: The Holy Spirit; The Holy Ghost

381. Some scholars believe that God used Solomon to predict the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in his day. What scripture is used to support this idea?

ANSWER: Proverbs 1:23

382. Quote Proverbs 1:23.

ANSWER: "Turn at my rebuke; Surely I will pour out my spirit on you; I will make my words known to you." (Proverbs 1:23 NKJV)

383. Quote the Declaration of Faith statement on the Holy Spirit.

ANSWER: "We believe in speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

384. How many Old Testament books contain prophecies or promises of the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Twenty-two

385. What woman is mentioned as having been in the Upper Room among the 120 who received the Baptism at Pentecost?

ANSWER: Mary, The mother of Jesus

(Acts 1:13, 14)

386. Other than Mary, His mother, what relatives of Jesus were among the 120 in the Upper Room?

ANSWER: His brethren (Acts 1:13, 14)

387. Quote the Declaration of Faith statement on the condition necessary to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

ANSWER: "We believe in the baptism with the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

388. When one seeks the baptism of the Holy Spirit they should seek to be endued with _____ and not to simply speak in tongues.

ANSWER: Power

389. Quote the Declaration of Faith statement about the origins of the Bible.

ANSWER: "We Believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

390. Give three descriptive phrases used in the New Testament to denote people being baptized or filled with the Holy Spirit.

ANSWER:

A. "The Holy Spirit came upon them" (Acts 19:6)

B. "The Holy Spirit fell upon them" (Acts 11:15)

C. "The gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also" (Acts 10:45)

391. Some churches argue that at Pentecost the miracle was not one of speaking in tongues, but one of hearing in tongues. Why is that incorrect?

ANSWER: Scripture says "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." (Acts 2:4 NKJV)

392. According to Acts 10:46, how did the apostles know for sure that Cornelius' household had received the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: "For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God." (Acts 10:46 NKJV)

393. What evidence was there in Acts 19 that the believers at Ephesus had received the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: "When Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied." (Acts 19:6 NKJV)

394. According to 1 Corinthians 14:14-16, what three spiritual exercises may be conducted in tongues.

ANSWER:

A. Prayer

B. Singing

C. Giving of thanks (1 Corinthians 14:14-16)

395. History reveals that in almost every generation since Pentecost there have been people receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the evidence of _____.

ANSWER: Speaking in tongues

396. The Greek word for "spiritual gifts" is _____.

ANSWER: Charismata

397. Quote Article 9 of the Declaration of Faith.

ANSWER: "We believe in speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

398. The Greek word for "ghost" is _____.

ANSWER: pneuma (phonetic pronunciation: new-mah)

399. What special happening took place in three out of five instances of people baptized in the Holy Spirit in the Book of Acts?

ANSWER: They spoke in tongues

400. The tongues with which the disciples spoke on the Day of Pentecost were _____.

ANSWER: Actual languages (Acts 2:8-11)

401. In the church's public worship, when one exercises the gift of tongues, what is the maximum number of people who are authorized to speak out in tongues?

ANSWER: Three (1 Corinthians 14:27)

402. Quote I Corinthians 14:33.

ANSWER: "For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints."

(I Corinthians 14:33 NKJV)

403. In what year was the Declaration of Faith of the Church of God adopted?

ANSWER: 1948

404. How many years after Pentecost did individuals in the house of Cornelius receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Eight years

405. How many years after Pentecost was it before the Ephesians received the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Twenty-one years

406. How many years after Pentecost had passed when the Corinthians received the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

ANSWER: Twenty-six years

407. Give three examples in the Book of Acts where the writer specifically states that the people spoke in tongues when they received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

ANSWER:

A. The 120 at Pentecost (Acts 2:4)

B. The household of Cornelius (Acts 10:44-46)

C. The Ephesians (Acts 19:6)

408. According to Paul, the Corinthians were guilty of excesses with regard to three operations of spiritual gifts. What were the three gifts they misused?

ANSWER:

- A. Tongues
- B. Interpretation of Tongues
- C. Prophecy

409. List nine gifts of the Holy Spirit.

ANSWER:

- A. The Word of Wisdom
- B. The Word of Knowledge
- C. Faith
- D. Healings
- E. Working of Miracles
- F. Prophecy
- G. Discerning of Spirits
- H. Different Kinds of Tongues
- I. The Interpretation of Tongues

(1 Corinthians 12:8-10)

410. What does the Declaration of Faith say about justification?

ANSWER: "That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

411. What are the three divine elements of sanctification?

ANSWER: The blood of Christ, The Holy Spirit, The Word

412. What does the Declaration of Faith say about holiness?

ANSWER: "We believe holiness to be God's standard of living for His people."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

413. What is necessary for the forgiveness of sins?

ANSWER: Repentance (Acts 3:19)

414. How is justification accomplished?

ANSWER: By the blood of Jesus Christ

(Romans 5:9)

415. What is meant by the term "new birth?"

ANSWER: Being born of the Spirit. (John 3:5)

416. Who was the religious leader Jesus told, "You must be born again" in the book of John?

ANSWER: Nicodemus (John 3:1-7)

417. What did Isaiah prophesy to be the source of our healing?

ANSWER: The stripes of Jesus (Isaiah 53:5)

418. What does the Declaration of Faith say about healing?

ANSWER: "We believe divine healing is provided for all in the atonement."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

419. Who should be called if you are sick and desire prayer?

ANSWER: "Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 5:14 NKJV)

420. What is meant by "salvation?"

ANSWER: Deliverance from the power, the penalty, and the punishment of sin.

421. According to Acts 16:31, how can a man be saved?

ANSWER: By believing "...on the Lord Jesus Christ," (Acts 16:31 NKJV)

422. How did Paul describe salvation?

ANSWER: "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new." (II Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)

423. What is Christ's position in the believer's life?

ANSWER: "He is Lord of all." (Acts 10:36 NKJV)

424. How do we overcome Satan, the accuser of our brethren?

ANSWER: "...by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony," (Revelation 12:11 NKJV)

425. What is sanctification?

ANSWER: "Separation from evil to a sacred purpose."

426. What does the Declaration of Faith say about sanctification?

ANSWER: "We believe in sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in Jesus Christ."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

427. Quote the scripture proving Christ's deity.

ANSWER: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1 NKJV)

428. What does the word atonement mean?

ANSWER: "To cover"

429. To what Old Testament sacrifice was Jesus compared?

ANSWER: "The Passover Lamb" (Exodus 12:7)

430. What does the word 'propitiation' mean?

ANSWER: "Covering or Payment" (Exodus 25:22)

431. What does the resurrection of Christ guarantee?

ANSWER: "The Resurrection of all"

(1 Corinthians 15:20, 22)

432. What is the reassuring promise of the risen Christ given in John 14:19?

ANSWER: "Because I live, you will live also." (John 14:19 NKJV)

433. What is the interpreted Greek meaning of "repentance?"

ANSWER: "To change one's mind or purpose"

434. What was the prayer of the publican in Luke 18:13?

ANSWER: "God, be merciful to me a sinner!"

(Luke 18:13 NKJV)

435. What two things make regeneration necessary?

ANSWER: "Man's sin; God's holiness"

436. Who is the third Person of the Godhead?

ANSWER: The Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19)

437. Name the fruit of the Spirit.

ANSWER: Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, self-control

(Galatians 5:22, 23)

438. What does the Declaration of Faith say about water baptism and the specifics involved?

ANSWER: "We believe in water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

439. What is the theological term for speaking in tongues?

ANSWER: Glossolalia

440. What are the two sacred ordinances that the Lord commanded us to observe?

ANSWER: Baptism (Matthew 28:19, 20) and Communion, or the Lord's Table (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

441. What are supernatural enablings that allow a believer to serve the body of Christ with ease and effectiveness?

ANSWER: Spiritual gifts. (Romans 12:6-8)

442. Who is the bride of Christ?

ANSWER: The church—that is, all who have trusted Him for salvation.

(Ephesians 5:25-27, Revelation 19:7-8)

443. What is the first statement of the Declaration of Faith of the Church of God?

ANSWER: We believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible.

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

444. What is the Church of God's Declaration of Faith statement on healing?

ANSWER: Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.

REFERENCE CITATION: Declaration of Faith

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD:

445. The Church of a God operates what liberal arts university in Cleveland, Tennessee?

ANSWER: Lee University

446. Which General Overseer of the Church of God is Lee University's namesake?

ANSWER: F. J. Lee

447. In what year was Lee University founded?

ANSWER: 1918

448. The Church of a God's origins can be traced back to what year?

ANSWER: 1886

449. The fact that the Church of a God's origins can be traced back to 1886 gives our church what distinction?

ANSWER: The Church of a God is the oldest Pentecostal denomination in the United States.

450. Where was the Barney Creek Meeting House located?

ANSWER: On the Tennessee/North Carolina border

451. For the first twenty-one years of its existence the Church of a God was known by what name?

ANSWER: Christian Union

452. Who was the minister who formed the Christian Union for the purpose of following the New Testament as their rule for faith and practice?

ANSWER: R. G. Spurling

453. How many followers formed the original Christian Union?

ANSWER: Eight persons

454. The Church of God subscribes to what five foundational Christian doctrines?

ANSWER:

- A. The inerrancy and infallibility of the Bible.
- B. The virgin birth and complete deity of Christ.
- C. The atoning sacrifice of Christ's death for the sins of the world.
- D. The literal resurrection of the body.
- E. Christ's second coming in bodily form to earth.

455. R. G. Spurling, with what simple invitation, formed the Christian Union on the banks of Barney Creek in Monroe County, Tennessee?

ANSWER: "As many Christians as are here present that are desirous to be free from all men made creeds and traditions, and are willing to take the New Testament, or law of Christ, for your only rule of faith and practice; giving each other equal rights and privilege to read and interpret for yourselves as your conscience may dictate, and are willing to set together as the Church of God to transact business as the same, come forward."

456. The name "Church of God," is based on Paul's references to the Church of God in what two New Testament books?

ANSWER: First and Second Corinthians.

457. How many people had experienced the baptism with the Holy Spirit following the Shearer Schoolhouse revival in 1896?

ANSWER: Possibly one hundred or more

458. According to Tomlinson, he spent an entire year preaching about and seeking for the experience of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. How did he go about this task?

ANSWER: "I did not have the experience, so I was always among the seekers at the altar."

459. Who became the first Church of God missionaries to take the gospel from homeland to foreign soil?

ANSWER: R. M. and Ida Evans

460. The first Assembly offering for missions was received in 1911 to send to the Evans in the Bahamas Islands. How much was raised?

ANSWER: \$21.05

461. A revival at what location in nearby Camp Creek, North Carolina, introduced the doctrine of sanctification to the community?

ANSWER: The Shearer Schoolhouse

462. In October of 1906, A. J. Tomlinson set in order a church that would later become known by what name?

ANSWER: The North Cleveland Church of God

REFERENCE CITATION: Living the Word: 125 Years of Church of God Ministry

463. Who is the first woman to receive a license to preach in the Church of God?

ANSWER: Dorcas Freeman Bowers

REFERENCE CITATION: Cogheritage.org

464. In 1964 the Missions Board sent what pioneer to Jerusalem?

ANSWER: Margaret Gaines

REFERENCE CITATION: Cogheritage.org

465. Who is known as the "Father of Modern Missions?"

ANSWER: William Carey

466. Who said, "We cannot; but without us, God will not?"

ANSWER: St. Augustine

467. What famous missionary translated the Bible into forty languages and dialects?

ANSWER: William Carey

468. William Carey was a missionary to what country?

ANSWER: India

469. Quote William Carey's famous statement about missionary success.

ANSWER: "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God."

470. In what country did J. Hudson Taylor start his missionary ministry in 1853?

ANSWER: China

471. Adoniram Judson was a famous missionary to what country?

ANSWER: Burma

472. What famous missionary is identified with missions work in Africa?

ANSWER: David Livingstone

473. It was said of a missionary to the early American Indians, "His story has done more to develop and mold the spirit of modern missions... than any other man since the apostolic age." Who was he?

ANSWER: David Brainerd

474. What did John Wesley say about "one hundred men?"

ANSWER: "Give me one hundred men who hate nothing but sin and love God with all their hearts and I will shake the world for Christ!"

REFERENCE CITATION: Quoted in "Toolkit," Cell Church, Winter, 1996, p.10

475. What did Oswald J. Smith question about everyone hearing the Gospel?

ANSWER: "Why should anyone hear the gospel twice before everyone has heard it once?"

476. Andrew Murray made a famous statement regarding the Great Commission. Quote this great statement.

ANSWER: "The Great Commission can only be carried out by a church in Pentecostal power."

477. Where was the first Church of God mission field?

ANSWER: The Bahamas

478. Who were the first Church of God missionaries to set foot on foreign soil?

ANSWER: R. M. and Ida Evans

Carl M. Padgett

479. Who was the Christian national who returned to the Bahamas just prior to the arrival of the first Church of God missionaries in 1910?

ANSWER: Edmond S. Barr

480. The first recorded missions offering sent to a Church of God missionary came from a Sunday School in _____.

ANSWER: Arcadia, Florida

481. In what year was the first missions offering received in a Church of God General Assembly?

ANSWER: 1911

482. The first Missions Service at a General Assembly was conducted during the _____.

ANSWER: Fifteenth General Assembly in 1922.

483. When was the first systematic method of Foreign Missions finance introduced?

ANSWER: During the Assembly of 1913.

484. Who was the first chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions for the Church of God?

ANSWER: L. Howard Juillerat

485. Who was the first Church of God missionary known to have been imprisoned for preaching the Gospel?

ANSWER: Herman Lauster

486. Who was the first Church of God missionary known to have died on foreign soil?

ANSWER: Edmond Stark

487. Who were the first Church of God missionaries to China?

ANSWER: Mr. and Mrs. Brinson Rushin

488. When did Mr. And Mrs. Brinson Rushin serve in China?

ANSWER: From 1914 to 1924.

489. Who is most closely identified with the work of the Church of God in China?

ANSWER: Paul C. Pitt

490. What Church of God missionary was imprisoned in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II?

ANSWER: Herman Lauster

491. Name two long-term American missionaries in Israel.

ANSWER: Margaret Gaines

Arlene Miller

492. Name two missionaries who started the work of the Church of God in Guatemala?

ANSWER: Charles T. Furman

Thomas A. Pullin

493. Oswald J. Smith made a famous statement regarding the Great Commission. Quote this great statement.

ANSWER: "I have seen the vision and for self I cannot live; Life is less than worthless till my all I give."

494. Oswald J. Smith made a famous statement regarding the call to be faithful. Quote this great statement.

ANSWER: "It is easier to be an excessive fanatic than to be consistently faithful..."

495. Oswald J. Smith made a famous statement regarding missions. Quote this great statement.

ANSWER: "The mission of the church is missions."

496. Oswald J. Smith made a famous statement regarding our call to evangelize. Quote this great statement.

ANSWER: "We talk of the Second Coming; half the world has never heard of the first."

497. Give the year, place, and person who credentialed Dorcas Freeman Bowers as the first female minister in the Church of God.

ANSWER: R. G. Spurling credentialed her around 1897 at the Piney Grove Christian Union.

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