

Answers To Life's Most Essential Questions

Lesson 1: Who Is God?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. God Was, Is, And Always Will Be

What does the Bible teach concerning God's existence in the past?

What does the Bible teach concerning God's existence today?

What does the Bible teach concerning God's existence in the future?

How can you know that there is a God?

What three Beings possess the nature of being God?

2. Some Characteristics Of God

What does it mean for God to be all-powerful?

What does it mean for God to be all-knowing?

What does it mean for God to be ever-present?

What does it mean for God to be holy?

What does it mean for God to be loving?

What does it mean for God to be gracious and merciful?

What does it mean for God to be impartial?

What does it mean for God to be jealous?

What does it mean for God to be good and severe?

What does it mean for God to be faithful?

What does it mean for God to be patient?

What does it mean for God to be unchanging?

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Lesson 2: Where Are We Going And Why Are We Here?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. The Soul Of Man

Does mankind have a soul that survives physical death?

What does it mean for mankind to have been created in the image of God?

Briefly explain the following passages which demonstrate the truth that mankind has a soul that survives physical death.

1. Luke 16:22-23 –

2. Luke 20:37-38 –

3. Luke 23:43 –

4. 2 Corinthians 5:1-8 –

2. Where Are We Going?

Does everyone on earth have a different purpose? What are some similarities between those who live on earth? What is the significance of these similarities?

What does the Bible teach about death?

What does the Bible teach about Hades?

What does the Bible teach about the coming of Christ?

What does the Bible teach about the Judgment?

What does the Bible teach about eternity?

3. Why Are We Here?

List and discuss some commonly *suggested* answers to this question:

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2.

3.

4.

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What is mankind's magnificent purpose in life? Discuss each one of the following points.

1. Fear God –

2. Keep His commandments –

Are you living your life according to this magnificent purpose?

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Lesson 3: What Is The Bible?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. Some Basic Facts About The Bible

What does the word "Bible" mean? Discuss some basic facts about the books of the Bible.

What is the theme of the Bible? How is John 3:16 a wonderful summary of this theme?

2. The Bible Contains The Revelation Of God's Will To Mankind

Discuss some facts that indicate the Bible is no ordinary book.

What does the Bible contain? Why is this significant?

How was the Bible written?

Is the word of God complete?

3. The Bible Provides Us With All That We Need For Living Righteous Lives

What does the Bible tell about Christ? How is this significant?

What does the Bible tell about becoming a Christian? How is this significant?

What does the Bible tell about living a faithful Christian life? How is this significant?

4. The Bible Will Be The Criteria Used To Judge Us

Will there be a day upon which you will be judged? What will happen on that Day?

What will criteria for judgment? How do you know?

What is the danger of rejecting God's word while you live?

5. Establishing Bible Authority

Why is it important to establish *Bible* authority for everything that you do in life?

How can you establish Bible authority?

What is the difference between generic and specific authority?

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Lesson 4: What Is Sin?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. The Introduction Of Sin To The World

Did God create mankind in sin?

What law did God give Adam and Eve? Did they understand it? Did they have the freedom to choose either obedience or disobedience?

How did Satan tempt Eve? How did Eve respond?

What were the consequences for sinning against God?

2. Understanding Sin

What is the definition of sin?

How is sin lawlessness?

What are two categories of sin?

What are some examples of sin?

How and why do people sin?

3. Sin's Devastating Effects

Does sin continue today? Are people born in sin or born sinless? Have you sinned?

Identify some physical consequences of sin.

What are the spiritual consequences of sin?

4. The Problem Of Sin

What do you deserve because of sin?

Can you do anything to justify yourself? What do you need?

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Lesson 5: Who Is Jesus?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. The Promise

What was the promise made to Satan? Did God have a plan in place to redeem man from his sin?

What was the promise made to Abraham?

Explain how the storyline for the entire Bible is set early in the Old Testament.

2. Jesus Is The Son Of God

Identify some passages that show Jesus Christ as God's Son.

Is Jesus God?

Was Jesus with God (the Father) in creation?

How was Jesus a sacrificial Lamb? Why is this so important?

3. Jesus Lived On Earth

What is the significance of Christ leaving Heaven to come to earth?

What was special about Jesus' birth and His name?

What was Jesus' mission on earth?

What was the purpose of the miracles Jesus performed?

How did the world treat Jesus? Why did this happen?

4. Jesus' Death

Did Jesus have any foreknowledge concerning His death?

What Jesus' apostles do to Him?

What did Jesus endure prior to His death?

How did Jesus die? What was now finished?

Where was Jesus buried? What was done to His tomb?

5. Jesus' Resurrection

What happened in Matthew 28:1-10? Why is this so important?

Where is Jesus today? What is He waiting to do?

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Lesson 6: What Must I Do To Be Saved?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. Is There Anything You Must Do?

Can you earn your salvation after you have sinned?

Has God required you to do anything to be saved?

How is Noah a good example of obedience?

2. Hear God's Word

Is hearing God's word essential for salvation?

What must you hear?

3. Believe In Jesus

Is believing in Jesus essential for salvation?

Are you saved by faith only?

4. Repent

Is repentance essential for salvation?

What is repentance?

5. Confess Christ

Is confession essential for salvation?

What must you confess?

6. Be Baptized

Is baptism essential for salvation?

What is baptism?

7. Remain Faithful

Is faithfulness essential for salvation?

How can you be forgiven of your sins after becoming a Christian?

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Lesson 7: What Is The Church?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. What The Church Is Not

Can all the different churches in existence today be right in the sight of God?

Is the church an earthly organization? List some characteristics of the church that views itself as an earthly organization.

Is the church a social club? List some characteristics of the church that views itself as a social club.

Is the church a political machine? List some characteristics of the church that views itself as a political machine.

Is the church a building where religious people meet together? List some characteristics of the church that views itself as a building where religious people meet together.

Does the church have the same role as Jesus Christ? List some characteristics of the church that views itself in the role of Christ.

Is the church a group of denominations? List some characteristics of the church that views itself as a group of denominations.

2. The "Universal" Church

What does the Greek word "ekklesia" mean?

What is the “universal” church of Christ? Who is part of this church?

What is the significance of the following terms used in connection with the church?

1. The kingdom of God –

2. The body of Christ –

3. The household of God –

4. The temple of God –

5. The church of Christ –

3. The “Local” Church

What is a “local” church of Christ? Should you join a local church of Christ?

What is the pattern for local churches in each of the following areas?

1. The organizational structure of the local church –

2. The work of the local church –

3. The worship of the local church –

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Lesson 8: What Does God Expect Of Me?

Why is it essential to know the answer to this question?

1. Fully Trust In God

Why is it important to fully trust God in prayer?

Why is it important to fully trust God to provide?

Why is it important to fully trust God to save you?

2. Complete Devote Yourself To God

What kind of devotion does Jesus require from His followers?

What will this kind of devotion require?

3. Walk In Newness Of Life

When and how were you raised to walk in newness of life?

What should your newness of life look like?

4. Be Diligent

Why is it important to be diligent in Bible study?

Why is it important to be diligent in spiritual growth?

Why is it important to be diligent in good works?

Why is it important to be diligent in evangelism?

Why is it important to be diligent in church membership?

Why is it important to be diligent in keeping God's commandments?

5. Persevere

How can you persevere in persecutions?

How can you persevere in trials?

How can you persevere in temptations?

How can you persevere in good works?