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Lesson # 1

Repentance

What else is the will of the Father that we may please Him so that we can go to heaven? Jesus says in Luke 13:3, "I tell you, no; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish." It is either repent or perish; the choice is ours. But Satan does not want us to repent. Acts 17:30, "Truly these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent." All people everywhere, and that includes you and me, are commanded of God to repent. Repent of what? Repent of our sins. Repent of not fully serving and following all that God says. God is pleading with us to repent. He greatly desires that we turn to him. He tells us in II Peter 3:9, "The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

God wants us to repent so we can be saved. He is patiently waiting on us. But eventually our time will run out. The longer we put off repentance, the harder our heart gets. Repentance is not just being sorry. II Corinthians 7:10, "For Godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death." Repentance is a change of heart and a change of mind. We must make up our mind to stop living life our way and start living it God's way. It is making up our mind that henceforth we are going to serve God with all our might and do everything He says. Matthew 22:37, "Jesus said to him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." In other words, we must do it with all of our being. Romans 2:4 says, "The goodness of God leads you to repentance."

God has been so good to us, and this should cause us to want to please Him in every way. God, because of His love for us, has done so much for us, and because of this we read in I John 4:19, "We love Him, because He first loved us." This should cause us to want to repent and do all the things that He has asked us to do, otherwise we do not love God. Jesus said in John 14:24, "He who does not love Me, does not keep my words." Do you love God? If you do, you will want to do everything that He says. In John 14:15 Jesus says, "If you love Me keep My commandments." Are you willing to show your love to God by repenting?

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Lesson # 2

Confessing Christ.

Jesus wants us to confess Him before men. In Matthew 10:32-33 he says, "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven." If we deny Christ we are going to be lost. We must not be ashamed to confess to other people that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Jesus says in Mark 8:38, "For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when he comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." If He is ashamed of us, that means that we are going to be lost.

There are several examples of people confessing their faith in Christ in the Bible. One is found in Matthew 16:16-17, "Simon Peter answered and said, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus answered and said to him, Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven." Christ was well pleased with Peter's confession and He will be with ours also.

In Acts 8:36-37 a man asked the question, "See here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" Then in verse 37, "Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart you may. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." Here we see that we must believe with all our heart that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and not be ashamed to make that confession to others before we are baptized. Would you be willing to confess to others that you believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of the living God?

Must We Be Baptized To Be Saved?

The will of the Father also includes our being baptized for the forgiveness of our sins, so that we can be saved and go to heaven. In Mark 16:16 Jesus says, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved, but he who does not believe will be condemned." This is such a simple command to obey in the way the Lord says to do it. Notice the divine order: 1) Believe + 2) Baptism = 3) Saved. Jesus says that both belief and baptism are required to be saved. But men, at the prompting of Satan, are trying to tell us many other different things that are contrary to what Jesus says. Men have taken what the Lord said, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved," and have changed it in every way possible to suit themselves. The following is what Jesus says and also ways in which man has tried to change what the Lord has said.

- 1) As we have just seen Jesus says in Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved."
- 2) There are those who in reality say that, "He that does not believe and is not baptized will be saved," because they say God is going to save everyone. This is the Universalist who says that everyone is going to be saved and no one is going to be lost. We know this is not true because of what our Lord said in Matthew 7:13-14, that many are going to be lost and only few are going to be saved.
- 3) Then there are others who essentially say that, "He who believes and is baptized will not be saved." They say that no one is going to be saved. This is the Atheist who says that there is not going to be an eternity and that when you are dead, you are like the dog Rover, you are dead all over. But again we know that this is false. We have already seen that few will be saved, but the majority will be lost.
- 4) Still others imply that, "He who does not believe but is baptized will be saved." These are those who practice infant baptism, but an infant certainly cannot believe. Of course an infant is not accountable but is innocent and is not lost.
- 5) Then there are also those who essentially say that, "He who believes and is not baptized will be saved." They are trying to tell us that we are saved by faith only and that baptism is not necessary to be saved, but all that you have to do is believe. Again, like the other three, this is contrary to what the Lord has said in Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized shall be saved." On the day of judgment we are only going to be judged by what the Lord says and not by what we think. Who are you following? Are you following 1) Jesus, 2) the Universalist, 3) the Atheist, 4) those promoting infant baptism, or 5) those promoting faith only? We can go to heaven only by following what Jesus says and not what man says. The following chart shows what the Lord has said and also the many ways that men have tried to change it. They have changed it every way possible to suit themselves.

1) Jesus in Mark 16:16 says: Believe + Baptized = Saved

2) Universalist says: Not Believe + Not Baptized = Saved

3) Atheist says: Believe + Baptized = Not Saved

4) Infant Baptism says: Not Believe + Baptized = Saved

5) Faith Only says: Believe + Not Baptized = Saved

Our Lord said in Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." But there are those who want to ignore what Jesus said in the first half of the verse and only look at the latter half. They do this in an attempt to try to manufacture a loophole in what the Lord has said. They are not willing to accept that Jesus says we must believe and be baptized to be saved. Jesus could not make it any clearer what one has to do to be saved. In the later half of the verse Jesus says "but he who does not believe will be condemned." But there are those who say that Jesus did not say you would be condemned if you were not baptized. People who say this are grasping at straws in trying to avoid what the Lord who is our only Saviour requires. But people are doing this to their own eternal destruction.

One who does not believe will certainly not be baptized. One who does not believe could go through the motions and get dunked under the water, but he would not be scripturally baptized. He would only get wet. Since one who does not believe could not be scripturally baptized, it would have been useless for the Lord to have mentioned baptism in the latter half of the verse. People may argue against the Lord's requirement of being baptized in order to be saved, but they will not be able to argue with the Lord when they stand before Him on the Day of Judgment. It will be too late then.

When we stand before the Lord on the day of judgment to be judged by Him, there are going to be many who have chosen not to do what the Lord has said. Rather they have chosen to do what man has said to do. Romans 10:3 tells us that people are "Seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God." The choice is ours. Either we have tried to establish our own righteousness or we have submitted to the righteousness of God. Unless we are forgiven the way that Jesus Christ has specified in the Bible then we will die in our sins and be forever lost and forever separated from God in eternal punishment. We make the decision; but we will reap the eternal consequences. Are you ready for those consequences?

The Lord says in John 12:48, "The word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day." We are not going to be judged by what man says or by what we think, but by what our Lord says. This is going to be the standard for judgment. For the majority of people, the judgment will be a horrible day, and a day of many terrible surprises. Obedience to our Lord will save any lost person, no matter how evil his past has been, but obedience to a mere human doctrine will not save anyone, no matter how good they have been. Speaking of Christ, Hebrews 5:9 says, "And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all them that obey Him." Yes, we must obey our Lord, if we expect Him to save us.

Baptism is not a work of merit that man does. We do nothing for God when we are baptized, except obey Him; but God does something for us. Baptism is God's chosen way of imparting His saving grace. Baptism is the

submission to the command of God that saves. As we read in Acts 10:48, "And He commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord." God offers salvation to all men, but He conditions that offer with obeying the requirements which He has set out in His word. The Lord has commanded us to be baptized. The Lord has no nonessential commands. In Hebrews 5:9 we saw that no man can be saved by the grace of God without being obedient to the will of God.

Believing and being baptized to be saved, as Mark 16:16 says, does not nullify the grace of God, but it activates it. The fact that baptism is essential to our salvation in no way reflects upon the wonderful grace offered to all; but rather it honors Christ who commanded it. Baptism is a very serious matter. According to the Bible, baptism is for the purpose of salvation.

In the Garden of Eden God told Adam and Eve not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God said in Genesis 2:17, "For in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die." But later in Genesis 3:4 Satan told Eve, "You will not surely die." Satan just added the one word "not" and perverted what God had said. This is

what men are doing today. Jesus said in Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved." Men today erroneously teach "He that believes and is not baptized shall be saved." By adding the word "not" men today are perverting the word of God just as Satan did.

Satan does not want anyone to be baptized for the purpose of being saved. Satan tells people that after you think you are saved and your sins are forgiven then you can be baptized. But this is a lie of Satan which will cause many people to be lost. But Jesus promised salvation only to those who believe and are baptized. We cannot afford to be wrong on this vital point. Our eternal destiny depends on our being right with God.

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Lesson # 4

Must We Be Baptized For The Forgiveness Of Our Sins?

In the second chapter of Acts, Peter had convicted the people there of having killed the Son of God. In verse 37 their question was, "Men and brethren what shall we do?" In verse 38(KJV), "Then Peter said unto them, repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins." Here people were told to repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins. Only when we submit to baptism as the Lord has commanded, that is for the remission of sins to be saved, do we show our faith in the Lord. Only then will He save us.

Man today has a sin problem. It is our sins that separate us from God. We are to repent and be baptized for the remission of our sins. This is God's instruction on how we solve our sin problem. In the above verse, when Peter told them to "Repent and be baptized for the remission of sins," whatever repentance is for in that verse, baptism is for the same reason. Repent and be baptized are joined by the coordinating conjunction and, which joins words of equal grammatical importance. Certainly Acts 2:38 does not teach that lost people are to repent because they have already received forgiveness of their sins. Neither does it teach that lost people are to be baptized because their sins are already forgiven. Satan would like you to believe that baptism has nothing to do with the forgiveness of your sins. Have you been baptized for the remission of your sins? Again, the choice is yours; either believe what God has said and be saved, or believe what men say and you will continue to be lost. We only have two choices, and the choice that we make will have eternal consequences. But please make the right choice.

In the book of Acts we have the account of the conversion of the Apostle Paul. In Acts chapter 9, Paul is traveling on the road up to Damascus to persecute Christians. The Lord appears to Paul on the road and strikes him blind. In verse 5 he tells Paul, "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting." In verse 6 Paul asks, "Lord what do you want me to do? Then the Lord said to him (Paul), Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." The Lord did not tell Paul what he must do, but that someone in the city would tell him what he must do. In Acts 9:9, after Paul went into the city, "And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank." Paul was worried sick and very upset. He had just found out that all the years in his zeal, while persecuting the Lord's church, he had actually been persecuting the Lord. Paul was devastated and broken-hearted in finding out that he had been wrong all these years.

Let's see now what Paul was told what he must do. In Acts chapter 22, a man named Ananias, who was sent by the Lord, came to Paul and miraculously restored Paul's eyesight. Notice what Paul was told by Ananias what he must do. Acts 22:16, "And now why are you waiting? Arise, and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord." Paul was not saved three days earlier while on the road to Damascus, as some people would like for us to believe.

Paul up to this point was still lost, because he still had all his sins that needed to be washed away. Paul still had a sin problem. Obedience to the Lord's command to be baptized was necessary to wash away Paul's sins. At the point of baptism every sin that we have ever committed will be taken away, if it is done for that purpose. Have you been baptized for the purpose of having your sins washed away? If you have not, then you still have a sin problem. You are still lost.

Paul was not told "to pray the sinners prayer and ask Jesus to come into his heart in order to be saved." This is foreign to the scripture. You cannot find anywhere in the Bible where anyone was ever told to do this. Since God in the Bible has never told anyone "To pray and ask Jesus to come into your heart in order to be saved", who else but men could have come up with such an idea?

Forgiveness occurs in the mind of God and not on the basis of man's feeling in his heart. Only when we have done what God has said that we must do, will God forgive our sins. We cannot devise our own plan as to how our sins are to be forgiven.

Do not misunderstand. We do not "earn" our salvation by being baptized. Salvation is a gift from God. Even though salvation is a free gift from God, he has laid down certain conditions upon which he will give it. One condition to receive his gift is faith: Hebrews 11:6, "But without faith it is impossible to please Him." Another condition of his free gift is repentance: Luke 13:3, "Unless you repent you will all likewise perish." Another condition is baptism: Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved." Still another condition is living a faithful Christian life: Revelation 2:10, "Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life." The conditions include doing all "the will of the Father," Matthew 7:21. These are God's conditions.

Believing in God and Christ with all our heart, repenting of all our sins, confessing Christ and being baptized are all equally important to our salvation. If any of these are lacking, then we will not be saved. You can't have one without the others.

There is nothing that we can do to merit salvation. Whether it be believing in Jesus or being baptized, we can never "earn our salvation". The only way we can show our faith in Christ is if we are willing to accept and obey what He says. But it is in baptism that God has chosen to impart his wonderful grace of salvation to us as a willing believer.

According to the Bible, it is at the point of baptism, that we pass from an unsaved state into a saved state. In other words, at the time of baptism, we go from being unsaved to being saved. We read in I Peter 3:21 (KJV), "The like figure whereunto even baptism does also now save us." The Bible says that "baptism does now also save us," but men say that "baptism does not save us."

This is very similar to the situation of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. God

in Genesis 2:17 told them not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, "For in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die." But Satan told Eve in Genesis 3:4, "Then the serpent said to the woman, you will not surely die." Satan only added the one word "not" to what God had said and completely changed the meaning. That is what men are doing to God's commands today. Who are you going to accept, the word of men or the Word of God? We are told in Acts 5:29, "We ought to obey God rather than men." On the Day of Judgment, the

Bible will still say that "baptism does also now save us." Again the choice is yours, but it is very serious. We dare not make the wrong choice.

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Lesson # 5

The Cleansing Blood of Christ

Hebrews 9:22 says, "Without shedding of blood there is no remission." I John 1:7 tells us that "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin." God, in choosing the cleansing agent for our sins, chose the very best that He had, the blood of His own Son. It is by the precious blood of our Lord, that we are cleansed from all of our sins. Revelation 1:5 says, "To Him who loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood." Yes, it is only by the blood of our Lord, that we get our sins washed away. John 19:34, "But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out." Jesus shed His blood for us, in His death, when He died on the cruel cross of Calvary.

How do we come into contact with that cleansing blood, which our Lord shed in his death, in order to have our sins washed away? Romans 6:3 tells us how. "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?" Since Christ shed His blood in His death, when a person is baptized into our Lord's death, it is there that he comes into contact with the blood of Christ and his sins are then washed away. Baptism is the only means of reaching His death where His blood was shed, so we can have forgiveness of sins. So, when Ananias told Paul in Acts 22:16, "And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized and wash away your sins," it was the blood of Christ that washed away Paul's sins when he was baptized.

Have you been baptized to have your sins washed away by the blood of Christ? If you haven't, then you still have every sin that you have ever committed. With your sins you can't go to heaven to be with God when you die, but you will have to go to the other place where there will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth forever and ever. You may have been baptized into a denominational church, but not for remission of your sins so you can be saved. If you have not been baptized for the remission of your sins, so that you can be saved, then the blood of Christ will be of no benefit to you, and Christ's death for you was in vain. But please take advantage of Christ having died for you. Only you can do this for yourself.

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Course # 15

Lesson # 6

Becoming a Child of God

Galatians 3:26-27 (KJV) says, "For you are all children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been but it is our faith in Christ that leads us to become children of God. This verse also tells us how our faith leads us to be children of God. It says, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." The word for as used in this scripture is a preposition, which means for the purpose of or in order to be. Therefore, we are baptized for the purpose of or in order to be God's children.

To be a child of God and part of His family, we must be born into His family. Our Lord said in John 3:3, "Unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of heaven." Then He tells us how being born again takes place in John 3:5, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." When one is born again by being baptized into Christ he becomes a child of God.

We might ask the question, "If I had to prove that I was a child of God in order to get into heaven, could I do it?" Only those who are God's children will inherit heaven. In 1 Peter 1:4 we read "To an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you." Are you eligible for that inheritance? Have you become a child of God by being baptized into Christ? If you haven't then you have no inheritance in heaven. You will inherit eternal punishment. Why would anyone in their right mind not want to be a child of God?

Has your faith led you to be baptized, so that you can become a child of God? If not then you are not a child of God. To be a child of God, our faith must be a faith that will accept and do all that the Lord tells us to do. It must be an obedient faith, because God says in James 2:17,20 & 24, "Thus also faith, by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." "But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?" "You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only." We are not saved by "faith only". If our faith is not one of action, it is a dead faith. A dead faith will do us no good on the day of judgment. This is the only place in the Bible that speaks of "faith only". Here it does not commend it, but rather condemns it. It also refers to one who believes in "faith only" as "O foolish man."

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Lesson # 7

Baptized Into Christ

Also, notice that it is baptism that puts us into Christ so that we can be saved. Galatians 3:27, "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ." This is the only way a person can get into Christ. The preposition into indicates a change of relationship. You can search from the front to the back of your Bible, and you will find no other way to get into Christ except by being baptized into Christ. Also Romans 6:3 says the same thing, "Or do you not know, that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?" So the only way we can get into Christ is to be baptized into Christ. Either a person has been baptized into Christ, or he is still outside of Christ. We are either in or we are out. Have you been baptized into Christ in order to be saved and have your sins forgiven?

If you haven't been, let us notice some of the things that you are missing.

1) Ephesians 1:3 says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places in Christ."

This verse tells us that every spiritual blessing is located in Christ. Only those who are in Christ can enjoy these spiritual blessings. Since this verse says that every spiritual blessing is in Christ, then there can be no spiritual blessings for those who are outside of Christ. If you have not been baptized into Christ, you are still outside of Christ, and you are not entitled to any spiritual blessings. The Lord arranged it that way and no man has the right to change it.

2) Romans 8:1 says, "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit." On the day of judgment those who are in Christ will not be condemned; but those who are outside of Christ will be condemned. We go from being condemned to being forgiven when we are baptized into Christ. If you have not been baptized into Christ, then you will suffer eternal condemnation.

3 & 4) Only those who are in Christ have been redeemed and forgiven of their sins. Ephesians 1:7 says, "In Him we have redemption, through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace." since redemption and forgiveness of sins are located in Christ, those who have not been baptized into Christ have not been redeemed and still have every sin they have ever committed. The scriptures are so clear that a person needs help to misunderstand it. Are you still outside of Christ? You do not have to stay outside of Christ.

5) Next we read II Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new." If one is in Christ, he has become a new creation. He has a new beginning in life, and his "slate has been wiped clean" since he has been forgiven of all his sins and has become a new saved person. Although, if you are outside of Christ, you are still an old sinful creature. You still have all of your sins and are without hope. When is it that one becomes a new creation? Romans 6:3-4 says, "Or do you not know, that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"

Therefore, we were buried with Him through baptism into death: that just as Christ Jesus was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." When is one raised to walk in newness of life? This scripture says that it is when we are raised out of the waters of baptism. At that point we begin our walk in newness of life.

Newness of life does not begin until after baptism. In John 3:3 Jesus told Nicodemus, "Unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Then two verses later in John 3:5, Jesus tells how being born again takes place: "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." Our Lord is very emphatic in what he says. No man has the power or authority to repeal what our Lord has said. Nor does anyone

have the authority to rationalize it away and teach otherwise. Jesus said that we must be born of water and the Spirit. Jesus said that being born again must not only include the Spirit, but it must include water. Here we see that when one is baptized in water, he is raised to walk in newness of life, becoming a new creature, and thus he has been born again. Are you still an old sinful creature or have you become a new creature by being baptized into Christ?

6) The Apostle Paul says in II Timothy 2:10, "Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory." Here we see that salvation is located in Christ, and for one to be eligible for salvation, he must be in Christ. If you are not in Christ, by being baptized into Christ, you have no hope or promise of salvation. It will be a horrible thing for a person, who thinks he is saved, when he stands before the Lord on the day of judgment, if he is still outside of Christ. He will have no salvation. He will be lost eternally in Hell.

7) In I John 5:11 we read, "And this is the testimony, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son." So according to the inspired word of God, eternal life is located in His Son, Jesus Christ. Only those in Christ have been promised eternal life. Those who are outside of Christ have no promise of eternal life. So what does that leave them? It leaves them only eternal punishment, which is a sad condition. My heart bleeds for them, because I don't want to see anyone lost. But how can you get people to wake up to the truth of God's word?

As we have seen, it is baptism that puts us into Christ (Rm 6:3, Gal 3:27) so that we can enjoy all of these spiritual blessings which are in Christ. Where are you actually located? Outside of Christ or inside of Christ? Not where you would like to be located, but where are you actually located at this time, depending on whether you have been baptized into Christ or not. If you were baptized for the remission of sins in order to be saved then you were baptized into Christ. But if your baptism was not for the remission of sins and not to be saved, then you are still outside of Christ. If you are outside of Christ, you have no spiritual blessings, no redemption, no forgiveness of sins; you will be condemned on the day of judgment; you are still an old sinful creature; you have no hope of salvation and no hope of eternal life.

As Ephesians 2:12 says, "That at the time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world." Could a situation get any more desperate than having no hope and being without God? This is the situation of those

who are outside of Christ. If you thought you were saved when you accepted Christ as your personal savior, and then later you were baptized, then your baptism was not to save you. You thought you were already saved before baptism, but you are still lost because the baptism that puts us into Christ also saves us. If you thought that your sins were taken away before baptism, when you accepted Christ as your personal savior, then your baptism was not for the purpose of forgiveness of sins. You still have every sin you have ever committed and are still separated from God.

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Lesson # 8

Obedience To The Gospel

After Jesus had died for our sins, was resurrected and just before he ascended into heaven, he commanded his apostles in Mark 16:15-16, "And he said to them, Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." Our Lord wanted the gospel preached to everyone. The word "gospel" literally means good news or good tidings.

In Romans 1:16 the apostle Paul says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes; for the Jew first, and also for the Greek." So we see that the gospel of Christ is God's only power unto salvation. It is by the gospel or good news that God saves us.

What does the Bible say that the gospel is that saves us? In I Corinthians 15:1-4, Paul is reminding the church at Corinth about the gospel when he says, "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, and in which you stand; by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received; that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures." Here we see that Paul was reminding them of the gospel in which Christ died, and was buried, and was raised again on the third day. Also notice, they were saved by the gospel. So the good news of the gospel is the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord, as the following chart illustrates.

Why then is the death of Christ good news? The good news of the death of Christ is that Christ has died for us, taking our punishment, and now God can be just in saving us. Without his death we would all be doomed for eternal punishment and no one could be saved. Even though the death of Christ is a terrible thing to have to happen, it is good news to us. We read in I John 4:10, "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

Christ had to be buried since he died. Then after three days, Christ was raised up from the dead. We read in I Corinthians 6:14, "And God both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by His own power." So why is the resurrection of Christ, the gospel or good news? The good news of the resurrection of Christ is that since God was able to raise up Christ, He will also raise us up from the dead. Jesus says in John 11:25, "I am the resurrection, and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live." So the gospel is the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. This is certainly good news.

In II Thessalonians 1:7-9 we read that, "When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power." Here we see that vengeance will be taken on those who obey not the gospel of Christ. The gospel as we have seen is the death, burial, and, resurrection of our Lord. How do we obey the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord so that vengeance will not be taken on us?

We are given the answer of how to obey the gospel in Romans 6:3-5 which says, "Or do you not know, that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death: that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection." So here we see that we are baptized into His death, we are buried with Him through baptism, and then just as Christ was raised up from the dead, we also are raised to walk in newness of life after baptism. There must be a death, burial, and resurrection before this new life is possible. Only in baptism does our old sinful person die and our new person rises free from sin. We are transformed from death to life. We become a new creation.

In Romans we read in verses 17-18 (KJV), "But God be thanked, that you were the servants of sin, but you have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, you became the servants of righteousness." So, we see that when people obey that form of doctrine that is a form of the Lord's death, burial, and resurrection when they are baptized, they are at that point then made free from the sin and become the servants of righteousness.

Have you obeyed the gospel by being baptized into His death, being buried in baptism with him and then being raised with Him up out of the watery grave of baptism to walk in newness of life? If your baptism was not for the purpose of making you free from sin so that you can be saved, then you haven't obeyed the gospel of Christ. You haven't been made free from sin. As we have already seen, the Lord will take vengeance on all those who obey not the gospel of Christ. If you haven't why don't you correct your situation and make things right? Don't put it off. Satan wants you to put off making it right.

The reason that so much time and detail has been spent on the subject of baptism in this course is because of all the different perversions and distortions of baptism that men have come up with which are different from what God has said in the Bible. The tragedy is that this will cause people to be lost in eternally.

The gospel is being perverted today just as it was perverted in the first century. Paul says in Galatians 1:6-8, "I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ to a different gospel: which is not another; but there be some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed." People pervert the gospel of Christ today when they attempt to make changes in

God's plan to save man to suit themselves. We have been discussing these perversions throughout this course. It is a serious matter with God to have his gospel perverted and it will not go unnoticed. That person will be accursed by God. The person who perverts the gospel of Christ will be eternally lost and also cause others to be lost by believing a perverted gospel.

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Lesson # 9

Baptism Is Immersion

Our word "baptize" is translated from the original Greek word "baptizo", which means to immerse. "Baptizo" does not mean sprinkle or pour. If our Lord had wanted people to be sprinkled, he would have inspired the New Testament writers to use the Greek word "rhantizo". If our Lord wanted people to be poured He would have inspired New Testament writers to use the Greek word "katacheo". But he didn't, so "baptizo" was used, which can only mean to immerse.

Let's look in the Bible to see how people were baptized. In John 3:23 we read, "Now John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, because there was much water there." Why was John baptizing near Salim? "Because there was much water there."

Scriptural baptism, which is immersion, according to the Bible requires much water. In Mark 1:5 we read, "Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to Him, and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River." Why was John baptizing in the Jordan River? Could it be "because there was much water there" in a river? In Mark 1:9-10, we continue to read, "And it came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And immediately, coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove." When Jesus was baptized, he was baptized in the Jordan River. Why? Again, because there is much water in a river which is required for scriptural baptism, which is immersion. Also notice that after Jesus was baptized, he came "up out of the water." So scriptural baptism not only requires much water, but it also requires "coming up out of the water." This cannot be said of sprinkling or pouring.

Next we turn to Acts 8:36-39. The evangelist, Philip, had been teaching the gospel or good news of Christ to an Ethiopian eunuch while they were riding along in a chariot. Then in verses 36-39 we read: "Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, See here is water, what hinders me from being baptized? And Philip said, If you believe with all your heart, you may. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing."

Here we see that the baptism that God has authorized in the Bible requires the "coming to some water", "going down into the water," and after a person is immersed it requires "coming up out of the water." How much clearer could the Bible be on the mode of baptism? Also notice that after the eunuch was baptized, "he went on his way rejoicing." Why? Because he was now saved and all of his sins had been taken away. This is certainly something to rejoice about. Romans 6:4 says, "Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death." Here we see that baptism is a burial, which is what is done when one is immersed.

Sprinkling is not a burial; it is only sprinkling. Neither is pouring a burial. Both are unlawful substitutions made by man which will cause many people to be lost.

Colossians 2:12 says that we are "buried with him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him." Here again God requires the one being baptized, to be buried and raised when he is baptized. When we bury a dead person in the cemetery, we do not lay him out on the grass and sprinkle a little dirt on him. No, that would be absurd, and it is just as absurd in trying to substitute sprinkling for baptism. Sprinkling for baptism is foreign to the scriptures. God did not authorize it. There is not one instance anywhere in the Bible where anyone was sprinkled for baptism. But we then ask the question, where then did sprinkling or pouring come from?

The first recorded case in all of early church history was that of Novatian in 251 AD, who lay sick on his bed and water was poured on him. Who made this first exception, man or God? Man did without the authorization of God. God has not approved of it. Sprinkling is just as vain as if it had never been done. This man made exception over the centuries became the man made accepted practice until at the Council of Ravenna in 1311 AD, man legalized sprinkling for baptism, but without God's authority. Since sprinkling is without God's authority, if you were sprinkled or poured, then you have not been scripturally baptized, and you still have every sin that you have ever committed and are still lost.

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Lesson # 10

Infants Are Not Lost

We now turn our attention to another perversion of God's word and that is infants are born sinners and must be baptized in order to be saved. This contradicts God's word. In Ezekiel 18:20 we read, "The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not bear the guilt of the father, nor shall the father bear the guilt of the son." Here God is telling us that children do not inherit sin from their parents, grandparents, or any of their forefathers, all the way back to Adam. It says "The son shall not bear the guilt of the Father."

Each person is responsible for his own sins. According to this verse, it is "The soul who sins shall die." Does it say that the soul that inherits sin, it shall die? No. It says the soul who sins.

What is sin? I John 3:4 says, "Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness: and sin is lawlessness." We do not inherit sin; we commit sin; and we commit sin when we commit lawlessness. An infant has not broken any law of God and thus has not committed any sin.

An infant is completely innocent. Just as God says in Ezekiel 28:15, "You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you." So we see that an infant is born perfect and without sin until he becomes of an accountable age and then begins to sin. James 4:17 says, "Therefore to him who knows to do good, and does not do it, to him it is sin." This is the sin of omission. An infant does not know to do good and thus cannot sin. There are only two ways that man sins: by committing sin or we sin by omission. An infant cannot sin in either way and has no sin. A little child is innocent and pure, as our Lord says in Matthew 18:3, "Unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven." Little children are not lost, but are safe until they become accountable.

One error leads to another. Men say that since infants have inherited the sin of Adam, that they must be baptized or they will be lost. This is also false. Infants are not suitable candidates for baptism, since they cannot believe. Lord says in Mark 16:16, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved." Here one of the prerequisites of being saved is to believe, which is impossible for an infant to do.

Also in Acts 8:36-37 the question was asked, "See here is water; what hinders me from being baptized?" And the answer is given in the next verse: "And Philip said, if you believe with all your heart you may."

Here we see the condition that must be met before a person can be baptized is that he must believe with all his heart. Can an infant do this? No.

In Acts 2:38 (KJV) the apostle Peter told a group of people, who had asked what they should do, to "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins." What is the requirement found here that we must do before we can be baptized? Repent. Can an infant repent? It would be absurd to think that an innocent infant, who is without sin, must be baptized for the forgiveness of sins, which he does not have.

Satan has many ways in fooling people into being lost. The lie that Satan tells here to people who have become accountable is that since you were infant, you do not need to be baptized for the remission of your sins now that you have become accountable and responsible. Satan knows that infant baptism you want to follow: God, or men who are being led by Satan? Every person will follow one.

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ANSWER SHEET

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Course # 15

Lessons 1 - 20

Les#	Q#	Question	Answers
1	1	If we don't repent... a)We will perish b)God will overlook it c) We will go to Heaven anyway.	
1	2	But Satan does not want us to repent... True / False	
1	3	God commands all men everywhere.... a)To life the way we choose b) To repent c) To enjoy themselves	
1	4	To repent is a command of God True / False	
1	5	God wants a)No one to repent. b)Only His favorites to be saved. c)All people to be saved.	
1	6	6) God does not care if some people are lost. True / False	
1	7	Godly sorrow a)Is repentance. b)Produces repentance. c)Does not produce repentance.	
1	8	Repentance is just being sorry. True / False	
1	9	How are we to love God? a)With all our heart, soul, and mind. b)When we feel like it. c)When things are going well.	
1	10	Loving God does not require our entire heart, soul, and mind. True / False	
1	11	What leads us to repentance? a)Our own goodness. b)Our not wanting to please God. c)The goodness of God.	
1	12	The goodness of God does not cause us to repent True / False	
1	13	Those who do not love Christ a)Will keep His commandments. b)Do not keep his commandments.	

		c)Want to be pleasing to Him.	
1	14	We show our love for Christ by keeping His commandments. True / False	
2	1	If we want Christ to confess us before God the Father a)We must confess Him before men. b)We should deny Him before men. c)It is not necessary to confess Him before men.	
2	2	if we deny Christ before men He will confess us before the Father. True / False	
2	3	If we are ashamed of Christ a)He will not be ashamed of us on Judgment Day. b)We will not be lost. c)He will be ashamed of us on Judgment Day.	
2	4	If Christ is ashamed of us, that means we are going to be lost. True / False	
2	5	When Peter said "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" a)Christ was embarrassed. b)Christ was well pleased. c)Christ didn't care.	
2	6	We must be willing to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God. True / False	
2	7	Before we are baptized we a)Do not need to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. b)Are to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. c)Are to confess our sins to a priest.	
2	8	When we are baptized we must believe in God and Jesus with all of our heart. True / False	
3	1	According to the Bible what must we do to be saved? a)Believe only. b)Believe and be baptized. c)Not be baptized.	
3	2	He that believes and is not baptized shall be saved. True / False	
3	3	Why do people not submit to the righteousness of God? a)They want to but they don't know how. b)They want to be saved. c)They seek to establish their own righteousness.	
3	4	Many people choose not to do what God has says. True / False	
3	5	What will judge us on Judgment Day? a)What we believe. b)What our preacher says. c)The words of Christ.	

3	6	We are going to be judged according to what man says. True / False	
3	7	Christ is the author of eternal salvation to a)All who obey Him. b)To everyone. c)To no one.	
3	8	Good people who have not obeyed the Lord will still be saved. True / False	
3	9	What were these people commanded to do? a)Only believe. b)Nothing. c)Be baptized.	
3	10	Baptism is a command of God. True / False	
4	1	What were these people in this verse told to do for the remission of their sins? a)Pray to God. b)Repent and be baptized. c)Only believe.	
4	2	Our sins are forgiven before we repent and are baptized. True / False	
4	3	What was Paul told to do to have his sins washed away? a)TAccept Christ as his personal Saviour b)Only believe in Jesus. c)Arise and be baptized.	
4	4	Until Paul was baptized he still had all his sins. True / False	
4	5	Where can we find in the Bible that we are told to pray and ask Jesus to come into our heart in order to be saved? a)Jude 2:5. b)2 John 1:14. c)It is not there.	
4	6	We cannot find in the Bible where anyone was ever told to accept Jesus into his heart in order to be saved. True / False	
4	7	What does the Bible say saves us? a)Faith only. b)Baptism. c)Our own goodness.	
4	8	It is at the point of baptism that God has chosen to impart His wonderful grace of salvation. True / False	
5	1	What cleanses us from all sin?	

		a)We have no sin to be cleansed. b)Nothing can. c)The blood of Christ.	
5	2	The blood of Christ is not necessary to cleanse us from our sins. True / False	
5	3	Where did Christ shed His blood for us. a)In His death on the cross. b)When He cut His finger. c)He never shed any blood.	
5	4	Our sins are washed away when we come into contact with the cleansing blood of Christ. True False	
5	5	How do we get into His death to spiritually come into contact with Christ's blood? a)When we die physically. b)When we are baptized into His death. c)We can't spiritually come into contact with His blood.	
5	6	We come into contact with the saving blood of Christ when we are baptized into His death. True / False	
6	1	How does faith in Christ lead us to become Children of God? a)By being baptized into Christ. b)All people are already children of God. c)Faith only	
6	2	We are baptized in order to be a child of God. True / False	
6	3	One who believes in faith only is a)A wise man. b)A foolish man. c)Going to be saved.	
6	4	We are justified by faith only. True / False	
6	5	Faith that has no works is a)A dead faith. b)A living faith. c)A saving faith.	
6	6	To be a child of God our faith must cause us to accept and do all the Lord commands. True / False	
6	7	Who will inherit a home in heaven? a)All People. b)All sincere religious people. c)Only God's children.	
6	8	Heaven is reserved only for God's children. True / False	
7	1	The only way to get into Christ is	

		a)To only believe in Him. b)Saying the sinner's prayer. C)Baptism.	
7	2	There are many people in Christ who were not baptized into Christ. True / False	
7	3	Every spiritual blessing is located a)In Christ. b)Outside of Christ. c)In every person's heart.	
7	4	Not all spiritual blessings are located in Christ. True / False	
7	5	What advantage is stated here for those who are in Christ Jesus? a)There is no advantage. b)No condemnation. c)Condemnation.	
7	6	If we are not baptized into Christ we will be eternally condemned. True / False	
7	7	Where is redemption and forgiveness of sins located? a)Outside of Christ. b)At confession before a priest. C)In Christ.	
7	8	Those who have not been baptized into Christ have been redeemed and forgiven of their sins. True / False	
7	9	If anyone is in Christ he is a)A new creation. b)An old sinful creation. c)Lost.	
7	10	If one has not been baptized into Christ he is still an old sinful creature. True / False	
7	11	When do we start to walk in newness of life? a)When we die physically. b)When we are raised up out of the waters of baptism. c)Each new day.	
7	12	Newness of life begins before we are baptized. True / False	
7	13	Before we can enter the kingdom of God we must a)Be born as an infant baby. b)First find the kingdom of God. c)Be born of water and Spirit.	
7	14	We are born of water when we are baptized. True / False	
7	15	What have those who are in Christ obtained? a)Salvation. b)No salvation.	

		c)Eternal punishment.	
7	16	One who is outside of Christ has no hope of salvation. True / False	
7	17	Only those who are in Christ have the promise of a)Being rich in worldly goods. b)Eternal life. c)Not having any problems.	
7	18	Those outside of Christ have the promise of eternal life. True / False	
7	19	Those who are outside of Christ have a)No hope of going to Heaven. b)Hope of going to Heaven. c)Another chance in purgatory.	
7	20	Baptism is the only way into Christ. True / False	
8	1	Jesus wanted the gospel preached a)To only a few people. b)To every creature. c)To just good people.	
8	2	The gospel means good news. True / False	
8	3	The gospel is a)The power God uses to save everyone who believes. b)Optional since we can be saved without it. c)Something all people like to hear.	
8	4	Paul was ashamed of the gospel of Christ. True / False	
8	5	The gospel is the good news a)That all men are going to be saved. b)That no one is going to be saved. c)Of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.	
8	6	We are saved by the gospel. True / False	
8	7	Vengeance will be taken on a)Those who do not obey the gospel. b)Everyone. c)On no one.	
8	8	One will still go to Heaven if he does not obey the gospel. True / False	
8	9	We obey the gospel which is the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ when we a)Say the sinners prayer. b)Accept Jesus as our personal saviour. c)Are baptized.	
8	10	When we are baptized we are raised as a new person free from sin.	

		True / False	
8	11	When we obey the form of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ when we are baptized, a)We are not saved. b)We are not made free from sin. c)We are then made free from sin.	
8	12	We obey a form of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ when we are baptized. True / False	
8	13	If a gospel is preached other than what we find in the Bible then a)It is a perverted gospel. b)It is pleasing to God. c)It is all right.	
8	14	There are many perverted gospels being taught today. True / False	
8	15	One who preaches a perverted gospel a)Is doing God's will. b)Will be accursed and lost eternally. c)Will be saved if he is sincere.	
8	16	One who preaches a perverted gospel will cause no one to be lost. True / False	
9	1	The Greek word "baptizo" means to a)Sprinkle. b)Pour. c)Immerse.	
9	2	The Greek word "baptizo" also means to sprinkle. True / False	
9	3	Why was John baptizing in Aenon near Salim? a)It was handy. b)Because there was much water there. c)It was close to where the people were.	
9	4	Scriptural baptism which is immersion requires much water True / False	
9	5	Where was John baptizing these people in Mark 1:5? a)From a hand held pitcher of water being poured on their heads. b)In the River Jordan. c)In Jerusalem with water being sprinkled on their heads.	
9	6	Immersion requires enough water to bury an individual such as a river. True / False	
9	7	When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River a)He never got down into the water. b)He stood on the shore and water was poured on his head. c)He came up out of the water after His baptism.	
9	8	Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River because there is much water	

		in a river. True / False	
9	9	When Philip baptized the Ethiopian eunuch a)Water from a canteen was poured on the eunuch's head. b)They could not find any water in which to baptize. c)They came to some water.	
9	10	The baptism of the eunuch did not require coming to water. True / False	
9	11	When Philip baptized the eunuch a)They both went down into the water and came up out of the water. b)They stood on the shore and Philip poured water on the eunuch. c)They stayed in the chariot and Philip sprinkled water on the eunuch from a canteen.	
9	12	The baptism of the eunuch did not require going down into and coming up out of the water. True / False	
9	13	When did the eunuch rejoice? a)Before he was baptized. b)He never rejoiced. c)After he was baptized.	
9	14	The eunuch went on his way rejoicing because he was saved and free from sin. True / False	
9	15	When we are baptized we are a)Sprinkled. b)Buried. c)Poured.	
9	16	When one is sprinkled he is buried True / False	
10	1	The son shall a)Bear (inherit) the iniquity (sin) of his father. b)Not bear (inherit) the iniquity (sin) of his father. c)Not be responsible for his own sin.	
10	2	Children inherit their father's sins. True / False	
10	3	What is sin? a)Lawlessness. b)Doing what others don't like. c)There is no such thing as sin.	
10	4	Infant children cannot commit lawlessness and cannot sin. True / False	
10	5	The day we were created or born a)We were born in sin. b)We were perfect until iniquity (sin) was found in us. c)We were accountable for our parent's sin.	

10	6	We do not become sinners until we become accountable. True / False	
10	7	If we know to do good and don't do it a)It is not sin. b)It is all right. c)It is sin.	
10	8	Infant children know to do good and thus sin. True / False	
10	9	Those who need to be saved must be baptized a)With their parents making this decision. b)But do not have to believe. c)But must first believe.	
10	10	An infant does believe in Christ and should be baptized. True / False	
10	11	When one is baptized a)He must believe with all of his heart. b)He can be an unbeliever. c)He does not have to be able to believe with all his heart, such as an infant.	
10	12	Before one is a subject for baptism, he must believe with all his heart. True False	
10	13	Those who are to be baptized for the remission of their sins a)If they are infants they can have their parents repent for them. b)Do not have to repent. c)Must also repent.	
10	14	Babies are capable of repenting of their sins. True / False	

Answers & Reverences

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Lessons 1 - 20

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1	1	If we don't repent... a)We will perish b)God will overlook it c) We will go to Heaven anyway.	A	Luke 13:3	"I tell you, no; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."
1	2	But Satan does not want us to repent... True / False	T	Luke 13:3	I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
1	3	God commands all men everywhere.... a)To life the way we choose b) To repent c) To enjoy themselves	B	Acts 17:30	And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:
1	4	To repent is a command of God True / False	T	Acts 17:30	And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:
1	5	God wants a)No one to repent. b)Only His favorites to be saved. c)All people to be saved.	C	2 Pet 3:9	The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
1	6	6) God does not care if some people are lost. True / False	F	2 Pet 3:9	The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
1	7	Godly sorrow a)Is repentance. b)Produces repentance. c)Does not produce repentance.	B	2 Cor 7:10	For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
1	8	Repentance is just being sorry. True / False	F	2 Cor 7:10	For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
1	9	How are we to love God? a)With all our heart, soul, and mind. b)When we feel like it. c)When things are going well.	A	Matt 22:37	Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
1	10	Loving God does not require our entire heart, soul, and mind.	F	Matt 22:37	Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

		True / False			
1	11	What leads us to repentance? a)Our own goodness. b)Our not wanting to please God. c)The goodness of God.	B	2 Cor 7:10	For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
1	12	The goodness of God does not cause us to repent True / False	F	2 Cor 7:10	For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
1	13	Those who do not love Christ a)Will keep His commandments. b)Do not keep his commandments. c)Want to be pleasing to Him.	B	John 14:15	If ye love me, keep my commandments.
1	14	We show our love for Christ by keeping His commandments. True / False	T	John 14:15	If ye love me, keep my commandments.
2	1	If we want Christ to confess us before God the Father a)We must confess Him before men. b)We should deny Him before men. c)It is not necessary to confess Him before men.	A	Matt 10:32	Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.
2	2	if we deny Christ before men He will confess us before the Father. True / False	F	Matt 10:32	Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.
2	3	If we are ashamed of Christ a)He will not be ashamed of us on Judgment Day. b)We will not be lost. c)He will be ashamed of us on Judgment Day.	C	Luke 9:26	For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.
2	4	If Christ is ashamed of us, that means we are going to be lost. True / False	T	Luke 9:26	For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.
2	5	When Peter said "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God"	B	Matt 16:15-17	Mat 16:15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Mat 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said,

		a)Christ was embarrassed. b)Christ was well pleased. c)Christ didn't care.			Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Mat 16:17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.
2	6	We must be willing to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God. True / False	T	Mark 8:38	Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.
2	7	Before we are baptized we a)Do not need to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. b)Are to confess that we believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. c)Are to confess our sins to a priest.	B	Actss 8:36-38	Act 8:36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? Act 8:37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
2	8	When we are baptized we must believe in God and Jesus with all of our heart. True / False	T	Acts 8:37	And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
3	1	According to the Bible what must we do to be saved? a)Believe only. b)Believe and be baptized. c)Not be baptized.	B	Mark 16:16	He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
3	2	He that believes and is not baptized shall be saved. True / False	F	Mark 16:16	He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
3	3	Why do people not submit to the righteousness of God? a)They want to but they don't know how. b)They want to be saved. c)They seek to establish their own righteousness.	C	Rom 10:3	For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.
3	4	Many people choose not to do what God has says. True / False	T	Rom 10:3	For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.
3	5	What will judge us on Judgment Day? a)What we believe.	C	Mark 16:16	, "He who believes and is baptized shall be saved." note:

		b)What our preacher says. c)The words of Christ.			On the day of judgment we are only going to be judged by what the Lord says and not by what we think.
3	6	We are going to be judged according to what man says. True / False	F	Noting This chart again:	1) Jesus in Mark 16:16 says: Believe + Baptized = Saved 2) Universalist says: Not Believe + Not Baptized = Saved 3) Atheist says: Believe + Baptized = Not Saved 4) Infant Baptism says: Not Believe + Baptized = Saved 5) Faith Only says: Believe + Not Baptized = Saved
3	7	Christ is the author of eternal salvation to a)All who obey Him. b)To everyone. c)To no one.	A	Heb 5:9	And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;
3	8	Good people who have not obeyed the Lord will still be saved. True / False	F	Matt 7:22-23	Mat 7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.
3	9	What were these people commanded to do? a)Only believe. b)Nothing. c)Be baptized.	C	Mark 16:16	He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
3	10	Baptism is a command of God. True / False	T	Mark 16:15-16	Mar 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Mar 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. Note this was spoken by Jesus to the Apostles prior to him returning to heaven.
4	1	What were these people in this verse told to do for the remission of their sins? a)Pray to God. b)Repent and be baptized. c)Only believe.	B	Acts 2:38	Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
4	2	Our sins are forgiven before we repent and are baptized. True / False	F	Acts 2:38	Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
4	3	What was Paul told to do to	C	Acts 22:13-15	Act 22:13 Came unto me, and stood, and said

		<p>have his sins washed away? a) Accept Christ as his personal Saviour b) Only believe in Jesus. c) Arise and be baptized.</p>			<p>unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him. Act 22:14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth. Act 22:15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard. Act 22:16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.</p>
4	4	<p>Until Paul was baptized he still had all his sins. True / False</p>	T	Acts 22:13-15	Act 22:16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.
4	5	<p>Where can we find in the Bible that we are told to pray and ask Jesus to come into our heart in order to be saved? a) Jude 2:5. b) 2 John 1:14. c) It is not there.</p>	C	No Place	No Place
4	6	<p>We cannot find in the Bible where anyone was ever told to accept Jesus into his heart in order to be saved. True / False</p>	True	>>>>>>>>	>>>>>>>>
4	7	<p>What does the Bible say saves us? a) Faith only. b) Baptism. c) Our own goodness.</p>	B	1 Pet 3:21	The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:
4	8	<p>It is at the point of baptism that God has chosen to impart His wonderful grace of salvation. True / False</p>	T	1 Pet 3:21	The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:
5	1	<p>What cleanses us from all sin? a) We have no sin to be cleansed. b) Nothing can. c) The blood of Christ.</p>	C	1 John 1:7	But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
5	2	<p>The blood of Christ is not necessary to cleanse us from our sins. True / False</p>	F	1 John 1:7	But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
5	3	<p>Where did Christ shed His</p>	A	Matt 26:28	For this is my blood of the new testament, which

		blood for us. a)In His death on the cross. b)When He cut His finger. c)He never shed any blood.			is shed for many for the remission of sins.
5	4	Our sins are washed away when we come into contact with the cleansing blood of Christ. True False	T	1 John 1:7	But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
5	5	How do we get into His death to spiritually come into contact with Christ's blood? a)When we die physically. b)When we are baptized into His death. c)We can't spiritually come into contact with His blood.	C	Rom 6:3-4	Rom 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Rom 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
5	6	We come into contact with the saving blood of Christ when we are baptized into His death. True / False	T	Rom 6:3-4	Rom 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Rom 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
6	1	How does faith in Christ lead us to become Children of God? a)By being baptized into Christ. b)All people are already children of God. c)Faith only	A	Thesree scriptures teaching Thesis subject.	Jas 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also. Eph_4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, Col_2:12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.
6	2	We are baptized in order to be a child of God. True / False	T	Gal 3:27	For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
6	3	One who believes in faith only is a)A wise man. b)A foolish man. c)Going to be saved.	B	Jas 2:17	Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
6	4	We are justified by faith only. True / False	F	Jas 2:17	Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
6	5	Faith that has no works is a)A dead faith. b)A living faith. c)A saving faith.	A	Jas 2:17	Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

6	6	To be a child of God our faith must cause us to accept and do all the Lord commands. True / False	T	2Cor 10:15 2Timm 1:11	2Co_10:15 Not boasting of things without our measure, that is, of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly, 2Th_1:11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:
6	7	Who will inherit a home in heaven? a)All People. b)All sincere religious people. c)Only God's children.	C	Matt 25:34	Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
6	8	Heaven is reserved only for God's children. True / False	True	Matt 25:34	Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
7	1	The only way to get into Christ is a)To only believe in Him. b)Saying the sinner's prayer. C)Baptism.	c	Rom 6:3 & Gal 3:27	Rom_6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Gal_3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
7	2	There are many people in Christ who were not baptized into Christ. True / False	F	Gal 3:27	For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
7	3	Every spiritual blessing is located a)In Christ. b)Outside of Christ. c)In every person's heart.	A	Eph 1:3	Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:
7	4	Not all spiritual blessings are located in Christ. True / False	F	Eph 1:3	Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:
7	5	What advantage is stated here for those who are in Christ Jesus? a)There is no advantage. b)No condemnation. c)Condemnation.	b	>>>>>>	If you are outside of Christ, you have no spiritual blessings, no redemption, no forgiveness of sins; you will be condemned on the day of judgment; you are still an old sinful creature; you have no hope of salvation and no hope of eternal life.
7	6	If we are not baptized into Christ we will be eternally condemned. True / False	T	2:12 says	"That at the time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise,

					having no hope and without God in the world." Could a situation get any more desperate than having no hope and being without God? This is the situation of those who are outside of Christ.
7	7	Where is redemption and forgiveness of sins located? a)Outside of Christ. b)At confession before a priest. C)In Christ.	c	Eph 1:7	In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
7	8	Those who have not been baptized into Christ have been redeemed and forgiven of their sins. True / False	T	Eph 1:7	In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
7	9	If anyone is in Christ he is a)A new creation. b)An old sinful creation. c)Lost.	A	2 Cor 5:17	Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
7	10	If one has not been baptized into Christ he is still an old sinful creature. True / False	T	2 Cor 5:17	Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
7	11	When do we start to walk in newness of life? a)When we die physically. b)When we are raised up out of the waters of baptism. c)Each new day.	b	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
7	12	Newness of life begins before we are baptized. True / False	T	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
7	13	Before we can enter the kingdom of God we must a)Be born as an infant baby. b)First find the kingdom of God. c)Be born of water and Spirit.	C	John 3:5	Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.
7	14	We are born of water when we are baptized. True / False	T	John 3:5	Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit , he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.
7	15	What have those who are in Christ obtained? a)Salvation.	A	2Tim 2:10	Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

		b)No salvation. c)Eternal punishment.			
7	16	One who is outside of Christ has no hope of salvation. True / False	T	2Tim 2:10	Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
7	17	Only those who are in Christ have the promise of a)Being rich in worldly goods. b)Eternal life. c)Not having any problems.	B	Jude 1:21	Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
7	18	Those outside of Christ have the promise of eternal life. True / False	F	Jude 1:21	Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
7	19	Those who are outside of Christ have a)No hope of going to Heaven. b)Hope of going to Heaven. c)Another chance in purgatory.	A	Jude 1:21	Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
7	20	Baptism is the only way into Christ. True / False	T	Gal 3:27	For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
8	1	Jesus wanted the gospel preached a)To only a few people. b)To every creature. c)To just good people.	B	Mark 16:15	And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
8	2	The gospel means good news. True / False	T	Dictionary	a)often capitalized: the message concerning Christ, the kingdom of God, and salvation 2) the message or teachings of a religious teacher
8	3	The gospel is a)The power God uses to save everyone who believes. b)Optional since we can be saved without it. c)Something all people like to hear.	C	NOTE	Good News is a very correct term to use when explaining the meaning of "Gospel"
8	4	Paul was ashamed of the gospel of Christ. True / False	F	Rom 1:16	For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
8	5	The gospel is the good news	C	Dictionary	a)often capitalized: the message concerning

		a)That all men are going to be saved. b)That no one is going to be saved. c)Of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.			Christ, the kingdom of God, and salvation
8	6	We are saved by the gospel. True / False	T	Rom 1:16	For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
8	7	Vengeance will be taken on a)Those who do not obey the gospel. b)Everyone. c)On no one.	A	2Thes 1:8	In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
8	8	One will still go to Heaven if he does not obey the gospel. True / False	F	Rom 1:16	For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
8	9	We obey the gospel which is the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ when we a)Say the sinners prayer. b)Accept Jesus as our personal saviour. c)Are baptized.	C	Gal 3:27	For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. note: The act of baptism is as: we are buried in water as Christ was buried and we come up out of the water a new man as Christ arose from the dead.
8	10	When we are baptized we are raised as a new person free from sin. True / False	T	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
8	11	When we obey the form of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ when we are baptized, a)We are not saved. b)We are not made free from sin. c)We are then made free from sin.	C	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
8	12	We obey a form of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ when we are baptized. True / False	T	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
8	13	If a gospel is preached other than what we find in the Bible then	A	Rev 22:19	And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of

		a)It is a perverted gospel. b)It is pleasing to God. c)It is all right.			the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.
8	14	There are many perverted gospels being taught today. True / False	T	>>>>>>>	See Chart Below
8	15	One who preaches a perverted gospel a)Is doing God's will. b)Will be accursed and lost eternally. c)Will be saved if he is sincere.	c	Gal 1:8	But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.
8	16	One who preaches a perverted gospel will cause no one to be lost. True / False	F	Gal 1:6	I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Gal 1:7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. Gal 1:8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. note! The christians in Galatia were departing from the truth because of their teachings.
9	1	The Greek word "baptizo" means to a)Sprinkle. b)Pour. c)Immerse.	C	Dictionary	to purify or cleanse spiritually especially by a purging experience or ordeal
9	2	The Greek word "baptizo" also means to sprinkle. True / False	F	-----	-----
9	3	Why was John baptizing in Aenon near Salim? a)It was handy. b)Because there was much water there. c)It was close to where the people were.	B	John 3:23	And John also was baptizing in Aenon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.
9	4	Scriptural baptism which is immersion requires much water True / False	T	Acts 8:36	And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? note: The amount of water has got to be enough to completely cover the one being baptized.
9	5	Where was John baptizing these people in Mark 1:5? a)From a hand held pitcher	B	Mark 1:4-5	Mar 1:4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

		of water being poured on their heads. b)In the River Jordan. c)In Jerusalem with water being sprinkled on their heads.			Mar 1:5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.
9	6	Immersion requires enough water to bury an individual such as a river. True / False	T	>>>>>.	Note. If all the water that one has is a large tub full of water and the one be baptized can be completely immersed, then that is appropriate.
9	7	When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River a)He never got down into the water. b)He stood on the shore and water was poured on his head. c)He came up out of the water after His baptism.	C	Matt 3:16	And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:
9	8	Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River because there is much water in a river. True / False	T	Matt 3:13	Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. note: we have already learned that it had to be a lot of water.
9	9	When Philip baptized the Ethiopian eunuch a)Water from a canteen was poured on the eunuch's head. b)They could not find any water in which to baptize. c)They came to some water.	C	Acts 8:36-38	Act 8:36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? Act 8:37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
9	10	The baptism of the eunuch did not require coming to water. True / False	F	Acts 8:36	And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?
9	11	When Philip baptized the eunuch a)They both went down into the water and came up out of the water. b)They stood on the shore and Philip poured water on the eunuch. c)They stayed in the chariot and Philip sprinkled water	A	Acts 8:38	And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

		on the eunuch from a canteen.			
9	12	The baptism of the eunuch did not require going down into and coming up out of the water. True / False	F	Acts 8:38	And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
9	13	When did the eunuch rejoice? a)Before he was baptized. b)He never rejoiced. c)After he was baptized.	C	Acts 8:39	And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.
9	14	The eunuch went on his way rejoicing because he was saved and free from sin. True / False	T	-----	note: Obvious reason
9	15	When we are baptized we are a)Sprinkled. b)Buried. c)Poured.	B	Rom 6:4	Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
9	16	When one is sprinkled he is buried True / False	F	meaning of baptism>>>	to purify or cleanse spiritually especially by a purging experience or ordeal
10	1	The son shall a)Bear (inherit) the iniquity (sin) of his father. b)Not bear (inherit) the iniquity (sin) of his father. c)Not be responsible for his own sin.	B	Ezek 18:20	The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.
10	2	Children inherit their father's sins. True / False	F	Ezek 18:20	The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.
10	3	What is sin? a)Lawlessness. b)Doing what others don't like. c)There is no such thing as sin.	A	% Dictionary	law·less 1 : not regulated by or based on law a: not restrained or controlled by law : unruly b: illegal
10	4	Infant children cannot commit lawlessness and cannot sin. True / False	T	Matt 18:3	And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

10	5	The day we were created or born a)We were born in sin. b)We were perfect until iniquity (sin) was found in us. c)We were accountable for our parent's sin.	B	Ezek 28:15	Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.
10	6	We do not become sinners until we become accountable. True / False	T	Ezek 28:15	Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.
10	7	If we know to do good and don't do it a)It is not sin. b)It is all right. c)It is sin.	C	Jas 4:17	Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.
10	8	Infant children know to do good and thus sin. True / False	F	Matt 18:3	And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.
10	9	Those who need to be saved must be baptized a)With their parents making this decision. b)But do not have to believe. c)But must first believe.	C	Acts 8:36-38 An example of one believing before being baptized.	Act 8:36 And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? Act 8:37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
10	10	An infant does believe in Christ and should be baptized. True / False	F	-----	-----
10	11	When one is baptized a)He must believe with all of his heart. b)He can be an unbeliever. c)He does not have to be able to believe with all his heart, such as an infant.	A	Acts 8:37-38	Act 8:37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Act 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
10	12	Before one is a subject for baptism, he must believe with all his heart. True False	T	Acts 8:37	And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

10	13	Those who are to be baptized for the remission of their sins a)If they are infants they can have their parents repent for them. b)Do not have to repent. c)Must also repent.	C	Acts 2:38	Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
10	14	Babies are capable of repenting of their sins. True / False	F	Matt 18:3	And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Please note a chart listed below this study for you to be able to tell approximately when different denominations began to break away from the Lord's church and start their own way of worshiping plus other facts.

33-100	Pure Christianity
100-399	Holy Water
150	Organization change
185	Infant baptism introduced
300-325	Easter celebration
400s	Mechanical music
500s	Universal use of infant baptism
606	Roman Catholic Church
1311	Sprinkling
1324-1384	Bible translated into English
1455	Invention of printing press
1521	Lutheran Church
1560	Presbyterian Church
1608	Baptist Church
1639	First Baptist Church in America
1729	Christian Church
1830	Restoration Movement
	Mormon
1905	Nazarene

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