

20 Basic Doctrines of the Bible

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20 BASIC DOCTRINES OF THE BIBLE

These study notes have been prepared to assist you in understanding the basic teachings (doctrines) of the Bible in 20 sections. Please don't be in a hurry as you do these worksheets! It will take time for you must look up and study scores of verses from the Bible. You will learn many critical doctrines as you search the Scriptures to answer these questions. You must master these very basic doctrines to begin to advance in the faith. **Before you begin** any Bible study you must not have any unconfessed sin in your life. Confess any known sin to be forgiven and thus be in fellowship with the Holy Spirit (1 John 1:9). Don't forget to pray and to ask the Lord to help you as you study His inspired Word which will teach you the most important things in the world! **The New American Standard translation is recommended.** Do not answer any questions without *first* reading all the Scriptures in the question! **Here are some opening questions like those found on these worksheets:**

1. True or False: All things were created by Jesus Christ (John 1:1-3; Colossians1:16).
2. True or False: To be saved a person must try to live a good life and do good things (Acts 16:30-31).
3. MATCHING: The 7 "I Am" statements of Jesus:

A) ___ I am the Light of the World	1. John 6:35; 48
B) ___ I am the Door of Salvation	2. John 8:12; 9:5
C) ___ I am the Bread of Life	3. John 15:1, 5
D) ___ I am the Resurrection and the Life	4. John 14:6
E) ___ I am the Good Shepherd	5. John 10:7, 9
F) ___ I am the True Vine	6. John 11:25
H) ___ I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life	7. John 10:11-14
4. According to Matthew 1:23, the name "Emmanuel" means _____
5. How did God demonstrate His love for us? (Romans 5:8)? _____
6. We are saved by _____ through _____ Not of _____ it is the _____ of God (Ephesians 2:8)
7. What must a person do to be saved (Acts 16:30-31)? Write the letter of the correct answer _____
 - a. Go to church every week
 - b. Give money to the poor
 - c. Believe on the Jesus Christ as the only one who gives you eternal life
 - e. Be baptized in water
 - f. Say a prayer
 - g. Take the sacraments of the church
 - h. Confess all your sins
 - i. promise God to turn from all your sins
 - j. ask Jesus in your heart

Now we are ready to begin the first section!! Work hard and study well!!

Doctrine 1: The Scriptures

1. The Lord Jesus said that God's Word (the Bible) is _____ (John 17:17).
2. The Lord Jesus also said that the Scripture cannot _____ (John 10:35) and that the Scripture must be _____ (Mark 14:49).
3. WHO was it that moved the writers of the Bible (such as Moses and Isaiah and David and Matthew and Luke and Paul) and helped them so that what they wrote was exactly what God wanted them to write, without any mistakes and without any errors – be specific as to which member of the Trinity (2 Peter 1:21; John 16:12-15)?

4. In 1 Corinthians 2:16 Paul says "we have the _____ of _____"
This is a reference to Bible Doctrine. Bible Doctrine is what the Bible teaches on any given topic. Doctrine was taught by Jesus Christ and the apostles (Mark 4:2; Acts 2:42; 2 Timothy 3:10). Pastor-Teachers are exhorted to teach Doctrine (2 Timothy 4:2; Titus 1:9).
5. Fulfilled Bible prophecy proves the truth of Scripture. Just consider these few about Jesus Christ.

Written over 700 years before the birth of Christ Isaiah 7:14 says a _____ will conceive and bear a son. Matthew 1:18-25 Jesus' mother, whose name is _____, was a virgin

Read Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12. Of whom is this speaking? _____.
Which verse would you say is the most important to you and why? _____

Write John 1:29 below

Written about 800 years before the birth of Christ Micah 5:2 predicts that Jesus would be born in a specific town whose name was _____.
Matthew 2:1, Luke 2:3-4 Was Jesus born in this town? _____

Zechariah 9:9 was written some 500 years before the birth of Christ. It says the k_____ would come riding on a _____. Jesus presented Himself to Israel Luke 19:29-38 Jesus came riding into Jerusalem riding on a donkey while the people shouted

“ _____
_____ ”

Jesus fulfilled some 100 different prophecies at His first coming!

6. Read Psalm 19:7-14. All of the various terms refer to the written Word of God (statutes, commandment, judgments). In v.10 The Psalmist says these are to be more desired than _____ and are sweeter than _____. V.11: By them the servant is _____ and in keeping them is _____.

7. Many people do not believe what the Bible says, and they do not believe in many of the great miracles which the Bible tells us about. Did the Lord Jesus believe in the creation of the original man and woman (Adam and Eve) (Matthew 19:4-5)? _____ Did the Lord Jesus believe that a flood destroyed the whole world in the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37-39)? _____ Did the Lord Jesus believe that the prophet Jonah was really swallowed by a big fish (Matthew 12:40-41)? _____ The Lord Jesus, God's Son, said that these things really happened. Did the Lord Jesus ever lie (John 8:44-45)? _____ Does He know more than you do? _____ Do you believe what He says? _____

8. We know that the books of the Bible were written by men, some 40 different writers over a span of about 1500 years. However, is the Bible just the word of men or is it more than that (2 Timothy 3:16; I Thessalonians 2:13)? _____. The Bible is the _____ of God and is without error in all its parts.

9. What is one thing that God will never do (Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:18; Numbers 23:19)? _____

10. Since God's Word is total Truth if anything disagrees with the Bible it is a _____ (Romans 1:25; 1 John 2:21). All such lies are from _____ the father of lies (John 8:44)

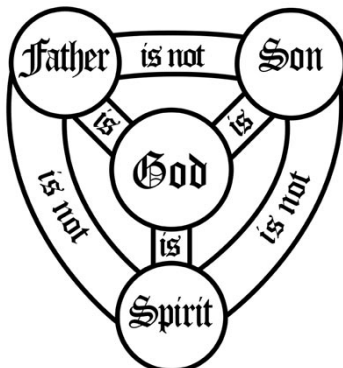
11. How many books are in the Old Testament? _____ The New Testament? _____

12. Did Jesus believe the Old Testament was part of Scripture? (Luke 11:51; Luke 24:27, 44) write yes or no _____

Summary: The Bible is God's Word. When a person turns to God and trusts in whom God is and what God has said, that person begins to realize that God has said what He means and God means what He has said. He wrote the Bible to be understood by all believers.

Doctrine 2: The Godhead

1. How many Gods are there (Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 44:8)? _____



2. There is ONE GOD, but this Great God exists in THREE PERSONS. Can you name the three Persons of the Trinity (Matthew 28:19)?

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

3. Is the Father God (John 6:27)? _____
4. Is the Lord Jesus God (Hebrews 1:8; Titus 2:13; John 20:28)? _____
5. Is the Holy Spirit God (Acts 5:3-4)? _____
6. **Make a deduction: Yes or no:** Though people may claim to know things about God if they do not believe the Bible, do they know God? (see Isaiah 8:20) _____
7. **Yes or no:** Is God some form of impersonal energy like “the force” on Star Wars?

8. **Yes or no:** Is Nature or the Earth a god or goddess? _____

Summary: God tells us who He is and what He is like in His Word, the Bible. Without the Bible a person cannot really know God or what He is like—His holiness, His love, His mercy, His grace, and His wonderful ability to save lost sinners by faith alone in Christ alone.

Doctrine 3: The Person and Work of Christ

1. John chapter 1 teaches us many important facts about Christ. Please do the following MATCHING problem:

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|---|--------------|
| A) _____ He is the Creator of all things. | 1. John 1:1 |
| B) _____ He became a man. | 2. John 1:3 |
| C) _____ He is God. | 3. John 1:14 |

2. The Father is _____, therefore He does not have flesh, blood, and bones and is invisible (John 4:24; 6:46; Luke 24:39). Jesus Christ became man and while He was on earth He explained what the unseen _____ is like (John 1:18).

3. When Jesus became a man, did He stop being God (John 5:18; John 10:30)? _____

4. The child which came forth from the virgin Mary was (read Luke 1:35 and circle the correct answer):

- A. just an ordinary baby
- B. John the Baptist
- C. the Holy Son of God
- D. the son of Joseph

5. Why did the Lord Jesus come into the world (1 Timothy 1:15)?

6. Why did the Lord Jesus die on the cross? Please do the following MATCHING problem:

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| A) _____ Christ died for our sins. | 1. Isaiah 53:5 |
| B) _____ Christ bore (carried) our sins in His own body on the tree. | 2. Romans 5:6 |

15. Do you serve a living Savior or a dead Savior (Revelation 1:18)? _____

16. Where is the Lord Jesus today (Acts 1:9-10; Hebrews 1:3; 9:24)? _____

17. Who worships Jesus in heaven (Hebrews 1:6)? _____

18. What is Christ doing for believers at this time?

A. He keeps us secure in our eternal _____ (John 10:28-29).

B. He is preparing a _____ for us (John 14:1-3).

C. He makes intercession for believers, since He is our _____ (Hebrews 7:25-26), our _____ (1 John 2:1-2) and our _____ (1 Timothy 2:5).

D. He sympathizes with our _____ and helps us when we are tempted and in need (Hebrews 2:18; 4:15-6).

Summary: If I do not believe that Jesus Christ alone guarantees my eternal life I cannot be saved. He is the focus or object of my faith. Since Jesus Christ died on the cross paying the penalty for all my sins and rose again He alone can give me unconditional eternal life as a free gift. There is no other person, church, good works, or ritual that can save me (ritual means some religious action like baptism). There is no other way to have eternal life and to know God except by the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the only way!

Doctrine 4: The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

1. Acts 5:3 says Ananias lied to _____. Acts 5:4 says Ananias lied to _____. Therefore the Holy Spirit is here identified as _____.

2. John 16:13-14: "Nevertheless, when _____, the Spirit of truth is come, _____ will guide you into all truth; for _____ shall not speak of _____ but whatever _____ shall hear, that shall _____ speak; and _____ will show you things to come. _____ shall glorify Me; for _____ shall receive of Mine, and shall show it unto you." (All of these personal pronouns show us that the Holy Spirit is a real PERSON, not just an "influence" or an "it" or a "force" or a "power" as some people believe.)

3. What is the Holy Spirit seen doing at the time of the restoration creation in Genesis 1:2? _____

4. What verses in Matthew 1 and in Luke 1 show the Holy Spirit was the agent of conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary? Matthew 1 _____, Luke 1 _____

5. What is the ministry of the Holy Spirit for the believer in Romans 8:26-27?

6. If the believer walks by the means of the Holy Spirit (which is staying in fellowship and applying Bible doctrine) what will they NOT DO (Galatians 5:16-17)? _____

7. Please complete this MATCHING problem:

- A) _____ The Holy Spirit gives new birth (“regeneration”) and new life to a person the moment he believes in Jesus as his Savior.
- B) _____ By (meaning “by the means of”) one Spirit, all believers are baptized into the body of Christ and become members of Christ’s church.
- C) _____ Jesus is the one who performs the baptism into the body of Christ by the means of the Holy Spirit
- D) _____ The Holy Spirit indwells (lives inside) each and every believer
- E) _____ The Holy Spirit is the Seal whereby each believer is sealed by God unto the day of redemption.

- 1. 1 Corinthians 12:13
- 2. John 3:5; Titus 3:5 4.
- 3. Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30
- 4. 2 Timothy 1:14; 1 Cor. 6:19-20
- 5. Matthew 3:11

8. If a person does not have the Holy Spirit, is he really a Christian (Romans 8:9)? _____ . When do you become a Christian? When you _____ in Jesus for eternal life. When does the baptism by the means of the Holy Spirit into the body of Christ happen to the believer (1 Corinthians 12:12-13)? When you _____ in Jesus for eternal life.

9 Who is the believer’s Perfect Teacher (1 Corinthians 2:9-14)? _____

10. What is the believer commanded to be in Ephesians 5:18? _____

11. To be “filled with the Spirit” (the Holy Spirit) means to be under His control. To do this we must be in fellowship with Him and have no unconfessed sin in our life as a believer. How do we get back into fellowship with Him? (1 John 1:9) _____ our _____ to God. When we do this He will _____ us our sins and we will once again be in fellowship with God and filled with the Holy Spirit.

12. What two verses in Galatians chapter 5 describe the “fruit” that the Holy Spirit will produce in the life of the believer who is filled with the Spirit? Verses _____

Summary: Every believer has the Holy Spirit living inside of them. At the moment of faith alone in Christ alone you get all the Holy Spirit you need to live the Christian life. We have to remember to confess our sins as they happen to stay filled with the Holy Spirit. As we live our Christian life God the Holy Spirit should be remembered and counted on for help. He will help us understand the Bible and apply it to our lives and by this He will produce the “fruit” he wants in our lives.

Doctrine 5: Creation

1. Genesis 1:1 In the beginning _____ created the _____ and the _____

2. Genesis 1:5: "One day": in the Old Testament whenever the word "day" is used with a number like "one" it always means a literal 24-hour day. In how many 24-hour days did God take to create everything we see? _____. Did God take millions and millions of years to create everything we see in the universe and on the earth? _____

3. Read Genesis one: Now match the following:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>WHAT CREATED</u>
One _____	A. vegetation
Two _____	B. Man / animals
Three _____	C. light
Four _____	D. birds / fish
Five _____	E. atmosphere
Six _____	F. sun / moon / stars

4. Genesis 2:2 What did God do on the seventh day? _____

5. Genesis 2:7, 20-22 God made a man first and then a _____. Adam was made from the _____ of the ground; Eve was made from Adam's _____.

6. Are human beings related to the other animals like chimpanzees? _____ Why not? Because God created Adam as a full and complete human being and God made _____ from the dust of the earth as a mature man – he did not evolve from any other lower form of animal!

7. Read **all** of the following verses before answering the questions: Genesis 1; Isaiah 40:21-26, 42:5; 45:12, 45:18, 48:12-13; John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 1:10.

- A. Many religions state that God and the material universe are basically the same – that is, God is in everything and God is everything and even you, as a human being, are God or a part of God. Based on your reading, is this religious belief **true or false?** _____
- B. Look carefully at the John passage and also read John 1:14. Who is **the Word?** _____
- C. Comparing the John passage with the one in Colossians and Hebrews 1:2 which one of the Trinity was the one speaking the universe into existence, that is, the one through whom all was made? _____
- D. Write below **at least three things from the verses you have read** in point 7 (above) that show that the Creator and the creation are distinct – they are not the same. Note the Scripture reference with your answer:

Summary: God created the heavens and the earth in six 24-hour days. God created everything directly and did not use any form of evolution. The universe and the earth did not take millions and billions of years to evolve. God created everything about 6,000 years ago. Though all of the Trinity is involved in creation, God the Son (Jesus) is the one who actually speaks the universe into existence (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 1:2). There is a clear distinction between the Creator and the creation and God is not part of the material universe nor is any human being God or a part of God.

Doctrine 6: The Total Depravity of Man

“Depraved” means corrupt or rotten: totally sinful, nothing good, polluted by sin

1. Did God create man from ape-like creatures or as a complete human being from the dust of the ground (Genesis 2:7)? _____
2. Was man created as a sinner (Genesis 1:26-27)? _____
3. Which early chapter in the book of Genesis tells us about man’s fall into sin?
Chapter _____
3. True or False: “It’s too bad Adam sinned, but that doesn’t have anything to do with me” (Romans 5:12-21) _____
4. Who was the only Person who was never born as a sinner (Luke 1:35)? _____
5. How many people are sinners (Isaiah 53:6, Romans 3:23)? _____
6. Was Mary a sinner in need of a Savior (Luke 1:46-47)? _____
7. Before a person believes in Jesus for eternal life he is said to be _____ in trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1, 5) He is spiritually dead even though he is physically alive. The moment a person is saved he passes out of _____ into _____ (John 5:24).
8. Man’s heart (the central essence of who he is) is _____ (Jeremiah 17:9).
9. To be “righteous” means to be “right with God.” How many righteous people are there in God’s sight (Romans 3:10)? _____
10. All of our attempts to be “righteous” (like doing religious things or being very good) are like what in the sight of God (Isaiah 64:6)? _____

11. How many are there that do good in the eyes of God (Romans 3:12)? _____

12. READ Mark 7:14-23. The Lord Jesus clearly taught that man's basic problem is (circle the correct one):

- a. pollution (filthy air and water)
- b. corrupt government
- c. poor housing (slums, etc.)
- d. wars
- e. a sinful heart (mind- all a person is inside) polluted by sin (defiled)
- f. bad parenting
- g. poverty
- h. poor education

13. Total depravity does not mean we are as bad as we can be but that in the eyes of God there is nothing good in us and we can do nothing to make ourselves right with God. Before I receive eternal life how does God see me? Check two: Good _____ bad (sinful) _____ Righteous _____ unrighteous _____

14. This doctrine also **does not mean** that man cannot understand the Message of Life and believe because the Holy Spirit makes it possible for them to believe. In John 6:44-45 it says no one can come unless the God the Father _____ him; in John 12:32 how many are drawn by Christ? _____. Those in John 6:45 learned from, responded to, the Father's drawing; however, not all hear the Message of Life with faith. All people are drawn and enabled to believe but not all come (believe, have faith). That is because of the God-created free will. God's drawing can be resisted.

Summary: A person cannot change his or her relationship to God (to know Him) or to sin (to be set free from sin) by himself or by the help of others including the church or any other religion. This is something only God can do. Man is in a helpless and hopeless condition of separation from God until he realizes his condition and lets God change it by faith alone in Christ alone.

Doctrine 7: Salvation (Eternal Life)

1. According to Ephesians 2:8 and Romans 6:23, salvation (or eternal life) is the G _____ of God. Who paid for this precious gift (1 Peter 1:18-19; 1 Corinthians 6:20, 15:3-4)? _____

2. Do all people receive God's gift of salvation (John 1:11-12; John 3:18; John 3:36)? _____ According to John 3:16, those who reject God's gift will _____. To "perish" means to be alive yet separated from God forever in the Lake of Fire and this called "the second death" (Revelation 20:14-15).

3. Does God offer His gift of salvation to all men (1 Timothy 2:4-6; 1 Timothy 4:10)? _____ Do most men receive this gift or do only a few people receive it (Matthew 7:13-14)? _____

4. Who is the only way of salvation (John 14:6; John 10:9-10)? _____

5. Can a person receive eternal life and go to heaven by being nice, trying to live a good life, or being religious (Ephesians 2:8-9)? _____

6. Who has to be the focus (or object) alone of our belief (or faith) in order to receive eternal life (John 11:25-26, 14:6; Acts 16:31)? _____

7. Read 1 John 5:11. Where is this free gift of eternal life found? In the _____ of God the Father who is _____. If you are counting on some ritual or activity of the church or some religious activity to give you eternal life, is your focus on Jesus Christ alone? _____ If you think you can be good enough to go to heaven, is your focus on Jesus Christ alone? _____. The object or focus of saving faith is _____.

8. Read 1 John 5:12. If you have the Son (you have believed in Him), what do you have? The (eternal) _____. If you have not believed in Him alone what do you not have? The (eternal) _____.

9. What does the word “believe” mean? It simply means to be inwardly convinced (know on the inside where you think) that something is true. The gift of eternal life is given to anyone who is convinced it is true that Jesus alone guarantees our eternal life (John 11:25-26). To have faith in Jesus is the same thing as to believe in Him – we place our eternal destiny in His hands and nothing else. We believe His promise to give us eternal life. That and that alone is saving faith! Have you believed in Jesus? _____

10. Here is a key verse where Jesus says exactly how a person receives eternal life. :

John 6:47 (NKJV) Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.

Write the letter for the correct answer here: _____

- a. Jesus said we can have eternal life but only if we can hang onto it – in other words, He puts us on probation to see if we can qualify.
- b. Jesus said that the single condition for receiving unconditional eternal life is to believe in Him for that life (believe His promise)
- c. Jesus said that we have to promise to turn from all our sin and then He will give us eternal life
- d. Jesus said that if we meet certain conditions first, like baptism, then He will give us eternal life
- e. Jesus said that obtaining eternal life is a process that may take many years

Warning! Never put anything between “believes in Me” and “has eternal life”!

Read point 9 (above) again. Write the definition of “believe” here: _____

11. A person receives eternal life when they believe Jesus’ promise to give them eternal life and not before that. Briefly share how and about when you came to this knowledge

12. A review – circle the **one** correct answer: In order to receive eternal life I must:

- A) Confess all my sin
- B) Admit that I am a sinner
- C) Feel sorry (repent) for my sin
- D) Make Jesus Lord of my life
- E) Promise to serve Jesus the rest of my life
- F) Turn from all my sin
- G) Pray and ask Jesus in my heart
- H) Be convinced it is true that Jesus alone guarantees my eternal life
- I) Join the church
- J) Believe in Jesus and live a good life as best I can
- K) Be baptized
- L) Be good
- M) Receive communion

Summary: Jesus died on the cross to pay our sin debt in full. The Message of Life is that God gives us unconditional eternal life as a free gift when we believe in Jesus alone as the one who guarantees that gift of eternal life. The gift of eternal life is something God gives when we believe in Jesus alone for that life – faith alone in Christ alone.

Doctrine 8: The Eternal Security and Assurance of Believers

1. A person who believes in Christ HAS (it is yours right now) _____.
(John 6:47). Who said so? _____. Does He ever lie? _____
2. How long is “everlasting” _____. If something is everlasting, will it ever end?
_____. If you could lose something that is everlasting so that it ends it would only be temporary. Look again at John 6:47. What kind of Life does Jesus offer, everlasting or temporary? _____
3. Will Christ ever cast out (take away your eternal life and bring you to the judgment of the Lake of Fire) of a believer who comes to Him (John 6:37; John 5:24)? _____
- 4 How many believers will be lost (John 6:38-40)? _____
5. What does Christ give to His sheep (John 10:28)? _____.
Will they ever perish (John 10:28)? _____. Are the sheep safe and secure in the hands of God (John 10:28-30)? _____. Every believer is one of God’s sheep. Are you one of God’s sheep? _____. Are you secure in your eternal life forever? _____
6. What shall separate us from the love of Christ (Romans 8:35-39)? _____.
Is it possible to sin so much that I can lose my eternal life (yes or no) _____

7. Is it possible to KNOW now that I have eternal life (1 John 5:11-13)? _____.

8. Please underline all that are true: "I know I have eternal life (I am saved) because...."

- A) I stop sinning
- B) I want to go to church all the time
- C) The Bible tells me that Jesus promised it to me when I believed in Him
- D) I love other people more
- E) I see that I am doing many good things
- F) I give money to the church
- G) I don't drink alcohol, I stop smoking, I don't take illegal drugs, I don't break the law, and I don't live with somebody like a husband and wife before I get married to them.
- H) I obey my parents

9. MATCH the following: The one who has believed in Jesus alone for their eternal life will never:

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| A) _____ perish | 1. John 3:18; 5:24 |
| B) _____ die | 2. John 6:37 |
| C) _____ be condemned (judged) | 3. John 8:51; 11:25 |
| D) _____ be cast out | 4. John 3:16; 10:28 |
| E) _____ be separated from Christ's love | 5. Romans 8:38-39 |

10. 2 Timothy 2:13 Even if we are faithless (as a believer) He remains _____ for He cannot _____ Himself (He is the one who has made the promise of eternal life to use therefore He will never break His promise even if we are totally unfaithful to Him).

Summary: Eternal security (being safe and secure in Christ forever) is how God sees the person who has believed in Jesus alone for their unconditional eternal life. Assurance is our confidence that we possess this eternal life which can never be lost. Assurance does not come when we look to our changed behavior or attitudes. God promises us only one kind of life when we believe: eternal – and eternal means eternal! Assurance is the sureness the believer has when he just accepts God's promise, His Word, about eternal life as true. Unconditional once saved always saved!

Doctrine 9: The Judgment Seat of Christ

1. **True or False:** Since we are saved and going to heaven it does not matter how we live our life after salvation (Titus 2:11-14; Romans 6:1-2). _____

2. If a believer cannot not lose their eternal life then why would we want to live a life in obedience to God and not a life of sin (1 Corinthians 3:10-15)? Here is the answer: If our life shows obedience to God we will receive a r_____. If our life does not show obedience to God we will suffer _____ of reward and negative judgment.

3. Where must every believer one day appear (2 Corinthians 5:10)? The _____ Seat of _____. What will we have to do there (Romans 14:12)? We will give an _____ of ourselves – how we lived our life in obedience to God and His Word.

4. Revelation 2:26; 3:21. The overcomer is the victorious believer who advances to spiritual maturity in this life by the learning and application of Bible Doctrine and serve the Lord faithfully even if we have to pay a significant price as His follower (disciple). According to this verse the overcoming believer will sit down with Jesus on His _____. This means the overcoming believer will rule and reign with Christ in the Millennial Kingdom. This is a place of very special reward.

5. 2 Timothy 2:12 If we “endure” (remain faithful) we will _____ with Him. If we _____ Him He will deny us the right to rule with Him.

6. Many people are confused by this next doctrine so read carefully. Read Matthew 25:14-30. The scene is the Judgment Seat of Christ In verse 21 Jesus says “_____” to the good and faithful slave and “I will put you in charge of “_____.” After the rapture of the church. He also says, “Enter into the “_____” of your Lord. He says the same thing to the next slave in Vv.22-23. However, the third slave – also a believer at the Judgment Seat of Christ – receives a very different evaluation. What term does the Lord Jesus Christ use to refer to this third slave in v.26? “You _____ slave.” In v.28 the slave loses his reward and is sent to a place called “the outer _____.” This is not hell! This is the place of negative experience away from the close presence of the Lord and indicates this one – who was a total failure as a believer in time - will have no place of service in the coming reign of Christ on earth. The Lord says that in this place there shall be “Weeping and - _____ of _____” which indicates deep sorrow and regret.

In this parable the Lord encourages and warns the believer to be faithful in time to advance in the faith and in service so that they can have the reward of ruling with Him. When you consider this parable, how should you respond?

7. Luke 9:23 Jesus invites believers to become disciples and follow Him. There are three things He gives as a requirement to follow Him as His disciple: We must _____ ourselves, take up our _____, and _____ Him. This implies self-discipline, advancement in the faith through discipleship, and a willingness to suffer for Him as we discover His plan for our lives.

Summary: Our future standing before the Judgment Seat of Christ is a primary reason we want to live for Him. When we receive rewards from Jesus it will be the best moment of all our existence but if we are not faithful it will be very unpleasant. A life lived for earthly pursuits will result in nothing good, no reward, in heaven.

Doctrine 10: The Two Natures of the Believer

1. Is it possible for a saved person to choose to sin (I John 1:8:10)? _____
2. What was dwelling in Paul according to Romans 7:17 and Romans 7:20? _____

This simply means that Paul, like every believer, still has an old sin nature in his body that wanted him to sin and not to obey God. Do you still have an old sin nature? _____

3. In Romans 7:24 Paul described himself as (circle the correct answer):

- a. a good man
- b. an unsaved man
- c. a wretched (miserable) man
- d. a joyful man

He felt this way because of the struggle with the desire to sin from his old sin nature.

4. When a believer sins, what must he do (1 John 1:9)? _____. What this means is to name and site the specific sins we have done that we remember.

5. When the believer does this, what two things will God do (1 John 1:9)?

1) _____

2) _____

To “cleanse us from all unrighteousness” means that when we confess our known sins he will also forgive all other sins we have forgotten or do not yet recognize as sin.

6. What is the believer to do after they receive eternal life (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18)? We are to g_____ in our understanding of Bible Doctrine and become mature believers. The learning and application of Bible Doctrine under the power of the Holy Spirit is spiritual growth. This is the most important thing in life for the believer!

7. Read Ephesians 4:11-16. God has placed Pastor-teachers over the believers to teach them Bible Doctrine. Since the Pastor is a teacher, what does that make the believer? A st_____ of the Word. The church is a teacher-student relationship. Verse 13 says we are to become “mature” (grown up) and verse 15 says we are to g_____ up in all Doctrine.

8. According to 2 Timothy 2:15 we are to work hard at learning the Bible so that we can _____ the Word of Truth.

9 Who is able to deliver us from the power of sin in our daily lives (Romans 7:24-25)? _____

10. When we live our life (called “walking”) under the filling power of the Holy Spirit will we fulfill the desires of our sin nature (Galatians 5:16)? _____. This is the power for the believer’s freedom from the domination or control of the sin nature.

11. Read Galatians 5:17. What is going on inside the believer between the Holy Spirit and the old sin nature (the “flesh”) _____

Summary: The believer has the living God in his spirit. Because the Holy Spirit lives within, the believer can say “no” to thoughts and actions that do not please God and “yes” to those that do. The believer must choose to please God and to say “yes” to

learning and applying God's Word. Otherwise the old sin nature will control his words, his thoughts, the things he does and how he does them.

Doctrine 11: Separation

1. The believer is in the world (John 17:11. Philippians 2:14-16). To be "in the world" simply means you live in the real world all around you. What kind of children are we to be in this world (three descriptions in Philippians 2:15): _____

What is the generation (world) called in this same verse? _____

2. The believer is not _____ the world (John 17:14-18 – the blank word is in verse 16). To be "of the world" means that you are not a believer. He is saying that believers may live in this wicked world but they are not to think and act like the unbelieving world.

3. **True or False** (circle one): The believer should expect to be treated well by the world (1 John 3:13).

4. Did the world love the Lord Jesus Christ (John 15:18)? _____ If we belong to Christ and learn to think and act like Jesus will the world love us (John 15:18-19)? _____

5. Whoever becomes a friend of the world also makes himself an _____ (James 4:4). This is a believer who thinks and lives with a focus on this world, does not learn God's Word and does not apply (obey) God's Word.

6. According to John 8:31 what is the key requirement to be a disciple of Jesus?

7. **MATCHING:** The world is headed for destruction; the believer is headed for heaven! While the believer is IN the world, he is to be

A) _____ a witness

B) _____ an ambassador

C) _____ a light

1. Matthew 5:16; Philippians 2:15

2. Acts 1:8; Isaiah 43:10

3. 2 Corinthians 5:20

8. Does God want us to live our lives like unbelievers or does He want us to separate from them in our thinking and lifestyles (2 Corinthians 6:14-17)? _____. This also means we are not to be a part of any religion or church that does not teach the Truth of the Bible. In addition, this means that a believer should never date or marry an unbeliever.

9. According to 2 Corinthians 10:5, the most important thing a believer has to do is to take every _____ captive to the _____ of Christ; this means to think in terms of biblical Truth about every detail of life, not the way the world thinks. Romans 12:2 say our mind is to be _____ (is to be totally changed from one way of thinking to another, from human viewpoint thinking to the divine viewpoint thinking found in the Bible which is called Bible Doctrine).

10. Think about the music you usually listen to, the movies or T.V. you watch, the way you spend your time, and what you and your friends talk about. Are these things helping or hurting your thinking like a Christian (**circle one**)? Helping Hurting. What is one thing you can do to help yourself avoid the influence of the world's thinking?

Summary: Separation means that I must live my life as a believer while in the world yet not let the world make me like them. God gives us His Word to tell us what the things are that we should know and do as well as things we should not think and do. By studying God's Word we learn the Truth about how to think and live our lives. By avoiding bad influences on my thinking we can be better protect our minds.

Doctrine 12: Sanctification

Definition: "to be set apart": for the believer this means to be set apart for God. By progressive spiritual growth the believer through time becomes more and more like God wants him to be which is to be spiritually mature and to be increasingly set apart for Him.

1. 1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:17. After we have received the gift of eternal life we are like spiritual babies. God wants us to g_____ in our spiritual life.

2. According to 1 Peter 2:2, what is it that we are to use to grow? The m_____ of the _____ which is what the Bible teaches. What the Bible teaches on any given topic is called Bible Doctrine.

3. 2 Timothy 2:15. We are to work hard in Bible study so that God will (circle the correct answer):

- A. Be impressed with us
- B. Want to learn from us
- C. Bore us with studying His Word
- D. Give us His approval

4. Romans 12:1-2. The word transformed means (**true or false**): "to be changed from one thing into another." _____. How are we transformed? We are transformed by the _____ of our minds which means to change the way we think about things. God wants us to think about things in life from the viewpoint of the Bible. Am I willing to make the study of Bible Doctrine the most important thing in my life? _____

5. 1 John 1:9. As a believer, when we sin we are to _____ our sins – which means to be honest with God the Father and tell Him specifically how we have sinned in our thoughts, our words, and in our behavior. When we do He promises to _____ our sins and to _____ us from all unrighteousness. This is how a believer stays in fellowship with God. We refer to this confession of sin as "spiritual rebound."

6. Hebrews 12:1-3 The believer is commanded to "run with _____ the race that is set before you." The "race" of our spiritual life is like an athletic contest that runs a specific route with a specific goal to be achieved. "Race that is set before us" is also translated: "race that is set out for us," "the contest set before us," "the race marked out," and "the appointed course of the race that is set." The race in Hebrews 12 refers to

an individual footrace that is to be run in a course that has been laid out for the believer by God Himself. Verse one states that there is a course that has been appointed by God ("set") for every believer; the course is His plan for the physical life of the believer with the result of victory and reward at the Judgment Seat of Christ if we are victorious.

Write 1 Corinthians 9:24 below

Summary: The believer is commanded by God to study and learn Bible Doctrine so that we grow into spiritual adults. Sanctification is the goal of every believer: we should want to be set apart for God in every aspect of our lives. This process is called transformation. We must constantly practice spiritual rebound whenever we sin in order to be in fellowship with God.

Doctrine 13: Evangelism

DEFINITION: Evangelism is telling others about how they too can receive the free gift of unconditional eternal life from Jesus Christ.

1. Matthew 28:19-20: The Lord Jesus told His disciples and us to ____ and make _____ of all _____. This begins with the Good News of eternal life and then goes into teaching bible Doctrine to them (discipleship).

2. What is the good news that we have (Acts 16:31; John 6:47; John 11:25-26)? _____ . This is what a person must do to receive Eternal Life. The key word is B_____ - to know that it is true that Jesus alone guarantees your eternal life and it is a free gift. We believe His promise of eternal life.

3. Read John 14:6: Are there many ways to God or only one? _____. **Yes or no:** Is there any other way to God other than by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone? _____ If people in other religions believe that their religion can take them in some way to God are they **right or wrong**? _____

4. The Good News tells us that Jesus did something so that we could have eternal life as a gift. What did He do (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)? _____

5. Romans 5:8 What did Jesus do for us even while we were all still sinners?

6. How often should we be ready to give an answer and tell others about the Lord (1 Peter 3:15)? _____. Do you want to tell others about Christ and His great salvation by free grace? _____. Who do you want to tell first? _____

Summary: Evangelism is how God tells men and women, boys and girls about how they can receive the free gift of eternal life from the Lord Jesus Christ. Keep the truth clear and simple! Believe in Jesus for eternal life is the heart of the Message of Life by which we receive the gift of eternal life. Review Doctrine 7 salvation (above).

Doctrine 14: The Ministry of the Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts

DEFINITION: A spiritual gift is a special ability given by the Holy Spirit to every believer. The purpose of the gift is so that the believer can accomplish some area of service in the church.

1. Spiritual gifts are given that _____ may be glorified through _____. (1 Peter 4:11)

2. The church is built upon the foundation of the _____ and _____ (Ephesians 2:20). This foundation was built in the first century. There are no apostles and prophets in the church today as the Bible is complete.

3. As you consider the following, write the letter "A" if ALL believers have this gift and write the letter "S" if only SOME believers have this which makes it a spiritual gift:

- A) _____ The gift of everlasting life (John 10:28).
- B) _____ The gift of being a Pastor (Ephesians 4:11-12).
- C) _____ The gift of forgiveness of sins (Acts 10:43).
- D) _____ The gift of peace with God (Romans 5:1).
- E) _____ The gift of being a Teacher (1 Corinthians 12:28-29).
- F) _____ The gift of the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5).

4. True or false: Every believer has at least one spiritual gift (Romans 12:6; 1 Corinthians 12:4-7). _____ No person has a spiritual gift before they believe in Jesus and are saved. Spiritual gifts are different from nature talents (like being a good speaker or singing). A believer may have more than one spiritual gift.

5 One spiritual gift that has confused many in the church today was a gift present in the church before 70 A.D. This was the ability for a few people to speak in a foreign language that they had never learned. According to Acts 2:6 people heard the Apostles speaking in his own _____ (tongue or language: a known human language that somebody speaks).

6. Read 1 Corinthians 14:21-22. Then circle the correct answer below:

- 1) Speaking in tongues (known human languages but strange to the Jew) is a sign to believers that a person has received the Holy Spirit.
- 2) Speaking in tongues (known human languages but strange to the Jew) was a sign for unbelievers – specifically unbelieving Jews.

The warning of “tongues” was to unbelieving Jews that judgment was coming on the nation for their rejection of the Messiah Jesus Christ.

7. Paul predicted that some day tongues would _____ (1 Corinthians 13:8). This means that some day God would stop giving this gift. That day came when in 70 A.D. the Roman general Titus attacked and destroyed Jerusalem. After that there was no legitimate purpose for tongues. No one speaks in real biblical “tongues” today as the gift has ceased.

Summary: God the Holy Spirit is in charge of placing the believer in the right place in the Body of Christ. He also is in charge of making believers able through spiritual gifts for all that God has for them to be and to do. The believer should be confident and comfortable with God’s working.

Doctrine 15: The Church

1. Read Acts 2:1-4. On this Day of Pentecost the Church began. The unique feature of this beginning is found in verse 4 where it says “they were all filled with the _____”
2. In Ephesians 1:22-23, the Church is called the _____ of Christ.
3. Study Ephesians 5:23: Who is the head of the Church? _____
4. What does Jesus say He will do in relation to the church (Matthew 16:18)?

5. In 1 Corinthians 3:11 Jesus is called the _____ of the church.
6. True or false (circle one): People formed the church, not God.
7. In reference to going to church (the assembling of ourselves) what are we told not to do (Hebrews 10:25)? _____. According to Acts 2:42, what is the first thing listed that the believers did? They devoted themselves the Apostles _____.
8. Does this mean I can regularly miss Bible class if there is something more fun to do? _____ Does this mean I can regularly miss Bible class in order to earn money? _____ Does this mean I can regularly miss Bible class if I just feel too tired? _____. Does this mean I can regularly miss Bible class to watch T.V. or play sports? _____
9. Do you think it is important for believers to come to Bible Class (church) at every possible opportunity? _____
10. What is the primary thing a pastor-teacher is to do (2 Timothy 4:2; Ephesians 4:11-16)? _____
11. (Fill in the blanks): **Ephesians 4:13 (NASB)** until we all attain to the _____ of the faith, and of the _____ of the Son of God, to a _____ man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

This means every believer has to learn Bible Doctrine to become spiritually mature.

12. 1 Corinthians 12:18. Paul refers to the church as a “body.” Who placed you in this body? _____. In your physical body there are no unimportant parts. Are you an important part of the church “body” _____. (Hint: everybody is!).

Summary: Jesus Christ Himself started the Church. The Church began on the Day of Pentecost as recorded in Acts 2:1-4. The local church is God’s place to make Himself known to the world. The local church is the center of God’s witness and His working in the world today. The primary activity of the local church is the teaching and learning of Bible Doctrine. The believer must be in a good Bible doctrinal teaching local church in order to advance to spiritual maturity which is God’s goal for the Christian. They are to consider themselves students who learn Bible Doctrine.

Doctrine 16. Ordinances

DEFINITION: an ordinance is an activity of the Church given by the directive of Jesus Christ in relation to our worship. The two ordinances are water baptism by immersion and the Lord’s Super or Communion.

1. What is the *key wrong word* that has been wrongly inserted into the following verses? Write it below:

JOHN 3:16 - “that whoever believes in him and is baptized should not perish, but have everlasting life” JOHN 3:36 - “He that believes in the Son and is baptized has everlasting life: and he who does not believe the Son and is not baptized shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him.” JOHN 6:47 - “He that believes in me and is baptized has everlasting life” JOHN 5:24 - “He that hears my word, and believes in Him that sent me, and is baptized, has everlasting life.” LUKE 8:12 - “then the devil comes, and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and get baptized and be saved.” ACTS 16:31 - “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be baptized and you will be saved.”

The key wrong word is: _____

According to these verses, what is the one thing that a person must do in order to have everlasting life? _____

2. Read Acts 2:41. After these people heard Peter preach the gospel and after they believed his message, they were _____

3. Matthew 3:16; Acts 8:35-38. The Greek word “baptize” itself means “to dip or to plunge, to immerse.” In both of these passages the person being baptized went down into the water. They then would have been immersed under the water before coming out. Christian baptism pictures the death (standing in the water), burial (going under the water), and resurrection (coming up out of the water) of Jesus Christ.

Does baptism by sprinkling or pouring water over a person give the proper picture? _____ (yes or no). If a person has been baptized by sprinkling or pouring would you call that a biblical baptism? _____ (yes or no). Baptists follow the biblical pattern of believer’s baptism by immersion after the person has received eternal life.

Have you been baptized by immersion since you believed? _____

4 According to Acts 2:41 and 8:36-37, what is necessary before a person can be baptized? _____

Why then is it wrong to baptize babies?

5. Who instituted (established) the Lord's Table or Communion (Matthew 26:26-28)?

6 Bread is a symbol (a picture) of _____ (Matthew 26:26).

The cup is a symbol (a picture) of _____ (Matthew 26:27-28).

7. Read 1 Corinthians 11:24-25. When we take communion we are (circle the correct)

- a. crucifying Christ
- b. eating Christ
- c. remembering Christ and what He has done for us on the cross
- d. making ourselves holy by eating the bread and drinking the cup

8. Read 1 Corinthians 11:26. When we observe the Lord's Table (Communion) we should think back to what great historical event? _____

What great event should we look forward to? _____

Summary: There are only two "ordinances" for the Church: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. As a witness of their new life in Christ believers should be baptized (after they have believed in Christ). They should also take the Lord's Supper together as a witness that Jesus is the Savior and Lord of their new life.

Doctrine 17: The Angelic Conflict

1. Did the Lord Jesus believe in a real Devil (John 8:44)? _____

2. The eternal Lake of Fire (the everlasting fire) was prepared for whom (Matthew 25:41)? _____

3. Ezekiel 28:11-15 tells us that the Devil – then called Lucifer – was the most intelligent, beautiful, and powerful angel God ever created. He was also the highest in rank among the angels. In the time before mankind was created, Isaiah 14:12-15 tells us of Satan's words of rebellion against God. Five times he says the two words "I will." Write the five "I will" statements in the spaces below:

I will _____

I will _____

I will _____

I will _____

I will _____

Each one of these is an attitude and activity of rebellion against his (and our) Creator-God.

4. True or False (circle one): Satan is no longer active in the world today (1 Peter 5:8)

5. In what chapter in the book of Genesis does Satan first appear in contact with human beings (read 2 Corinthians 11:3)? Chapter _____

6. Read Job 38:4-7. The terms “morning stars” and “sons of God” refer to angels. How many angels were together worshipping and praising God at the time of the creation event? _____ This tells us that when the material universe was created the angels had already been created and the rebellion of Lucifer had not yet happened. Read Revelation 12:4. The “stars of heaven” refers to angels. This verse tells us how many angels followed Lucifer in his rebellion. What percentage of the total angelic being followed him? _____. These fallen angels today are called demons.

7. According to 1 John 5:19 what lies in the power of “the evil one” (Satan)? _____ In John 12:31 Jesus states that Satan is the _____ of this world. Satan took over the right to rule from mankind when they sinned in Genesis 3.

8. According to Revelation 12:9, what are four titles (names) of Lucifer (Satan):

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

9. Does the believer need to fear Satan (1 John 4:4)? _____ Why or why not?

10. Read Ephesians 6:10-18. This shows us that every believer is in a spiritual “war” or “struggle” with “the spiritual forces of wickedness” (fallen angels) – we are involved in the angelic conflict. The “full armor of God” that is listed here is Bible Doctrine. What are we to do with this armor (verse 11): _____. According to verse 13 when we do we can “r_____” and “s_____ firm.”

11. According to Luke 8:11-12 what does the devil do toward unbelievers and why?

Summary: Satan as a created angel is a very real enemy who is revealed in the Bible. We can also see our enemy at work by the attitude of people toward the Lord Jesus and His Word. Satan's primary goal for an unbeliever is to keep you from believing the simply Message of Life which is faith alone in Christ alone. Satan's primary goal for the believer is to get you to live your life independent of God and His Word. The believer must keep his mind focused on God and His Word (Bible Doctrine) to be protected from the power and plans of the devil who works primarily through deception. A believer is never to actively try to rebuke Satan, cast out demons, or make any other direct attempt to contact or control Satan or the demons. The believer is only told to passively resist through the learning and application of Bible Doctrine.

Doctrine 18: Dispensationalism

A "dispensation" is how God manages the world and tests mankind in respect to obedience to God in some specific way. The Greek word means "administration" or "stewardship." Dispensationalism does not impose a system on the Scriptures; rather, Dispensationalism looks at the Scripture and describes what is seen. The way God has managed the world has changed at different time frames in human history thus there are different dispensations. In the Bible seven such dispensations can be discovered.

Three major distinctives comprise the major distinctives of dispensational theology: (1) a literal interpretation of Scripture, where possible, (2) a distinction between Israel and the Church, and (3) the glorification of God as the overall purpose of Scripture and the believer's life. Dispensationalism is in contrast to replacement theological systems. Replacement theology falsely claims the church has replaced Israel in the plan of God.

Read Romans 11:1-5. Paul asks the question in v.1 "Has God rejected (or cast away) His people?" What answer does he give? _____

Bottom line: if God can turn His back on His promise to _____ (the name of the nation of the Jewish people), then He can turn His back on all the promises He has made.

1. List the three divisions of mankind as found in the world today (1 Corinthians 10:32):

1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____
(Unsaved Jews) (Gentiles or Unsaved non-Jews) (Saved Jews and saved non-Jews)

Which of these three groups do you belong in? _____

2. Read Genesis 12:1-3. God is making a special covenant with whom? _____. This is called the Abrahamic Covenant. It is with this special covenant that God promises a special group of people to come as descendants of Abraham. Today these are the Jewish people. This covenant promised that through Abraham all the world would be "_____." God has blessed the world through the Jews by giving us the Word of God and the Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 1:1).

Note the difference: the Jews (Israel) are not the Church and the Church is not Israel. Believing Jews and believing Gentiles make up the Church. God has a separate plan for each group. The Church is not some "new Israel" or a new "spiritual Israel."

3. Psalm 33:10-11 “the _____ of His heart from generation to generation”: God has a plan for the ages of man’s history. The various divisions in this plan are called “dispensations”; it is how God rules the world in various ages of time. Human history does not just happen randomly.

4. Today people are saved by _____, through _____ (Ephesians 2:8-9). Eternal Life is a _____ of God not a reward for good behavior!

5. Was Abraham saved by works or by faith (Romans 4:1-3)? _____
The method of salvation (receiving eternal life) in all dispensations has been by grace through faith in Christ Jesus and never by means of works or rituals. Prior to the cross, faith anticipated fulfillment of the divine promise of salvation through the work of Jesus, the Messiah. Since the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, faith looks back to His finished, substitutionary atonement on the cross.

6. One difference between the last dispensation which ended with the death of Jesus on the cross and the dispensation in we live in today is found in Exodus 29:10-11. In the Old Testament Israel had to offer animal sacrifices to God in worship. What kind of animal is killed in these verses? A _____. Do we still do this in the church today? _____. The animal sacrifices were a kind of picture of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for us. Now that that is in the past we no longer have to sacrifice animals.

Summary: God has carefully worked out His plans so that all men, no matter when they live on earth, have the opportunity to know God. As time progresses God makes known more of His written Word and God outworks each condition which mankind lives under in every age so that ALL mankind is without excuse. The reception of eternal life is the same throughout time: by grace through faith. If man rejects God, it is his own fault!

Doctrine 19. The Second Advent (Coming) of Christ

1. What did the Lord Jesus promise His disciples (John 14:1-3)? “I will _____”

2. What should every Christian be looking for (Titus 2:13)? _____

3. There is a difference between the rapture of the church and the coming of Christ to rule the earth. Please do the following MATCHING problem (*analyze carefully!*):

- A) _____ The rapture of the church, when Jesus returns to take His believers to heaven
- B) _____ The Great Tribulation period which will be the greatest time of trouble and difficulty that the world has ever known
- C) _____ The Second Coming of Christ when Jesus returns to the earth as KING OF KINGS and LORD OF LORDS
- D) _____ The 1000 year kingdom of Jesus Christ, the Messiah

1. Matthew 24:29-31; Rev. 19:11-16

2. Matthew 24:15-21; Daniel 12:1
3. Revelation chapter 20:1-4
4. 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Summary: The Lord Jesus Christ will return to take His Church home in the rapture before the 7 year Tribulation period on the earth. At the end of the Tribulation will be the Second Coming of Jesus to the earth. This is when He comes again to rule and reign over all the earth from Jerusalem. All believers from all time will also be in this special Kingdom ruled by Jesus Christ for 1,000 years and victorious believers will rule with Him.

Doctrine 20: The Eternal State

1. Name the two resurrections (John 5:28-29):

1) _____ 2) _____

Which resurrection will you be a part of? _____

2. The Sadducees believed that there was no _____ (Matthew 22:23; Acts 23:8). Did the Lord Jesus agree with the Sadducees (Matthew 22:29-33)? _____

3. **True or False** (circle one): The Apostle Paul dreaded and feared the day of his death (Philippians 1:23). _____ According to Philippians 1:23, the moment Paul died he went to _____ which is _____.

4. To be “absent from the body” is to be _____ (2 Corinthians 5:8). Think carefully: Does this truth apply to all people or only those who have eternal life? _____

5. According to Luke 23:43, the Lord Jesus promised this saved criminal that he would be with Him in _____. When did Jesus say this would take place?

6. Read Luke 16:19-31 – this is not a story, it is a true event. Did the Lord Jesus teach that people really suffer in hell (Hades, the Lake of Fire)? _____. The man named _____ went into paradise, the place of peace and comfort for believers, which is here called Abraham’s bosom. The rich man went to _____ (v.23) and he said he was in “_____” in this “_____.”

7. What did Christ promise to those who believe in Him (John 11:25-26)?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:50-58. Do you believe this? _____

8. Read Matthew 25:41 and Matthew 25:46. Did Jesus ever teach that some people would be punished forever (everlasting punishment)? _____

9. Where will unbelievers spend eternity (Revelation 20:10-15 and Revelation 21:8)? _____ How long will this fire burn (Jude 7; Revelation 20:10)? _____

10. What must a person do to escape this terrible place of eternal punishment (Acts 16:30-31)? _____

11. Have you done this? _____

12. According to Revelation 21:1 the present earth and heaven will _____
And God will create a new _____ and a new _____

Summary Statement: The Eternal State is the final condition of the universe, the final state of people and angels. Everything and everyone is put in the right order in the right way -- some in heaven and some in the Lake of Fire. All are where they should be because of God's Justice and God's Love. Those who go to heaven have only God to thank; those who go to the Lake of Fire have only themselves to blame.

Write in here what the one or two of the most important things you learned from this entire study of the 20 doctrines:

Write below some of the actions you know you need to take as a result of what you have learned



Congratulations! You have completed this basic course in Bible Doctrine. By now you should have a better understanding of what the Word of God teaches to us. But this is only a beginning! Learning Bible Doctrine is a life-time activity that must always remain at the top of our most important “to do” list (our top priority)!

I certify by my initials that I have read all the Scriptures required in this study: _____

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