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Question Paper 1 (Lessons 1-5)

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Lesson 1: The Bible - our guide

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1. According to 2 Timothy 3:15, "the _____ Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for _____ through faith in Christ Jesus."
2. Paul says in 2 Timothy 3:16 "All Scripture is (inspired) - _____ breathed, and is useful for _____, _____, _____ and _____ in righteousness."
3. In 2 Peter 1:20,21, we read that "no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's _____ interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of _____ but men spoke from God as they were _____ by the Holy Spirit."
4. According to the lesson, what did Jesus think of the Old Testament?

5. Can we put our trust in the Bible? Explain your answer _____

Lesson 2: God so loved the world

1. We read in Romans 5:12 that "... sin entered the world through one _____ and in this way death came to all _____ because all sinned."
2. Why does man die? _____
3. Romans 6:23 teaches us about the cause of death: "For the wages of _____ is death, but the _____ of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."
4. According to John 3:16, what is God's reason for giving us His only son, Jesus Christ?

5. John 3:16 also says that God gave His only son, that whoever _____ in Jesus, shall not _____ but have _____.

Lesson 3: The return of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth

1. What was the angel's message to the disciples while they were watching Jesus ascending to heaven? (see Acts 1:11).

2. In Luke 21:27 Jesus promised his disciples that he will _____ in a cloud with _____ and great _____.

3. Read the parable of the ten virgins in Matthew 25:1-13. According to the lesson, the bridegroom in the parable represents _____
4. In Luke 21: 34,35 Jesus Christ warned about his second coming: "that day will close on you unexpectedly like a _____. For it will come upon _____ those who live on the face of the whole earth."
5. According to 2 Peter 3:10, the day of the Lord will come like a _____

Lesson 4: Thy Kingdom Come

1. Jesus' prayer in Matthew 6:9 has much to do with the Kingdom of God. Jesus said: " _____ Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your _____ come, Your _____ be done on _____ as it is in _____."
2. When we plead, "Your Kingdom come" we are asking for the _____ of God to come on the _____."
3. Psalms 37:29 says: "The righteous will inherit the _____ and dwell in it _____."
4. Jesus Christ said: "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the _____." (see Matthew 5:5 note that Jesus Christ quotes Psalms 37:11 here)
5. Who will restore the Kingdom of God on earth? _____
6. When will the Kingdom of God be restored? _____
7. According to Luke 8:1, "Jesus travelled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the GOOD NEWS of the _____ of God."
8. According to Matthew 6:33, what must we seek for first of all? _____

Lesson 5: The Kingdom of God - Peace on Earth

1. In Zechariah 14:9 we read that in the future Kingdom of God, the _____ will be King over the _____
2. According to Psalms 72:2, the system of judgment will be changed in the Kingdom of God. How will it be changed? _____
3. In what ways will the Kingdom of God be perfect?
 - a) _____
 - b) _____
 - c) _____
4. Where will the kingdom of God be established? _____
5. Who will be king? _____
6. What will be the capital city? _____

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Lesson 6: How the Children of Israel fit into God's Plan - 1

1. Who is the father of the Israelites (Jews)? _____
2. Who were the first 3 kings of Israel? A) _____ B) _____
C) _____
3. Why was the kingdom of Israel divided during the reign of Rehoboam? _____
4. God chose the Israelites to be his special nation however, according to 2 Chronicles 36:16, the Israelites "_____ God's messengers, _____ His words and scoffed at His prophets until the _____ of the LORD was aroused against His people."
5. How were both Israel and Judah punished for their continual disobedience to God? _____
6. In Romans 11:22 we see that the punishment that came over the Israelites is a warning to us "Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you _____ in His kindness. Otherwise, _____ also will be cut off."

Lesson 7: How the Children of Israel fit into God's Plan - 2

1. How were the Jews punished for rejecting and crucifying Jesus? _____
2. For how long were the Jews scattered throughout the nations without their own land? _____
3. Jeremiah 30:11 says "I am with you and will _____ you, declares the LORD. Though I completely _____ all the nations among which I scatter you, I will not completely _____ you." According to this verse, did God forget His chosen people, the Israelites? _____
4. God, through His prophet Ezekiel, says "I will take the _____ out of the nations where they have gone. I will _____ them from all around and bring them back into their own _____." (see Ezekiel 37:21)
5. Which nation is now returning to the land of Israel? _____
6. In what year was the actual state of Israel formed? _____
7. What will be the reaction of the Jews when Jesus returns and they recognise Him? (see Zechariah 12:10) _____

Lesson 8: A Law that could not bring life

1. According to the lesson, there are two types of laws which the Israelites received: laws to guide them in all that was related to their _____ and laws to explain to them how to _____ towards God.
2. The animal sacrifices were to remind the Israelites that they were _____ and deserved to _____, and that they needed someone perfect to save them from their _____.
3. What better way of salvation has God provided for us? _____
4. In John 14:6 Jesus said, "I am the _____ and the _____ and the life _____ come to the Father except through _____."
5. Galatians 2:16 says "Know that a man is not _____ by observing the _____ but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by observing the law, because by observing the law _____ will be justified."
6. Seeing that the works of the law cannot make any man righteous should we keep the Sabbath or other rituals of the law? (See Colossians 2:16). _____

Lesson 9: God's Promises to Abraham

1. The three main promises that God made to Abraham are:
 - a) Descendants: "I will make you a great _____" (Genesis 12:2)
 - b) Blessing: "All peoples on earth will be _____" (Genesis 12:3)
 - c) Land: "All the _____ that you see, I will give it to you and your offspring _____" (Genesis 13:15)
2. According to Genesis 13:15, for how long were Abraham and his descendants going to inherit the land? _____
3. When Abraham was 100 years old, his wife Sarah gave birth to _____. However Abraham had a "son" who was greater than Isaac. Matthew 1:1 speaks of _____ the son of David, the son of _____.
4. According to Galatians 3:16 who is the seed, or descendant to whom the promises made to Abraham refer? _____
5. We can also participate in the promises to Abraham through faith and baptism, because Galatians 3:29 says, "If you belong to Christ, then you are _____ seed, and _____ according to the promise."
6. When will the promises made to Abraham be fulfilled? _____

Lesson 10: The Promises made to David

1. What did God promise David? (see 2 Samuel 7:12,13) _____
2. According to 2 Samuel 7:13, the throne of David will be established _____
3. God said in 2 Samuel 7:14, about the promised Son of David, "I will be his _____ and he will be my _____"
4. According to Luke 1:30-33, who is Son of God and Son of David at the same time? _____
5. On whose throne will Jesus reign? _____ and for how long? _____

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Lesson 11: Bible Teaching about Life and Death - 1

1. In Genesis 2:7 we read that "The Lord God formed the man from the _____ of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the _____ of _____ and man became a living being."

2. How were Adam and Eve punished when they disobeyed the Law of God?

3. In Ecclesiastes 9:5,6 and in Psalms 146:3,4 we read about two descriptions of death. In your own words, explain what these verses say about death.

4. Psalms 6:5 teaches us that death is a state of unconsciousness. "No one _____ you when he is dead. Who _____ you from the grave?"

5. According to Paul in Romans 5:12, "Therefore just as sin entered the world through one _____ and _____ through sin; and in this way death came to all because all have _____"

6. According to the verse in No. 5 why does man die? _____

Lesson 12: Bible Teaching about Life and Death - 2

1. What was the lie that the serpent told Eve? (see Genesis 3:4) _____

2. Ecclesiastes 3:19 tells us, "_____ fate is like that of the _____; the same fate awaits them both, as one dies so dies the other."

3. Do the animals continue living in any form after they die? _____

Does man continue living in any form immediately after death? _____

4. What is the hope of a Christian when he dies? _____

5. What is hell? _____

6. What was Gehenna? _____

What does Gehenna symbolize? _____

7. Ezekiel 18:4 says, "For every living soul belongs to me; the father as well as the son — both alike belong to me. The _____ who sins is the one who will _____"

8. According to the Bible does man have an immortal soul? _____

Lesson 13: The Resurrection

1. What does the word 'resurrection' mean? _____

2. Jesus says in Revelation 1:18 that he holds the _____ of _____ and of _____

3. According to Hebrews 11:39 and 40 all the faithful will receive the gift of eternal life (underline the correct answer)

(a) each one at death (b) all at the same time at the return of Christ

4 Daniel 12:2 says, "Multitudes who _____ in the dust of the earth will _____ some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt."

5. When will the resurrection be? _____

6. We read in 1 Thessalonians 4:16,17 that when Jesus comes, "The dead in Christ will rise _____ After that we who are still _____ and are left will be _____ together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air."

7. Where will Jesus reign from? _____

Lesson 14: The Judgment Seat

1. Paul says in Romans 14:10 that 'We will all stand before God's _____'

2. According to 2 Corinthians 5:10, what is the purpose of this judgment? _____

3. In Matthew 12:36 and 37, Jesus warns us about the judgment; "But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of _____ for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be _____ and by your words you will be _____"

4. When will the judgment be? _____

5. Who will be the Judge? _____

6. Which .of these two groups will be at the judgment? (underline the correct answer)

(a) Those who have never heard of God.

(b) Those who have come to know God and are repsonsable.

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Lesson 15: The Father and the Son

1. We read in John 17:3, 'Now this is _____ that they may know you, the only true God, and _____ whom you have sent.'
2. How can we get to know God and Jesus? _____
3. In the Word of God, Jesus is called "_____ of God" (see Luke 1:35). Jesus is never called "God the Son."
4. Jesus never thought himself equal to God. John 5:19 says, "The _____ can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his _____ doing."
5. According to 1 Timothy 2:5; the MAN Jesus is the _____ between God and man.
6. In 1 Peter 1:3 we read, "Praise be to the _____ and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!"
7. In Matthew 26:39 Jesus Christ prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as _____ will, but as _____ will." From this scripture we learn two things: (I) Jesus Christ prayed to God and, (II) he had his own free will to obey or disobey His Father.
8. Is the word "trinity" found in the Bible _____
9. Explain **how** and **when** the idea of the trinity became accepted by the Catholic church.

(A detailed booklet on the subject is available on request)

Lesson 16: God's Holy Spirit

1. In the Bible, the power of God is called His _____ (See-Gen. 1:2)
2. According to the lesson, the word "holy" means "separate". Therefore we see that the Holy Spirit is the _____ of God set aside for a particular purpose.
3. The angel of the Lord, speaking to Mary in Luke 1:35, says, "The _____ will come upon you, and the _____ of the Most High will overshadow you". Therefore the "Holy Spirit" and the "power" of the Most High are the same thing.
4. God is everywhere by means of His Spirit, 'Where can I go from your _____ ? Where can I flee from your _____ ?' (see Psalms 139:7)

5. What exterior signs were given to the disciples when they received the Holy Spirit? (see Acts 2:1-4) _____

Lesson 17: Holy Spirit Gifts

1. In the lesson we see, the Holy Spirit Gifts were given to the disciples in the first century for two reasons: to be as a _____ to the unbelievers, and to _____ establish the church.

2. In 1 Corinthians 12:28, Paul gives us a list of the ways the Gifts were used in the early church. According to the list, which were the 3 most important?

1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____. Which two gifts were listed last? _____ and _____

3. In 1 Corinthians 14:27 Paul gives clear instructions on how speaking in tongues was to be done. "If anyone speaks in a tongue, _____ at the most _____ should speak, one _____ and someone MUST _____. If there is no _____ the speaker should keep _____. Is this done in the churches today? _____

4. In 1 Corinthians 14:32,33 dealing with the subject of speaking in tongues, Paul says, "The spirits of prophets are subject to the control of prophets. For God is not a God of _____ but of _____

5. What activities did the early believers concentrate on according to Acts 2:42?

6. Which is more important:
(a) to speak in tongues? (b) to make sure we understand and preach the true Gospel taught in the Bible?

Lesson 18 The Cross

1. We read in Hebrews 4:15 about Jesus, "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our _____, but we do have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are - yet without _____

2. Paul teaches us that as Jesus Christ destroyed the "body of sin" on the cross, likewise the Christians must also crucify human nature after they have been baptized, "For we know that our _____ self was _____ with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin." (Romans 6:6)

3. What does human nature deserve? _____

4. In Luke 9:23 Jesus says, "If anyone would come after me, he must _____ himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

5. What does "take up his cross daily" mean? _____

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Lesson 19 The Devil of the Bible

1. James 1:14 says, "each one is _____ when, by his _____ evil desire, he is dragged away and enticed."
2. Who or what is responsible for tempting you to sin? _____
3. Romans 8:3 tells us that Jesus condemned _____ in the flesh. Hebrews 2:14 says that Jesus, "by his death might destroy him who holds the power of death — that is, the _____"
4. What does the word "devil" mean? _____
5. What does the word "satan" mean? _____
6. When Peter tried to oppose Jesus, Jesus said to him "Get behind me, _____ (Matthew 16:23). This passage shows that the word "satan" means even a good person can be an adversary.
7. According to Isaiah 45:5-7, who is the creator of light and darkness, of peace and adversity? _____
8. Is there another power in the universe which can challenge the power of God? _____
9. Do you believe satan is a fallen angel? Explain your answer with Scriptural proof. _____

Lesson 20: Baptism

1. The commandment of Jesus before ascending into heaven was "Therefore go and make _____ of all nations, _____ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Mt 28:19)
2. According to Matthew 3:13 how did Jesus start his ministry? _____
3. True baptism is : (a) to be sprinkled with water
(b) to be fully covered with or (submerged in) water (Underline the correct answer)
4. According to Romans 6:3,4 what does baptism symbolize? _____
5. Mark 16:16 reminds us that it is necessary to _____ and be baptized to be saved.
6. Read Acts 8:35-38. We once again see that it is necessary to _____ and be baptized. Thinking on this passage, why did the small children in biblical times not get baptized? _____
7. When we get baptized, we become part of the family of _____
8. Do you believe baptism is essential for salvation? Explain your answer by giving at least two Biblical reasons _____
9. Is adult baptism, without an understanding of the true Gospel, valid? Explain your answer? _____

Lesson 21: Some Practical Problems

1. Romans 13:1 says, "Everyone must _____ himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that Which _____ has established. The authorities that exist have been established by _____"
2. According to Romans 13:1 and 1 Peter 2:13-15, how must we behave toward those who have authority over us? _____
3. In what circumstances would a Christian be obliged to disobey the laws of his/her country? _____
4. We read in Philippians 3:20 that the citizenship of a Christian is not of this world. "but our citizenship is in _____ and we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ."
5. What is the commandment of Christ concerning marriage and divorce? (See Matthew 19:1-12) "Therefore what _____ has joined together, let _____ separate. (v6)"
6. According to the apostle Paul, a believer who is married with an unbeliever must: (1 Corinthians 7:12-14) (underline the correct answer)
 - a) separate from their husband/wife
 - b) remain with their husband/wife
 - c) divorce from their husband/wife
8. Should a true Christian fight for his country? _____
9. Why shouldn't a Christian get involved in politics and vote? _____
10. Paul commands us in Philippians 2:14-16 "Do everything without _____ or _____ so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without _____ in a crooked and depraved generation, in which **you shine like stars** in the universe."

Lesson 21: Walking in Newness of Life

1. Jesus Christ taught that, "No one can see the Kingdom of God unless he is _____ again." (John 3:3)
2. What does the Bible mean by "to be born again"? _____
3. We read in Luke 18:1 "Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should _____ pray and not _____"
4. The apostle Paul reminds us "_____ continually; give _____ in all circumstances, for this is _____ will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:17,18)
5. In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus said to his disciples, "Watch and _____ so that you will not fall into _____. The spirit is willing, but the body is _____ (Matthew 26:41)"
7. Remembering how the Israelites went astray, the apostle Paul writes, "These things happened to them as examples and were written down as _____ for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. So, **if you think** you are standing _____ be careful that **you** don't _____" (1 Corinthians 10:11-12)
8. The Christian must remember that he has to separate himself from the temptations of this world, (Ephesians 5:5) "For of this you can be sure: No _____ impure or greedy person - such a man is an idolater - has any _____ in the Kingdom of Christ and of God."
11. In 1 Corinthians 6:9,10 Paul says: "Do not be deceived: Neither the _____ nor idolaters nor _____ nor male prostitutes nor homosexual offenders nor _____ nor the greedy nor _____ nor slanderers nor swindlers will _____ the Kingdom of God."
12. In I John 2:15-17 we read "Do not love the _____ or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the _____ is not in him. For everything in the world - the cravings of _____ man, the lust of his _____ and the _____ of what he has and does - comes not from the Father but from the world."

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SECTION A One word answers: WHO?

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This final test asks questions about the whole course. Please answer sections A, B, C and E on the question sheets in the spaces provided. Please answer section F on the paper giving more detailed answers and then send your answers to your tutor .

1. Who created the world?
2. Who was made from dust?
3. Who was promised that he would inherit the land of Canaan (Israel)?
4. Who received instructions for building the Tabernacle?
5. Who was promised that he would have a 'son' to reign on his throne for ever?
6. Who is the 'son' in the previous Question?
7. Whom did Jesus call 'Satan'?
8. Who did Jesus raise from the dead?
9. Who will judge the world?
10. Who inspired people to write the Bible?

SECTION B

One word answers: WHERE?

1. Where did Abraham live at first?
2. Where was Joseph made a ruler?
3. Where did Moses receive the Law God gave for His people?
4. Where was David's throne?
5. Where was Daniel in captivity?

6. Where was Jesus born?
7. Where was Jesus baptized?
8. Where is hell?
9. Where will the centre of God's future Kingdom be?

SECTION C

Short answer questions:
WHAT?

1. What nation did God choose to be His special people'?
2. What does the word 'gospel' mean'?
3. What does the return of the Jews to their land show?
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5. What does 'soul' mean?
6. What promise did the angels make as Jesus went into heaven?
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7. What is baptism?
.....
8. What is the devil?
.....
9. What is the Holy Spirit?
.....

SECTION D

Short answer questions:
WHY?

1. Why did God flood the earth in the time of Noah?
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2. Why was Abraham blessed by God?
.....
3. Why do we need to read the Bible?
.....
4. Why were the Jewish people taken into captivity?

6. Why do we sin?
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7. Why were Holy Spirit gifts given?
-
8. Why should Christians marry Christians?
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SECTION E

One word answers: YES or NO?

1. Did Jesus exist in Old Testament times?.....
2. Should Christians be involved in politics?.....
3. Should Christians fight for their country?.....
4. Can 'satan' be used to refer to good people?.....
5. Are God and Jesus equal?
8. Do Christians have to keep the seventh day (Sabbath) for their worship?
9. Does 'holy' mean separate?
10. Should Christians have sex before marriage?.....

SECTION F Longer answer questions (please answer under questions)

1. Why do true believers have to be baptized?
2. What happens to us when we die?
3. What will happen at the judgement?

- 4.. What does the Bible mean by the word devil?
6. What will the future Kingdom of God be like?
7. Why is the Old Testament important?
8. Why is it important for baptized believers regularly to hold a service to break bread and drink wine?
9. Why should true Christians only have fellowship (share bread and wine) with other true Christians?
10. What kind of life should a baptized Christian live? List things he /she shouldn't do and things he /she should do

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