

Prison Mission Association/ Bible Correspondence Fellowship

Introductory Lesson

Answer Key

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE FELLOWSHIP

INTRODUCTORY BIBLE LESSON



SECTION ONE

These lessons are designed to provide knowledge of the basic teachings of the Bible, as presented in the Gospel of John, the fourth book of the New Testament.

1. (John 6:67-69) Who was Jesus according to Peter in verse 69? **Holy One of God (NIV); The Christ, the Son of the Living God (KJV).**

2. (John 1:29) What was Jesus called? **Lamb of God**

In Old Testament times God required that a lamb without spot or blemish be sacrificed to make atonement for the sins of the people. This was a type, or symbol, of the true Lamb of God (Jesus Christ) who came as a sinless substitute to die for our sins.

3. (John 3:16) What did God do because of his great love for mankind? **Gave his only Son**

4. (John 3:16) What things are said about anyone who believes in God's Son? **He will not perish but have everlasting life.**

5. (John 3:18) What is said about someone who does not believe in God's Son? **He is condemned already**

6. (John 1:10-11) Did the world know Christ and receive him? **no**

7. (John 5:23) He who does not honor the Son of God does not honor whom? **The Father**

8. (John 1:12) What do we become if we receive Christ and believe in his name? **The right to become children of God**

9. (John 4:42) What did those who believe call Christ? **Savior of the world**

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15).

10. (John 6:37) What did Jesus say about anyone who would come to him? **I will never turn away**

Suppose you were to say to God, "Dear God; I am a sinner and condemned, I believe that Christ died for my sins. I accept your offer of forgiveness and now trust Christ as my Savior." If you come to Him in this way, will he forgive you your sins and save you? Yes

11. (John 5:24) What does the believer possess? Eternal life

12. (John 14:6) What three things does Christ call himself? (1) I am the Way
(2) The Truth (3) The Life

"There is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom for all ..." (1 Timothy 2:5-6).

13. (John 19:18) In what manner was Jesus put to death? Crucifixion

14. (John 10:17-18) Was he the helpless victim of those who hated him, or did he willingly give his life to save others? He gave his life willingly

15. (John 15:13) Why did Jesus Christ lay down his life for us? Because of his great love

"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous to bring you to God." (1 Peter 3:18)

16. (John 5:24) The one who hears and believes shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death to life.

17. (John 2:19-22) Did Jesus foretell his resurrection from the dead? Yes

18. (John 11:25) What two things did Jesus say about himself? I am the Resurrection and the Life

The scriptures foretold the suffering and death of Christ, but they also foretold that he would rise from the dead. By his resurrection he conquered (defeated) death. All who believe are saved from spiritual death and have eternal life in him.

19. (John 20:25 and 20:29) The disciples were eyewitnesses that Christ was now alive. What did Jesus say about those who have not seen and yet believe? They are Blessed

20. (John 20:31) Why did John write and record the things in this book? The we may believe that Jesus is the Christ

21. (John 10:28) Is eternal life a free gift, or is it something one can work for and earn? A gift

POINT TO PONDER

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

Have you received this gift? _____

MEMORY VERSE FOR SECTION ONE IS JOHN 3:16

SECTION TWO

This section sets forth the basics of the Gospel (good news) of the Grace of God, presenting the plan of salvation.

1. (Romans 3:10-11) Give three ways that mankind is described.
 - (1) **No one is righteous**
 - (2) **No one understands**
 - (3) **No one seeks God**
 2. (Romans 3:14-18) What further things are said of man's condition?
 - (1) verse 14 **Mouths full of bitterness**
 - (2) in verse 15 **Feet swift to shed blood**
 - (3) in verse 16 **Ruin and misery mark their way**
 - (4) in verse 17 **The way of peace they have not known**
 - (5) in verse 18 **There is no fear of God**
 3. (Romans 3:19) God gave the Law so that the entire world would **be held accountable**
 4. (Romans 3:20) By the law we are made conscious of what? **Sin**
 5. (Romans 3:23) What does God say about everyone? _____
All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God
 6. (Romans 5:8) What way did God provide for us to be saved? **Christ died for us**
 7. (Romans 5:10) We were God's enemies but we may be reconciled to God. How is this accomplished? _____
Through the death of his Son
- Note: Reconcile describes the purpose of Christ's death on the cross. The natural man is opposed to God, and separated from him. Christ's death on the cross was the supreme sacrifice. It reconciled us to God, making us acceptable to him. When we accept Christ as our savior, we are no longer tarnished with sin but washed clean by the blood of Christ. We are now members of the Body of Christ.
8. (Romans 6:23) What are the wages of sin? **death** What is the gift of God? **eternal life**
Through whom does this gift come? **Christ Jesus our Lord**
 9. (1 Timothy 1:15) What is the faithful saying in this verse? _____
Christ came into the world to save sinners

10. (1 Corinthians 15:3-4) These verses give us the basic truths of the gospel that Paul preached. Write out these verses using your own words. _____
Christ died for our sins , was buried but rose on the third day
11. (2 Thessalonians 1:8) Upon who will vengeance and judgment come? _____
Those who do not know God and who do not obey the gospel
12. (2 Thessalonians 1:9) What is the penalty? Punished - Everlasting Destruction
13. (Revelation 20:15) What is the final judgment of those who reject Christ? The lake of fire
14. In question eight we saw that eternal life is a gift of God. This agrees with the first part of Ephesians 2:8 that says, It is by grace you are saved through faith
15. (Ephesians 2:8-9) We are saved by grace, and it is through faith
16. (Romans 5:1) If you have believed in Christ, what do you now have? Peace with God
17. (Romans 8:35-39) What can separate us from Christ's love? (Circle the right answer.)
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| (1) Supernatural powers | (2) Distress |
| (3) Death | (4) Tribulation |
| (5) Persecution | (6) Nothing |
18. (Romans 10:13) What promise did God make to us? _____
Every who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved
19. (1 Timothy 2:5) Who is the only mediator between God and men? Christ Jesus
20. (1 Timothy 2:6) What did the Lord Jesus do for all? Gave himself as a ransom

MEMORY VERSE FOR SECTION TWO IS ROMANS 5:8

SECTION THREE

In section two we had many Bible verses concerning God's plan of salvation. After we have received Christ as Savior, we need to know the blessings and privileges we now have as sons in the family of God.

1. (John 1:12) Those who receive Christ are given the power (authority) to become _____
Children of God
2. (John 3:7) Jesus said that to become a son in God's family You must be born again
 In John 3:5-8 everyone who is born again is born of the Born of the Spirit
3. (Galatians 4:6) What has God done because we are sons? Sent His Spirit
4. (Romans 8:16) The Spirit bears witness with our spirit that we are God's children.

5. (Ephesians 4:30) What has God done to assure us that we belong to him? _____
Sealed to the day of redemption

6. (Ephesians 1:6) We read that we are accepted in the beloved (that is, Christ, the beloved Son of God). In verse seven what two things do we also have because we are in Christ?

(1) redemption (2) forgiveness

7. (Ephesians 2:19) To what group of people does the believer belong? fellow citizens

8. (1 Corinthians 6:11) What three things has God done for the Christians?

(1) washed (2) sanctified (3) justified

Note: The word *sanctified* means “set apart to God,” or “set apart for God’s use.” So in this verse we are cleansed of sin and set apart to God, or sanctified. One who is sanctified is called “a saint.” In the Bible all believers are called “saints.”

9. (Hebrews 10:10) How does God sanctify us? _____
We have been made holy by the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all

10. (1 Corinthians 6:11) Here we find the word *justified*, to declare just, or righteous before God.

According to Romans 3:24, how are we justified? Freely by His grace

11. (Romans 3:28) We are justified by faith without (apart from) Observing the Law

12. (Romans 4:5) What words show that we cannot be justified by works? _____
His faith is credited as righteousness

13. (Romans 4:3) Why was Abraham counted righteous (justified)? He believed God

14. (Romans 8:1) What does this verse say about those that are in Christ Jesus? _____
There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus

15. (Romans 8:2) The Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made us free from Law of sin and death

16. (John 5:24) The believer shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death into life

17. (Romans 8:35, 38-39) We read that all the things mentioned cannot separate us from what? _____
From the love of Christ

18. (1 Corinthians 6:19) We have seen before that the Holy Spirit lives in each believer. Therefore, your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit

19. (1 Corinthians 6:20) We should glorify God in our bodies and spirits because we _____
are bought at a price

20. (1 Peter 1:18-19) What was the price paid for our souls? **The precious blood of Jesus**

Redeemed — how I love to proclaim it!
Redeemed by the blood of the lamb;
Redeemed through His infinite mercy,
His child, and forever I am.
Fanny J. Crosby

MEMORY VERSE FOR SECTION THREE IS ROMANS 8:1

SECTION FOUR

This section has many references about the Bible, why it is true, and why it is important for us to know what it says. The Bible is called “the Word of God,” and is also referred to as “the Scriptures.”

1. (John 17:17) What did Jesus say about God’s word? **Your Word is truth**
2. (John 10:35) The Lord also affirmed that there is absolutely no error in the Bible by saying,
Scripture cannot be broken
3. (1 Thessalonians 2:13) These believers heard Paul preach, and how did they receive the word?
Not as the word of man, but actually the Word of God
4. (Romans 10:17) In order to have faith what must we hear? **The Word of God**
5. (1 Peter 1:23) We are **born again** by the incorruptible word of God.
6. (1 Peter 1:25) The word of the Lord **stands forever**.
7. (1 Peter 2:2) What should we desire in order to grow in spiritual knowledge? **pure spiritual milk (of the word KJV)**
8. (Acts 17:11) Those to whom Paul was preaching received the word with readiness of mind. They then did what? **They examined the scripture to see if what Paul said was true**
9. (Acts 20:32) What is able to build us up in our spiritual knowledge? **Word of his grace**
10. (2 Timothy 3:15) The Holy Scriptures are able to make us **Wise unto salvation**
11. (2 Timothy 3:16) We know that God caused men to write the exact words he wanted written because the first part of this verse says **all scripture is God breathed**
12. The same verse lists four things for which the scripture is profitable:
(1) **Teaching** (2) **Rebuking**
(3) **Correcting** (4) **Training in righteousness**
13. (2 Peter 1:21) How does this verse show that the Holy Scriptures are from God? **Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.**

14. (Ephesians 6:17) The Word of God is called **Sword of the Spirit**
15. (1 Corinthians 15:3-4) The apostle Paul often quoted the scriptures to ensure the truth of the gospel he preached. What three things did he say happened “according to the scriptures”?
- (1) **Christ died for our sins**
- (2) **He was Buried**
- (3) **He was raised on the third day**
16. (Romans 4:3) Here is a quote from the Old Testament scriptures. Why was Abraham counted righteous? **He believed God**
17. (Ephesians 1:13) This verse says when you hear the word of truth and believe, you are what?
 Marked, sealed by the Holy Spirit
18. (Romans 15:4) Two reasons why the scriptures were written are:
- (1) **Teach us**
- (2) **Encourage us**
19. In the New Testament the Word of God is given several different names. Some of these are:
- (1) Philippians 2:16 Word of **Life**
- (2) Acts 13:26 Word of **Salvation**
- (3) Colossians 3:16 Word of **Christ**
- (4) Romans 10: 8 Word of **Faith**
- (5) 2 Corinthians 5:19 Word of **Reconciliation**

Have you invited Christ into your life to be your Savior? YES NO

Check what are you depending on to save you:

- (1) Church membership?
- (2) Baptism?
- (3) Keeping the Ten Commandments
- (4) Doing good works?
- XX** (5) Christ alone?

MEMORY VERSE FOR SECTION FOUR IS PSALM 119:11

SECTION FIVE

In the previous sections we considered Bible verses that taught us about salvation, the Word of God, and our position as justified, sanctified sons of God. This section is largely concerned with our Christian life and walk. God has made provision for us to live in His will and have victory over sin.

Two important facts that every Christian must know are:

- (1) Since he is born of the Spirit he now has a new nature, and
- (2) This new nature is in conflict with the old nature, often referred to as “the flesh.”

1. (Romans 7:18) What did Paul say about the flesh? Nothing good lives in me
2. (Romans 8:7) What two things are said about the carnal (fleshly) mind?
 - (1) Is hostile to God
 - (2) Doesn't submit to God's Law
3. (2 Corinthians 5:17) The new nature is sometimes referred to as “a new creation.” What is the result of being a new creation (creature) in Christ? The old is gone; the new is come
4. (Galatians 2:20) The new man is Christ living in the believer. As Paul said, “...Christ lives in me.” (1 John 4:4) This enables us to overcome the old nature because “He that is in you is greater than he that is in the world”
5. (Ephesians 4:24) What is said of this new creation (new man)? Created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness
6. (Ephesians 4:25-31) Since we are a new creation in Christ, we are told some things we should not do. What are they?
 - (1) (verse 25) Put off falsehood, speak truthfully
 - (2) (verse 28) Steal no longer
 - (3) (verse 29) No unwholesome talk
 - (4) (verse 30) Don't grieve the Holy Spirit
 - (5) (verse 31) Get rid of bitterness, rage anger, brawling, slander, & violence
7. (Romans 12:2) It is God's desire that we not be conformed to this evil world, but that we should Be transformed by the renewing of your mind.
8. (Titus 2:11-12) What does verse 12 teach us concerning how we should live? Say no to ungodliness and worldly passions
9. (Galatians 5:19-23) This passage contrasts the work of the flesh with the work of the Holy Spirit in us. List nine things that are the fruit of the Spirit (verses 22-23):
 - (1) Love
 - (2) Joy

- (3) Peace (4) Patience
 (5) Kindness (6) Goodness
 (7) Faithfulness (8) Gentleness
 (9) Self-control

10. (Galatians 5:14, Read Mark 12:31, Romans 13:9-10) These verses speak of the importance of loving your neighbor. Why is love so important? _____

If you love with the love of Jesus you will fulfill all the Law

11. Many times the Christian's life, or moral conduct, is called his "walk." In the following verses how are we supposed to walk (live)?

(Galatians 5:25) Walk in the Spirit or keep in step with the Spirit

(Romans 13:13) Walk decently

(2 Corinthians 5:7) Walk by the faith

(Ephesians 5:2) Walk in love

(Colossians 1:10) Walk worthy

12. (Galatians 5:16) If we walk in the Spirit, what is the result? _____

You will not gratify the sins of the flesh

13. (Ephesians 6:10) Where will we get strength for the warfare against sin and Satan? _____

From the Lord

14. (Colossians 3:17) What does this verse say about whatever we do? **Do it in the name of the Lord**

15. (Colossians 3:22-24) The apostle Paul describes God's will for servants (employees). In verse 23 what should be our attitude in our work? **Do it heartily as unto the Lord**

16. (Colossians 4:2) What does this verse tell us about prayer? **Devote yourself to prayer**

17. (1 Thessalonians 4:3) What is God's will concerning our moral life? **Avoid sexual immorality**

18. (Romans 12:19) Why should we not avenge ourselves (seek revenge)? _____

Vengeance belongs to the Lord

19. (2 Corinthians 6:14) Oxen are yoked (harnessed) together so they can work as a team. Why are we not to be unequally yoked with unbelievers? _____

Righteousness and wickedness have nothing in common and cannot work together

20. (2 Corinthians 5:20) Because God has reconciled us through Christ, we desire that others be reconciled to Him. Therefore we are called **Christ's Ambassadors**

