

Questions For:

A Brief Look at the New Life

Questions for *Beginning the New Life*

1. Good News—Ephesians 1:13

Is God just? (Deut. 32:4) Is He loving? (1 John 4:8) Have you ever sinned? (Rom. 3:23) What wage have you earned by sinning? (Rom. 6:23) What is a person apart from God? (Ephesians 2:1) What is eternal death? (2 Thess. 1:8, 9) Who is Jesus? (John 1:1, 14, 17) Is He the only way to God the Father? (John 14:6) What did Jesus do? (1 Peter 3:18) What is the free gift of God? (Rom. 6:23) What must a person do to have eternal life? (John 3:16, Acts 4:12, John 8:24)

What happens when a person is in Christ? (2 Cor. 5:17) What has God provided for us to live the Christian life? (1 Cor. 6:19, 2 Peter 1:4, 2 Cor. 9:8) What is promised for those who trust in Jesus? (John 10:10, 5:24)

2. Eternal Life—John 5:24

What happened when you believed in Jesus? (Eph. 1:13, Acts 10:43, Col. 2:13, 14) Do you now have eternal life? (John 5:24, 6:35-40, 10:27-30, Heb. 10:10-17, 1 John 5:11-13)

3. Fellowship with God—1 John 1:9

If we say we have no sin, what are we doing? (1 John 1:6-9) What can sin do? (1 Thess. 5:19, Eph. 4:30) What does God want us to do when we sin? (1 John 1:9) What does it mean to confess? What should we confess? (1 John 3:4, Col. 2:13, 14, Philip. 4:13)

4. Filled with the Spirit—Ephesians 5:18

Who is the Holy Spirit? (Acts 5:3, 4, Matt. 28:19, 20) What happens when a person becomes a believer? (John 14:16, Rom. 8:9, Ephesians 1:13) What can the Holy Spirit do? (Acts 1:8, Gal. 5:22, 23) What is commanded in Ephesians 5:18? What does this mean? (Col. 3:16, Eph. 5:18) What is promised in 1 John 5:14, 15? How can we be filled according to the following verses? (1 John 1:9, Col. 3:16, Eph. 5:18, 1 John 5:14, 15, Matt. 21:22)

5. Obedience—John 14:21

How should we live according to Titus 2:11, 12? How can we do this? (Philip. 4:13) What do we demonstrate as we obey Christ? (John 14:21)

6. Baptism—Acts 2:41

Should believers be baptized? (Acts 10:47, 48, Matt. 28:19, 20) Where should people be baptized? (Acts 8:36-39, John 3:23) What does baptism symbolize? (Col. 2:12)

7. The Word—2 Tim. 3:16, 17

How was the Bible written? (2 Peter 1:21) What did Jesus say about the Scriptures? (John 10:35, 17:17) Why was the Bible given to us? (John 20:31, 2 Tim. 3:15-17, 1 Peter 2:2, Psalm 119:105, Luke 11:28, Pro. 2:1-5, James 1:21-25)

8. Prayer—Philip. 4:6, 7

What is prayer? (Psalm 116:1, 2) What does the acrostic ACTS stand for? What do these verses say about prayer? (Hebrews 13:15, 1 John 1:9, Pro. 28:13, Eph. 5:20, Matt. 7:7-11)

9. The Church—Acts 2:42

When do we become part of God's family? (John 1:12) (See also 1 Cor. 12:12, 13) What was the early church devoted to? (Acts 2:41, 42) Why is fellowship important? (Hebrews 3:13, 10:24, 25) What is breaking of bread? (1 Cor. 11:23-28) What is the church? (1 Tim. 3:15)

10. Witnessing—Mark 5:19

What is a witness? As Christians, what should we tell others? (2 Cor. 5:18-20) Who will help us be witnesses? (Acts 1:8)

11. Follow-Up—Acts 15:36

What is follow-up? (Acts 15:36) What is it a part of? (Matt. 28:18-20)

12. Making Disciples—Matt. 28:19, 20

What is a disciple? What characterizes a disciple? (Luke 14:26-35, John 8:31, John 15:8)

Questions for *Being a Disciple*

1. Jesus First--Luke 14:26, 27, 33

Does God love us? (Romans 5:8) Does He want to bless our lives? (Luke 11:28) Should Jesus have priority in our lives? Why? (John 1:1, 14) According to Luke 14:26, 27, 33, what is necessary to be Christ's disciple? How can we do this? (2 Cor. 5:15, Romans 12:1, 2, 2 Chron. 16:9, John 14:21, Gal. 2:20)

2. The Word--John 8:31, 32

What fits the man of God fully for all branches of his work? (2 Timothy 3:16, 17) What is the Bible? (John 17:17, 10:35) What does a disciple do? (John 8:31, 32) What can the word do? (James 1:21-25)

3. Fruit--John 15:7, 8

How can we glorify the Father? (John 15:7, 8) What is fruit? (Gal. 5:22, Rom. 1:13, 1 Cor. 16:15, James 1:18) What did Christ command? (Matthew 28:18-20) What did Paul do? (Gal. 4:19, Col. 1:28, 29)

4. Share the Gospel--Mark 16:15

What does God desire? (1 Tim. 2:3, 4, 2 Peter 3:9) What is the power of God for salvation? (Rom. 1:16) What ministry do believers have? (2 Cor. 5:18-21) Are we responsible for sharing the good news? (Mark 16:15, Matt. 28:18-20) Should we always be ready to share? (1 Peter 3:15) What did Paul do? (1 Cor. 9:19-23, 10:23, 31-33, Phil. 1:18)

5. Share Your Testimony--1 Peter 3:15

Should we always be ready to share our testimony? (1 Peter 3:15) What did Jesus tell the man who had been demon-possessed to do? (Mark 5:19) What did Paul do? (Acts 22:1-21, 26:1-29) Should we follow his example? (1 Cor. 11:1, Philip. 4:9) What did the Thessalonians do? (1 Thess. 1:8-10)

6. Bible Intake--2 Timothy 2:15

What can help us to grow? (1 Peter 2:1, 2) What are five ways to take in God's word, the Bible? (Romans 10:17, 1 Timothy 4:13, Ezra 7:10, Col. 3:16, Josh. 1:8)

7. Basic Doctrines--1 Timothy 4:6

a. Faith

What is faith? (Hebrews 11:1, 6, Acts 27:25) How do we begin the Christian life? (Gal. 2:16, Eph. 1:13) How should we live? (Hab. 2:4, Gal. 2:20, Col. 2:6, 7) How can we become partakers of the divine nature? (2 Peter 1:4) What is promised in these verses? (Ps. 37:4, Rom. 8:28, 1 Cor. 10:13, Philip. 4:13, 2 Cor. 9:8, 12:9)

b. Living the New Life

Should we live holy lives? (1 Peter 1:14-16, 2:24) Why? (Titus 2:11-14, 1 Cor. 3:10-15) What are some benefits of the new life? (2 Cor. 5:17, Acts 10:43, Heb. 11:6) What and who are adversaries to righteous living? (1 John 2:15-17, Gal. 5:13-21, Eph. 6:10-13) Will Christians have trials? (James 1:2-4)

c. The Christian Family in Focus

What is a family's upward focus? (Psalms 127, 128)

What are its roles and responsibilities? (Eph. 5:22-33, 6:1-4) Should a family practice hospitality? (Romans 12:13, 1 Peter 4:9) What is the example of Aquila and Priscilla? (Acts 18:2, 3, 18, 19, 24-26, 1 Cor. 16:19, Rom. 16:3-5)

d. The Church

What is the church? (1 Timothy 3:14, 15) What did the early church do? (Acts 2:41-47)

e. God

How does God reveal Himself? (Rom. 1:19, 20, Heb. 1:1, 2, John 14:9, 2 Timothy 3:16, 17)

What are some of God's attributes? (Is. 40:28, James 1:17, Num. 23:19, Ps. 103:8-14, 1 Peter 1:15, 16, Psalms 11:7, Deut. 32:4, 1 John 4:8, Jer. 32:17, 1 John 3:20, Jer. 23:24, 1 Tim. 6:15) What is the Trinity? (Deut. 6:4, Matt. 28:19, 20, John 6:27, Heb. 1:8, Acts 5:3, 4) What does the Father do? (John 3:16, Heb. 12:9) The Son? (Col. 1:15-18, Gal. 4:4, 5, Hebrews 4:14-16) The Holy Spirit? (John 14:16, 16:7-15, Tit. 3:5, Eph. 1:13, 1 Cor. 12:12, 13, 6:19, 20, Rom. 8:9, Acts 1:8, Eph. 5:18, Gal. 5:16, 22, 23, 1 Thess. 5:19, Eph. 4:30)

f. Angels, Demons, and Satan

Who are angels? (Heb. 1:14, 2 Peter 2:11, Gen. 18:2, 16, 19:1, 11) What does the Bible say about unfallen angels? (Matt. 18:10, 22:30, 26:53, Lk. 15:10, 16:22, 1 Cor. 11:10, Eph. 3:10, 1 Peter 1:12, Rev. 5:11, 12) What does the Bible say about fallen angels? (Rev. 12:9, Matt. 9:32, 33, 25:41, Mk. 5:9, 15, 1 Tim. 4:1, 2 Pet. 2:4, Jude 6) Who is Satan? (Is. 14:12-14, Ezek. 28:14-19, Eph. 2:2, John 12:31, 2 Cor. 4:4, 1 Pet. 5:8, 2 Cor. 11:14) What does Satan do? (2 Cor. 2:11, Gen. 3:1-5, 1 John 2:15, 16, Luke 8:11, 12, 2 Cor. 4:3, 4, Eph. 6:16, Acts 5:3, John 8:44, Deut. 18:10-12, 1 Tim. 4:1) What are some resources for believers? (Acts 26:18, Heb. 2:14-18, Col. 1:13, James 4:7, 2 Cor. 10:3-5, Eph. 6:10, 11)

g. Hope

What is hope? (Romans 8:24, 25, 1 Pet. 1:3-5, 1 Tim. 1:1, Col. 1:27) Why is hope important? (1 Cor. 15:19, Heb. 6:19) Can we have hope in this present life? (Rom. 8:28, 5:1-5, Heb. 13:5, 6, Psalms 27:13) What is our hope for the life to come? (1 Thess. 4:16-18, Tit. 2:13) What will happen when Christ returns? (Philip. 3:20, 21, 1 John 3:2, 3, 1 Cor. 3:8-15, 2 Cor. 5:10, Rev. 5:9, 10, 20:6) What will things be like in the future? (Rev. 21:3, 4, 2 Peter 3:10-13) How can we develop hope? (Rom. 15:4, 13, Heb. 6:11, 12, Rom. 5:1-5, Eph. 1:18, 1 Peter 1:13)

8. Bible Overview—1 Peter 2:2

What events happened in the Old Testament? In the New Testament?

9. Memorizing Scripture—Col. 3:16

What is the good news according to the following verses? (1 John 4:8, Deut. 32:4, Rom. 3:23, 6:23, John 1:1, 14, 1 Peter 3:18, John 3:16, Acts 16:31) Can we know we have eternal life? (John 5:24, 1 John 5:11-13) What two things are involved in having a "quiet time"? (2 Tim. 3:16, 17, Philip. 4:6, 7) Should we obey God? (John 14:21, Tit. 2:11, 12) What did Christians do after they believed? (Acts 2:41, Matt. 28:19,20)

10. Love—John 13:34, 35

How should we love? (John 3:16, 17) Why should we love? (1 John 4:10, 11) Can we love the world and God the Father at the same time? (1 John 2:15, 16) How can we show our love for God? (1 John 5:3, 4:19, Matt. 22:37-39, John 14:21, 13:34, 35, Luke 6:27) Does God love us? (Rom. 5:8) How should we treat others? (Matt. 7:12, Eph. 4:29, Tit. 3:14, Philip. 2:3, 4, Eph. 4:31, 32) What motivated Paul? (2 Cor. 5:14, 15)

11. Spiritual Multiplication—2 Tim. 2:2

What is spiritual multiplication? (2 Tim. 2:2) Did Paul have spiritual children? (1 Cor. 4:14-16, Gal. 4:19) What did Paul do? (Col. 1:28, 29)

12. Make Disciples—Matt. 28:19, 20

Does God desire the death of the wicked? (Ezek. 33:11, 2 Pet. 3:9, 1 Tim. 2:3, 4) What has God given us? (2 Cor. 5:18) What is a disciple? What should church leaders do? (Eph. 4:11-13)

Questions for *The Church*

1. The Assembly--1 Timothy 3:15

What is the Greek word for church? How is the church pictured in the following verses? (Ephesians 2:20-22, 2:19, 1:22, 23) What does God give to each believer? (1 Peter 4:10, 11) How is the church pictured in 1 Timothy 3:15? According to William MacDonald, what are all believers? How should they gather?

2. Priesthood of Believers--1 Peter 2:5, 9

Did the early church, as described in the New Testament, have professional clergymen and a laity of spectators? Who were a royal priesthood? (1 Peter 2:5, 9)

As priests, what kinds of sacrifices did New Testament priests offer? (Romans 12:1, Hebrews 13:15, 16) What kind of services (ministries) were they supposed to perform? (1 Timothy 2:1, 2, Romans 12:15, 1 Peter 2:9, Romans 15:16) What did Martin Luther say about priests?

3. Spiritual Gifts--1 Peter 4:10, 11

How should believers use their spiritual gifts? (1 Peter 4:10, 11) What gifts are mentioned in Romans 12:4-8? What does Ephesians 4:11-13 say about gifts?

4. Leaders--Titus 1:5-9

Why was Titus left in Crete? (Titus 1:5-9) What were the qualifications of elders? What terms were used for leaders in Acts 20:17, 28? What does 1 Timothy 3:1-13 say about leaders? What are leaders supposed to do according to Ephesians 4:11-13? What were leaders doing in Acts 5:42 and Acts 11:26? Did the early church have a single leader? (Philippians 1:1) Were leaders to be "dictators"? (1 Peter 5:1-4)

5. Teaching--Ephesians 4:11-13

What is Scripture? (2 Timothy 3:15-17) What does it mean to be "equipped"? (Ephesians 4:11-13) What does PEA stand for? What is mentioned in Neh. 8:8? What is said in James 1:21-25?

6. Fellowship--Hebrews 10:24, 25

What is the Greek word for fellowship? Should Christians assemble together regularly? (Hebrews 10:24, 25) What should they do when they assemble? (1 Corinthians 14:26) How can the body (the church) be built up? (Ephesians 4:15, 16) What do these verses say about fellowship? (Col. 3:16, Eph. 4:11-16, 1 Thess. 2:8, John 13:34, 35, 1 Thess. 5:11, 14, Gal. 5:13, Eph. 4:31, 32, Eph. 6:18)

7. Worship--Hebrews 13:15, 16

What is worship? How did the saints worship in the Old Testament? What kinds of sacrifices should New Testament saints bring? (Proverbs 3:9, 10, Hebrews 13:15, 16, Romans 12:1)

8. Lord's Supper--Acts 20:7

What is the example of the early church concerning breaking bread? (Acts 20:7) What can we learn about breaking bread in 1 Corinthians 11:23-30? What did Jesus say in Luke 22:14-20? What truth is found in 1 Corinthians 10:16, 17?

9. Women's Role--Galatians 3:28

Are men or women of greater worth or value? (Galatians 3:28) What are women according to 1 Peter 3:7? What instructions about the role of women are found in 1 Cor. 11:2-16, 14:34, 35, and 1 Tim. 2:11-15?

10. Finances--Proverbs 3:9, 10

When were collections made in the early church? (1 Cor. 16:2) What is the money to be used for? (Gal. 6:6, 1 Tim. 5:17, 18, 5:9, 10, 1 John 3:16-18) Who is more blessed? (Acts 20:35)

11. Church Discipline--1 Cor. 5:11

Did the early church discipline persons in the church? (1 Cor. 5:11) What is the purpose of discipline? Does God discipline us? (Hebrews 12:6) What do we learn in these verses? (Matthew 18:15-20, 2 Cor. 13:1, 1 Cor. 5, 2 Cor. 2)

12. Purpose--1 Thessalonians 1:8

What should Christians be doing in this world? (Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:19, 20, 1 Thessalonians 1:8) What did Paul do? (Acts 14:21-23) What is Christ building? (Matthew 16:18) What truth is found in Acts 15:14?