

Tree of Life Christian Church - Shorter Catechism

(Ages 7 and below)

1. WHY DO WE READ THE BIBLE?

WE READ THE BIBLE BECAUSE IT IS THE WORD OF GOD. IT IS NOT THE SAME AS ANY OTHER BOOK. IT IS COMPLETELY TRUE.

II TIMOTHY 3:14-17, II PETER 1:21, JOHN 17:17, PSALM 119:160

2. WHY DID GOD GIVE US THE BIBLE?

GOD HAS GIVEN US THE BIBLE TO TEACH US WHAT TO BELIEVE ABOUT EVERYTHING, AND HOW TO LIVE SO THAT HE IS PLEASED.

PSALM 119:9-11, PSALM 119:97-100, PSALM 119:105, PSALM 119:130

3. WHAT IS GOD?

GOD IS A SPIRIT. GOD IS LIGHT. GOD IS LOVE

JOHN 4:24, I JOHN 1:5, I JOHN 4:16

4. WHERE DID GOD COME FROM?

GOD DID NOT COME FROM ANYWHERE, BUT HE HAS ALWAYS EXISTED.

EXODUS 3:14, REVELATION 4:8-10

5. WHO IS GOD?

GOD IS THE FATHER, THE SON JESUS CHRIST, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.

MATTHEW 28:19, II CORINTHIANS 13:14

6. ARE THERE THREE GODS?

NO, THERE IS ONLY ONE TRUE GOD. THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT ARE THREE PERSONS WHO ARE ONE GOD.

GENESIS 1:26-27, DEUTERONOMY 6:4

7. WHAT IS GOD LIKE?

GOD IS ALL POWERFUL, ALL KNOWING, EVERYWHERE PRESENT, HOLY, GOOD, AND UNCHANGEABLE.

MATTHEW 26:64, I JOHN 3:20, PSALM 139:7, REVELATION 15:4,
LUKE 18:19, MALACHI 3:6

8. HOW CAN WE UNDERSTAND MORE WHAT GOD IS LIKE?

GOD TEACHES US ABOUT HIMSELF IN THREE MAIN WAYS. FIRST, IN THE CREATION; SECOND, IN THE SCRIPTURES; THIRD, IN HIS SON JESUS CHRIST.

ROMANS 1:20, PSALM 119:38, HEBREWS 1:1-3

9. WHERE IS GOD?

GOD IS EVERYWHERE, BUT HE IS ESPECIALLY IN HEAVEN AND IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM AND OBEY HIM ON EARTH.

PSALM 139:7, MATTHEW 6:9, ACTS 5:32

10. DOES GOD KNOW EVERYTHING?

YES, GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING THAT EVER HAPPENED OR EVER WILL HAPPEN!

ISAIAH 46:9-11, COLOSSIANS 2:3

11. CAN GOD DO EVERYTHING?

YES, GOD CAN DO ANYTHING HE WANTS, EXCEPT HE CAN'T SIN OR LIE!

I JOHN 3:5, HEBREWS 6:18

12. WHY CAN'T GOD SIN OR LIE?

GOD CAN NOT SIN OR LIE BECAUSE HE IS HOLY AND GOOD.

HEBREWS 7:26, REVELATION 4:8

13. WHERE DID EVERYTHING COME FROM?

GOD CREATED EVERYTHING: THE EARTH, AND THE UNIVERSE, AND HEAVEN WITH THE ANGELS TO SERVE HIM.

GENESIS 1:1, ISAIAH 45:11-12, ISAIAH 45:18, HEBREWS 11:10, COLOSSIANS 1:16

14. HOW DID GOD CREATE ALL THINGS?

GOD CREATED EVERYTHING BY HIS WORD.

GENESIS 1:3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24; HEBREWS 1:3

15. HOW LONG DID GOD TAKE TO CREATE THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH?

GOD CREATED THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH IN SIX DAYS, AND ON THE SEVENTH DAY HE RESTED.

GENESIS 1:31-2:3; EXODUS 20:11

16. WHAT CAN WE LEARN ABOUT GOD FROM HIS CREATION?

IN THE CREATION GOD TEACHES US ABOUT WHAT KIND OF PERSON HE IS, AND HOW POWERFUL HE IS.

ROMANS 1:20, PSALM 19:1-3

17. WHAT WAS SPECIAL ABOUT THE WAY GOD CREATED MAN AND WHY?

GOD FORMED MAN LIKE A POTTER FORMS CLAY AND BREATHED INTO HIS NOSTRILS THE BREATH OF LIFE. HE DID THIS BECAUSE GOD CREATED MAN IN HIS IMAGE AND LIKENESS.

GENESIS 2:7, GENESIS 1:26-27

18. WHY DID GOD MAKE PEOPLE?

GOD MADE PEOPLE TO GLORIFY HIM AND TO HAVE FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM FOREVER.

EPHESIANS 3:21, PSALM 16:11, I JOHN 1:1-4

19. WHAT WERE ADAM AND EVE LIKE WHEN GOD FIRST MADE THEM?

GOD MADE ADAM AND EVE AS ADULTS, WHO COULD KNOW GOD AND BE IN CHARGE OF THE EARTH AND ITS CREATURES. THEY WERE MADE WITHOUT SIN, AND THEY COULD CHOOSE BETWEEN RIGHT AND WRONG.

GENESIS 1:26-28, GENESIS 1:31, GENESIS 2:19

20. WHEN GOD PLACED MAN IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN WHAT WAS THE ONE THING HE TOLD HIM NOT TO DO?

THE ONE THING GOD TOLD ADAM NOT TO DO WAS EAT FROM THE TREE OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL.

GENESIS 2:15-17

21. WHEN ADAM AND EVE ATE THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT, WHOSE FAULT WAS IT: THE SERPENT WHO TEMPTED THEM, EVE WHO ATE FIRST, OR ADAM WHO ATE AFTER HER?

THE SERPENT, THE WOMAN, AND THE MAN WERE ALL AT FAULT AND WERE EACH PUNISHED BY GOD FOR THEIR DISOBEDIENCE.

GENESIS 3:11-19, II CORINTHIANS 11:3, I TIMOTHY 2:14, ROMANS 5:17-19

22. WHY IS ADAM'S SIN THE MOST SERIOUS?

ADAM'S SIN IS THE MOST SERIOUS BECAUSE HE WAS PUT IN CHARGE BY GOD AND HE ACTED FOR ALL OF US TOO.

GENESIS 2:15-17, ROMANS 5:12 & 19

23. WHAT HAPPENED TO ADAM AND EVE WHEN THEY SINNED?

THEY SAW THEY WERE NAKED, THEY WERE ASHAMED, THEY WERE AFRAID, THEY HID FROM GOD, AND THEY BLAMED EACH OTHER.

GENESIS 3:7-13, GENESIS 2:17

24. WHAT HAPPENED TO ALL PEOPLE BECAUSE ADAM SINNED?

EVERYONE BORN AFTER ADAM AND EVE HAS A SINFUL NATURE, HAS HARDSHIP IN THIS WORLD, AND HAS TO DIE.

GENESIS 3:17-18, ROMANS 8:18-22

25. HOW AND WHY DID GOD DESTROY THE EARTH, MANKIND AND ALL LIVING CREATURES ON IT?

THE LORD BROUGHT A FLOOD OF WATER WHICH COVERED THE WHOLE EARTH BECAUSE THE EARTH WAS VERY BAD, EVERYONE WAS HURTING EACH OTHER, AND PEOPLE WERE VERY SINFUL.

GENESIS 6:5-7, GENESIS 6:11-13, GENESIS 6:17, II PETER 3:6

26. DID GOD SPARE ANYONE OR ANYTHING AND WHY?

GOD SPARED NOAH AND HIS FAMILY BECAUSE HE WAS A RIGHTEOUS MAN. ALSO, GOD SAVED TWO OF EVERY ANIMAL.

GENESIS 6:8-9, GENESIS 6:19-20, GENESIS 7:1-3

27. HOW DID GOD SPARE NOAH, HIS FAMILY, AND THE ANIMALS?

GOD SAVED NOAH, HIS FAMILY, AND THE ANIMALS BY TELLING NOAH TO BUILD AN ARK TO KEEP THEM SAFE THROUGH THE FLOOD.

GENESIS 6:14-22, I PETER 3:20

28. WHAT SHOULD WE LEARN FROM THE FLOOD?

THE FLOOD TEACHES US ABOUT GOD'S PUNISHMENT ON THOSE WHO DISOBEY HIM, AND ALSO HIS MERCY, GRACE, AND PROTECTION ON THOSE WHO OBEY HIM.

GENESIS 7:21-23, II PETER 2:5

29. WHAT DID GOD TELL NOAH AND HIS SONS AFTER THE FLOOD?

GOD TOLD NOAH AND HIS SONS TO BE FRUITFUL AND MULTIPLY, AND FILL THE EARTH.

GENESIS 9:1, GENESIS 9:7

30. WHAT PROMISE DID GOD MAKE TO EVERY LIVING THING AFTER THE FLOOD AND HOW DID HE SHOW IT?

GOD PROMISED TO NEVER AGAIN DESTROY THE EARTH BY A FLOOD, AND HE MADE THE RAINBOW TO REMIND HIM.

GENESIS 9:8-17

31. WHAT DID THE PEOPLE DO AFTER THE FLOOD THAT DISPLEASED GOD?

THE PEOPLE BUILT A CITY AND A TOWER TO MAKE THEMSELVES GREAT.

GENESIS 11:1-4

32. WHAT DID GOD DO TO THE PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THE TOWER?

GOD CONFUSED THEIR LANGUAGE SO THEY COULD NOT UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER. HE ALSO SENT THEM TO DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD TO LIVE.

GENESIS 11:5-9

33. AFTER THE TOWER WHO DID THE LORD CHOOSE TO MAKE AN AGREEMENT WITH AND WHY?

THE LORD CHOSE TO MAKE AN AGREEMENT WITH ABRAM SO ABRAM WOULD SHOW HIS CHILDREN TO FOLLOW THE LORD.

GENESIS 17:1-8, GENESIS 18:18-19

34. WHAT DID THE LORD DO WHEN HE MADE THE AGREEMENT WITH ABRAM?

THE LORD CHANGED ABRAM'S NAME TO ABRAHAM, AND HE PROMISED TO BLESS HIM, TO MAKE HIS NAME GREAT, TO GIVE HIM MANY CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, TO MAKE THEM INTO A GREAT NATION, TO MAKE HIM THE FATHER OF MANY NATIONS AND KINGS, TO GIVE THE PROMISED LAND TO HIM AND HIS FAMILY, AND TO BE GOD TO HIM AND HIS FAMILY.

GENESIS 12:1-3, GENESIS 17:1-8

35. WHAT WAS THE SIGN OF THE AGREEMENT WITH ABRAHAM?

THE SIGN OF THE AGREEMENT THAT ABRAHAM AND HIS FAMILY WERE TO FOLLOW WAS CIRCUMCISION. ABRAHAM AND EVERY MALE OF HIS FAMILY WERE TO BE CIRCUMCISED.

GENESIS 17:9-14

36. WHY DO WE CALL ABRAHAM "FATHER ABRAHAM?"

WE CALL ABRAHAM "FATHER ABRAHAM" BECAUSE HE IS THE FATHER OF FAITH. HE SHOWED US HOW TO TRUST GOD AND OBEY HIM BY LEAVING HIS HOME AND GOING TO AN UNKNOWN LAND BECAUSE GOD PROMISED IT TO HIM. HE ALSO BELIEVED GOD WOULD MAKE THE NUMBER OF HIS WHOLE FAMILY AS MANY AS THE STARS HE COULD SEE. HE ALSO WAS WILLING TO GIVE UP HIS SON ISAAC WHEN GOD ASKED HIM.

GENESIS 15:5-6, ROMANS 4:12-18, HEBREWS 11:8-19

37. WHO KEPT THE AGREEMENT WITH GOD AFTER ABRAHAM?

ABRAHAM PASSED THE BLESSING OF THE AGREEMENT ON TO HIS SON ISAAC. ISAAC PASSED ON THE BLESSING OF THE AGREEMENT TO HIS SON JACOB. BECAUSE OF THIS AGREEMENT GOD CALLED HIMSELF THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB.

GENESIS 25:5, GENESIS 28:1-4, MATTHEW 22:32, EXODUS 3:6

38. WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE SONS OF JACOB?

JACOB HAD TWELVE SONS WHO EACH BECAME THE HEAD OF A FAMILY TRIBE. THESE BECAME THE TWELVE TRIBES OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL.

GENESIS 35:21-26, GENESIS 49:1-28

39. WHY DID THE ISRAELITES MOVE TO EGYPT AND HOW LONG DID THEY LIVE THERE?

THE ISRAELITES MOVED TO EGYPT BECAUSE THEY RAN OUT OF FOOD IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY. THEY WENT TO EGYPT BECAUSE THE LORD HAD PROVIDED FOOD FOR THEM THERE. THE LORD SENT JOSEPH AHEAD OF THEM AND CAUSED PHARAOH TO LIKE HIM. THEY REMAINED IN EGYPT FOR 430 YEARS.

GENESIS 41, GENESIS 42:1-5, GENESIS 45:4-11, ACTS 7:9-15, EXODUS 12:40-41

40. WHY DID THE LORD SEND MOSES TO PHARAOH IN EGYPT?

BECAUSE A NEW PHARAOH GREW UP WHO DID NOT REMEMBER JOSEPH, HE MADE THE ISRAELITES WORK VERY HARD AND MADE THEIR LIVES MISERABLE. WHEN ISRAEL PRAYED TO GOD FOR HELP, HE HEARD THEIR PRAYER AND REMEMBERED HIS AGREEMENT WITH ABRAHAM. THE LORD SENT MOSES TO SET ISRAEL FREE AND LEAD THEM TO THE PROMISED LAND.

EXODUS 1:8-14, EXODUS 2:23-25, EXODUS 3:7-10, ACTS 7:30-34

41. HOW DID GOD USE MOSES TO SET ISRAEL FREE FROM EGYPT?

THE LORD SENT MOSES TO SET ISRAEL FREE FROM EGYPT BY STRETCHING OUT HIS HAND TO DO MIRACLES, SIGNS AND WONDERS IN THE TEN PLAGUES UPON EGYPT.

EXODUS 3:19-20, EXODUS 7:2-5, EXODUS 7:14-12:42, ACTS 7:36

42. WHY DID THE LORD SEND THE TEN PLAGUES UPON EGYPT?

THE LORD SENT THE TEN PLAGUES UPON EGYPT TO MAKE PHARAOH RELEASE THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL FROM THEIR SLAVERY, AND ALSO TO SHOW BY HIS POWER TO BOTH ISRAEL AND EGYPT THAT HE IS THE LORD.

EXODUS 3:19-20, EXODUS 6:1-8, EXODUS 7:3-5

43. HOW DID THE LORD FINISH SETTING ISRAEL FREE FROM EGYPT?

THE LORD DIVIDED THE RED SEA AND CAUSED ISRAEL TO PASS THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE SEA ON DRY LAND, AND THEN HE COVERED THE ARMY OF PHARAOH WITH THE WATERS DROWNING THEM IN THE SEA.

EXODUS 14:16-30, EXODUS 15:1-4

44. WHERE DID THE LORD LEAD ISRAEL AFTER THE RED SEA AND WHY?

THE LORD LED ISRAEL INTO THE WILDERNESS FOR FORTY YEARS TO HUMBLE THEM, TEST THEM, TEACH THEM, AND PREPARE THEM FOR THE PROMISED LAND.

EXODUS 13:17-18, EXODUS 15:22, DEUTERONOMY 8:2-5 & 16

45. WHAT DID THE LORD GIVE TO MOSES ON MOUNT SINAI?

THE LORD GAVE TO MOSES THE LAW OF GOD INCLUDING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS WRITTEN ON STONE TABLETS AND THE RULES THAT ALL ISRAEL WAS TO LEARN SO THEY COULD OBEY THEM SO THAT IT WOULD BE WELL WITH THEM AND THEY WOULD LIVE LONG.

EXODUS 20:1-17, EXODUS 31:18, DEUTERONOMY 5:1-21, DEUTERONOMY 6:1-3

46. WHY DID THE LORD GIVE THE LAW TO HIS PEOPLE?

THE LORD GAVE THE LAW TO HIS PEOPLE TO SHOW THEM ABOUT HIS HOLINESS AND RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND TO TEACH THE PEOPLE ABOUT THEIR SIN.

EXODUS 19:10-20, EXODUS 24:12, ROMANS 3:19-21

47. WHAT ELSE DID THE LORD GIVE TO MOSES ON THE MOUNTAIN?

THE LORD GAVE TO MOSES THE PATTERN OF THE TABERNACLE AND THE PATTERN OF ALL ITS FURNITURE SO THE PEOPLE COULD BUILD A PLACE FOR THE LORD SO THAT HE COULD LIVE AMONG THEM AND MEET WITH THEM.

EXODUS 25:1-9, EXODUS 33:7-11, EXODUS 40:16-38, HEBREWS 8:1-5

48. WHY DID THE LORD COMMAND THE PEOPLE TO SACRIFICE ANIMALS?

THE LORD COMMANDED THE PEOPLE TO OFFER ANIMAL SACRIFICES TO REMIND THE PEOPLE OF THEIR SINS, TO SHOW IT WAS NECESSARY FOR BLOOD TO BE SHED FOR THEIR SINS, TO MAKE A WAY FOR THEIR SINS TO BE FORGIVEN, AND TO GET THEM READY FOR JESUS TO COME AND DIE FOR THEIR SINS ON THE CROSS.

LEVITICUS 5:17-19, LEVITICUS 17:11, HEBREWS 9:11-22, HEBREWS 10:1-12

49. WHO DID THE LORD HAVE LEAD ISRAEL INTO THE PROMISED LAND?

THE LORD HAD JOSHUA, THE SERVANT OF MOSES, REPLACE MOSES AFTER HE DIED, AND LEAD THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL OUT OF THE WILDERNESS, ACROSS THE RIVER JORDAN INTO THE PROMISED LAND OF CANAAN.

JOSHUA 1:1-11

50. WHY DID THE LORD MAKE JUDGES AFTER JOSHUA DIED?

THE LORD MADE JUDGES FOR THE PEOPLE AFTER JOSHUA DIED BECAUSE THEY DID NOT DEFEAT THE PEOPLE OF THE LAND AND WERE TREATED BAD BY THEM, SO THE LORD FELT SORRY FOR THEM AND HE SENT THE JUDGES TO HELP THEM AGAINST THEIR ENEMIES.

JUDGES 1:21-36, JUDGES 2:11-19

51. WHY DID THE LORD HAVE SAMUEL THE PROPHET MAKE SAUL KING OVER ISRAEL?

THE LORD HAD THE PROPHET SAMUEL MAKE SAUL KING OVER ISRAEL BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WANTED TO BE LIKE ALL THE OTHER NATIONS WITH A KING TO JUDGE THEM AND FIGHT THEIR BATTLES FOR THEM, AND THEY DID NOT WANT THE LORD TO BE THEIR KING.

I SAMUEL 8:4-9, I SAMUEL 8:19-22, I SAMUEL 9:17

52. WHY DID THE LORD LATER REJECT SAUL AS THE KING?

THE LORD REJECTED SAUL AS KING BECAUSE SAUL ACTED FOOLISHLY BY NOT KEEPING THE COMMANDMENT OF THE LORD, AND BECAUSE SAUL TURNED BACK FROM FOLLOWING THE LORD AND REJECTED THE WORD OF THE LORD.

I SAMUEL 13:5-14, I SAMUEL 15:10-28

53. HOW DID THE LORD CHOOSE A KING TO REPLACE SAUL?

THE LORD DID NOT CHOOSE A KING BY WHAT HE LOOKED LIKE, BUT THE LORD CHOSE DAVID, A MAN WHO HAD A HEART LIKE GOD.

I SAMUEL 13:14, I SAMUEL 16:1-13

54. WHAT BECAME OF THE KINGDOM AFTER DAVID DIED?

KING DAVID CHOSE HIS SON SOLOMON TO BE THE NEXT KING, AND THE LORD MADE SOLOMON WISER THAN EVERYONE, AND THE LORD MADE HIS KINGDOM GREATER THAN ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE EARTH.

I KINGS 2:12, I KINGS 3:5-14, I KINGS 4:29-34, I KINGS 10:23

55. WHAT DID THE LORD TELL SOLOMON TO BUILD?

THE LORD TOLD SOLOMON TO BUILD THE TEMPLE AS A HOUSE FOR THE LORD BY THE PLANS THE LORD HAD GIVEN TO HIS FATHER DAVID.

I CHRONICLES 17:11-12, I CHRONICLES 22:6-16, I CHRONICLES 28:5-19

56. WHAT BECAME OF THE KINGDOM AFTER SOLOMON DIED?

AFTER SOLOMON DIED, THE LORD DIVIDED THE KINGDOM INTO TWO KINGDOMS; JUDAH AND ISRAEL BECAUSE SOLOMON AND THE PEOPLE DISOBEYED THE LORD AND WORSHIPPED IDOLS.

I KINGS 11:4-13, I KINGS 11:28-36

57. WHO WERE THE PROPHETS?

THE PROPHETS WERE MEN WHOM THE LORD GAVE A MESSAGE SO THAT THEY WOULD TELL THE MESSAGE TO THE LORD'S PEOPLE.

HEBREWS 1:1, II PETER 1:20-21, ACTS 10:42-43

58. WHY DID THE LORD SEND THE PROPHETS TO THE PEOPLE?

THE LORD SENT THE PROPHETS TO TEACH AND HELP THE PEOPLE BECAUSE THEY HAD DISOBEYED THE LORD. THE LORD HAD THE PROPHETS WARN THE PEOPLE OF HIS COMING PUNISHMENT IF THEY DID NOT OBEY HIM. THE PROPHETS ALSO TOLD THE PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS WHO WAS COMING TO SAVE THEM AND RULE OVER THEM.

II TIMOTHY 3:16, II CHRONICLES 24:19, LUKE 24:27, I PETER 1:10-11

59. WHY DID GOD SEND ANGELS TO MARY AND JOSEPH?

GOD SENT THE ANGEL GABRIEL TO TELL MARY THAT GOD WAS PLEASED WITH HER, THAT SHE WOULD HAVE A SON BY THE POWER OF GOD, THAT HIS NAME WOULD BE JESUS, THAT HE WOULD BE THE SON OF GOD, AND THAT HE WOULD RULE OVER HIS KINGDOM FOREVER. GOD SENT AN ANGEL TO JOSEPH TO TELL HIM NOT TO BE AFRAID TO MARRY MARY, THAT HER SON WAS FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND THAT HE WOULD BE NAMED JESUS AND SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS.

LUKE 1:26-35, MATTHEW 1:18-21

60. DID GOD SHOW ANY OTHERS ABOUT THE BIRTH OF JESUS?

GOD SENT AN ANGEL TO SHEPHERDS NEAR BETHLEHEM TO TELL THEM OF THE BIRTH OF THE SAVIOR, CHRIST THE LORD. THE HOLY SPIRIT SHOWED SIMEON THAT THE BABY WAS THE LORD'S CHOSEN ONE. THE LORD SHOWED WISE MEN FROM THE EAST A SPECIAL STAR TO TELL THEM OF THE BIRTH OF THE KING OF THE JEWS.

LUKE 2:8-11, LUKE 2:25-32, MATTHEW 2:1-2

61. WHO WAS JOHN THE BAPTIST?

JOHN THE BAPTIST WAS A SPECIAL PROPHET SENT BY GOD TO ISRAEL TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR JESUS BY TELLING THE PEOPLE TO REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

JOHN 1:6-8, MARK 1:2-6, LUKE 3:2-6, MATTHEW 11:7-11

62. WHAT DID JOHN THE BAPTIST SAY ABOUT JESUS?

JOHN SAID THAT JESUS WAS GREATER THAN HIM, THAT HE DID NOT EVEN DESERVE TO REMOVE HIS SANDALS, THAT HE WOULD BAPTIZE HIS PEOPLE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, THAT HE HAD A HIGHER RANK THAN JOHN BECAUSE HE EXISTED BEFORE HIM, THAT HE WAS THE LAMB OF GOD WHO WOULD TAKE AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD, AND THAT HE WAS THE SON OF GOD.

MATTHEW 3:11, MARK 1:7-8, JOHN 1:29-34

63. WHAT HAPPENED WHEN JOHN BAPTIZED JESUS?

WHEN JOHN BAPTIZED JESUS THE HEAVENS WERE OPENED, THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME DOWN IN THE FORM OF A DOVE ON JESUS, AND A VOICE FROM HEAVEN SAID, "THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED."

MATTHEW 3:16-17, MARK 1:9-11, LUKE 3:21-22

64. WHY DID JESUS SPEND FORTY DAYS IN THE WILDERNESS?

JESUS WAS LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT INTO THE WILDERNESS TO NOT EAT FOR FORTY DAYS, TO BE TEMPTED BY SATAN IN ALL THINGS, AND TO OVERCOME EACH TEMPTATION BY THE WORD OF GOD.

MATTHEW 4:1-11, MARK 1:12-13, LUKE 4:1-13, HEBREWS 4:15

65. WHAT DID JESUS DO WHEN HE RETURNED FROM THE WILDERNESS?

JESUS BEGAN TO TELL THE PEOPLE TO REPENT AND BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS THAT THE TIME FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAD COME. JESUS ALSO BEGAN TO TEACH THE PEOPLE WITH AUTHORITY.

MATTHEW 4:17 & 23, MARK 1:14-15 & 20-21, LUKE 4:14-15 & 31-32

66. WHAT DID JESUS DO FOR THE PEOPLE AS HE TAUGHT THEM?

JESUS HEALED EVERY KIND OF DISEASE AND EVERY KIND OF SICKNESS AMONG THE PEOPLE.

MATTHEW 4:23-24, MATTHEW 9:35, LUKE 6:17-19, ACTS 10:38

67. WHAT MIRACLES DID JESUS DO FOR THE PEOPLE?

JESUS DID MANY MIRACLES FOR THE PEOPLE TO SHOW THAT HE HAD BEEN SENT BY GOD INCLUDING RAISING THE DEAD, MAKING THE BLIND SEE, MAKING THE DEAF HEAR, CLEANSING THE LEPERS, CAUSING PARALYZED PEOPLE TO WALK, WALKING ON WATER, CALMING A STORMY SEA, AND FEEDING THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE FROM FIVE LOAVES OF BREAD AND TWO FISH.

JOHN 5:36, LUKE 7:11-17, LUKE 7:21-22, MARK 6:45-51, MARK 4:35-41, LUKE 9:12-17

68. WHAT DID JESUS DO FOR PEOPLE WHO WERE DEMON- POSSESSED?

JESUS HAD MERCY ON THEM AND CAST OUT THE DEMONS BY THE AUTHORITY OF HIS WORD, HEALING THEM AND GIVING THEM BACK THEIR RIGHT MINDS.

MATTHEW 8:16, MARK 1:23-28, MARK 5:15-20, MATTHEW 12:28

69. WHY DID JESUS CHOOSE TWELVE DISCIPLES?

JESUS CHOSE THE TWELVE MEN THAT HE WANTED TO BE HIS DISCIPLES, HE CALLED THEM APOSTLES AND HE SENT THEM OUT TO TEACH THE PEOPLE TO CAST OUT DEMONS AND TO HEAL THEM OF EVERY KIND OF DISEASE AND SICKNESS.

MATTHEW 10:1-4, MARK 3:13-19, LUKE 6:12-16

70. DID ALL OF THE PEOPLE ACCEPT JESUS AND HIS MESSAGE?

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACCEPTED JESUS AND HIS MESSAGE AND THEY CAME TO HEAR HIM AND TO BE HEALED OF THEIR SICKNESSES, BUT LATER MANY DID NOT FOLLOW HIM, AND MANY OTHERS DID NOT ACCEPT HIM AT ALL INCLUDING THE LEADERS OF ISRAEL, PEOPLE FROM HIS OWN HOME TOWN, AND EVEN SOME FROM HIS OWN FAMILY.

MATTHEW 9:1-8, MATTHEW 12:10-15, MATTHEW 12:22-24, MARK 3:20-21, MARK 6:1-6, LUKE 5:15, JOHN 6:66

71. WHY WAS JESUS ARRESTED?

JESUS WAS ARRESTED BECAUSE ONE OF HIS TWELVE DISCIPLES NAMED JUDAS TURNED AGAINST JESUS AND PLANNED WITH THE LEADERS IN JERUSALEM TO HAVE JESUS CAPTURED.

MATTHEW 26:3-4 & 14-16, MARK 14:43-46, JOHN 18:1-12

72. WHAT DID THEY DO WITH JESUS AFTER HE WAS ARRESTED?

AFTER THEY ARRESTED JESUS THEY PUT HIM ON TRIAL IN FRONT OF THE HIGH PRIEST, THE LEADERS, THE ROMAN GOVERNOR PONTIUS PILATE AND HEROD, THEN THEY LIED ABOUT JESUS, MADE FUN OF HIM, BEAT HIM, SPIT ON HIM, WHIPPED HIM, PUT A CROWN OF THORNS ON HIS HEAD, AND CRUCIFIED HIM.

MATTHEW 26:57-68, MATTHEW 27:26-35, MARK 14:53-57, LUKE 23:1-11, JOHN 19:1-3

73. HOW DID THE TRIAL OF JESUS END?

AFTER THE TRIAL, PONTIUS PILATE WANTED TO LET JESUS GO FREE BECAUSE HE WAS INNOCENT, BUT THE PEOPLE SHOUTED FOR HIM TO BE CRUCIFIED, AND SO PILATE HAD THE SOLDIERS CRUCIFY JESUS.

MATTHEW 27:20-26, MARK 15:12-15, LUKE 23:13-24, JOHN 19:1-16

74. WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO DIE ON THE CROSS?

JESUS HAD TO DIE ON THE CROSS BECAUSE IT WAS GOD'S PLAN FOR JESUS TO SAVE US FROM OUR SINS AND GIVE US LIFE THAT LASTS FOREVER BY CARRYING OUR SINS ON THE CROSS, DYING FOR US AND BRINGING US BACK TO GOD.

ACTS 1:22, JOHN 3:16, I PETER 2:22, ROMANS 5:8, II CORINTHIANS 5:18-21

75. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BODY OF JESUS AFTER HE DIED?

AFTER JESUS DIED ON THE CROSS, JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA, A FOLLOWER OF JESUS CAME AND TOOK THE BODY OF JESUS, WRAPPED HIM IN A LINEN CLOTH, LAID HIM IN A NEW TOMB WHICH BELONGED TO JOSEPH AND ROLLED A LARGE STONE AGAINST THE ENTRANCE OF THE TOMB.

MATTHEW 27:57-60, MARK 15:42-46, LUKE 23:50-55, JOHN 19:38-42

76. WHAT DID THE DISCIPLES FIND AT THE TOMB ON THE THIRD DAY AFTER THE CROSS?

ON THE THIRD DAY AFTER JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED AND BURIED, THE DISCIPLES FOUND THE STONE IN FRONT OF THE TOMB ROLLED AWAY, THE TOMB EMPTY EXCEPT FOR THE LINEN CLOTH, AND TWO ANGELS WHO TOLD THEM THAT JESUS HAD RISEN FROM THE DEAD JUST AS HE HAD SAID.

MATTHEW 28:1-10, MARK 16:1-8, LUKE 24:1-8 & 19-24, JOHN 20:1-12

77. WHAT DID JESUS DO AFTER HIS RESURRECTION?

AFTER HIS RESURRECTION, JESUS APPEARED TO HIS DISCIPLES FOR FORTY DAYS TO PROVE TO THEM THAT HE WAS ALIVE FROM THE DEAD BY SHOWING THEM HIS WOUNDS FROM THE CROSS, LETTING THEM TOUCH HIM, AND EATING WITH THEM.

ACTS 1:1-4, LUKE 24:36-43, JOHN 20:19-31, I CORINTHIANS 15:4-7

78. WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE FORTY DAYS ENDED?

WHEN THE FORTY DAYS ENDED, JESUS APPEARED TO THE APOSTLES AND GAVE THEM ORDERS TO WAIT IN JERUSALEM FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT, THEN HE LIFTED UP HIS HANDS TO BLESS THEM, AND HE WAS LIFTED UP INTO HEAVEN.

MARK 16:19, LUKE 24:50-51, ACTS 1:1-11

79. WHAT DID GOD THE FATHER DO WHEN JESUS WENT BACK UP TO HEAVEN?

WHEN JESUS WENT BACK UP TO HEAVEN GOD THE FATHER SAID THAT JESUS WAS THE LORD, GAVE HIM THE MOST IMPORTANT POSITION TO SIT AT HIS OWN RIGHT HAND, PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF ALL THINGS, AND GAVE HIM THE GLORY THAT JESUS SHARED WITH HIM BEFORE THE WORLD EVER WAS.

ACTS 2:32-36, PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11, EPHESIANS 1:20-22, JOHN 17:5

80. WHAT IS JESUS DOING IN HEAVEN NOW?

JESUS IS RULING OVER HIS KINGDOM AS LORD, BUILDING HIS CHURCH AS THE HEAD, AND PRAYING FOR HIS PEOPLE AS THE HIGH PRIEST.

DANIEL 7:13-14, MATTHEW 28:18, REVELATION 1:5, EPHESIANS 1:22-23, MATTHEW 16:18, HEBREWS 4:14-16 & 7:25

81. WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST CAME?

ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST AS THE DISCIPLES WERE ALL TOGETHER THERE WAS A SOUND FROM HEAVEN OF A RUSHING WIND, FIRE WAS OVER EACH ONE, THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, THEY ALL SPOKE IN OTHER LANGUAGES, AND 3000 PEOPLE WERE SAVED AS PETER TOLD THE PEOPLE ABOUT THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS.

ACTS 2:1-14, ACTS 2:32-41

82. WHY DID THE LORD SEND THE HOLY SPIRIT?

THE LORD SENT THE HOLY SPIRIT TO SHOW THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD THEIR SIN, TO GLORIFY JESUS, AND TO GIVE POWER TO HIS PEOPLE TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT JESUS.

JOHN 15:26, JOHN 16:7-14, ACTS 1:4-8

83. WHY DID JESUS CALL THE HOLY SPIRIT THE HELPER?

JESUS CALLED THE HOLY SPIRIT THE HELPER BECAUSE FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVE AND OBEY THE LORD, HE HAS COME TO STAY WITH THEM, LIVE IN THEM, TEACH THEM THE TRUTH, LEAD THEM AND HELP THEM PRAY.

JOHN 14:16-17, JOHN 14:26, JOHN 15:26, JOHN 16:7-14, ACTS 2:38-39, ACTS 5:32, ROMANS 8:14, ROMANS 8:26, I JOHN 2:27

84. WHY DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT WORK IN US TO CHANGE US?

THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKS IN US TO CHANGE US BECAUSE GOD WANTS TO MAKE US MORE LIKE JESUS BY CHANGING US FROM THE INSIDE OUT.

ROMANS 8:26-29, GALATIANS 5:22-23, PHILIPPIANS 2:12-13

85. WHAT DID JESUS TELL THE APOSTLES BEFORE HE WENT BACK UP TO HEAVEN?

BEFORE HE WENT BACK UP TO HEAVEN JESUS TOLD THE APOSTLES THAT HE WOULD SEND THEM INTO ALL THE WORLD TO TELL EVERYONE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS AND TO MAKE DISCIPLES FROM ALL THE NATIONS.

MATTHEW 28:18-20, MARK 16:15, ACTS 1:8, ACTS 10:39-42

86. HOW DID THE APOSTLES START TO BUILD THE CHURCH?

GOD HELPED THE APOSTLES TO LAY THE RIGHT FOUNDATION FOR THE CHURCH BY PREACHING AND TEACHING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST.

ACTS 2:42, I CORINTHIANS 3:10-11, EPHESIANS 2:19-22

87. WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

THE CHURCH IS THE GROUP OF PEOPLE IN EVERY GENERATION AND IN EVERY COUNTRY WHO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY GOD TO BELONG TO HIM, AND TO LIVE HOLY AND GODLY LIVES BECAUSE THE LORD PAID FOR THEM WITH HIS BLOOD FROM HIS DEATH ON THE CROSS.

ACTS 20:28, EPHESIANS 1:4-7, TITUS 2:11-14, REVELATION 5:9

88. HOW DO WE BECOME A MEMBER OF GOD'S CHURCH?

WE BECOME A MEMBER OF GOD'S CHURCH BY HEARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST, BELIEVING IT IN OUR HEART AND SAYING WITH OUR MOUTH THAT JESUS IS THE LORD.

ACTS 15:7-11, ROMANS 10:8-10, EPHESIANS 2:8, PHILIPPIANS 2:9-11

89. WHAT SHOULD WE DO AFTER BELIEVING THE GOOD NEWS?

AFTER WE BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST WE SHOULD BE BAPTIZED IN WATER IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT TO SHOW THAT WE BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS, THAT OUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN AND WASHED AWAY, AND THAT WE ARE TOGETHER WITH JESUS.

MATTHEW 28:19, ACTS 2:38, ACTS 8:12, ACTS 22:16, ROMANS 6:3-5

90. WHY DO WE MEET TOGETHER WITH OTHER PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS?

WE MEET TOGETHER WITH OTHER PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE THE GOOD NEWS TO WORSHIP GOD WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING, TO HELP ONE ANOTHER, TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER AND TO GROW UP TOGETHER IN CHRIST.

COLOSSIANS 3:16, HEBREWS 13:15, GALATIANS 5:13, EPHESIANS 4:12-16, I THESSALONIANS 5:11

91. WHY DO WE EAT BREAD AND DRINK WINE TOGETHER?

WE EAT BREAD AND DRINK WINE WHEN WE GATHER TOGETHER TO WORSHIP THE LORD BECAUSE THE BREAD STANDS FOR THE BODY OF JESUS AND THE WINE STANDS FOR THE BLOOD OF JESUS. THE LORD JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES TO DO THIS TO REMEMBER HIM AND WHEN WE EAT THE MEAL WE ARE SHOWING HIS DEATH ON THE CROSS FOR US.

MATTHEW 26:26-28, LUKE 22:19-20, I CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

92. WHO ARE THE TRUE DISCIPLES OF THE LORD?

THE TRUE DISCIPLES OF THE LORD ARE THOSE WHO OBEY ALL THAT THE FATHER IN HEAVEN HAS TOLD THEM TO DO IN THE BIBLE AND ARE DOERS OF THE WORD.

MATTHEW 7:21-27, MATTHEW 28:18-20, JOHN 8:31, JAMES 1:22-25

93. WHAT ARE ANGELS?

ANGELS ARE SPIRITS CREATED BY GOD IN HUGE NUMBERS TO WORSHIP HIM, SERVE HIM, AND CARRY OUT HIS WORD. ANGELS ARE HOLY, GREATER IN POWER THAN PEOPLE AND THEY CANNOT DIE.

HEBREWS 1:6-7, COLOSSIANS 1:16, REVELATION 5:11-12, REVELATION 14:10, II PETER 2:11, PSALM 103:20-21, LUKE 20:36

94. WHAT DO ANGELS DO?

ANGELS DO WHATEVER GOD TELLS THEM TO DO INCLUDING BRINGING PEOPLE MESSAGES FROM GOD, GUARDING GOD'S PEOPLE FROM HARM, FIGHTING GOD'S ENEMIES, CARRYING GOD'S PEOPLE TO HEAVEN WHEN THEY DIE, AND GATHERING ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE TOGETHER AT THE END OF HISTORY.

LUKE 1:18-19 & 26, PSALM 34:7, PSALM 91:11-12, LUKE 16:22, HEBREWS 1:13-14, REVELATION 12:7, MATTHEW 24:31

95. WHO IS SATAN AND WHAT IS HE LIKE?

SATAN IS AN ANGEL WHO WAS CREATED BY GOD TO HAVE A SPECIAL PART IN GOD'S KINGDOM, BUT WHO FELL FROM HIS PLACE IN HEAVEN BECAUSE OF PRIDE, AND HE TOOK ONE THIRD OF THE ANGELS WITH HIM. NOW SATAN IS OUR ENEMY, A MURDERER, A LIAR, A DECEIVER, A TROUBLE-MAKER AND A TEMPTER.

EZEKIEL 28:12-15, LUKE 10:18, I TIMOTHY 3:6, REVELATION 12:4, I PETER 5:8, JOHN 8:44, REVELATION 12:7-10, MATTHEW 4:1

96. WHAT SHOULD WE DO ABOUT THE DEVIL?

ON THE CROSS JESUS WON THE VICTORY OVER THE DEVIL AND MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US FIGHT THE DEVIL AND WIN BY BEING ON THE ALERT, RESISTING HIM, AND STANDING FIRM AGAINST HIM IN THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD AND THE NAME OF JESUS.

COLOSSIANS 2:14-15, REVELATION 12:10-11, ROMANS 8:37-39, I PETER 5:8-9, JAMES 4:7, EPHESIANS 6:10-17, PHILIPPIANS 2:10

97. WILL JESUS COME AGAIN AND HOW WILL HE COME?

YES, THE LORD JESUS WILL COME AGAIN JUST LIKE HE PROMISED, WHICH IS OUR BLESSED HOPE. WHEN HE COMES, THE LORD WILL COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN IN GREAT POWER AND GLORY WITH ARMIES OF HIS MIGHTY ANGELS AND ALL HIS SAINTS, AND EVERYONE WILL SEE HIM.

JOHN 14:3, ACTS 1:11, TITUS 2:13, I THESSALONIANS 3:13 & 4:13-18, II THESSALONIANS 1:6-10, REVELATION 19:11-16, REVELATION 1:7

98. WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THE LORD JESUS COMES AGAIN.

WHEN THE LORD JESUS COMES AGAIN HE WILL RAISE EVERYONE WHO HAS EVER LIVED FROM THE DEAD, HE WILL SIT ON HIS GLORIOUS THRONE, HE WILL JUDGE EVERYONE'S LIFE BASED ON THE THINGS THEY DID, AND HE WILL SEPARATE HIS SHEEP FROM THE GOATS.

DANIEL 12:2, JOHN 5:22-29, ACTS 10:42, ACTS 17:31, ACTS 24:15, MATTHEW 25:31-46, II TIMOTHY 4:1, REVELATION 20:11-15

99. WHY WILL THE LORD JESUS JUDGE EVERYONE?

THE LORD JESUS WILL JUDGE EVERYONE IN ORDER TO REWARD THE RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE WHOSE NAMES ARE WRITTEN IN THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE BY GIVING THEM A PLACE IN THE ETERNAL KINGDOM, AND HE WILL JUDGE EVERYONE IN ORDER TO PUNISH THE WICKED PEOPLE WHO DID NOT KNOW GOD OR OBEY HIM BY SENDING THEM AWAY FROM HIM INTO PUNISHMENT THAT LASTS FOREVER IN THE LAKE OF FIRE ALONG WITH THE DEVIL AND HIS ANGELS.

MATTHEW 25:31-46, I CORINTHIANS 3:12-15, II CORINTHIANS 5:10
REVELATION 20:11-15, II THESSALONIANS 1:7-9

100. WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER THE DAY OF JUDGMENT ENDS?

AFTER THE DAY OF JUDGMENT, GOD WILL MAKE ALL THINGS NEW. THERE WILL BE A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH, GOD WILL BE AMONG HIS PEOPLE, THERE WILL BE NO MORE DEATH, OR CRYING, OR PAIN, AND GOD'S KINGDOM WILL STAND FOREVER.

II PETER 3:13, REVELATION 21:1-5, ISAIAH 9:6-7, DANIEL 7:13-14
