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QUESTIONNAIRES

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Guidelines

After studying each lesson carefully, go to the corresponding questionnaire and answer as many questions as you can from what you remember. Refer back to the lesson material to answer those you were unable to figure out. Then, check all of the answers, using a red pen to write in any corrections you wish to make to your answers.

If you are studying this Course under the direction of a Bible instructor in person or by correspondence, give or send your completed Questionnaires booklet to him or her for correction and comment. The booklet will be returned to you.

God bless you as you search His wonderful Book of love!

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1–The Holy Scriptures

1. What is the Bible?
2. Over what span of time were the books of the Bible written?
3. Into what two parts is the Bible divided?
4. What categories of books does the Old Testament contain?
5. Into what three categories can the New Testament be divided?
6. Who inspired the writing of the holy Scriptures?
7. Therefore, who is really its author?
8. What is necessary for one to understand God's holy word?
9. After a person has become acquainted with God's word, what will he do with the knowledge he has acquired?

10. How can the teaching of a person concerning the Bible be tested? (*Check one*)
- _____ By the teacher's sincerity
- _____ By comparing what he teaches with what God's word says
- _____ By the instructor's years of education
11. Is it possible to understand everything in the Bible?
12. How often should the Scriptures be read and studied?
13. What should be our attitude when we study God's word?
14. *Thought question:* Why were the experiences of ancient men, including all of their mistakes and sins, recorded in the Scriptures?

2—What About God?

Part 1: GOD THE FATHER

1. For a true understanding of life, where should man turn?
2. How many true Gods are there, according to the Bible?
3. Is God only a spirit or a thought in man, or is He a real, living Being?
4. Does He have feelings?
5. Was God created?
6. Can He die?
7. Is He changeable?
8. What is God's most outstanding characteristic?
9. Is He an impersonal force found in nature?
10. Will man ever be privileged to see God face to face?

Part 2: JESUS CHRIST

11. Who is the center of all Bible teaching?
12. How did God reveal Himself to mankind?
13. Did Jesus exist before He was born in Bethlehem?
14. Is Jesus an inferior, created being, in comparison to God?
15. What does the name “Emmanuel” mean?
16. Is it possible for man to become like Christ?

Part 3: THE HOLY SPIRIT

17. What is the relationship of the Holy Spirit to God the Father and God the Son?

18. What is the first mention of the Holy Spirit in the Bible?

19. What is another name for the Holy Spirit?

20. What are some of His activities that are most important to the Christian?

22. What is the unpardonable sin?

23. How can we avoid committing this sin?

24. Is the Holy Spirit given only to special individuals?

3–Supernatural Influences

1. What is sin?
2. Can it be excused?
3. Where and with whom did sin originate?
4. Was Lucifer created as a sinful being?
5. What caused him to sin?
6. Why did God not destroy Lucifer at once?
7. Was Satan alone in his rebellion?
8. After the war in heaven, where did Satan continue his work of deception?
9. Is Satan an actual personal being; or is he only the wicked thoughts man has?
10. What four methods does Satan use to destroy mankind?

11. Is it possible to be victorious over the power of Satan and his evil spirits?
12. How can they be overcome?
13. *Thought question:* Am I doing anything in my life that could give Satan influence over me?
14. Of whom does God's army consist?
15. What was the appearance of the angels who visited Abraham and Lot?
16. Give an example of how rapidly angels travel.
17. Describe the angel who called Christ from the tomb.
18. What causes the angels to rejoice?
19. What power saved Daniel from being destroyed by the lions?
20. How many angels are there?
21. *Thought question:* Have I made the angels in heaven rejoice by repenting of my sins?

4-Origins

1. Who created the heavens and the earth?
2. Did God use preexisting matter to create the earth?
3. How long did He take to create the earth and everything in it?
4. Did man evolve from a lower order of life, or was he created in the image of God?
5. What simple, fundamental laws did God establish for man at his creation to insure his happiness?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
6. What diet did He provide for the man created in His image?
7. How does God want man to use his time?
8. What day of the week was given to man as the day of rest?

9. Did God establish the plan for family life, or is this a human concept?

10. What can we see in all of God's dealings with mankind?

11. *Thought question:* If God is so loving and kind to man, why is there so much suffering in the world?

5–God’s Plan

1. Did God create a perfect or imperfect world?
2. What characteristic given to man makes it possible for him to communicate with God?
3. God gave man an opportunity to demonstrate his obedience and loyalty. Why did He do this?
4. How difficult was the test?
5. Where was the woman tempted to sin?
6. How did the serpent gain the opportunity to tempt Eve?
7. What showed that Eve was not ignorant of God’s will?
8. What commandments of God’s moral law did Eve and then Adam transgress?
9. What was the result of man’s sin—disobedience to God?
10. What hope was offered to Adam and Eve?
11. What would this world be like today if Jesus had not died on the cross?

6—Two Ways

1. What was the greatest change that came to Adam and Eve as a result of their disobedience?
2. Is sinful man by nature mortal (subject to death) or immortal (not subject to death)?
3. Who only is immortal?
4. What does the Bible say in Romans 2:7 that man is to seek for?
5. Does man's conscious existence continue after he dies?
6. What happens to everyone, both good and bad, when he dies?
7. Who first taught the lie that man does not really die but continues to live in another form after death?
8. What does the Bible warn about communicating with an entity that claims to be a departed loved one?
9. What is the Christian's hope as death comes near?
10. When does the believer receive the reward of eternal life?
11. *Thought question:* Do I have the assurance of eternal life?

7–History’s Climax

1. What has been the great hope of believers throughout all ages?
2. Who was the first recorded Adventist (believer in the second coming of Jesus)?
3. What verse of Scripture tells us that every person on earth will see Jesus when He comes the second time?
4. Will His coming be silent?
5. Will anyone be able to deny that Jesus has come?
6. What class of people will be surprised by Jesus’ return to earth?
7. Can anyone know exactly when Jesus will come again?
8. List the major events that will take place at His coming.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.

9. Is it possible to know that Christ's coming is near?

10. List some signs of Jesus' coming.

In politics

1.

2.

3.

In society

1.

2.

3.

4.

In nature

1.

2.

3.

In religious bodies

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

11. *Thought question:* Do you think Christ's coming is near?

8—Eternity—Where?

1. What does the word “millennium” mean?
2. What will take place at the beginning of the millennium?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
3. What will be the condition of this earth during the 1,000 years?
4. What is the bottomless pit where Satan will be bound?
5. Where will the righteous be, and what will they do during the millennium?
6. Besides the wicked people, who else will be judged by the saints during this time?

7. What events will take place at the end of the millennium?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.
 - 7.

8. What three meanings used in the original manuscripts are translated in the *King James Version* of the Bible as “hell”?

9. When will the wicked receive their final punishment?

10. Where do all men go when they die?

11. When will the righteous receive eternal life?

12. When are the wicked resurrected to receive their punishment?

13. Does the term “everlasting fire” mean that the wicked will continue to burn unendingly? What does it mean?

14. What are you looking forward to most of all on the new earth?

15. *Thought question:* Will I have a part in the lake of fire or in the joys of the earth made new?

9–History in a Nutshell/the Antichrist

1. Who had the dream that is recorded in Daniel 2?
2. Did he remember his dream?
3. Were his wise men and religious counselors able to relate and interpret the dream?
4. Who only can foretell the future and reveal such secrets?
5. What was God trying to reveal to the king through his dream?
6. What did the head of gold represent?
7. The breast and arms of silver represented what empire?
8. _____ was represented by the belly and thighs of brass.
9. The legs _____ of the image represented _____.
10. The ten toes of the image represented what nations that still exist today?
11. Will the nations of Europe ever be united?

12. What will be the next world empire?

13. Who stands behind the scenes, guiding all of the world's events?

14. Who was given the dream recorded in Daniel 7?

15. What is the meaning of these symbols used in prophecy?
 1. Winds
 2. Waters
 3. Beasts

16. What powers were symbolized by the following beasts?
 1. Lion
 2. Bear
 3. Leopard
 4. Great, dreadful beast

17. What did the ten horns represent?

18. What power arose in fulfillment of the prophecy of the little horn that uprooted three horns and became great?
19. How did this power “think to change times and laws”?
20. Does any earthly being have the authority to change God’s law?
21. For how long a time was this little horn power to rule?
22. What year did its rule begin? What year did it lose its great power?

10–Inspired Mathematics

1. What symbol represented the nation of Medo-Persia in Daniel 8?
2. What symbolized Greece?
3. Who is Gabriel?
4. What portion of the vision of Daniel 8 was not explained to Daniel?
5. For what time period was this vision especially important?
6. In prophecy, one day = _____ in literal time.
7. 2,300 days (or evenings and mornings) = _____ in literal time.
8. How many years were to be cut off from the long period of the prophecy?
9. What year was the starting point for this prophecy?
10. The 69th week ended and the 70th week began in what year?
11. What important event marked this point?

12. What event took place in the middle of the seventieth week?
 1. In relation to Christ?
 2. In relation to the temple?
13. What was the significance of the veil in the temple being torn down the middle?
14. What year marked the end of the 70 weeks?
15. At that time, what special relationship between God and the Jews changed?
16. *Thought question:* If Israel's special probationary time ended, can we expect a restoration of its temporal power in the future with Christ as ruler?

11—The Sanctuary and Its Significance

1. What was the place of worship in ancient Israel called?
2. Of what three sections did it consist?
3. What two objects were found in the court?
4. What three items stood in the Holy Place?
5. What special articles were found in the ark of the covenant in the Most Holy Place?
6. Why is it important for everyone to know about the Old Testament sanctuary?
7. Select four of the sanctuary items of furniture and tell what each represents in the Christian's experience.
8. Who told Moses to build the sanctuary?
9. According to what pattern was it built?
10. What items corresponding to those found in the earthly sanctuary did John see in the heavenly temple?

11. How often did the earthly High Priest enter the Most Holy Place?
12. Who was the Lamb of the heavenly service?
13. Who is man's great High Priest?
14. At the end of what prophecy was the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary to begin? What was the date?
15. When Jesus comes again, will it be to convert the world or to give rewards and punishment?
16. *Thought question:* Since the judgment is now taking place in heaven, have I done everything necessary to be at peace with God?

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:14-16.

"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isaiah 1:18.

12–Four Heavenly Messengers

1. Are the messages given in Revelation 14 entirely new?
2. What message given to the world by the first angel of Revelation 14?
3. Could this message have been applicable to any time other than 1844?
4. How does God reveal His plans to mankind?
5. What was one of the physical signs that helped to draw people's attention to the preaching that Christ would come to cleanse the sanctuary (which was commonly believed to be the earth)?
6. Did this message cause people to worship the living God?
7. Did most people accept this heaven-sent message?
8. Due to the rejection of this message by the Protestant churches, what message was proclaimed?
9. *True or false?* The message of the third angel is a message of peace and prosperity.

10. In the religious crisis prophesied by the third angel, will it be possible to remain neutral?

11. What four dangers does the third angel warn against?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

12. Does God leave anyone in darkness regarding the dangers involved?

13. Will God have a faithful people when that testing time comes?

14. Name three characteristics of Jesus' true followers.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

13—God's Church

1. In revealing prophecy (future events foretold), the Lord uses

2. What symbol do the Scriptures use to depict a church in prophecy?
3. Who is the great red dragon symbolized in Revelation 12?
4. What earthly power did the devil especially use in his attempts to destroy God's true church?
5. Who is the man child?
6. How was an attempt made to destroy the man child as soon as He was born?
7. Who were the stars of heaven that were cast down to the earth by the dragon?
8. What happened to Satan when he lost the war in heaven?
9. How did he persecute the woman?

10. Was he able to completely destroy God's people?
11. When Satan found that persecution did not result in the accomplishment of his purpose, what did he try next?
12. Because of persecution, God's true people ... (*Check one*)
- Gave in
 - Lost their faith
 - Fled into the wilderness
13. What symbol in prophecy depicts great numbers of people?
14. How was the "flood of waters" kept from fully destroying God's people?
15. Will Satan stop his warfare against true believers as long as they are on earth?
16. By what two special characteristics is God's faithful remnant known?
17. *Thought question:* Do I desire to take up the battle against the evil one and be part of God's remnant?

14—The Spirit of Prophecy

1. What is the “testimony of Jesus Christ”?
2. Define prophecy.
3. What is the sequence of prophetic revelation?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
4. Name some Old Testament prophets and prophetesses.
5. Why did God place prophets in His church? What Bible verse shows this?
6. Name five characteristics of a true prophet.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.

7. Are all prophets whose predictions come true necessarily true prophets?
8. Are all dreams from God?
9. List six physical phenomena that occur when a prophet is in vision.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.
10. Were the prophets perfect people?
11. *True or false?* The gift of prophecy in God's church ended with the death of John the Revelator.
12. Whom did God choose as His mouthpiece during the great Second Advent Movement?
13. Name some of the topics about which Ellen G. White wrote.

14. Was she readily accepted as a true prophetess in her day?

15. Were her visions mere dreams, or did she exhibit the physical phenomena characteristic of a true prophet?

13. Does a true prophet always understand the messages he receives from God?

15–Crisis!

1. What are the two beasts spoken of in Revelation 13?
2. What characteristics did the leopard-like beast have in common with the great red dragon of Revelation 12?
3. Who gave the leopard-like beast its power?
4. What earthly power does the leopard-like beast represent?
5. Which head of the beast received the deadly wound?
6. When did this take place?
7. What are some of the indications that this deadly wound has been healed?
8. What blasphemies does this power speak?
9. How has this power treated God's faithful people?
10. What title of this power coincides with the number 666?

11. What will be the end of the leopard-like beast?
12. How is the second beast of Revelation 13 portrayed?
13. What world power does it symbolize?
14. Does this beast power seek worship of itself, or of some other power? If another power, which one?
15. For what purpose will it perform miracles?
16. At what approximate time was this power to arise?
17. How will the United States of America cause people to worship the first beast?
18. What is God's true day of rest?
19. *Thought question:* Am I keeping God's rest day holy, or am I observing an institution of the papacy?

16–The Remnant

1. Will the majority of this world's inhabitants be saved?
2. In Revelation, how many people are seen standing on Mt. Zion?
3. Is it sufficient for a man or woman to profess to accept Christ?
4. What is the meaning of the word “remnant”?
5. *True or false?* When Christ was on earth, many people accepted Him as the Messiah.
6. What are God's people in the last days called?
7. What are the three special characteristics of God's remnant people?
8. Name some of the conditions prevalent in the last days.
9. How will the remnant be distinguished from those who receive the mark of the beast?
10. What three elements are contained in a seal, and specifically in God's seal?

11. Concerning what issue will all people be called to make a decision?
12. Who composes “Israel” in the last days?
13. Why are the 144,000 considered a special class of people?
14. What special tests will they have to endure?
15. *Thought question:* Am I ready to have God place His seal upon me?

17–Christ Our Righteousness

1. How alone can we be saved?
2. What is the fruit of faith?
3. Can man overcome sin by himself?
4. What has God promised to do for the sinner?
5. How are the inner conflict and frustration caused by sin frequently manifested?
6. Briefly, what is the difference between justification and sanctification?
7. Once a person has accepted Christ as his Saviour, will he always be saved?
8. What is the Christians goal?
9. How long does it take to be justified? And, to be sanctified?
10. If we give our all to Jesus, what will we receive in return?
11. *Thought question:* Might it be possible for a person to think he is saved when he really is not?

18–Grace, Faith, Love, and the Law

1. What four factors are involved in man's salvation from sin?
2. What is grace?
3. Does grace permit continued transgression?
4. What is faith?
5. What is the Christian able to do by faith?
6. *True or false?* Faith makes it unnecessary to keep God's moral law.
7. What is the difference between the ceremonial laws and the moral law?
8. Are the Ten Commandments eternal or temporary?
9. The law can ... (*Check one*)
 - _ Show man that he is a sinner
 - _ Forgive sin
 - _ Judge man

10. What can the law not do for the sinner?

11. Describe the law, according to the Scriptures.

12. *Thought question:* Have I accepted the grace of Christ, and do I through faith love Him and keep His commandments?

19–The New Life/Prayer

1. Because of sin, what change took place in man's heart?
2. Because man is a sinner, what change must take place to bring him back into a proper relationship with his Creator?
3. A born-again Christian is born of _____ and the _____.
4. Who is the center of the Christian's hope?
5. Why?
6. Quote a Bible verse that tells what God promises to give the repentant sinner.
7. What are the fruit of the Spirit?
8. What is prayer to a Christian?
9. Under what circumstances in life do people often pray?
10. What does prayer accomplish?

11. Does God always answer prayer?

12. Name four things to remember about how to pray.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

13. If we want our prayers to be answered, we must ...
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

14. Why is it necessary to pray, especially in these days?

15. *Thought question:* Have I tuned in to Heaven lately through prayer?

20—Promises in God's Law, Part 1

1. What does the fulfillment of God's promises depend on?
2. Does obedience to God's law place a person in bondage or make him free?
3. The law can be summarized in one word: (*Check one*)
 Grace
 Love
 Obedience
4. How many commandments show our love toward God?
5. Which commandments reveal our love for our fellow men?
6. Which commandments prohibit idolatry?
7. Are all idols tangible objects? Give some examples.
8. Why is it so important for man not to worship images or idols?
9. What is another way the third commandment is transgressed, besides by common swearing?

10. Why do you think the fourth commandment begins with the word “Remember”?
11. Which day of the week did God sanctify at creation?
12. What is the Sabbath’s primary purpose?
13. Will the Sabbath be kept only on this earth?
14. *Thought question:* Do I honor God by obeying His commandments?

21—Promises in God's Law, Part 2

1. Which commandment has a promise directly associated with it?
2. What is the duty of parents to their children in connection with this commandment?
3. Are God's commands positive or negative?
4. What Scripture text shows that God's law is still binding?
5. What is the difference between the righteousness of Christ and that exhibited by the Pharisees?
6. Explain the deeper meaning of the sixth commandment beyond the actual taking of life.
7. Can a Christian conscientiously take part in warfare? Why, or why not?
8. Where will a Christian draw the line in obeying earthly laws?
9. How will obedience to the seventh commandment protect and secure one's home against the attacks of the devil?

10. What significance was there in God's making the woman from the rib of man?
11. Where does adultery begin?
12. Explain how it is possible to steal without actually taking someone's material possessions.
13. Is it all right to tell a white lie?
14. Transgression of the tenth commandment lays the foundation for breaking which others?
15. *Thought question:* What blessing is promised to faithful commandment keepers?

22—Investment Opportunities

1. In what three important ways can man invest in God's kingdom?
2. Who owns the world and everything in it?
3. By what authority does God claim such ownership?
4. In all the affairs of life, what principle should always be kept in view?
5. What is man's relationship to the goods of this world?
6. What is the gospel commission given to the disciples and to every Christian?
7. Does any particular part of the week belong especially to God?
8. What blessing is promised on those who honor God by keeping His holy day?
9. What weekday is rightly called the "preparation day"?
10. What things should be taken care of on the day before the Sabbath?

11. When does God's holy day begin and end?
12. What activities are appropriate on the Sabbath?
13. What percentage of one's increase belongs to God?
14. What else does the Lord ask from His children?
15. *Thought question:* Will it pay me to invest in the bank of heaven?

23—Telltale Marks of a Christian

1. Are Christians to be different from the world around them?
2. What does this include?
3. What question or questions should a Christian ask himself when he is invited to go to places of amusement?
4. Quote a Bible text showing what things constitute the theme of a Christian's thoughts.
5. What influence should one seek to avoid when popular holidays come around all through the year?
6. How will one's love for God be reflected in his dress and behavior?
7. Does it matter if one dresses modestly or immodestly? Was God satisfied with Adam and Eve's "fig leaf" attire?
8. List important reasons for a Christian to obey the laws of health.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.

9. What eight things are essential for good health?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
 - 5.
 - 6.
 - 7.
 - 8.
10. What should be in control—the mind over the body, or the body over the mind?
11. What diet did God originally give man?
12. What limitations were included when God first permitted flesh eating?
13. Is it possible to be adequately nourished by a vegetarian diet?
14. Name some foods and drinks that are harmful to the human body.
15. *Thought question:* Do I bear the telltale marks of a Christian?

24—Two Monuments

1. What was the theme of John the Baptist's preaching?
2. What is one of the special monuments of the Christian church?
3. How important is baptism?
4. What is the proper mode of baptism?
5. What does baptism signify?
6. Give two Biblical examples of baptism by immersion.
7. Give four prerequisites for baptism.
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
 - 4.
8. Is infant baptism Biblical?
9. What is the doorway into God's church?

10. What is a second monumental pillar of the Christian church?
11. What ordinance precedes the Lord's Supper? Why?
12. Why is unleavened bread and unfermented wine (grape juice) used in the communion service?
13. What do the bread and wine served at the Lord's Supper symbolize?
14. Does the Lord's Supper point forward to some event, or does it look back, or both?
15. Is the Lord's Supper service an ordinance within or without the church?
16. *Thought question:* Have I accepted the significance of these two monumental pillars?

25—Decision

1. What important new truths have you learned in taking this Bible Course?
2. Is it enough to accept truth?
3. Why is it important to grow spiritually?
4. Give an example of a historic day of decision that you have experienced.
5. When one makes a decision, does he sometimes have to stand alone?
6. When does the Lord call for everyone to make a decision?
7. Is being almost persuaded to be a Christian enough?
8. Why is it not possible to please God without faith?
9. *Thought question:* Have I answered the call of the Holy Spirit to my own heart today and made the promises of God my own?

**“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path.”**

Psalm 119:105

