

I John #1

Chapter 1

- 1) According to verses 1&2, John was
 - a) A historian writing many years after Christ
 - b) An eyewitness to Jesus' life and activities
 - c) A friend of a friend of someone who knew Jesus
- 2) "What was from the beginning, what we have _____, what we have _____ with our eyes, what we beheld and our _____ handled, concerning the Word of Life."
- 3) Why did John write these things to us?
- 4) Are both "good" and "evil" found in God?
- 5) Complete the following sentences from verse 6, verse 8 and verse 10.
 - a) "If we say..."
 - b) "If we say..."
 - c) "If we say..."
- 6) What happens if we walk in the light?
- 7) When you "confess" to a crime in court, what do you actually do?
 - a) Admit you make a lot of mistakes
 - b) Name the crime and admit you did it
 - c) Plead guilty to a lesser crime
- 8) Read Joshua 7:19 & 20. Does it glorify and praise God to confess your sins?
- 9) Here is how Achan worded his confession: "Truly, I have _____ against the _____, the God of Israel, and _____ is _____."
- 10) Did he specifically name the sins?
- 11) What happens if we confess our sins to God according to I John 1:9?
- 12) In what way is it possible to call God a liar?

Chapter 2

- 1) Did John want us to sin and not worry about it?
- 2) An "advocate" is a term referring to the lawyer representing someone who is accused of a crime. According to this passage, who is our advocate (defense lawyer) when we sin?
- 3) "Propitiation" is a big word that means "satisfaction" or "meeting the demands of punishment for sin." Where does the "satisfaction" for our sins come from?
- 4) Did Jesus only provide satisfaction (payment) for the sins of Christians?
- 5) What is one way to **know** that we have come to know Jesus?
- 6) Complete the sentences in verses 4, 6 and 9.
 - a) "The one who says..."
 - b) "The one who says..."
 - c) "The one who says..."
- 7) How should we "walk" (live our lives)?
- 8) Can you be "in the light" and hate your brother?
- 9) Why do some people, who are full of hate, not see their problems?
- 10) John is writing to what three groups of people? a) _____ b) _____ c) _____
- 11) Does it sound like the "young men" were really fired up and seeking to serve the Lord?
- 12) What do you think it means to "love the world"?
- 13) What are three things used to describe "the world"? a) "The lust...." b) _____ c) _____
- 14) An "antichrist" is someone who is "against Christ." Is there only one "antichrist"?
- 15) Read verse 19. When you see someone who claimed to be a Christian turn away and reject the faith, what could be the reason? a) They lost their salvation b) They were never saved
- 16) If someone denies that Jesus is the Messiah (Christ), he is a _____.
- 17) Many believe in God (the Father), but not in Jesus. Can they have a relationship with the Father?
- 18) What promise did Jesus himself make to us?
- 19) Read verse 27 and compare it to John 14:26. Who is this "anointing"?
- 20) Memorize this verse: "**And now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not _____ from Him in _____ at His coming.**"
- 21) As things are in your life now, do you feel like you will have confidence or shrink away?
- 22) Can unsaved people practice righteousness in God's sight?

I John #2

Chapter 3

- 1) What shows how great God's love is for us?
- 2) Why doesn't the world really know us?
- 3) We don't know everything about heaven, but what do we know about what we will be like?
- 4) "And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him _____ himself, just as _____ is pure."
- 5) Look at verse 4. The word translated "practice" here simply means, "to do." It means, "If you do sin, you _____ that which is lawless."
- 6) Is there any sin in Jesus? Did He "do" any sin?
- 7) If you abide in Him are you sinning?
- 8) Read verses 7-10. Remember the word "practice" simply means "to do." In verse 10, does it sound like you *can sin* after you are born of God?
- 9) The new nature (self) is that part of you that is born of God. The new nature cannot sin. Look at Ephesians 4:22-24, where this is explained, and fill in the blanks: "That, in reference to your former manner of life, you lay aside the _____, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be _____ in the spirit of your mind, and put on the _____, which in the _____ of _____ has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth."
- 10) Look again at I John 3:9. The new self, created in the likeness of God, "cannot _____ because he is _____ of God."
- 11) The best way for us to show people that we are born again is to put on the _____ self and do righteousness.
- 12) I know this concept is hard to understand, but we cannot say that we don't have sin anymore, or according to I John 1:8, we will be "_____ ourselves."
- 13) Why did Cain kill his brother?
- 14) "Do not _____, brethren, if the world _____ you."
- 15) If you hate your brother, you are like a.... a) Normal person b) Murderer c) Breath of fresh air
- 16) According to verse 16, how do we know love?
- 17) If you see someone in need and ignore it, what are you missing in your heart?
- 18) "Little children, let us not love with _____ or with tongue, but in _____ and _____."
- 19) Even when our heart condemns us and we don't *feel* saved, who is greater than our heart?
- 20) In II Timothy 2:18 & 19, some believers had their faith upset and may have felt lost, but what was the "seal" (guarantee) of their salvation? (Choose one)
a) They felt saved later b) The Lord knows those who are His no matter how they feel
- 21) Look at I John 3:22. Will we receive more answers to prayer when we are seeking to please Him and following His commandments?
- 21) Who helps us to know that Jesus abides in us?

Chapter 4:1-14

- 1) Can people who seem godly and spiritual sometimes confuse us?
- 2) If someone says that Jesus was not a real person or the Son of God, can they be speaking by the Spirit of God?
- 3) "You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because _____ is He who is _____ than he who is _____."
- 4) Why do people always seem to listen to the wrong voices?
- 5) There are two spirits. The spirit of _____ and the spirit of _____.
- 6) Where does all real love come from?
- 7) "_____ is love."
- 8) Where did real love begin? a) When we started loving God b) When God loved us and sent Jesus to pay for our sin c) When you first met your sweetheart
- 9) Why should we love one another?
- 10) What famous verse does this phrase, "If God so loved us...." remind you of?
- 11) Look at verse 12. If people can't see God, how can they see His character?
- 12) Why did the Father send the Son (Jesus)?
- 13) Some people say the Father and the Son are the same person and that there is no *trinity* (Father, Son and Holy Spirit). Would verses 13 and 14 make any sense if this were true?

I John #3

Chapter 4:15-21

- 1) Read verse 15. Do you think this refers to anyone who lies or only those who truly state their faith in Jesus?
- 2) “And we have come to know and have _____ the _____ which God has for us. God is _____, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.”
- 3) “...as _____ is, so also are _____ in this _____.”
- 4) Are we supposed to seek to be just like Jesus would be?
- 5) Is there fear in love? “...perfect love casts out _____.”
- 6) Why do we love Him?
- 7) If you say you love God, you are lying if.....
- 8) “And this _____ we have from Him, that the one who loves _____ should love his _____ also.” Does God just *suggest* that we love one another?

Chapter 5

- 1) What does it take to become a child of God?
- 2) Believers are children of God. Does God expect us to love His other children?
- 3) How can you actually know that you love the children of God? (list two ways)
 - a) _____
 - b) _____
- 4) Is it burdensome to follow His commandments?
- 5) Do you sometimes feel like His commandments *are* a little hard to bear?
- 6) Where do we get the strength to bear these things? (see Matthew 11:28-30)
- 7) Who is “the one who overcomes the world”?
- 8) Look at Revelation 2:11 and 3:5. Does it help you to understand these verses when you know that “the one who overcomes the world” is “the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God”?
- 9) “There are _____ that bear witness.” What are they?
 - a) _____
 - b) _____
 - c) _____
- 10) Do people believe history books? Whose testimony is more trustworthy than the historians?
- 11) If you don’t believe what God has said about His Son in the Bible, what are you actually doing?
- 12) What exactly is the witness that God has given to us? (list two things from verse 11)
 - a) _____
 - b) _____
- 13) The one who believes in Christ has the witness in Himself. Who is that witness? (Read Romans 8:16 and Ephesians 1:13&14)
- 14) “He who _____ the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the _____.”
- 15) Who were these things written to?
- 16) Why were they written?
- 17) According to this passage, can you actually “*know*” that you “*have*” (possess right now) eternal life?
- 18) What is the only group of people who can know that they have eternal life?
- 19) **Do you *know* that you *have* eternal life?**
- 20) Read verse 14. How can we know that God hears our prayers?
- 21) If God actually hears us, does He grant our requests?
- 22) What will ensure answers to our prayers? (choose one)
 - a) Lighting candles
 - b) Sacrificial giving
 - c) Praying according to the will of God
- 23) If you are carefully praying according to God’s will, do you usually end up praying for the things you would *naturally* pray for?
- 24) Is it possible for our sin to cause God to take us home to heaven early?
- 25) Read I Corinthians 5:1-5. Does it sound like this man was committing a sin that could lead to an early death?
- 26) Look at I Corinthians 5:5. Was this man “saved”?
- 27) Does it sound like some sins are serious enough for God to take strong action in dealing with us?
- 28) Look at I John 5:18. The one “born of God is...” (choose one)
 - a) Every human being
 - b) The “new self” within believers (Ephesians 4:22-24)
 - c) All Christians (you will never sin after you are saved - don’t forget I John 1:8)
- 29) Who has the power in this world, according to verse 19?
- 30) Does that explain a lot of things we see happening today?
- 31) “Little children, _____ yourselves from idols.” Do you have things that come before God?