

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION & REVIEW for the "Projection for Survival" DVD Video and Power Point Show (PPS) #81507.

SECTION FOUR, "MAKING SURE OF HEAVEN"

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321. **NOTE TO BIBLE TEACHERS:** Rather than being all Questions (and answers) for Review or Discussion for your class, some of this printed section is to help YOU as a teacher to use this section on the Power Point (or DVD). I've made notes in this section for you with some of the answers and experiences we and others have had since 1970 - taking thousands of people through this Quiz. Please feel free to share and discuss this with your class.

To make the best use of this section, we recommend you have enough copies of the full color "Bible Map-God's Plan of the Ages" tract for everyone in your class. <http://www.bbea.org/tracts.php> Since 1970, thousands of people (even "professing Christians") have gained the understanding of GRACE for the first time and trusted Christ 100% as they went through the QUIZ on the back of this tract.

BIBLE MAP QUIZ. While it is best to have the original tracts for color copies of both the Bible Map chart and quiz for your classes, this quiz is ALSO being made available separately for you.

Following this Section Four of Questions, you will find a separate download for the QUIZ (in black type only) from the back of the Bible Map tract. You can freely make black and white copies of this QUIZ for your use.

It will benefit each class member to fill out the QUIZ personally. You could give it out in advance and have them fill it out, put their name on it and turn it in to you to check. This can give you insight to their understanding about God's Salvation **BY GRACE**. Too often, people who **THINK** they are saved... are not, because they are still trusting their own human efforts at least partly to help pay for or earn their salvation. **PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THIS FOR GRANTED WITH ANYONE.**

Please take people (one on one) through this quiz. I often tell them, "This can help strengthen your faith" and they like that. Please show them the questions and then it's best for YOU to check or write down their answers as they watch. Please don't make any comments during the first 4 questions until you later show them the answers in the Scriptures. This way, the Holy Spirit, working through God's Word can give them the UNDERSTANDING and FAITH they need to trust Christ 100%.

Always check or write their answers down. If not, you'll often see Satan plant the thought in their mind and they say, "Oh well, that's what I meant, I just didn't understand." By writing their answers down you can refer back to those written answers and Satan can't use that mental trick!

First, we need to learn **WHERE** they are in the PROCESS of understanding God's Salvation BY GRACE. Then they are usually very happy and grateful for your help to complete the process. We can find out **WHERE** they are by taking people through the first Four Questions **to EXAMINE their faith** without comments relative to their answers...

323. **Q. #1. Do you believe all have sinned against God and need to be saved? YES___
NO___**

324. **Q. #2. Do you doubt** ____, **think** ____ or **know** ____ **that you NOW have eternal life and are on your way to heaven?**

If they hesitate, explain that **Doubt** means No Hope, **Think** means Some Hope, **Know** means absolute assurance.

325. **Q. #3. Exactly what are you trusting for salvation (pay for sins, get you to heaven)?**

Are you trusting things such as:

A. Human Efforts, as:

"Living a good life" YES ____ NO ____

"Good works and good deeds" YES ____ NO ____

"Church Membership" YES ____ NO ____

At this point, I usually go back and make sure the question is **Crystal Clear, like this:** "Notice, I'm not asking are these things important, I'm asking are you trusting them "for salvation" **and I underline it.** To help "pay for your sins and get you to heaven" **and I underline it.** Even at that, MOST people answer YES to at least the first two, often all three questions. Then proceed without comment.

326. **B. OTHER.** "Are you trusting anything else, other than Human Efforts?" Please be sure to get a SPECIFIC answer, not something in general like **"Faith."** *Faith in what? God. What did God do? He sent His son. What was His name? Jesus. What did He do? He died on the cross. So what does that have to do with your salvation? Well... He died for ME.*

Or they may answer B: **God's Love.** *How did God demonstrate His love? He died on the cross. Who died on the Cross? Jesus. So what does that have to do with your salvation? Well... He died for ME. Questions like "Are you a Christian or are you saved?" often get a "YES" answer even if they aren't or don't understand. Questions like, "Are you trusting Christ for your salvation?" is like asking who is buried in Grant's tomb? It puts the answer in their mouth.*

We're looking to see if they can even bring Christ into the picture without us putting the words in their mouth. If they do bring Christ into it, write that down as the answer for B. OTHER Christ. Remember, they may be trusting Christ PARTLY but not yet 100%. Here's how we find out...

327. **Q. #4. What % of your trust for your salvation is in:**

A. Human Efforts (as their answers marked above) _____

B. Other Christ _____

To give them an idea that we want a **ratio which equals 100% total**, I ask, "Is it something like 50/50 that they are equally important, or would you give one the higher % than the other like, 60/40, 70/30, 80/20, 90/10?" They usually easily give a percentage and I **write it down** as their answer for Question #4. As you take them through the rest of the Bible Map questions and Scriptures, you will have occasions to refer back to their answer on this.

As they gain understanding over the years, their answer moves from 50/50 towards a higher percentage for Christ. Their answers on this question lets you know **how near** they are to understanding salvation BY GRACE. Obviously, an answer like 90% Christ puts them closer to understanding than did 50/50.

Over the years, I've had answers like those suggested, or even 90/10, 95/5, 98/2, 99/1. I even had one man say **99.9** Christ, **.1** Human Efforts. He was almost HOME and God's Holy Spirit did enable him to easily get there as we went through the rest of the Quiz questions and Scriptures together.

329. Most people answer Q. #1 correctly, that they have sinned against God and need to be saved. You can show them that answer is right with the first Scripture (printed in Red) on the back of the Bible Map, Romans 3:23.

330. Most people answer Q. #3 "Think." I tell them, "That's the way most people answer, but I have some good news for you. Look at the next Scripture, These things... 1st John 5:13. I circle the word, "KNOW." Notice, God says we can KNOW that we have eternal life and He wants us to KNOW. He has given us His written promises so we can KNOW. We'll look at some of those promises and if you believe them, you can move from "Think" to "KNOW that you have eternal life."

331. Note: Even if people initially answer KNOW, it does not mean they are saved. It depends on **WHAT** they are trusting for their salvation and the next questions will help determine that. People can have a "false assurance" based on the wrong **OBJECT** for their faith such as their good life, good deeds, church membership, baptism, etc. I had one man in his 90's that had been a good church member and church elder most of his adult life and said he KNEW he was saved. However, his answers reflected his trust was partly in his good religious life. When he saw the truth of Scripture, HE WEPT and emotionally said, "WHY hasn't someone told me this all my life?" So be prepared for various emotional reactions as they learn the truth of salvation BY GRACE alone. I've actually had other people weep, tremble and become almost angry that no one had told them this over their years in religious activities. Be especially kind and loving with these people. Help them realize it's because God loves them that He has brought you and them together at this time.

332. **Q. #3 was, exactly WHAT are you trusting for salvation?** Most people will answer YES to at least some of the three forms of Human Efforts. Sometimes they say YES to "Living a good life" and "Good works, deeds" as they are much alike or related. However, they may say, "I'm not a church member." I ask, "**IF YOU WERE a Church Member**, would that help pay for your sins, get you to Heaven?" They usually answer YES.

333, 334, 335, 336. **B. OTHER.** Starting in the 70's with the "Hippie Movement" people started answer CHRIST ALSO. They had learned He fit in there somewhere. By adding the question about the PERCENTAGES, it confirmed they understood the Question and it also confirmed they were trusting a COMBINATION of Human Efforts AND CHRIST.

337. These people may have never realized it, but to trust Human Efforts EVEN ONE PERCENT is to be REJECTING Christ's payment for our sins by that same percent, BY ONE PERCENT.

People often answer 70/30. They are trusting Christ 70%, human efforts 30%. I often say to them, "I've had people trusting Christ 90% and their human efforts 10%. Are they saved yet?" (I use a higher percent in Christ than they had answered.) They answer, NO, they are not saved yet.

What did they just tell themselves and I did not have to say it, so they would not become offended or defensive? They always know... even if they don't say it. Sometimes they do say, "That means I'm not saved yet either, right?" I answer, "Well the good news is that you learned it now in time to correct it, right?" And they agree.

338. When showing Isa. 64:6, please be gentle and loving. I've often seen people just sit there with their mouth open, or their face showing SHOCK!

339. When I ask them, Do you know WHY God sees our human efforts salvation as "filthy rags" **they DO NOT KNOW**. I turn the Bible Map over and point to the cross and ask, "Why did Christ die on the cross?" They answer, He died for our sins. They know it mentally but don't yet comprehend what it means or that it was for THEIR sins.

340. While not on the printed Bible Map, a good question to ask at this point is, "When Christ died on the cross, WHICH of your sins did He pay for, your PAST, PRESENT of FUTURE sins?"

341. If they are thinking (or you can explain)... "Well, He died about 2,000 years ago, before I was even born, so it had to be ALL my sins, past, present AND FUTURE, right?" Right!

342. Another good question is, "When Christ died on the cross, WHICH of our sins did Christ NOT pay for?" **1st John 2:2 says He died for the sins of the whole world.**

343. So relate that to THEIR PERCENTAGE answers you wrote down on the initial questions. For example, if they answered they were trusting Christ 70% and Human Efforts 30%, that means we are rejecting what Christ did for us by 30%.

344. During the QUIZ on the back of the Bible Map tract, there are several **"TEST QUESTIONS"** for you as the counselor to use, to check their understanding as you proceed. Here is the first one:

Q. Should we REJECT His payment ANY % and try to earn our salvation? YES___ NO___
If they answer YES, it means they still don't understand. Go back up to Question #3 and Isa. 64:6 and go over that material again.

345. ONLY when they do understand and answer NO, we should NOT reject Christ's payment ANY %, then proceed. OK, now let's see how God says we are saved...

346. This may be one of the very most important and key Scriptures for people to UNDERSTAND. Please take them through it, asking questions and explaining key words, like GRACE and GIFT. The following visuals are focused on help for that.

347, 348. Do you agree about the importance of understanding the relationship between GRACE and WORKS? If so, this would be good to emphasize to your class.

Q. Do you know of any examples of confusion or false teaching about works for salvation today?
Entire religions have been brainwashed to THINK they will earn a place in "Paradise" if they do something, like blowing themselves up and killing "infidels" (like us Christians). Millions of others believe God will determine their entrance into Heaven if their good deeds outweigh their bad deeds

349. What does "salvation by GRACE mean?" (I've often had seasoned Christian leaders say, "I'm guilty of assuming that people understand GRACE.") Please trust me... THEY DON'T. Please don't take this for granted. Please ASK THEM, "Do you know what GRACE means?"

350. Explain that most people don't know what GRACE means because it's not a common word used today... except in one place. They may get a chuckle out of it, but they'll start to get the meaning. An insurance policy usually has a 30 day "Grace Period" which means an extra 30 days of coverage and time to renew that we did not pay for.

351. Can we pay for God's GRACE? **NO**. Can we EARN God's Grace? **NO**. Do we DESERVE God's GRACE? **NO**.

352. To help understand God's GRACE which we don't deserve, what word describes the OPPOSITE, that which we DO deserve? **JUSTICE OR JUDGMENT**. Point to the Lake of Fire on the Bible Map chart and explain THAT is what we all deserve because we've all sinned against God.

353. What is the difference between JUSTICE, MERCY and GRACE? **JUSTICE is when we get what we DESERVE. MERCY is when we DON'T get what we DESERVE. GRACE is when we get what we DON'T DESERVE.**

354. In Eph. 2:8, 9 - Apart from GRACE what is another important word that needs to be discussed and understood? **GIFT**.

355. What are some important facts about a GIFT to understand and communicate to others?

1. **We can't work for a GIFT**. What do we work for? **WAGES**.
2. **We can't pay for a GIFT**. Why not? **It's already been paid for**.
3. **The only way we to get a GIFT is... to TAKE it**.

356. What is the only way to have God's GIFT of Eternal Life? **To TAKE it by FAITH by trusting Christ alone as the total payment for our sins**.

358. Compared to Heaven, how many did Jesus say were on their way to Hell? **Matt. 7:13. Many**.

359. In comparison, how many did Jesus say would find the way to Heaven? **Matt. 7:14. Few**.

362. What did Jesus teach was the "broad road" that is taking the majority of people to Hell? **Matt. 7:22, 23. The many wonderful works they are trusting for salvation instead of a personal relationship to Him by faith alone**.

363. What did Jesus clearly teach was the ONLY way to Heaven? **John 14:6. Jesus clearly said HE is the ONLY way to God and Heaven**.

364. Religion can rightly be defined as man's human efforts to try to work himself up to a right relationship to God. Approximately what percentage of the many various religions of the world can bridge the gap between man and God? **Absolutely None**.

365. How does true Biblical Christianity compare to religion? **True Biblical Christianity is God reaching down to lost sinners by His grace**.

366. Because we are all sinners by nature and by choice, what do we all deserve? **Romans 5:12. God's wrath, death and eternal separation from God**.

367. What did God cover His wrath with for our salvation? **Romans 5:15. Calvary, GRACE through Christ's death for us**.

368. How do we get God's GIFT of salvation? **Accept it by faith**.

369. Where do our good works fit into God's Plan? **Eph. 2:10 Good works should follow or be the result of our salvation**.

370. What is an acceptable reason for our good works? **Our gratitude to God for His salvation by grace.**
371. What is the only reason our Human Efforts can help earn our salvation partly? **Isa. 64:6. No reason, not even partly.**
372. Which is most important, the **amount** of our faith or the **object** of our faith? **John 3:15, 16. The OBJECT of our faith... WHAT we are trusting.**
- 373, 374. What should we be trusting for our salvation? **1st John 5:11, 12. The Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ.**
376. What must be the total OBJECT of our faith for our salvation? **John 3:36. The Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.**
377. In John 3:36, what did God promise those who believe ON Christ alone for their salvation? **Everlasting Life.**
378. In John 3:36, what did God promise those who do NOT believe ON Christ alone for their salvation? **The wrath of God.**
380. When someone offers you a gift, what are your only two options? **Accept or Reject it.**
381. Have you accepted or rejected God's Gift of eternal life by total faith in Christ alone? **Yes___, No___, or Not Sure___.**
382. If not as sure as you'd like to be, do you realize Jesus Christ died for YOUR sins and rose again? **YES ___ or NO___.**
383. If YES, will you place ALL your trust (100%) in the Lord Jesus Christ for your salvation right now? **YES ___ or NO ___**
384. Which do you now possess, Everlasting Life or God's Wrath?
384. If Everlasting Life, what is your PROOF? **It should be God's Word, His many written promises as in John 3:16-18, John 3:36 and John 5:24.**
- 386, 387. What would be wrong with trusting BOTH Christ and human efforts for our salvation? **It would be like believing that what Christ did was not sufficient to save us.**
389. What would be wrong with basing our ASSURANCE of salvation on our feelings? **Because our feelings can be affected by human circumstances and can change. At times, during testing and trials of our faith, we may not "feel" saved. Satan may even try to whisper doubts in our mind's ear.**
389. What did God provide for our ASSURANCE of salvation that can never change, regardless of our human circumstances? **1ST John 5:13 His written promises in the Bible. All we have to do is read them again and be reassured. What does Titus 1:2 add to this for our assurance? God has promised us Eternal Life and He can NOT lie.**
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