

# GRACE CHURCH CATECHISM





TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



grace church  
MEMPHIS

*Tasting The Truth* is adapted from: Nettles, Tom J. *Teaching Truth, Training Hearts: The Study of Catechisms in Baptist Life*. Amityville, NY: Calvary Pub., 1998.

Written Permission Acquired to Reprint.

Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture citations taken from: *New American Standard Bible*. La Habra, CA: Lockman Foundation, 1977.

Cover design by Evan Logan.

For more Bible study resources, see [www.gracechurchmemphis.com](http://www.gracechurchmemphis.com)

© 2016. Grace Church, Memphis. All rights reserved.

ISBN-13:  
978-1540878205

ISBN-10:  
1540878201



# TABLE OF CONTENTS

What is a catechism?	5
Church-wide Scripture Memory	7
PART I   Questions about God, Man & Sin	9
PART II   Questions about The Ten Commandments	19
PART III   Questions about Salvation	31
PART IV   Questions about Prayer	43
PART V   Questions about The World, The Church & The Ordinances	51
PART VI   Questions about The Last Things	59
Memory Verses	65
I Believe I Have Become a Christian! What Should I Do Next?	67



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church

# WHAT IS A CATECHISM?

*Catechism* is a big word.

"If the word *catechism* sounds unfamiliar to you, don't be too surprised. It's not used as commonly today as it was in the past. However, it's not a complicated word. If you trace back its origin it comes from a Greek word (*katecheo*) which simply means *to teach*, especially when the instructor is speaking face-to-face with the students.

It's also a word that is found in the Bible, although you would not notice this in English translations since they do not use the noun, *catechism*, or the verb, *to catechize*. However, the original Greek word is found, for example, in Luke 1:4, where the gospel writer explains that he has written 'an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been *taught*.'"<sup>1</sup>

---

<sup>1</sup> Taken from <http://www.heidelberg-catechism.com>. Accessed on June 14, 2016 at 4:32pm.



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church

# CHURCH-WIDE SCRIPTURE MEMORY

Everyone is a theologian. Meaning, we all believe things about God. The Word of God is the only reliable foundation for *good* theology.

The catechisms in this resource are built upon Scripture. They summarize the teaching of the Bible in an organized fashion. However, they are the fruit. God's Word is the root. Therefore, you are encouraged to hide God's Word in your heart alongside the catechisms.

***"Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You."***

- Psalm 119:11



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



# PART I

## QUESTIONS ABOUT GOD, MAN & SIN



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



1. **WHO MADE YOU?**

God made me.

*Gen 1:26- 27; 2:7; Ecc 12:1; Acts 17:24-29.*

2. **WHAT ELSE DID GOD MAKE?**

God made all things.

*Gen 1:1-2:25, esp. 1:1, 31; Acts 14:15; Rom 11:36;  
Col 1:16.*

**GENESIS 1:1**

***In the beginning God created  
the heavens and the earth.***

3. **WHY DID GOD MAKE YOU AND ALL THINGS?**

For His own glory.

*Ps 19:1; Jer 9:23- 24; Rev 4:11,15.*

4. **HOW CAN YOU GLORIFY GOD?**

By loving Him and doing what He commands.

*Ecc 12:13; Mk 12:29-31; Jn 15:8-10; 1 Cor 10:31.*

**REVELATION 4:11**

***Worthy are You, our Lord and our God,  
to receive glory and honor and power;  
for You created all things, and because of  
Your will they existed, and were created.***



5. **WHY OUGHT YOU TO GLORIFY GOD?**

Because He made me and takes care of me.

*Rom 11:36; Rev 4:11; cf. Dan 4:39.*

6. **ARE THERE MORE GODS THAN ONE?**

There is only one God.

*Deut 6:4; Jer 10:10; Mk 12:29; Acts 17:22-31.*

**DEUTERONOMY 6:4**

***Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God,  
the LORD is one!***

7. **IN HOW MANY PERSONS DOES THIS ONE GOD EXIST?**

In three persons.

*Mt 3:16-17; Jn 5:23; 10:30; 14:9-10; 15:26; 16:13-15;*

*1 Jn 5:20, 2 Jn 9; Rev 1:4-5.*

8. **WHO ARE THEY?**

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

*Mt 28:19; 2 Cor 13:14; 1 Pet 1:2; Jude 20, 21.*

**2 CORINTHIANS 13:14**

***The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God, and the fellowship of  
the Holy Spirit, be with you all.***



9. **WHO IS GOD?**

God is a Spirit and does not have a body like men.  
*Jn 4:24; 2 Cor 3:17; 1 Tim 1:17.*

10. **WHERE IS GOD?**

God is everywhere.  
*Ps 139:7-12; Jer 23:23-24; Acts 17:27-28.*

11. **CAN YOU SEE GOD?**

No. I cannot see God, but He always sees me.  
*Ex 33:20; Ps 139, esp. vv. 1-5; Prov 5:21; Jn 1:18;  
1Tim 6:16; Heb 4:12-13.*

**JOHN 4:24**

***God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must  
worship in spirit and truth.***

12. **DOES GOD KNOW ALL THINGS?**

Yes. Nothing can be hidden from God.  
*1 Chr 28:9; 2 Chr 16:9; Lk 12:6-7; Rom 2:16.*

13. **CAN GOD DO ALL THINGS?**

Yes. God can do all His holy will.  
*Ps 147:5; Jer 32:17; Dan 4:34-35; Eph 1:11.*

**PSALM 147:5**

***Great is our Lord and abundant in strength;  
His understanding is infinite.***



14. **WHERE DO YOU LEARN HOW TO LOVE AND OBEY GOD?**

In the Bible alone.

*Job 11:7; Ps 119:104; Is 8:20; Mt 22:29; 2 Tim 3:15-17.*

15. **WHO WROTE THE BIBLE?**

Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.

*Acts 1:16; 2 Tim 3:16; 1 Pet 1:10-11, 20-21.*

**2 TIMOTHY 3:16**

***All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;***

16. **WHO WERE OUR FIRST PARENTS?**

Adam and Eve.

*Gen 2:18-25; 3:20; 5:1-2; Acts 17:26; 1 Tim 2:13.*

17. **OF WHAT WERE OUR FIRST PARENTS MADE?**

God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam.

*Gen 2:7, 21-23; 3:19; Ps 103:14.*

**PSALM 103:14**

***For He Himself knows our frame;  
He is mindful that we are but dust.***



18. **WHAT DID GOD GIVE ADAM AND EVE BESIDES BODIES?**

He gave them souls that could never die.  
*Eccl 12:7; Zech 12:1; 1 Cor 15:45.*

19. **HAVE YOU A SOUL AS WELL AS A BODY?**

Yes. I have a soul that can never die.  
*Mt 10:28; Mk 8:34-38; 12:30.*

**MARK 12:30**

***"AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH."***

20. **HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT YOU HAVE A SOUL?**

Because the Bible tells me so.  
*Mt 10:28; Mk 8:34-38; 12:30.*

21. **WHAT IS YOUR SOUL?**

My soul includes all of me that should know and love God.  
*Mk 8:34-38; Eph 3:16-19.*

**MARK 8:36**

***For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?***



22. **IN WHAT CONDITION DID GOD MAKE ADAM AND EVE?**

He made them holy and happy.  
*Gen 1:26-28; Ps 8:4-8.*

23. **DID ADAM AND EVE STAY HOLY AND HAPPY?**

No. They sinned against God.  
*Gen 3:1-7; Eccl 7:29; Hos 6:7 where "men" = Adam;  
Rom 3:23.*

**ROMANS 3:23**

***...for all have sinned and fall short  
of the glory of God.***

24. **WHAT WAS THE SIN OF OUR FIRST PARENTS?**

Eating the forbidden fruit.  
*Gen 2:16-17; 3:6.*

25. **WHY DID THEY EAT THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT?**

Because they did not believe what God had said.  
*Gen 3:1-6; Heb 11:6.*

**HEBREWS 11:6**

***And without faith it is impossible to please Him,  
for he who comes to God must believe  
that He is and that He is a rewarder  
of those who seek Him.***





26. **WHO TEMPTED THEM TO THIS SIN?**  
The devil tempted Eve, and she gave the fruit to Adam.  
*Gen 3:1-13; 2 Cor 11:3; 1 Tim 2:13-14; cf. Rev 12:9.*
27. **WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR FIRST PARENTS WHEN THEY HAD SINNED?**  
Instead of being holy and happy, they became sinful and miserable.  
*Gen 3:14-24; 4:1-24; James 1:14-15.*

#### ISAIAH 59:2

***But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear.***

28. **WHAT EFFECT DID THE SIN OF ADAM HAVE ON ALL MANKIND?**  
All mankind is born in a state of sin and misery.  
*Ps 51:5; Rom 5:12, 18-19; 1 Cor 15:21-22; 1 Jn 5:19.*
29. **WHAT DO WE INHERIT FROM ADAM AS A RESULT OF THIS ORIGINAL SIN?**  
A sinful nature.  
*1 Kings 8:46; Ps 14:2-3; 58:3; Ecc 9:3; Mt 15:18-20; Jn 2:24-25; Rom 8:7.*

#### ROMANS 5:12

***Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned.***



30. **WHAT IS SIN?**

Sin is any transgression of the law of God.

*Rom 3:20; James 2:9-11; 1 Jn 3:4.*

31. **WHAT IS MEANT BY TRANSGRESSION?**

Doing what God forbids.

*1 Sam 13:8-14; 15:22-23; Hos 6:7; Rom 1:21-32.*

**JAMES 4:17**

***Therefore, to one who knows the right thing to do and does not do it, to him it is sin.***

32. **WHAT DOES EVERY SIN DESERVE?**

The anger and judgment of God.

*Deut 27:26; Rom 1:18; 2:2; Gal 3:10; Eph 5:6.*

33. **DO WE KNOW WHAT GOD REQUIRES OF US?**

Yes. He has given us His law both in our hearts and in writing.

*Rom 2:14-15; Heb 8:10-12.*

**DEUTERONOMY 27:26**

***‘Cursed is he who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.’ And all the people shall say, ‘Amen.’***

# PART II

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TEN COMMANDMENTS





34. **HOW MANY COMMANDMENTS DID GOD GIVE ON MOUNT SINAI?**

Ten commandments.  
*Ex 20:1-17; Deut 5:1-22.*

35. **WHAT ARE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS SOMETIMES CALLED?**

God's moral law.  
*Lk 20:25-28; Rom 2:14-15; 10:5.*

36. **WHAT DO THE FIRST FOUR COMMANDMENTS TEACH?**

Our duty to God.  
*Deut 6:5-6; 10:12-13.*

**DEUTERONOMY 5:22**

***These words the Lord spoke to all your assembly at the mountain from the midst of the fire, of the cloud and of the thick gloom, with a great voice, and He added no more. He wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.***

37. **WHAT DO THE LAST SIX COMMANDMENTS TEACH?**

Our duty to our fellow men.  
*Deut 10:19; Mic 6:8; cf. Gal 6:10.*



38. **WHAT IS THE SUM OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS?**

To love God, with all my heart, and my neighbor as myself.

*Deut 6:1-15; 11:1; Mt 22:35-40; James 2:8.*

39. **WHO IS YOUR NEIGHBOR?**

All my fellow men are my neighbors.

*Lk 6:35; 10:25-37.*

**LUKE 6:35**

***But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He Himself is kind to ungrateful and evil men.***

40. **IS GOD PLEASED WITH THOSE WHO LOVE AND OBEY HIM?**

Yes. He says, "He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and disclose Myself to him".

*Ex 20:6; Pr 8:17; Jn 14:21; 1John 4:7-16.*

41. **IS GOD PLEASED WITH THOSE WHO DO NOT LOVE AND OBEY HIM?**

No. He is "not a God Who takes pleasure in wickedness".

*Ps 5:4-5; 7:11; Pr 6:16-19; Mal 2:17; 1 Cor 16:22.*



## PROVERBS 8:17

***I love those who love me; And those who diligently seek me will find me."***

### 42. **WHAT IS THE FIRST COMMANDEMENT?**

The first commandment is, "You shall have no other gods before Me."

*Ex 20:3; Deut 5:7.*

### 43. **WHAT DOES THE FIRST COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To worship God only.

*Is 45:5-6; Mt 4:10; Rev 22:8-9.*

## EXODUS 20:3

***You shall have no other gods before Me.***

### 44. **WHAT IS THE SECOND COMMANDMENT?**

The second commandment is, "You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments."

*Ex 20:4-6; Deut 5:8-10.*



### ACTS 17:29

***Being then the children of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and thought of man.***

45. **WHAT DOES THE SECOND COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To worship God in the right way and to avoid idolatry.

*Is 44:9-20; 46:5-9; Jn 4:23-24; Acts 17:29.*

46. **WHAT IS THE THIRD COMMANDMENT?**

The third commandment is, "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain."

*Ex 20:7; Deut 5:11.*

47. **WHAT DOES THE THIRD COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To reverence God's name, word, and works.

*Ps 29:2; 138:2; Is 8:13; Rev 15:3-4.*

### PSALM 29:2

***Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; worship the Lord in holy array.***





48. **WHAT IS THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT?**

The fourth commandment is, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

*Ex 20:8-11; 23:12; Deut 5:12-15.*

**EXODUS 23:12**

***Six days you are to do your work, but on the seventh day you shall cease from labor so that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your female slave, as well as your stranger, may refresh themselves.***

49. **WHAT DOES THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To keep the sabbath holy.

*Lev 19:20; 23:3; Is 58:13-14.*

50. **WHAT DAY OF THE WEEK IS THE CHRISTAIN SABBATH?**

The first day of the week, called the Lord's Day.

*Acts 20:7; Rev 1:10.*



51. **WHY IS IT CALLED THE LORD'S DAY?**

Because on that day Christ rose from the dead.

*Mt 28:1; Mk 16:9; Lk 24:1-6; Jn 20:1.*

**LEVITICUS 23:3**

***"For six days work may be done, but on the seventh day there is a sabbath of complete rest, a holy convocation. You shall not do any work; it is a sabbath to the LORD in all your dwellings."***

52. **HOW SHOULD THE SABBATH BE KEPT?**

In prayer and praise, in hearing and reading God's Word, and in doing good to our fellow men.

*Is 58:13-14; Mt 12:10-13; Lk 4:16 Acts 20:7; 1 Cor 16:2.*

53. **WHAT IS THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT?**

The fifth commandment is "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you."

*Ex 20:12; Deut 5:16.*

**EXODUS 20:12**

***"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you."***



54. **WHAT DOES THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To love and obey our parents.  
*Mt. 15:3-6; Eph 6:1-3; Co 3:20.*

55. **WHAT IS THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT?**

The sixth commandment is, "You shall not murder."  
*Ex 20:13; Deut 5:17.*

56. **WHAT DOES THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To avoid hatred, all that leads to it, and all that follows from it.  
*Mt 5:21-24; James 4:1-3; 1Jn 3:15.*

**COLOSSIANS 3:20**

***Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord.***

57. **WHAT IS THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT?**

The seventh commandment is, "You shall not commit adultery."  
*Ex 20:14; Deut 5:18.*

58. **WHAT DOES THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**

To be pure in heart, language, and conduct.  
*Mt 5:27, 28; Eph 5:3-5; Phil 4:8-9.*



59. **WHAT IS THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT?**  
The eighth commandment is, "You shall not steal."  
*Ex 20:15; Deut 5:19.*

**PHILIPPIANS 4:8**

***Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.***

60. **WHAT DOES THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**  
To be honest and not to take the things of others.  
*Ex 23:4; Pr 21:6-7; Eph 4:28.*

61. **WHAT IS THE NINTH COMMANDMENT?**  
The ninth commandment is, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."  
*Ex 20:16; Deut 5:20.*

62. **WHAT DOES THE NINTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**  
To tell the truth and not to speak evil of others.  
*Ps 15:1-3; Zech 8:16; 1 Cor 13:6; James 4:11.*

**ZECHARIAH 8:16**

***These are the things which you should do: speak the truth to one another; judge with truth and judgment for peace in your gates.***



63. **WHAT IS THE TENTH COMMANDMENT?**  
The tenth commandment is, "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor."  
*Ex 20:17; Deut 5:21; Rom 7:7.*
64. **WHAT DOES THE TENTH COMMANDMENT TEACH US?**  
To be content with what we have.  
*Phil 4:11; 1 Tim 6:6-8; Heb 13:5.*

#### EXODUS 20:17

***"You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor."***

65. **CAN ANY MAN KEEP THESE TEN COMMANDMENTS?**  
No mere man, since the fall of Adam, ever did or can keep the ten commandments perfectly.  
*Pr 20:9; Ecc 7:20; Rom 3:19-20; James 2:10; 1Jn 1:8, 10.*
66. **OF WHAT USE ARE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS TO US?**  
They teach us our duty, make clear our condemnation, and show us our need of a Savior.  
*1 Tim 1:8-11; Rom 3:20; Gal 3:24.*



67. **DOES GOD CONDEMN ALL MEN?**

No. Though He could justly have done so, He has graciously entered into a covenant to save many.  
*Is 53:11; Mark 10:45; Jn 17:11-12; Rom 3:19-20, 23-25.*

**ISAIAH 53:11**

***As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, As He will bear their iniquities.***

# PART III

## QUESTIONS ABOUT SALVATION



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church





68. **WHAT IS A COVENANT?**

A covenant is an agreement between two or more persons.

e.g., *1 Sam 18:3; Mt 26:14-15.*

69. **WHAT IS THE COVENANT OF GRACE?**

It is an eternal agreement within the Trinity to save certain persons called the elect and to provide all the means for their salvation.

*Gen 17:1-8; Jer 31:31-34; Ez 36:25-28; Rom 11:27; Heb 10:11, 16; 13:20-21.*

**JEREMIAH 31:33**

***"But this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days," declares the Lord, "I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people."***

70. **WHAT DID CHRIST UNDERTAKE IN THE COVENANT OF GRACE?**

Christ undertook to keep the whole law for His people, and to suffer the punishment due to their sins.

*1 Sam 8:3-4; Gal 4:-5; Heb 6:17-20; 7:22; 9:14-15; 13:20-21.*

71. **DID OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST EVER SIN?**

No. He was holy, blameless and undefiled.

*Lk 23:47; Heb 4:15; 7:26; 1 Pet 2:22; 1 Jn 3:5.*



### HEBREWS 7:26

***For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens;***

#### 72. **HOW COULD THE SON OF GOD SUFFER?**

Christ, the Son of God, took on flesh and blood that He might obey and suffer as a man.

*Jn 1:14 ;Rom 8:3; Gal 4:4; Phil 2:7-8; Heb 2:14,17;4:15.*

#### 73. **WHAT IS MEANT BY THE ATONEMENT?**

The atonement consists of Christ satisfying divine justice by His sufferings and death in the place of sinners.

*Mk 10:45; Acts 13:38-39; Rom 3:24-26; 5:8-9;  
2 Cor 5:19-21; Gal 3:13; 1 Pet 3:18.*

### GALATIANS 3:13

***Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us -for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE"***

#### 74. **FOR WHOM DID CHRIST OBEY AND SUFFER?**

Christ obeyed and suffered for those whom the Father had given Him.

*Is 53:8; Mt 1:21; Jn10:11, 15-16, 26-29; Heb 2:13.*

#### 75. **WHAT KIND OF LIFE DID CHRIST LIVE ON EARTH?**

Christ lived a life of perfect obedience to the law of God.

*Mt 5:1; Rom 10:4; 1 Pet 2:21-22.*



76. **WHAT KIND OF DEATH DID CHRIST DIE?**

Christ experienced the painful and shameful death of the cross.

*Ps 22; Is 53; Gospel records.*

**ISAIAH 53:5**

***But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed.***

77. **WHO WILL BE SAVED?**

Only those who repent of sin and believe in Christ will be saved.

*Mk 1:15; Lk 13:3,5; Acts 2:37-41; 16:30-31; 20:21; 26:20.*

78. **WHAT IS IT TO REPENT?**

Repentance involves sorrow for sin, leading one to hate and forsake it because it is displeasing to God.

*Lk 19:8-10; Rom 6:1-2; 2 Cor 7:9-11; 1 Thes 1:9-10.*

79. **WHAT IS IT TO BELIEVE IN CHRIST?**

A person who believes knows that his only hope is Christ and trusts in Christ alone for salvation.

*Jn 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Tim 2:5; 1 Jn 5:11-12.*

**JOHN 14:6**

***Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."***



80. **HOW WERE GODLY PERSONS SAVED BEFORE THE COMING OF CHRIST?**

They believed in the Savior to come.

*Jn 8:56; Gal 3:8-9; 1 Cor 10:1-4; Heb 9:15; 11:13.*

81. **HOW DID THEY SHOW THEIR FAITH?**

They offered sacrifices according to God's commands.

*Ex 24:3-8; 1 Chr 29:20-25; Heb 9:19-23; 10:1; 11:28.*

82. **WHAT DID THESE SACRIFICES REPRESENT?**

They were symbolic of Christ, the Lamb of God, Who was to die for sinners.

*Ex 12:46 cf. Jn 1:29; 19:36; 1 Cor 5:7; Heb 9-10; 1 Pet 1:19.*

**JOHN 1:29**

***The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"***

83. **WHAT DOES CHRIST DO FOR HIS PEOPLE?**

He does the work of a prophet, a priest and a king.

*Mt 13:57; Jn 18:37; Heb 1:1-3; 5:5-10; Rev 1:5.*

84. **HOW IS CHRIST A PROPHET?**

He teaches us the will of God, reveals God to us, and really was God in human flesh.

*Deut 18:15,18; Jn 1:18; 4:25; 14:23-24; 1 Jn 5:20.*



85. **WHY DO YOU NEED CHRIST AS A PROPHET?**

Because I am ignorant.

*Job 11:7; Mt 11:25-27; Jn 6:67-69; 17:25- 26;*

*1 Cor 2:14-16; 2 Cor 4:3-6.*

**DEUTERONOMY 18:18**

***I will raise up a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.***

86. **HOW IS CHRIST A PRIEST?**

He died for our sins and prays to God for us.

*Ps 110:4; 1 Tim 2:5- 6; Heb 4:14-16; 7:24- 25;*

*1 Jn 2:1- 2.*

87. **WHY DO YOU NEED CHRIST AS A PRIEST?**

Because I am guilty.

*Pr 20:9; Ecc 7:20; Rom 3:19-23; Heb 10:14, 27- 28;*

*1 Jn 1:8- 9.*

88. **HOW IS CHRIST A KING?**

He rules over us and defends us.

*Ps 2:6-9; Mt 28:18-20; Eph 1:19-23; Col 1:13,18;*

*Rev 15:3-4.*

**1 TIMOTHY 2:5**

***For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.***



89. **WHY DO YOU NEED CHRIST AS KING?**  
Because I am weak and helpless.  
*Jn 15:4-5; 2 Cor 12:9; Phil 4:13; Col 1:11; Jude 24- 25.*
90. **WHAT DID GOD THE FATHER UNDERTAKE IN THE COVENANT OF GRACE?**  
By His goodness and mercy, God the Father elected and determined to justify, adopt, and sanctify those for whom Christ should die.  
*Ex 33:18-19; Rom 8:29-33; 1 Cor 1:8- 9; Gal 4:4-7; Eph 1:3-5; Phil 1:6; 1 Thes 4:3, 7; 5:23- 24; Heb 10:9-10.*
91. **WHAT IS ELECTION?**  
It is God's goodness as revealed in His grace by choosing certain sinners for salvation.  
*Eph 1:3-4; 1 Thes 1:4; 1 Pet 1:1- 2.*

## 2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

***And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.***

92. **WHAT IS JUSTIFICATION?**  
It is God's regarding sinners as if they had never sinned and granting them righteousness.  
*Zech 3:1-5; Rom 3:24-26; 4:5; 5:17-19; 8:33; 2 Cor 5:21; Phil 3:9; Heb 8:12.*



93. **WHAT IS RIGHTEOUSNESS?**  
It is God's goodness as revealed in His law and as honored in Christ's perfect obedience to that law.  
*Ex 33:19; 34:6; Ps 33:5; Hos 3:5; Rom 11:22.*

94. **CAN ANYONE BE SAVED BY HIS OWN RIGHTEOUSNESS?**  
No. No one is good enough for God.  
*Pr 20:9; Ecc 7:20; Rom 3:10-23; Eph 2:8-10; Phil 3:8-9.*

#### EPHESIANS 2:8-9

***For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.***

95. **WHAT IS ADOPTION?**  
It is God's goodness in receiving sinful rebels as His beloved children.  
*Jn 1:12; Gal 4:7,31; Eph 1:5; 5:1; 1 Jn 3:1-3.*
96. **WHAT IS SANCTIFICATION?**  
In sanctification God makes sinners holy in heart and conduct so that they will demonstrate His goodness in their lives.  
*Jn 17:17; Eph 2:10; 4:22-24; Phil 2:12-13; 1 Thes 5:23.*
97. **WILL THIS PROCESS OF SANCTIFICATION EVER COMPLETE IN THIS LIFE?**  
No. It is certain and continual but is complete only in heaven.  
*Phil 3:12-15; 2 Pet 1:4-8; 1 Jn 3:1-3.*



## EPHESIANS 2:10

***For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.***

98. **WHAT HINDERS THE COMPLETION OF SANCTIFICATION IN THIS LIFE?**

The Scripture says, "For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please".

*Gal 5:17.*

99. **SINCE WE ARE BY NATURE SINFUL, HOW CAN ONE EVER DESIRE TO BE HOLY AND TO GAIN HEAVEN WHERE GOD LIVES?**

Our hearts must be changed before we can be fit for heaven.

*Eph 4:17-24; Col 3:5-12.*

100. **WHO CAN CHANGE A SINNER'S HEART?**

Only the Holy Spirit can change a sinner's heart.

*Jn 3:3; Rom 8:6-11; 1 Cor 2:9-14; 2 Thes 2:13-14;*

*Titus 3:5-6.*

## COLOSSIANS 3:12

***So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.***





101. **WHAT DID THE HOLY SPIRIT UNDERTAKE IN THE COVENANT OF GRACE?**  
He regenerates, baptizes, and seals those for whom Christ has died.  
*1 Cor 12:13; 2 Cor 1:2; Eph 1:13-14; 2:1-8; 4:30*
102. **WHAT IS REGENERATION?**  
It is a change of heart that leads to true repentance and faith.  
*Gal 5:22; Eph 2:5-8; 2 Thes 2:13.*
103. **CAN YOU REPENT AND BELIEVE IN CHRIST BY YOUR OWN POWER?**  
No. I can do nothing good without God's Holy Spirit.  
*Jn 3:5, 6; 6:44; Rom 8:2, 5, 8-11; 1 Cor 2:9-14; Gal 5:17-18; Eph 2:4-6.*

### JOHN 6:63

***It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.***

104. **HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT BAPTIZE BELIEVERS?**  
He puts them into the body of Christ by making them a living part of all those who truly believe in Him.  
*1 Cor 12.*



105. **HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT SEAL BELIEVERS?**

He comes to live within them to guarantee that they will receive the wonders God has promised those who love Him.

*Rom 8:9-11; 2 Cor 1:22; Eph 1:13-14; 4:30; 2 Tim 1:9.*

106. **HOW CAN YOU RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

God has told us that we must pray to Him for the Holy Spirit but the evidence of His presence is seen most clearly in our trusting and loving the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Lk 11:9-13; 12:8-10; Jn 3:3-5, 16, 20-21 4:10; 14:17-21; 16:2; 1 Cor 12:3; 1 Pet 1:2; 1 Jn 5:6-12.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 12:14**

***For the body is not one member, but many***

# PART IV

## QUESTIONS ABOUT PRAYER



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



### 107. **WHAT IS PRAYER?**

Prayer is talking with God.

*Gen 17:22; 18:33; Neh 1:4-11; 2:4; Mt 6:6; Rom 8:26-27.*

#### **MATTHEW 6:6**

***But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.***

### 108. **IN WHOSE NAME SHOULD WE PRAY?**

We should pray in the name of the Lord Jesus.

*Jn 14:13-14; 16:23-24; Heb 4:14-16.*

#### **JOHN 14:13**

***Whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.***

### 109. **WHAT HAS CHRIST GIVEN US TO TEACH US HOW TO PRAY?**

The Lord's Prayer.

*Mt 6:5-15; Lk 11:1-13.*



110. **CAN YOU REPEAT THE LORD'S PRAYER?**

"Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen"

**MATTHEW 6:7**

***"And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words."***

111. **HOW MANY PETITIONS ARE IN THE LORD'S PRAYER?**

Six.

**MATTHEW 6:9-13**

***"Pray, then, in this way: Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen"***



112. **WHAT IS THE FIRST PETITION?**

"Hallowed be Your Name."

*Mt 6:9; Lk 11:2.*

113. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE FIRST PETITION?**

That God's name may be honored by us and all men.

*Mt 6:9; Lk 11:2.*

**PSALM 8:1**

***"O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth, who have displayed your splendor above the heavens."***

114. **WHAT IS THE SECOND PETITION?**

"Your kingdom come."

*Mt 6:10; Lk 11:2.*

115. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE SECOND PETITION?**

That the gospel may be preached in all the world, and believed and obeyed by us and all men.

*Mt 28:19-20; Jn 17:20-21; Acts 8:12; 28:30-31;*

*2 Thes 3:1*



### MATTHEW 28:19-20

***Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.***

116. **WHAT IS THE THIRD PETITION?**

*"You will be done on earth, as it is in heaven."  
Mt 6:10; Lk 11:2.*

117. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE THIRD PETITION?**

That men on earth may serve God as the angels do in Heaven.  
*Ps 67; 103:19-22; Jn 9:31; Rev 4:11.*

### PSALM 67:1-2

***God be gracious to us and bless us,  
And cause His face to shine upon us -  
Selah.  
That Your way may be known on the earth,  
Your salvation among all nations.***

118. **WHAT IS THE FOURTH PETITION?**

*"Give us this day our daily bread."  
Mt 6:11; Lk 11:3.*





119. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE FOURTH PETITION?**

That God will give us all things needful for our bodies.

*Ps 145:15-16; Pr 30:8- 9; 1 Tim 4:4-5.*

**PSALM 145:15-16**

***The eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due time. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.***

120. **WHAT IS THE FIFTH PETITION?**

"And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors."

*Mt 6:12; Lk 11:4.*

121. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE FIFTH PETITION?**

That God will pardon our sins, and help us to forgive those who have sinned against us.

*Ps 51; Mt 5:23, 1 Jn 4:20- 21.*

**1 JOHN 4:20-21**

***If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.***



122. **WHAT IS THE SIXTH PETITION?**

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."

*Mt 6:13; Lk 11:4*

123. **WHAT DO WE PRAY FOR IN THE SIXTH PETITION?**

That God will keep us from sin.

*1 Chr 4:10; Ps 119:11; Mt 26:41.*

**PSALM 119:11**

***Your word I have treasured in my heart,  
That I may not sin against You.***

# PART V

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE WORLD, THE CHURCH & THE ORDINANCES



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



## 124. **HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT BRING US TO SALVATION?**

He uses the Bible, which is the Word of God.  
*1 Thes 1:5-6; 2:13; 2 Tim 3:15-16; James 1:18;  
1 Pet 1:22-23.*

### 1 THESSALONIANS 1:6

***You also became imitators of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much tribulation with the joy of the Holy Spirit,***

## 125. **HOW CAN WE KNOW THE WORD OF GOD?**

We are commanded to hear, read and search the Scriptures.  
*Mt 21:42; 22:29; 2 Tim 3:14-17; 1 Pet 2:2; Rev 3:22.*

### MATTHEW 22:29

***But Jesus answered and said to them, "You are mistaken, not understanding the Scriptures nor the power of God."***

## 126. **WHAT IS A CHURCH?**

A church is an assembly of baptized believers joined by a covenant of discipline and witness who meet together regularly under the preaching of the Word of God.  
*Mt 18:20; Acts 2:42.*

### MATTHEW 18:20

***"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."***



127. **WHAT ORDINANCES DID CHRIST GIVE TO HIS CHURCH?**

Baptism and the Lord's Supper.  
*Mt 28:19; 1 Cor 11:24-26.*

128. **WHY DID CHRIST GIVE THESE ORDINANCES?**

To show that His disciples belong to Him and to remind them of what He has done for them.  
*Mt 28:19; 1 Cor 11:24-26.*

**MATTHEW 28:19**

***Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,***

129. **WHAT IS BAPTISM?**

The dipping of believers into water as a sign of their union with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection.  
*Jn 3:23; Acts 2:41; 8:12, 35-38; Col 2:12.*

**ACTS 8:12**

***But when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being baptized, men and women alike.***

130. **WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF BAPTISM?**

Baptism testifies to believers that God has cleansed them from their sins through Jesus Christ.  
*Acts 22:16; Col 2:11-14.*



## COLOSSIANS 2:12

***having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised up with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.***

### 131. **WHO ARE TO BE BAPTIZED?**

Only those who repent of their sins and believe in Christ for salvation should be baptized.

*Acts 2:37-41; 8:12; 18:8; 19:4-5.*

## ACTS 18:8

***Crispus, the leader of the synagogue, believed in the Lord with all his household, and many of the Corinthians when they heard were believing and being baptized.***

### 132. **SHOULD BABIES BE BAPTIZED?**

No; because the Bible neither commands it, nor gives any example of it.

## ACTS 8:36-37

***"As they went along the road they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look! Water! What prevents me from being baptized?" And Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."***



133. **WHAT IS THE LORD'S SUPPER?**

At the Lord's Supper, the church eats bread and drinks wine to remember the sufferings and death of Christ.

*Mk 14:22-24; 1 Cor 11:23-29.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:26**

***"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes."***

134. **WHAT DOES THE BREAD REPRESENT?**

The bread represents the body of Christ, broken for our sins.

*Mt 26:26; 1 Cor 11:24.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:24**

***And when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."***

135. **WHAT DOES THE WINE REPRESENT?**

The wine represents the blood of Christ, shed for our salvation.

*Mt 26:27-28; 1 Cor 11:25.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:25**

***In the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."***





136. **WHO SHOULD PARTAKE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER?**

The Lord's Supper is for those who repent of their sins, believe in Christ for salvation, receive baptism, and love their fellow men.

*Mt 5:21-24; 1 Cor 10:16- 17; 11:18, 20, 27-33;*

*1 Jn 3:24-27; 4:9-11.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:16**

***Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?***



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church

# PART VI

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE LAST THINGS



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church



**137. DID CHRIST REMAIN IN HIS TOMB AFTER HIS CRUCIFIXION?**

No. He rose from the tomb on the third day after His death.

*Lk 24:45-47; 1 Cor 15:3-4.*

**1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-4**

***For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,***

**138. WHERE IS CHRIST NOW?**

Christ is in heaven, seated at the right hand of God the Father.

*Rom 8:34; Col 3:1; Heb 1:3; 10:12; 12:2*

**HEBREWS 1:3**

***And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,***

**139. WILL CHRIST COME AGAIN?**

Yes. At the last day He will come to judge the world.

*Mt 25:31-43; 2 Thes 1:7-10; 2 Tim 4:1.*



### MATTHEW 25:32

***All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats;***

#### 140. **WHAT HAPPENS TO MEN WHEN THEY DIE?**

The body returns to dust, and the soul goes to be with God or to a place of suffering and waiting for judgment.

*Gen 3:19; Ecc 12:7; Rom 2:5; 2 Cor 5:1-6; Phil 1:23; Heb 12:22-23; 2 Pet 2:9.*

### ECCLESIASTES 12:7

***then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it.***

#### 141. **WILL THE BODIES OF THE DEAD BE RAISED TO LIFE AGAIN?**

Yes, "There shall certainly be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked."

*Dan 12:2; Jn 5:28-29; Acts 24:14-15.*

### JOHN 5:28

***Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice,***



142. **WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE WICKED ON THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT?**

They shall be cast into hell.

*Ps 9:16-17; Lk 12:5; Rom 2:8-9,12; 2 Thes 1:8-9;*

*Rev 20:12-15.*

**2 THESSALONIANS 1:9**

***These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,***

143. **WHAT IS HELL?**

Hell is a place of dreadful and endless punishment.

*Mt 25:46; Mk 9:43-48; Lk 16:19-31.*

**MATTHEW 25:46**

***“These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”***

144. **WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE RIGHTEOUS IN THE DAY OF JUDGEMENT?**

They shall live with Christ forever, in a new heaven and a new earth.

*Is 66:22; 1 Thes 4:16-17; 2 Pet 3:10-13; Rev 21:1-4.*



### 1 THESSALONIANS 4:16-17

***For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord.***

145. **IN LIGHT OF THESE TRUTHS, WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?**

I should strive with all my energy to repent of sin and believe savingly in the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Lk 13:23- 24; Jn 6:27; Acts 16:31.*

### LUKE 13:24

***Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.***





# MEMORY VERSES

Genesis 1:1  
Revelation 4:11  
Deuteronomy 6:4  
2 Corinthians 13:14  
John 4:24  
Psalm 147:5  
2 Timothy 3:16  
Psalm 103:14  
Mark 12:30  
Mark 8:36  
Romans 3:23  
Hebrews 11:6  
Isaiah 59:2  
Romans 5:12  
James 4:17  
Deuteronomy 27:26  
Deuteronomy 5:22  
Luke 6:35  
Proverbs 8:17  
Exodus 20:3  
Acts 17:29  
Psalm 29:2  
Exodus 23:12  
Psalm 103:14  
Exodus 20:12  
Colossians 3:20  
Philippians 4:8  
Zechariah 8:16  
Exodus 20:17  
Isaiah 53:11  
Jeremiah 31:33  
Hebrew 7:26  
Galatians 3:13  
Isaiah 53:5  
John 14:6  
John 1:29  
Deuteronomy 18:18  
1 Timothy 2:5  
2 Corinthians 12:9  
Ephesians 2:8-9  
Ephesians 2:10  
Colossians 5:12  
John 6:63  
1 Corinthians 12:14  
Matthew 6:6  
John 14:13  
Mathew 6:7  
Mathew 6:9-13  
Psalm 8:1  
Matthew 28:19-20  
Psalm 67:1-2  
Psalm 145:15-16  
1 John 4:20-21  
Psalm 119:11  
1 Thessalonians 1:6  
Matthew 22:29  
Matthew 18:20  
Matthew 28:19  
Acts 8:12  
Colossians 2:12  
Acts 18:8  
Acts 3:36-37  
1 Corinthians 11:26  
1 Corinthians 11:24  
1 Corinthians 15:3-4  
Hebrews 1:3



Matthew 25:32

Ecclesiastes 12:7

John 5:28

2 Thessalonians 1:19

Matthew 25:46

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

Luke 13:24



# I BELIEVE I HAVE BECOME A CHRISTIAN! WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT?

Praise the Lord! We have been praying that God would be at work in your heart! We are so glad to hear that you want to follow Jesus!

**First**, we encourage you to keep telling the Lord “Thank You!” for the way He’s working in your life. Thank Jesus over and over again for dying for your sins. Keep telling Him “Thank You!” for conquering death by His resurrection. Ask Him to help you love him and live for Him until you meet Him face-to-face.

**Second**, let the other Christians in your life know that you are trusting Jesus as your Savior and Lord, too. Tell others that you have turned from your sins and given your life to Jesus.

**Third**, be sure to let one of your pastors know that you believe Jesus is now your Lord. They will be very encouraged, and will pray for you and help you walk with Jesus. Your parents and pastors will help you love and obey Jesus. They will help explain what the Bible teaches about when and why to follow Jesus in baptism and church membership.

**Finally**, be sure to pray for all of your friends who do not know Jesus and tell them how wonderful He is! They need to know Him, too! We are so glad that God is at work in your life!



TASTING THE TRUTH  grace church