

ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

through the Spirit of Christ

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1:1-2 What was the "former book?" [*See Luke 1:1-4*]
 Matthew Mark Luke John

What Jesus began to do and teach is recorded in the gospel and refers to his ministry on earth, his death and resurrection.

True False

What Jesus continues to do and teach

was through the works and teach of the apostles.

is through the beliefs of all people and all religions.

is through the Holy Spirit who helps people believe the Bible and have power to obey it.

is through the deeds and teaching of Christian believers

is nothing since he's far away in heaven.

[3 correct answers]

1:3 The proofs of Christ's resurrection were
 few and hardly believable.
 many and convincing.

1:4-5 What was God the Father's gift to the disciples?
 The baptism of the Holy Spirit.
 Security from all hardship.

If the disciples had disobeyed Jesus' command to stay in Jerusalem, would they have received this gift?

Yes No

1:6-8 The disciples believed that in the last days the Jewish people would rule the world, that God would restore the kingdom to Israel. They asked Jesus when that would happen. Jesus said

_____ to wait a few days and he would become a world ruler.

_____ that God had not chosen to reveal the date of the Last Day to anyone.

_____ that until the Last Day comes, all of his followers should be his witnesses to the people of the world.

[2 correct answers]

In order to receive power to be a witness for Jesus a person

_____ must ask for power from the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:9-13)

_____ must personally experience the love and forgiveness of Jesus.

_____ must wear a cross symbol or a WWJD ("What Would Jesus Do") bracelet to show that he is a Christian.

[2 correct answers]

The only people who need to know that we are Christians are

_____ the members of our own family.

_____ the officials of the church, like pastor, elder or deacon.

_____ everyone with whom we have significant contact.

[Chose the best one]

To be a witness to the ends of the earth implies

_____ that the church send missionaries to foreign countries to start churches.

_____ that we share the message of salvation with strangers.

_____ applies only to the first disciples and not to us.

[2 correct answers]

Verses 7 and 8 are the last words of Jesus recorded by Luke.

The last words of a person are very significant. What were the

last words of Jesus as recorded by Matthew. Write out

Matthew 28:18-20 on the lines below.

Is the main idea of Matthew's record the same as Luke's?
[See Luke 24:46-47 and Acts 1:7-8]

_____ Yes _____ No

1:9-11 How will Jesus return to earth?

_____ He will come down out of the clouds.

_____ His return will be a super large nuclear blast.

_____ His return is a figurative expression that symbolizes a time of peace among all nations and all people.

1:12-14 While waiting for the gift of the Holy Spirit the disciples were

_____ all together and frequently prayed.

_____ went about their normal jobs.

1:15-22 What motivated the believers to choose a replacement for Judas?

_____ Peter thought it was a good idea.

_____ Passages from the Old Testament scriptures.

To be one of the original twelve disciples a man had to

_____ have been with Jesus during his whole ministry.

_____ have been a witness of the resurrection first hand.

_____ only be someone who believed what the other apostles said.

[2 correct answers]

1:23-26 Who actually chose Matthias?

_____ Blind chance through the casting of lots.

_____ The Lord Jesus in heaven, who knew the hearts of men.

To be a witness today a person must believe in the testimony of the first witnesses recorded in the New Testament.

[See John 20:29] _____ True _____ False

2:1 *Pentecost was a Jewish festival held 50 days after the Passover. See Leviticus 23:15,16. Read Exodus 11-12 about how the Passover feast began.*

2:1-4 The event described in these verses is
_____ what happens when people spend too much time praying.
_____ the gift from God the Father (1:4)
_____ the baptism with the Holy Spirit (1:5).

[2 correct answers]

For more about the coming of the Holy Spirit read
John 14:15-17, 25-27 John 15:26-27 and John 16:7-15

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit are
one eternal God. The coming of the Son into the world to save
us is called _____ Christmas _____ Pentecost.

The coming of the Holy Spirit into the world to give the
church the power to do Christ's mission is called
_____ Christmas _____ Pentecost.

2:5-13 When the Holy Spirit came upon the believers, they received
power to be witnesses of Christ. _____ Yes _____ No

Do you think that the people in the crowd who became
believers returned to their native countries with news about
Jesus and what happened on Pentecost? _____ Yes _____ No

Jesus and what happened on Pentecost? _____ Yes _____ No

2:14-21 Peter got up in front of the crowd and
_____ apologized for the babble and noise caused by the believers.
_____ declared that what happened was prophesied in the Old
Testament scriptures (See Joel 2:28-32).

2:17 Would the Holy Spirit come to both Jews and non-Jews?
_____ Yes _____ No

2:18 The blessing of prophesying or preaching the gospel to others
is only for men _____ Yes _____ No.

2:19-20 These are signs of the Judgment of the Last Day. While Jesus
was on earth when did some of these signs happen?

_____ When Jesus was born.

_____ When Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist.

_____ When Jesus hung on the cross (see Matthew 27:45,50-53).

2:21 In order to be saved a person must believe in Jesus and ask him for help. _____ Yes _____ No

2:22 The miracles of Jesus were proof that he was the Savior who came from God. _____ Yes _____ No

2:23-36 The death of Jesus

_____ happened by chance.

_____ was determined by God's purpose and foreknowledge.

God used the actions of wicked men who rejected Jesus to accomplish his purpose of saving lost people.

_____ True _____ False

Convincing proof that God approved of everything that Jesus said and did is his resurrection from the dead.

_____ Yes _____ No

2:37 What does it mean that the people "were cut to the heart"?

_____ They were sorry for their sin.

_____ They became angry with Peter and the disciples for accusing them of wrongdoing.

_____ They realized that by rejecting Jesus they had been enemies of God.

[2 correct answers]

2:38 To be forgiven of our sins we must _____ and _____.

The internal change of heart is called _____.

The external symbol of that change is called _____.

2:39 In order to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit a person must

_____ miraculously speak in other languages.

_____ be baptized.

_____ repent of sin.

[2 correct answers]

2:40 God calls everyone: us, our children and even strangers and foreigners. Who are the ones who accept God's call?

_____ All who hear the gospel message.

_____ Those who not only hear the message but also are convicted of sin, turn from it and are baptized.

2:41 Before Pentecost there were about _____(1:15) believers. As a result of Peter's preaching and the convicting work of the Holy Spirit, there were _____ believers after Pentecost.

2:42-47 The early church was especially successful in helping its members

_____ earn a lot of money.

_____ be generous in helping those in need.

The Christians of the first church

_____ kept to themselves.

_____ gathered together in the temple and in each others homes.

The type of Christianity described here

_____ made its members happy.

_____ helped them grow spiritually.

_____ was an asset to the community.

_____ was totally other-worldly and thus irrelevant to the needs of the body, mind and emotions.

[3 correct answers]

3:1-10 The lame beggar lived in shame. All of a sudden he was walking, jumping and praising God. What made the difference?

_____ Healing in the name of Jesus Christ.

_____ A gift of silver or gold.

3:11-16 How did this healing take place?

_____ By the apostles' own power and godliness.

_____ By the power of God who honored his servant Jesus.

3:17 The Jews had turned Jesus over to be killed because

_____ they acted in ignorance, thinking that they were obeying

God's law.

_____ they hated God and his law.

3:18-19 To turn from being a critic and enemy of Christ to being a friend and follower would bring forgiveness, blessing and a wonderful life. _____ True _____ False

3:20-21 God would send the Christ [Christ means "Messiah: Savior, King] to all believers:

_____ to rule in their hearts until he would return again at the Last Day.

_____ to show them how to be popular.

3:21 Some of the prophesies that will be fulfilled when Christ returns are:

_____ God will make another Eden where man will have another chance to prove himself.

_____ God will raise the dead from the graves and give them new bodies (John 5:28-29).

_____ The wicked will be thrown out into an eternal punishment (2 Thessalonians 1:8-9)

_____ God will destroy the present order of things with fire and create a new universe in which justice and goodness prevails (2 Peter 3:10-13).

[3 correct answers]

3:22-23 Anyone who does not listen to Jesus will be cut off from God's people. _____ True _____ False

3:24-26 Peter was pleading with his listeners to turn from their wicked ways. This would

_____ bring them blessing.

_____ fulfill the promises made to Abraham (Genesis 12:3).

_____ make other people jealous of their privileged position.

_____ make them God's servants to bring salvation to heathen nations.

[3 correct answers]

4:1-4 *Note: The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection from the dead (Matthew 22:23).*

Did the priests, temple guard and the Sadducees repent of turning Jesus in to the Roman authorities to be killed?

Yes No

4:5-11 Who gave Peter and John the authority to heal the beggar at the Beautiful Gate and then come into the temple to teach the people about Jesus?

The temple authorities.

Jesus, who from heaven gave them divine power.

4:12 Are all religions valid and acceptable to God as long as a person is sincere? Yes No

4:13 Peter and John received their training

in a Jewish school of theology.

by being with Jesus.

4:14-22 Were Peter and John scared by the threats of the Jewish authorities? Yes No

4:23-27 By continuing to oppose Christ and his disciples the Jewish leaders were joining pagan unbelievers in opposition to God.

True False

Read Psalm 2.

Can the enemies of God ever be winners if they do not turn from their sin? Yes No

4:28-31 What did the believers pray for?

Safety from danger and freedom from persecution.

Boldness to continue to proclaim the word of Christ.

Power to perform miracles in Jesus name.

[2 correct answers]

4:32-37 The distribution of money to "anyone as he had need"

was to anyone, whether he was a believer or not.

was to believers who "were one in heart and mind" with

other believers.

What does Christianity promote?

_____ Laziness (Ephesians 4:28; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10).

_____ Generosity

_____ Concern for the well-being of others.

_____ Power through the accumulation of wealth.

[2 correct answers]

5:1-11 What was Ananias and Sapphira's sin?

_____ They gave only part of the sale of their property.

_____ They lied about the amount that they were giving.

What was God's purpose in punishing them so severely?

_____ To be a sign that he is a Holy God who opposes sin.

_____ To show that at the Last Judgment, hypocrites will have no part with his people.

_____ To make the people afraid of church authorities.

_____ To show that a loving and merciful God demands respect and cannot be fooled.

[3 correct answers]

5:12-16 Solomon's colonnade was part of the temple. Who were the people who were added to the number of the believers (v.14)?

_____ All those who were seeking cures.

_____ Those who sincerely repented of their sins.

_____ Those who were willing to count the cost of persecution and rejection.

_____ Those who believed that Jesus was Savior and Lord.

[3 correct answers]

5:17-31 Why did the high priests put the apostles in prison?

_____ They were jealous of the disciples influence (5:17).

_____ They didn't want to hear the accusation that they were guilty of killing Jesus (5:28).

_____ They wanted to hear the disciples' teaching more carefully
in a more private place.

[2 correct answers]

What was God's command to the disciples through the angel?
"Go, stand in the temple courts, and _____ the people
the full message of this new life." (5:20)

Were the disciples obedient to this command? _____ Yes _____

No

Christians must be obedient to all authorities (Romans 13:1-7);
but when human authority contradicts God's commands, we
are to say, "We must obey _____ rather than _____!"

5:32 When people are in danger of being lost forever, does God
permit his witnesses (believers) to remain silent?

_____ Yes _____ No

(See Ezequiel 33:1-

11)

5:33-40 Although Gamaliel was not a believer, he knew that God's
plan would eventually win. _____ Yes _____ No

5:41 The apostles

_____ rejoiced because they were counted worthy to suffer for
Christ's sake.

_____ met to devise a strategy on how to win the temple
authorities to their side.

5:42 How did the apostles go about teaching and preaching?

_____ They met only on the Sabbath in the temple.

_____ They taught every day.

_____ They taught in homes.

_____ They taught in the temple to large crowds.

[3 correct answers]

6:1 Who were overlooked in the distribution of food?

_____ Widows of Grecian Jews. _____ Widows of Hebraic Jews.

6:2-4 The apostles' calling, as leaders of the church, was to:

_____ preach and teach the word of God.

_____ pray.

_____ help in bringing food to the poor.

[2 correct answers]

If one's calling in life is to preach the word,

_____ he may neglect the needs of the poor.

_____ he should care for the poor even if it's not his calling.

_____ he should preach the word and appoint others to help the
the poor.

6:3-5 Those who helped the poor had to have certain qualities. What were they?

_____ An interest in material things.

_____ The filling of the Holy Spirit.

_____ Faith

_____ Wisdom

[3 correct answers]

6:5-7 Those who helped the poor were installed with

_____ the laying on of hands.

_____ prayer

_____ the sacrament of baptism.

[2 correct answers]

6:8-10 Besides being a leader who was in charge of the distribution to the poor Stephen

_____ performed miracles and preached the word.

_____ was not allowed to preach by the apostles.

6:11-15 Members of the Jewish meeting place accused Stephen of

_____ an immoral life.

_____ stealing the money that was to be given to the poor.

_____ preaching what was contrary to the law of Moses and speaking against the temple.

6:15 *Note: The Sanhedrin was the supreme court and ruling body of the Jewish people.*

7:1-8 In his defense speech Stephen teaches several important truths.
(Note: Stephen's speech assumes a knowledge of the history of Israel as recorded in the Old Testament).

To worship God was it necessary to go through the rituals of the temple in Jerusalem? _____ Yes _____ No

Where did God first appear to Abraham?

_____ In the pagan land of Mesopotamia (modern Iraq)

_____ In the land of Canaan where Jerusalem eventually was built.

_____ In a beautiful temple.

7:9-16 Who was the person who saved the patriarchs, the sons of Jacob, from famine and starvation?

_____ Pharaoh, king of Egypt.

_____ Joseph, their younger brother, whom they sold into slavery

7:17-43 Moses was God's servant to lead the Israelites out of the bondage of slavery in Egypt.

_____ The Jews gladly obeyed him.

_____ The Jews rejected him in their heart (vs. 35,39) even though he liberated them.

7:37-38 When Moses told the people, "God will send you a prophet like me from your own people" (Deuteronomy 18:15-19), he was speaking about _____ Jesus Christ _____ himself.

7:44-50 The first worship center of the Israelites was:

_____ the beautiful stone temple in Jerusalem.

_____ the tabernacle, a portable tent that accompanied the people on their journeys through the desert.

7:48-50 Solomon built the first temple. At its dedication he said,
[See 1 Kings 8:27]

_____ The temple is the place where God lives.

_____ God does not live in houses made by men. His home and center of authority is heaven.

7:51-53 In his speech Stephen

_____ accused the leaders of rejecting Moses because they rejected Jesus, the Prophet who Moses spoke of.

_____ made the point that God in heaven did not limit himself to save those of any one place or people.

_____ asked that the leaders have a more tolerant attitude and save his life.

[2 correct answers]

7:54-60 When Stephen was being stoned, he said, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." then he cried out, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them."

_____ Stephen had heard that words like these were spoken by Jesus

_____ on the cross. As he was dying he took them for himself.

(See Luke 23:46; Luke 23:34)

_____ These were Stephen's original ideas.

8:1-13 What did persecution do to the church?

_____ The church was destroyed.

_____ Some of its members were scattered.

_____ Many believers were put into prison.

[2 correct answers]

Is it possible to destroy the church by killing its members?

Before answering read Matthew 16:18; Matthew 10:18-20, 23

_____ Yes _____ No

8:4-8 What did the Christians do who were scattered?

_____ They were afraid to say anything about their faith.

_____ They preached the word wherever they went.

8:9-25 What attracted Simon to Christianity?

_____ The message of repentance from sin and faith in Christ.

_____ The miracles that Philip and the apostles performed.

The believers received the gift of the Holy Spirit

_____ when they were baptized.

_____ when the apostles laid their hands on them.
_____ when the believers gave the apostles the right amount of money.

Simon wanted to receive
_____ the gift of the Holy Spirit.
_____ the gift of apostleship so that he could have the prestige of laying hands on others so that they would receive the Spirit.

8:26-35 Did the Ethiopian understand what he was reading?

(He was reading from Isaiah 53)

_____ Yes _____ No

According to Philip's explanation, who was the person whose life was taken from him, like a sheep led to the slaughter?

_____ Isaiah, the prophet.

_____ Jesus

8:36-40 What was the Ethiopian's reaction to the gospel?

_____ He believed and was baptized.

_____ He wanted to wait until he understood better.

9:1 *See 7:58 and 8:3 where Paul was mentioned before.*

9:1-6 By persecuting Christians Paul was persecuting Jesus?

_____ Yes _____ No

9:7-16 Was Ananias ready at first to obey Jesus' command to visit Saul so that Paul could receive his sight? _____ Yes _____ No

What plan did Jesus have for Saul?

_____ To bring the gospel to the gentiles and their kings.

_____ To suffer for the sake of Christ.

_____ To be a humble servant of the apostles in Jerusalem.

[2 correct answers]

9:17-19 What did Ananias call Saul when he placed his hands on him?

_____ Sir.

- _____ Brother
- _____ Enemy

9:20-22 After being with the believers in Damascus for a few days, Saul
_____ went back to Jerusalem.
_____ preached in the synagogue that Jesus was the Son of God.
_____ kept quiet because he was ashamed of his past.

9:23-25 After his conversion how was Saul treated by the Jews?
_____ They believed him.
_____ They persecuted him, just as he had previously persecuted the Christians.

9:26-31 The disciples in Jerusalem
_____ were ready to welcome Saul with open arms.
_____ were suspicious of him, until Barnabas spoke up.

Why was Saul sent to Tarsus, his home town?
_____ He spent too much time arguing with the Jews.
_____ His life was in danger from the Jews from Greece.

9:32-43 *The miracles performed by Peter and the other disciples fulfilled what Jesus had told his disciples in John 14:12, "I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father."*

9:34 Who healed Aeneas? _____
Because of these miracles
_____ many people scoffed, saying that Peter used magic tricks.
_____ many believed in the Lord.

10:1-8 What type of Gentile (non-Jew) was Cornelius?
_____ A pagan idol worshipper.
_____ A devout man who obeyed the God of the Bible.
_____ A man who prayed regularly and helped the poor.
[2 correct answers]

10:9-23 What was God's purpose in sending the vision of a sheet filled with all sorts of "unclean" animals? The Jews were prohibited from eating anything "unclean." [See *Leviticus 11:4-8, 13-20*].

_____ To prepare Peter to preach the gospel to Cornelius, a Gentile whom the Jews considered "unclean."

_____ To help Peter receive the hospitality of a Gentile. He might be offered "unclean" food to eat.

_____ To teach Peter not to be impatient before meal time.

[2 correct answers]

Read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23. What distinguishes the people of God from those who are not God's people?

_____ The type of clothes they wear and the type of food they eat.

_____ Their faith in and their obedience to Jesus Christ.

10:23-26 How did Cornelius prepare for Peter's coming?

_____ He called all of his relatives and close friends to his home.

_____ He prepared a banquet with entertainment.

How did Peter react to Cornelius reception?

_____ He told Cornelius to send relatives and friends away. Only Cornelius was worthy to hear.

_____ He told Cornelius to stand up. He was not a god worthy of worship.

10:27-29 Was it the custom of the Jews to associate with Gentiles?

_____ Yes _____ No

How did Peter come to the conclusion that he should no longer consider any person "impure and unclean"?

_____ God sent the vision of a sheet filled with unclean animals and commanded him to eat (10:11-15)

_____ Peter was an independent thinker and came to this conclusion by himself.

10:30-33 Cornelius, his family and friends had gathered

_____ to judge whether this new doctrine was true or not.

_____ to hear God's message through Peter.

10:34-35 Whom does God accept?

Only Jews

Everybody

Those who respect him and do what is right, no matter what their race, gender, country or class.

10:36-43 Peter's message, like all the messages in the book of Acts, is probably written down in summary, outline form. This same outline is followed by the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke.

True False

10:44-46 The coming of the Holy Spirit was a stone that was thrown into a calm lake. It caused ripples in ever widening circles. Please fill the blanks with the correct reference. Choose from the following: Acts 2:1-4; Acts 8:14-17; Acts 10:44-46; Acts 19:1-7.

In Acts _____ the Holy Spirit came to Jews in Jerusalem.

In Acts _____ the Holy Spirit came to the Samaritans.

In Acts _____ the Holy Spirit came to the Gentiles.

In Acts _____ the Holy Spirit came to believers in Jesus who had no knowledge of the events of Pentecost and the baptism into the name of Jesus (Acts 2:38).

10:47-48 Baptism symbolizes:

inclusion into the family of God.

salvation, the washing away of sin and guilt.

a person's good works.

a person's Jewish origins.

[2 correct answers]

If the Holy Spirit had not manifested himself just like he did on the Day of Pentecost, do you think that Peter would have been ready to baptize the Gentiles?

Yes No

11:1-18 Who criticized Peter for going to Cornelius' home?

Jewish leaders who rejected Jesus.

Circumcised Jews who were believers and members of the

church.

Peter understood their problem because he used to be like them, before he saw the vision of the sheet filled with unclean animals, before he saw the action of the Holy Spirit at Cornelius' home.

_____ True _____ False

11:19 [See Acts 8:4]

11:19-21 The church at Antioch was started when Greeks (Gentiles) began accepting the gospel.

_____ True _____ False

11:22-24 Whom did the church at Jerusalem send to organize the church and be the leader of the new group? _____.

11:25-26 Whom did Barnabas call to help him? _____
[See Acts 7:58; 9:1-31]

11:26 What name did the believers get in Antioch? _____

11:27-29 Why did Barnabas and Saul go to Jerusalem?

_____ To bring an offering to help the poor in Jerusalem during a famine.

_____ To get away from the work and rest awhile.

How long after Saul's (Paul's) conversion was this trip?

[Read Galations 1:18 and 2:1 for the answer]

_____ 5 years

_____ 12 years

_____ 17 years

12:1-4 This Herod was the grandson of Herod the Great. Herod the Great was the king who tried to kill Jesus shortly after his birth (Matthew 2:1-18). This Herod

_____ helped the Christians.

_____ started a new wave of persecution.

12:5 What did the believers do?

Prayed

Stormed the jail and rioted in the streets.

12:6-11 Who let Peter out of prison?

A guard

Herod changed his mind and ordered his release

An angel sent from God.

12:12 *Note: Another name for John is "Mark." Early church historians write that he was Peter's interpreter in Rome, wrote the Gospel that bears his name, and founded the church in Alexandria, Egypt. He once failed on a mission trip with the Apostle Paul (See later in Acts 12:25; 13:5,13; 15:36-40).*

12:12-18 Did the believers expect this miraculous answer to prayer?

Yes No

12:19-25 Herod's sickness and death

was a punishment from God because of his pride.

had no special significance.

13:1-3 What was the work to which the Holy Spirit called Barnabas and Saul? (See Acts 9:15,16; Romans 15:20)

To pastor the church.

To be missionaries to those who had not heard of Christ.

13:4-12 Why did Paul call Elymas a "child of the devil" and then bring a curse from God which made him become blind for a time?

Because he was a Jew.

Because he was trying to hinder the proconsul from accepting the gospel by using his magical arts.

13:13-15 *Note: Perga was located near the south central part of Turkey, near the coast of the Mediterranean Sea, northwest of Cyprus. Some Bibles have maps, one of which is likely to show the missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul.*

Readings from the Law and the Prophets are:

_____ readings from the Old Testament Scriptures.

_____ readings from Roman law and Greek philosophers.

13:16-41 *This was Paul's message.*

13:16-23 Jesus was a descendent of

_____ King Saul

_____ King David

13:24-25 Did John the Baptist claim to be the Messiah, Savior and Lord?

_____ Yes

_____ No

13:26-31 Were the people of Jerusalem and their leaders able to overturn God's plan predicted by the Old Testament prophets.

_____ Yes

_____ No

13:32-37 The resurrection of Jesus from the dead fulfilled the Scripture written in the Psalms by David.

_____ True

_____ False

13:36-39 Jesus' resurrection also proves that he is the Messiah, the Savior of the world?

_____ True

_____ False

13:38-41 Paul ends his message with

_____ an appeal to his listeners to believe and accept Jesus.

_____ a warning of doom if they do not accept.

_____ words of gratitude for the opportunity to speak.

[2 correct answers]

What must the people do to have their sins forgiven?

_____ Believe in Jesus.

_____ Obey the Law of Moses, especially the rite of circumcision.

13:42-43 Who accepted Paul's message?

_____ Everyone in the synagogue.

_____ Many Jews and devout Gentiles.

_____ Only the Jews

_____ Only the Gentiles.

13:44-45 Were the Jews willing to accept the Gentiles on the basis of faith in Jesus without first obeying the ritual laws of Moses?

_____ Yes _____ No

13:46-48 What is the purpose of receiving the revelation God's grace?

_____ To enjoy it by ourselves.

_____ To be a light to those who live in ignorance and sin.

13:49-52` Why did Paul and Barnabas leave Pisidian Antioch?

_____ Because the people lost interest.

_____ Because of persecution.

14:1-7 The Lord confirmed the message of Paul and Barnabas by enabling them to perform miracles.

_____ True _____ False

14:8-13 The people of Lystra

_____ understood the gospel

_____ thought Paul and Barnabas were gods in human form.

14:14-20 What was the message that the people needed to hear?

_____ That Paul and Barnabas were men just like themselves.

_____ Only God the Creator of all things should be worshipped.

_____ God doesn't care what they worship as long as they are sincere.

[2 correct answers]

14:21-25 How did Paul and Barnabas strengthen and encourage the disciples in each city?

_____ By telling them that "we must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom."

_____ By telling them that easier and more prosperous times were just around the corner.

Before leaving Paul and Barnabas appointed _____
to lead the church in each town.

14:26-28 What were the things that Paul and Barnabas reported when they returned to the church that sent them?

_____ How God opened the door for the Gentiles to come into the family of God by faith in Jesus.

_____ All the things that God had done through them.

_____ How they were treated with respect and kindness by everyone.

[2 correct answers]

15:1-11 How is a person saved?

_____ By being circumcised according to the law of Moses.

_____ By receiving the free gift of salvation by faith in Jesus

(15:9).

15:8 How did Peter know that circumcision was not necessary to be saved?

_____ The Holy Spirit came upon uncircumcised Gentiles when they believed (Acts 10:44-46).

_____ He came to realize that the Old Testament had no value.

15:12 Would God have shown mercy on the Gentiles by working miracles through Paul and Barnabas if he were displeased with the Gentiles being uncircumcised? _____ Yes _____ No

15:12-18 In the Old Testament the prophets foretold a time when the Gentiles would:

_____ be beyond any hope of salvation.

_____ become part of God's family.

15:19-21 Did the church allow its members to continue in pagan religious rites and immoral living? _____ Yes _____ No

15:22-35 The whole passage of Acts 15:1-35 teaches that:

_____ each local church believe the way it wants.

_____ there must be minimum standards of unity of faith and practice that all the churches should follow.

15:36-40 Who was willing to give Mark a second chance to prove

himself?

_____ Paul _____ Barnabas

Barnabas was:

_____ able to identify God's redeeming and restoring work in
_____ formerly useless people like Paul (Acts 9:27; 11:25) and
Mark (15:39).

_____ a forceful leader who always insisted on getting his way.

16:1-5 What was the result of Paul's visit to the churches that had been formed on his first missionary journey?

_____ They were strengthened in the faith.

_____ There was more persecution.

_____ Paul found another person, Timothy, to accompany him.

_____ The churches grew daily in number.

[3 correct answers]

16:6-10 *Hindered from going east (Province of Asia), Paul, Silas and Timothy tried to enter the Province of Bithynia (now northern Turkey). They could not go there either, so they traveled west to Troas in what is now northwestern Turkey. Macedonia is the northern part of modern Greece.*

In a vision what did Paul hear the man from Macedonia say?

16:6-10 Who joined Paul's group in Troas? (*Clue: Notice the word "we" in verse 10. Who was the author of the book of Acts?*)

_____ Peter

_____ John

_____ Luke

16:11-12 *Note: Philippi was founded and named after Philip, father of Alexander the Great.*

16:13-15 How did Lydia respond to the message preached by Paul?

_____ She was baptized.

_____ Her whole household including slaves was baptized.

_____ She opened her home to the missionaries and provided for their needs.

_____ She wanted to make sure the church would be a success before making a commitment.

[3 correct answers]

16:16-24 Casting out the evil spirit from the slave girl showed that the _____ gospel liberates a person from spirit oppression.

_____ gospel liberates a person from the bondage and enslavement to other humans.

_____ gospel is against the authority of government and the right of citizens to own private property.

[2 correct answers]

16:25 In jail Paul and Silas

_____ praised God by praying and singing hymns.

_____ preached to the other prisoners.

_____ complained of the injustice done to them.

[2 correct answers]

16:26-30 Why did the jailer ask Paul and Silas, "What must I do to be saved?"

_____ The earthquake made him afraid of God's anger.

_____ Through all the things that happened he became convinced that Paul and Silas were true preachers from God.

16:31 What is necessary to be saved? _____

16:31-34 What is the correct definition of faith?

_____ Faith is agreeing that a doctrine is true.

_____ Faith is trust in God's promises and results in acts of love and mercy.

16:35-40 *Note: Roman citizens had rights that non-Romans did not have. No Roman could be beaten or bound with chains without a trial. See Acts 22:22-29.*

17:1-4 Why didn't Paul go to the synagogue on Sunday, the first day of the week to commemorate the resurrection of Christ?

_____ He was convinced that the Saturday Sabbath must be kept because it is one of the Ten Commandments (See Colossians 2:16-17).

_____ Saturday was the day that the Jews and God-fearing Greeks would be meeting. He wanted an audience.

17:5-9 Jason provided room and board for Paul and Silas while they were in Thessalonica.

_____ This was easy for him because he was probably rich.

_____ Even though he may have been wealthy, he still ran the risk of persecution just like Paul and Silas.

The charge that Jesus was another king in defiance of Caesar's decrees was first made here? [*Before answering check Luke 23:2*] _____ True _____ False

17:10-15 What showed that the people of the Berean synagogue had a more noble character than the Thessalonians?

_____ They accepted Paul and Silas' message without question.

_____ They examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.

How can we know that a preacher is sent from God?

_____ His message conforms to the Bible.

_____ His message is logical and persuasive.

17:16-21 Paul "distressed to see that the city was full of idols."

_____ His distress reflected God's distress.

_____ Paul was more narrow minded than God.

How did Paul confront the problem of idolatry?

_____ He reasoned with the people in the synagogue and in the marketplace day after day.

_____ He hired a group of strong-armed workmen with sledge hammers to break down the idols _____ .

17:19 *Note: The Areopagus was a bare hill called the Hill of Ares (Latin: Mars Hill). Ares was the Greek god of war. On this hill the court of city fathers and leaders met. They judged political, educational and religious matters.*

17:22-23 The Athenians had gods for every conceivable profession and activity. However, they had an altar TO AN UNKNOWN GOD _____ because they were afraid they might have missed a god and they did not want to make him angry.
_____ because they were hoping that the true God would reveal himself to them.

17:24-31 What was the UNKNOWN GOD that Paul told them about?
_____ The god who had the shape of a man with wings and who lived in the inner part of the Jewish temple in Jerusalem.
_____ The invisible, all-powerful Creator of the universe.
_____ The God who raised Jesus from the dead and made him to be the judge of the whole world.
[2 correct answers]

17:30-34 In the past God overlooked the ignorance of idolatry and of other religions. In the Old Testament God didn't send messengers out to the Gentile nations to convert them to the religion of Israel. But after his resurrection, Jesus sent his followers to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:18-19).
_____ Now God wants people to worship a statue of Jesus.
_____ Now God wanted all men everywhere to repent.

What is proof that Jesus will come again to judge the world?
_____ God raised Jesus from the dead.
_____ Paul's logic that the Greek philosophers could understand.

18:1-4 Paul stayed with a Jew Aquila and his wife Priscilla. How did

they make their living?

They asked the synagogue to pay them a salary.

They made and sold tents.

18:5 When Silas and Timothy arrived, they probably brought with them financial support so that Paul could devote himself full-time to preaching. True False

18:6-11 Before he went to heaven Jesus told his disciples to make disciples of all the nations, to baptize converts and teach them to obey his commands. He promised that he would always be with them. (See Matthew 28:18-20). How was this message impressed upon Paul's mind in Corinth?

The Apostle Peter sent him a letter.

The Lord Jesus spoke to Paul one night in a vision.

18:12-17 Did the roman authorities want to judge religious questions?

Yes No

18:18-23 *Note: Paul returned to Antioch to the church that originally sent him out as a missionary. With this visit he ended his second missionary trip. Then he started his third missionary trip and returned to Ephesus.*

18:21 Paul made plans and made promises by saying, "I will come if _____."

18:24-28 Apollos was a powerful speaker and knew the Old Testament Scriptures thoroughly. He was lacking something, however.

He didn't know anything about the life and teaching of Jesus.

He didn't know about the baptism of John.

He didn't know the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the special power of the Spirit who came on Pentecost.

Who explained the way more accurately to Apollos in their home? _____.

By correcting him in their home, Priscilla and Aquila did not embarrass Apollos in front of his audience.

_____ True _____ False

19:1-7 John's baptism was a baptism of repentance. See Luke 3:1-20. What baptism did these disciples still need?

_____ Baptism into the name of and into union with Jesus.

_____ Baptism of ritual washing in the temple at Jerusalem.

We know that baptism into the name of Jesus is baptism in the Holy Spirit because the Holy Spirit came upon them when they were baptized in Jesus' name and Paul laid his hands on them.

_____ True _____ False

Does everyone speak in tongues when they are baptized in Jesus' name? [*Before answering read 1 Corinthians 12:3-11*].

_____ Yes _____ No

19:8-10 Paul's preference would have been to continue preaching in the synagogue, but he and the Christians were forced out. Where did the young church meet? In Corinth it was in the _____ of Titus Justus, a Gentile worshiper of God (Acts 18:7). In Ephesus he had daily discussions in the _____. (19:9).

19:11-16 Do demons submit to hypocrites? _____ Yes _____ No

19:17-22 How did the people show that they were really converted?

_____ They openly confessed their evil deeds.

_____ Those who practiced sorcery burnt their scrolls.

_____ They threw sand on their heads and wore sack cloth.

[2 correct answers]

19:23-41 When people converted to Paul's teaching they stopped buying little silver shrines. _____ True _____ False

The business of Demetrius and the other silver smiths was in

danger. _____ True _____ False

Did the riot led by Demetrius preserve the divine majesty of the goddess Artemis? _____ Yes _____ No

Did Demetrius get the roman officials to condemn the Christians? _____ Yes _____ No

20:1-6 In I Corinthians 16:1-4 and in 2 Corinthians 8 and 9 Paul speaks of an offering for the poor in Jerusalem. Men from several churches accompanied Paul on his way. They went with him _____ because Paul could not be trusted with the offering. _____ because Paul didn't want anyone to think that he or anyone

else

was using the money for personal use.

_____ because the offering was from the churches and not from

Paul.

[2 correct answers]

(Read 2 Corinthians 8:19-21 before answering)

20:7-12 The church met Sunday evening. This was significant because _____ It was the day Jesus rose from the dead.

_____ It was the day that the Holy Spirit was poured out: Pentecost fell on the first day of the week.

_____ It was the day that the people set aside their offering (1 Corinthians 16:2)

_____ It was later called the "Lord's Day" (Revelation 1:10).

_____ The Gentile church was not bound by the Jewish Sabbath (Saturday rest) rules (Colossians 2:16-17).

_____ It wasn't significant at all. Paul just happened to be in Troas this day and the church met especially to hear him.

[5 correct answers]

20:7-12 The believers gathered for the purpose of

_____ sharing in the Lord's Supper ("breaking bread")

(See 1 Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:17-33 on the Lord's Supper).

_____ hearing an encouraging word from the Scriptures, Paul being the speaker.

_____ having Paul explain the way of salvation to those who never heard it before.

[2 correct answers]

Eutychus could very well have put in a long day's work. Is he condemned for falling asleep and is Paul condemned for "talking on and on"? _____ Yes _____ No

20:13-17 *Note: Miletus is about 70 miles from Ephesus by land in western Turkey.*

Read 1 Timothy 3:1-13 about the qualifications for elders and deacons. "Elder" and "overseer" refer to the same position in the church.

_____ An elder was always an old man.

_____ An elder was to be a mature Christian who has proven himself faithful and capable of leadership (1 Timothy 3:6)

20:18-21 What was the heart of Paul's message.

_____ A self-help course on how to avoid conflict and enjoy life.

_____ A challenge to everyone to repent from sin and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ.

20:22-24 Read Romans 15:14-33. Paul considered his work completed in Asia (modern Turkey) and in Greece. He wrote, "there is no more place for me to work in these regions" (Romans 15:23) Where did Paul want to go to spread the gospel?

_____ Jerusalem. _____ Spain, with the help of the church in Rome.

20:25-31 The church belongs

_____ to Paul who built the church through missionary witness.

_____ to Christ who bought it with his own blood.

"Savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare

the flock" refers

_____ to elders who teach only part of the will of God or distort the truth of the gospel.

_____ to elders who do not submit to Christ or the other elders and start their own independent groups.

_____ Unbelieving Jews and Gentiles who persecute the church.

[2 correct answers]

20:32-35 Because he is the leader of the church, the elder should be the most wealthy. _____ True _____ False

What should be uppermost in the teaching and example of the pastor of a church?

_____ It is more blessed to give than to receive.

_____ That Christians should work in order to help the weak.

_____ The church is a "money machine" that can provide a leader with a good income.

[2 correct answers]

20:36-38 These elders were probably appointed by Paul to lead the church. Certainly many had been taught the essentials of the Christian faith by Paul. This scene on the beach showed that

_____ Paul ruled the church leaders with an iron hand.

_____ Paul and the elders loved each other deeply and suffered together in service of Christ.

21:1-6 While waiting for the ship to unload in Tyre Paul and his group stayed with the church there. As they were going back to the ship,

_____ All the disciples, their wives and children went with them.

_____ Only the men went with them.

Like on the beach at Miletus with the elders of Ephesus, the believers of Tyre said good-bye to Paul and his group after they

_____ all knelt to pray.

_____ exchanged presents.

21:7-16 Could the disciples dissuade Paul from continuing on to Jerusalem? Yes No

What was more important to Paul?

To go to Rome and then on Spain.

Complete his mission of bringing an offering to the poor of church in Jerusalem, even if it meant his death.

21:17-26 Why would Paul submit to Old Testament purification rituals to show that he did not disrespect the Hebrew Scriptures?

[Before answering please read 1 Corinthians 9:19-23]

He didn't want to offend Jewish believers and hinder their faith in Christ.

He wanted to show his submission to church authorities in matters that did not affect the core of the gospel of salvation in Christ through faith.

He could be hypocritical when it served his purposes.

[2 correct answers]

21:27-36 Did Paul bring Gentiles into a holy part of the temple reserved only for Jews? Yes No

Who accused Paul and started the riot?

The Jews who lived in Jerusalem.

Some Jews from Asia (Turkey) who knew Paul and who probably persecuted him there.

21:37-40 Paul could speak at least two languages fluently, Aramaic (a language similar to Hebrew) and Greek.

True False

22:1-23 What made the crowd become hysterical?

Paul told them how he had seen Jesus.

_____ Paul said that Jesus had told him to go far away and preach to the Gentiles.

22:23-29 What protected Paul from being killed by the Jews?

_____ The due process of law that was given to Roman citizens like Paul.

_____ The Roman commander became a Christian.

22:30-23:5 If a person in authority abuses power, are we justified in insulting him or her? _____ Yes _____ No

Did the Apostle Paul apologize when he realized that he had called the high priest a whitewashed wall? _____ Yes _____ No

23:6-11 Paul was able to divide the court (Sanhedrin) and get some Pharisees to take his side by saying that his hope was in the resurrection from the dead. _____ True _____ False

23:12-35 Forty men made an oath not to eat or drink until they had killed Paul. Did their oath help them to accomplish their aim?

_____ Yes _____ No

24:1-27 What do you think was going through Paul's mind at the trial?

_____ He wanted to be a witness in court for the Lord Jesus Christ who was the real person being tried all over again.

_____ He wanted to use his testimony as a way to get the message of the gospel across to high government officials.

_____ He tried every legal way he could to get his freedom so that he could continue his mission work.

[2 correct answers]

24:25 An essential part of presenting the gospel is to speak about

_____ righteousness and the judgment to come.

_____ the necessity for repentance and a turning away from sin.

_____ how God saves even when people do not repent or put their trust in Christ.

[2 correct answers]

24:24-25 What was Felix's reaction to Paul's presentation of the gospel?

_____ He freed Paul because he knew he was innocent.

_____ He postponed a decision to repent and change, but he continued to talk with Paul, hoping to receive a bribe.

24:23-27 Felix knew that Paul was not guilty of any crime and not a danger to society or to the Roman Empire, but he was a skillful politician.

_____ He kept Paul under guard but gave him some freedom for his friends to care for his needs.

_____ He wanted to do the Jews a favor so he left Paul in prison.

_____ He trusted in God and did what was just and fair.

[2 correct answers]

25:1-12 Why did Paul appeal to Caesar in Rome?

_____ If he were tried in Jerusalem, he probably would be killed.

_____ To be tried in Caesar's court would give Paul an opportunity to bear witness for Christ in Rome.

_____ He made use of his rights as a Roman citizen.

_____ He thought Roman law was better than Jewish law.

[3 correct answers]

25:13-22 People are still at a loss how to make an investigation about the claims of the gospel "about a dead man named Jesus...who is alive" (25:19). How do we accept this fact?

_____ The resurrection of Jesus is accepted by faith in the testimony of the Apostles who were eye witnesses.

_____ The resurrection was foretold by the Old Testament prophets.

_____ Paul who once would not believe saw the risen Lord on the way to Damascus.

_____ We blindly accept the tradition handed down to us.

[3 correct answers]

25:23-27 It seems ridiculous that a judge of a lower court could not formulate a charge against Paul. Even though Paul suffered great injustice, did he ever show disrespect for his judges, or the Roman government?

_____ Yes _____ No

26:1-23 What motivated Paul in everything he did?

_____ He aimed to leave his mark on the early church as one of its principle leaders.

_____ He was being obedient to Christ who met him in a vision on the way to Damascus (26:19).

26:24-32 What was Festa's reaction to Paul's defense?

_____ He thought Paul was not very intelligent or learned.

_____ He thought Paul was out of his mind, going insane.

Who had the greater and better freedom?

_____ Paul, the prisoner in chains, who saw the light, knew Christ, was forgiven, and free from the bondage of sin.

_____ Festus, the governor, and Agrippa, the king, who exercised great power and could move about as they wished.

27:1-44 What assured Paul that death would not overtake him or those who traveled with him?

_____ The good judgment of the Roman centurion (a commander of 100 soldiers) and the skill of the ship's captain.

_____ The angel of God who appeared to him at night to assure him that he would stand trial before Caesar (27:24).

In times of crisis what can best help us?

_____ Stop eating and sleeping, and give up.

_____ Trust God: and eat and sleep to prepare ourselves for the test that is coming.

28:1-10 *Note: The Island of Malta is about 50 miles south of the much larger Island of Sicily by the toe of the boot of Italy.*

In contrast to the Jews the people of the island of Malta showed Paul and those with him _____ (v. 2)

Mark 16:17-18 lists several signs that would accompany those

who believe. Two of them were fulfilled here among the islanders

28:11-16 When Christians who are suffering are visited by other believers:

- _____ they show their irritation for the disruption it brings.
- _____ they thank God and are greatly encouraged.

28:17-27 Whom did Paul call for as soon as he arrived in Rome?

- _____ The leaders of the church.
- _____ The leaders of the Jews.

The Jewish leaders

- _____ received letters from Jerusalem explaining Paul's situation and were ready to take up the case against Paul.
- _____ were courteous and wanted to hear what Paul had to say.
- _____ disagreed among themselves whether Paul's message showing how Jesus fulfilled the Old Testament Scriptures was true.

[2 correct answers]

28:26-27 These verses are a quote from Isaiah 6:9,10.

- _____ They are a call to wake up and make the correct decision.
- _____ They warn the listener that rebellion brings God's curse.
- _____ They say that it is impossible for someone to accept the gospel at a later date.

[2 correct answers]

28:28-31 God's promise to Paul that he would be able to preach the gospel in Rome and bear witness to Christ there was fulfilled.

- _____ True _____ False

While in Rome during these two years, Paul wrote four letters that are in the Bible. They are Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon.

Ephesians 6:19 "Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the

mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Philippians 1:15-18 "It is true that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill. The latter do so in love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. The former preach Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing that they can stir up trouble for me while I am in chains. But what does it matter? The important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true, Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice."

Philippians 4:11 "I have learned to be content in whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation."