

Review of Primary Tools

Life Issues Booklets

Introduction to *Life Issues* Booklets

The *Life Issues* booklets are designed to be used like “Cliffs Notes™” or “Spark Notes™” allowing a person to investigate without expending a substantial amount of time.

Each of the four booklets answers one critical question. The **first booklet** answers the question, “*How can Christians believe that the Bible is the Word of God without error?*” The **second booklet** addresses the question, “*How can Christians believe that all people, including moral and religious people outside of Christianity deserve eternal punishment?*” The **third booklet** deals with the question, “*How can Christians claim that among all the religious leaders, Jesus Christ is the only way to God?*” Finally, the **fourth booklet** answers the question, “*What did Jesus teach was required to have eternal life?*”

Whether investigating the answers for your own benefit or learning how to help others investigate, these next four weeks and the review sessions will prove to be a beneficial investment of your time.

The *Life Issues* booklets introduce the gospel in an understandable format, taking into consideration where an individual may be in their spiritual journey. As you are working through the *Life Issues* booklets pay particular attention to how the gospel is developed from one booklet to the next.

The gospel in the *Life Issues* booklets:

Book 1 - The Bible is the foundation for what to believe.

Book 2 - We have a problem, which is sin.

Book 3 - Christ is the solution for the problem.

Book 4 - There is a required response.

Life Issues Book 1
Is the Bible God's Word?

1. What are the two most important questions in life?

2. What are four reasons for saying the Bible can be reliably trusted to be God's Word?

The Gospel of John Chapters 1 - 5

The answers to the following questions are found in the verses noted in parenthesis.

1. To whom does the Word refer? Why is the name used? (1:1,14)

2. How did the world receive the Word? Why? (1:10)

3. Why was Christ called the Lamb of God? (1:29)

4. What is the significance of Christ's words, "Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up?" (2:19)

5. What did Jesus mean when He told Nicodemus he must be born again? (3:3)

6. What did Jesus say was necessary to have eternal life? (3:15)

7. What did Jesus mean when He said, "I tell you the truth, before Abraham was born, I am!?" (8:58)

8. How did Jesus describe His relationship with the Father? (5:18 - 24)

9. Can someone be right in relationship with God without being right in relationship to Christ? (5:23)

The Gospel of John Chapters 6 – 10

The answers to the following questions are found in the verses noted in parenthesis.

1. What does Jesus mean when He says He is the bread of life? (6:35)

2. What does Jesus mean when He keeps saying His hour has not yet come? (7:8, 30)

3. In Jesus' teaching, what did He say was the consequence of not believing that He was the Christ? (8:24)

Review of the Story of Glory

1. _____ with glory (glory means satisfaction);
 2. _____ from glory (Romans 3:23)
 3. _____ for glory; (Ps16:4a)
 4. _____ of glory (Christ in you)
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4. Jesus taught that to be His disciple meant to abide in His Word. What does it mean to abide in His Word? (8:31)

 5. What does it mean to be free? (8:32-36)

6. The Jews of Jesus' day certainly had a strong belief in God. Did Jesus accept such a belief as sufficient? (8:38, 47)

7. What did Jesus mean when He said, "The absolute truth is that I was in existence before Abraham was ever born!?" (8:58)

8. What does Jesus mean when He said, "I am the door for the Sheep?" (10:7)

9. Why did the Jews want to kill Jesus? (10:30-33)

Life Issues - Book 3
Is Jesus Christ the Only Way to God?

1. Why are people offended when they hear a Christian claim that Jesus is the only way to God?

2. Where does this claim originate?

3. What is the single most important reason to believe that Jesus is the only way to God?

4. If Christ is not the only way to God what would we conclude about His death on the cross?

5. What are four proofs of the deity of Christ?

6. What is the second of three required statements you should be able to tell God?

The Gospel of John Chapters 11 – 14

The answers to the following questions are found in the verses noted in parenthesis.

1. What did Jesus mean when he said that “I am the resurrection?” (11:25)
2. What does Christ’s being the resurrection mean for those who believe? (11:26)
3. What is the one condition Jesus gives for finding life? What does He mean by this? (12:25-26)
4. What does Jesus say is true of the person who serves Him?
5. In Jesus’ view is there any other way than believing and following Him for a person to find God? Why? (14:6)
6. How does Jesus describe His relationship with God the Father? (14:9-11)

7. What does Christ promise to those who will ask Him anything that honors Him? (14:13-14)

8. What is true of those who truly love Christ? (14:15, 21-24)

9. What does Jesus mean when He says He will leave a helper? (14:16-26)

Life Issues - Book 4
What is Required to Have Eternal Life?

1. What is the third required statement you should be able to tell God?

2. What is a simple definition of faith?

3. If faith is required for one to have access to the free gift of salvation, what is the inseparable companion of faith?

4. What happens to the person who has received the free gift of salvation?

The Gospel of John Chapters 15 – 21

The answers to the following questions are found in the verses noted in parenthesis.

1. Why is it better that Jesus left earth so that the Helper could come? (16:7-15)

2. What was Jesus referring to when He said, “In a little while you will see Me no more, and then after a little while you see Me”? (16:16)

3. Who is Jesus praying for in Chapter 17 and why?

4. Pilate raises a very important question in 18:38 “What is truth?”. How would you define truth (refer to verse 37)?

5. Why did Jesus permit these Jews to torture Him the way they did? (19:10-11)

6. In Chapters 20 & 21 John tells the story of resurrection of Jesus. If the resurrection is a historical fact, what are the implications for you? (Chapters 20 & 21)

7. What response to His life and ministry does Jesus want to see in us? (21:20-25)

8. Who was the disciple that Jesus loved so much?