(16-7-10s) Joshua to Samuel

GO-WORD is God (13)

Moses was not allowed to go into the land of Canaan because he failed to trust God and demonstrate holiness to the Israelites at Meribah. God took Moses up to a high mountain called Nebo to see the promise land and then the Bible says God buried Moses. Moses lived 120 years before he died.

God appointed Joshua to lead the Israelites after Moses. Joshua and Caleb were the only two men who left Egypt and entered Canaan. Under Joshua's leadership spies were again sent into Canaan and they went to Jericho. They were almost discovered but Rahab a woman who lived in Jericho protected them. She helped them escape from Jericho and in return the spies told her to hang a scarlet rope in the window of her house as a marker to protect her when Jericho was captured.

The spies returned to Joshua, and they set off for Jericho in Canaan. They first had to cross the Jordan river which was very deep for the time of year it was. God performed a miracle there by stopping the flow of the Jordan river during its flood stage and the people were able to cross over into the Promised land on dry ground. They came to the walls of Jericho and marched around the walls thirteen times once each day for six days and seven times on the seventh day. After they marched at Joshua's command, they all shouted together, and the walls of Jericho collapsed.

Jericho was the first victory and the next placed attacked was a small city called Ai. At this battle they were defeated, and Joshua asked God why. God told him it was because of a sin committed by Achan that they were defeated at Ai. Achan repented and was punished and then they were able to defeat Ai. At Gibeon, Joshua and the people were winning but they were running out of daylight. Joshua prayed and a miracle occurred, the sun and the moon stood still, and they won the battle. Joshua continued to lead the people and took back the land of Canaan the land God promised to Israel.

After Joshua's death there arose judges in the land to lead the people in times of war. Gideon was a judge whom God called when the Midianites attacked. With only three hundred men God helped Gideon defeat the Midianites. Samson was another judge who God blessed with mighty strength and Samson used it to defend the Israelites. There was a secret to Samson's strength and a woman named Delilah tricked Samson into telling her which caused his defeat.

Ruth is a book in the Bible about a gentile girl name Ruth who married into an Israelite family. Her story is in the Bible because she was faithful to her mother-in-law Naomi when her husband died. As a result of her faithfulness Ruth became a descendant to King David who was anointed to be King by the priest named Samuel.

Samuel was also a judge who was called by God as a child when God spoke to him during the night.

10s (109-126)

109 - Whom did God appoint to be the leader of Israel after Moses?

Ioshua

110 - Why was Moses not allowed to go into the land of Canaan?

Because he failed to trust God and demonstrate God's holiness to the Israelites at Meribah

111 - <u>From what</u> mountain did Moses see the Promised Land?

Nebo

112 - <u>How old was</u> Moses when he died? 120 years

113 - Who were the only two men who left Egypt and entered Canaan?

Ioshua and Caleb

114 - Who protected the spies Joshua sent to Jericho? *Rahab*

<u>115</u> - <u>How did Rahab</u> mark her house so she would be protected when Jericho was captured?

By placing a scarlet rope in the window of her house

116 - By what miracle did the Israelites enter the Promised Land?

God stopped the flow of the Jordan River during its flood stage.

117 - **How many times** did the Israelites march around the walls of Jericho?

Thirteen-once each day for six days and seven times on the seventh day

118 - What happened at Jericho when the Israelites shouted at Joshua's command?

The walls of Jericho collapsed.

119 - Whose sin caused the defeat at Ai? *Achan's*

120 - **What miracle occurred** when Joshua fought at Gibeon?

The sun and the moon stood still.

121 - Who defeated the Midianites with only three hundred men?

Gideon

122 - Which of the judges was very strong? Samson

123 - What woman tricked Samson into telling her the secret of his strength?

Delilah

124 - What Gentile girl decided to serve God because she loved her mother-in-law, Naomi?

Ruth

125 - What descendant of Ruth became king of Israel?

David

126 - What child heard the voice of God speak to him during the night?

Samuel

GO-WORD

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(16-7-20s) Humble, Saved, Loved

GO-WORD is God (15)

Humility played a big role in many of Jesus stories. In the parable of the Prodigal Son when the son came back home, the son humbled himself to his Father by saying "Father, I have sinned against both heaven and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.". In another story of the Pharisee (a community leader) and a tax collector (a rich man), Jesus showed the importance of being humble. The Pharisee stood and prayed 'I thank you God, that I am not like this tax collector". But the tax collector went off to the side and prayed "O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner." Jesus finished the story by saying "For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." God gives grace and salvation to the humble as defined in Ephesians 2:8 God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

Being humble before God is important for salvation but just as important is Jesus' blood sacrifice, without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin. Jesus took the punishment for ours sins when He died on Calvary, and if we accept Him as Savior we will not have to be punished by God. This is call vicarious atonement, vicarious means as replacing and atonement means it was payment for another. Just Jesus's sacrifice is payment for our sins, we also become children of God just like Jesus. We are adopted by God and have all the privileges of being a child of God, including eternal life, are restored.

This is the good news message and good news means gospel. Paul tells us the power of the gospel in, Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes. According to Hebrews 11:6, those who come to God must believe what? They must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him.

There are three great Christian virtues we find in, 1 Corinthians 13:13 Three things will last forever— faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love. Love is the greatest Christian virtue and Jesus emphasized this by combining the ten commandments into two which centers around love. The first and most important commandment is, Mark 12:30 "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." The second most important commandment is, Mark 12:31 "Love your neighbor as yourself." Both commandments combined explain why we should do good things, because we are saved, we do good things to show our love for God.

20s (361-372)

361 = **In Jesus'** story of the Pharisee and tax collector, what was the tax collector's prayer?

"O God, be merciful to me, for I am a sinner."

362 = What did the Prodigal Son say to his father when he came back home?

Father, I have sinned against both heaven [God] and you, and I am no longer worthy of being called your son.'

363 = **How important is the blood** of Jesus to our salvation? *Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sin.*

364 = What is meant by the vicarious atonement?

Jesus [Christ] took the punishment for our sins when He died on Calvary, and if we accept Him as Savior we will not have to be punished by God.

365 = QUOTATION QUESTION. Quote the verse of Romans chapter one which tells us the power of the gospel.

Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes.

366 = QUOTATION QUESTION. Quote the verse of Ephesians chapter two which tells us how we are saved.

Ephesians 2:8 God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God.

367 = In relationship to our salvation, what is meant by "adoption"?

All the privileges of being a child of God, including inheriting eternal life, are restored.

368 = **Since** we are saved because of what Jesus did and not what we do, why should Christians do good things?

Because we are saved, we do good things to show our love for God

369 = QUOTATION QUESTION. What are the three great Christian virtues?

1 Corinthians 13:13 Three things will last forever— faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.

<u>370</u> = <u>According to Hebrews</u> 11:6, those who come to God must believe what?

They must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him.

371 = QUOTATION QUESTION. What did Jesus say was the first and most important commandment?

Mark 12:30 "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength."

372 = QUOTATION QUESTION. What did Jesus say was the second-most important commandment?

Mark 12:31 "Love your neighbor as yourself."

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(16-7-30s) Under Construction			

30s (517-522)

517 > QUOTATION QUESTION. Quote the invitation of Jesus contained in Revelation chapter three.

Revelation 3:20 "Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends."

518 > QUOTATION QUESTION. According to Romans chapter ten, what should we do to be saved?

Romans 10:9 If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

- **519** > **What are some** evidences that a person is truly a Christian?
 - _Love for other Christians
 - _Affirmation of the [Holy] Spirit
 - _Bearing spiritual fruit
- 520 > Is it possible to stop being a Christian?

Yes, we must continue in faith and God's grace to remain God's children.

521 > **QUOTATION QUESTION. What definition** of faith is found in Hebrews 11:1?

Hebrews 11:1 Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.

522 > QUOTATION QUESTION. According to Philippians chapter one, what assurance do we have that God is able to keep us?

Philippians 1:6 And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.

GO-WORD

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