



Weekly Booster

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100 Of The Most Asked Bible Questions

Top 100 Most-Asked Question of the Bible – Excerpts from the Quest Study Bible (NIV) NIV, *Top 100 Most-Asked Questions of the Bible: Excerpts from The Quest Study Bible* Published by Zondervan, 2020 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49530, USA

You may have some of the same questions or will see a question you've wondered about but didn't take the time to look up the Bible reference. Below are the top 100 most asked questions and where in the Bible you can find the answer.

1. Are these literal 24-hour days? (Genesis 1:3–31)
2. Is “one man, one woman” the only kind of union God approves of? (Genesis 2:24)
3. What are angels, and how do they interact with the world today? (Genesis 28:12)
4. Who is God, what does he value, and how can we approach him? (Exodus 3:13–14)
5. How do I balance concern for the poor with the needs of my family? (Exodus 23:10–11)
6. Can our prayers cause God to change his mind? (Exodus 32:14)
7. How are these laws relevant to us today? (Leviticus 19:19–28)
8. Is there anything wrong with same-sex relations? (Leviticus 20:13)

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“Luck is where opportunity meets preparation.”

Reminders

January 28th

Men's Bible Study – 8:00 a.m.

January 29th

Youth, Jr/Sr Sunday School
Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.
HS Youth Group – 7:00 p.m.

February 1st

Encountering the New Testament
Study with Pastor David - Noon
Praise Team - 5:00 p.m.
Choir – 6:45 p.m.

February 2nd

T.O.P.S. – 5:30 p.m.

****Worship Assistants are needed
for February**

**** Fellowship Volunteers needed
sign-up in Fellowship Hall**



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9. Are Christians required to tithe? (Leviticus 27:30–33)
10. Which is better, spiritually speaking—to be rich or poor? (Deuteronomy 8:10–18)
11. Does the Bible speak to the issue of immigration? (Deuteronomy 10:19)
12. Is there a connection between spiritual and physical health? (Deuteronomy 28:58–63)
13. Why does God allow bad things to happen? (Deuteronomy 31:16–21)
14. What values does a Christian family hold? (Joshua 24:15)
15. Can we determine God's will by "putting out a fleece"? (Judges 6:36–40)
16. Which of the Bible's instructions regarding male and female roles are specific to first-century culture? (Ruth 4:1–22)
17. Does it matter when and where we pray? (1 Kings 8:29–30)
18. Can the Bible exaggerate and still be true? (2 Chronicles 1:9–15)
19. How can we handle guilt and regret over our past decisions? (Ezra 9:6)
20. Should Christians today observe the Sabbath? (Nehemiah 13:15–22)
21. Are people just pawns in God's chess game? (Job 1:13–19)
22. Is God responsible for Satan's actions or people's sins? (Job 19:8–12)
23. How much does the Bible explain about the afterlife? (Job 33:28–30)
24. If we are treated unfairly, is God still good? (Job 34:19)
25. Why does it sometimes seem like God is far away? (Psalm 10:1)
26. Why do our prayers seem ineffective at times? (Psalm 39:12)
27. Does God send troubles? (Psalm 71:20)
28. If I have a relationship with God, why do I feel so lonely? (Psalm 73:23)
29. Why does God choose some people and reject others? (Psalm 78:67–68)
30. Does anything prevent God from responding to our prayers? (Psalm 102:1–2)
31. How does a person *meditate* on God's Word? (Psalm 119:15)
32. Is there any "secular" evidence to support the Bible's claims? (Psalm 119:160)

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“Worry gives a little thing a big shadow.”

Volunteers Needed



Church Office Hours

**** Children & Jr.-Sr. High**
Sunday School 10:15
Questers (Adults) 10:30

****Chancel Choir –**
 Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.
 Sunday 8:30 a.m.

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Monday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00
Tuesday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00
Wednesday
CLOSED
Thursday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00
Friday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



What did Paul first thank God for concerning the Romans?

- a) their steadfastness in faith
- b) faith is proclaimed in the world
- c) They are humble
- d) They obeyed the laws

Who was Sheshbazzar in the book of Ezra?

- a) Prince of Judah
- b) Prince of Dan
- c) Prince of Ephraim
- d) Prince of Benjamin

What did Solomon say is under his bride's tongue?

- a) honey and milk
- b) fragrance
- c) choicest fruits
- d) spices

Check page 4 for answers from the previous week.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



29th – Kathy Bayless
 31st – Erika Stevens
 1st – Rena Richardson
 2nd – Dan Mauer, Cathy Shull
 3rd – Libby Ehlers

****See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office, or send an email to office@shen.church**

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Services are now on our Youtube
channel only.

<https://www.youtube.com/@shen.church8192/streams>

***Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: Terry Stafford**

Call to Worship

Leader: O Lord, who may abide in your tent?

People: Who may dwell on your holy hill?

L: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart.

P: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

“Blessed Are”

Old Testament Reading: Micah 6:1-8

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Third Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Songs

Be Thou My Vision #451

Beautiful Things (screens)

Open the Eyes of My Heart #3008

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing #400

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship - 51

Online Worship – 18

Our Mission:

“Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love.”

Our Vision:

“We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a difference in our world.”

**Answers for Jan 22nd are a) Timnath-serah b) Succoth d) Absalom
Quiz Hints – Q1) Romans Q2) Ezra Q3) 2 Song of Solomon**

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33. Is there any [secular] evidence to support the Bible's claims? (Psalm 119:160)
34. Is it wrong for Christians to use contraception? (Psalm 127:3–5)
35. Does the Bible define when human life begins? (Psalm 139:13)
36. Does God approve of war? (Psalm 144:1)
37. How do I show love to people who violate God's standards without endorsing their sin? (Proverbs 1:15)
38. How should children be disciplined? (Proverbs 19:18)
39. How can parents prepare their children to impact the world? (Proverbs 22:6)
40. Is it wrong for both parents to work outside of the home? (Proverbs 31:13–18)
41. How does God want us to save, spend and give our money? (Ecclesiastes 5:10)
42. What is the best way to share our faith in the workplace? (Ecclesiastes 9:10)
43. What does the Bible say about sex? (Song of Songs 2:3–7)
44. How involved should Christians be in caring for the earth? (Isaiah 24:17–23)
45. What does the Bible definitively reveal about creation? (Isaiah 45:12)
46. Does God change his plans based on what we do? (Jeremiah 26:3)
47. Has God revealed himself differently to different cultures and time periods? (Jeremiah 31:31)
48. What does the Bible say about the dangers of pornography? (Ezekiel 23:14–16)
49. How can we understand the Trinity? (Matthew 3:16–17)
50. What is hell like? (Matthew 5:21–30)
51. How can I tell if I have too much [stuff]? (Matthew 6:19–20)
52. How involved should the church be in politics? (Matthew 22:21)
53. What does it mean to love my neighbor? (Matthew 22:37–40)
54. How should Christians understand prayer? (Mark 1:35)
55. How can we, imperfect people, live the way Jesus wants us to live? (Mark 9:19–24)
56. Does the Bible approve of remarriage after divorce? (Mark 10:11–12)
57. Are natural disasters literally [acts of God]? Does he cause them? (Mark 13:8)
58. Can Christians lose their salvation? (Luke 8:13)
59. What are demons, and how do they interact with the world today? (Luke 9:37–43)
60. Does saving for retirement show a lack of trust in God? (Luke 12:16–21)
61. Does God give people a chance to believe in him after death? (Luke 16:19–31)
62. Does God expect me to forgive someone who keeps hurting me? (Luke 17:1–4)
63. Is there more to the gospel than being assured of heaven? (John 5:24)
64. Is accepting Jesus the only way for people to get to heaven? (John 14:6)
65. How can the Christian church become what Jesus intended? (John 14:12)
66. What is the Holy Spirit's role in evangelism? (Acts 1:8)
67. What about those who have never heard about Jesus? (Acts 4:12)
68. Does it matter which Bible translation Christians use? (Acts 8:26–30)
69. What is the value of baptism? (Acts 19:1–7)
70. How are we *justified*? (Romans 5:1)
71. Does sin ever quit? (Romans 7:14–25)
72. What determines a person's eternal destination? (Romans 10:9–10)
73. Does God expect me to keep my mind and body pure in today's culture? (1 Corinthians 6:18)

74. How do Christians practice evangelism in a culture that frowns on “proselytizing”? (1 Corinthians 9:19–23)
75. What is my purpose in life? And how can I be certain of it? (1 Corinthians 10:31)
76. How can we identify our spiritual gifts? (1 Corinthians 12:1–11)
77. Is there value in other religions like Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism? (Galatians 1:9)
78. As a Christian, am I supposed to do *good works*? (Ephesians 2:10)
79. What does the Bible mean about wives submitting to their husbands? (Ephesians 5:22–24)
80. What is spiritual warfare, and how does it affect me? (Ephesians 6:12)
81. What can Christians do to become more like Jesus? (Philippians 3:7–11)
82. In what ways should the church be serving the world? (Colossians 1:24–29)
83. How can we gain victory over secret sins? (Colossians 3:8–9)
84. Are we tempted by Satan or by our own evil desires? (1 Thessalonians 3:5)
85. What does it mean to be *sanctified*? (1 Thessalonians 4:3–12)
86. Should women be prohibited from certain leadership roles within the church? (1 Timothy 2:12)
87. How important is it that we understand all doctrines correctly? (1 Timothy 4:16)
88. How should Christians teach their children about God? (2 Timothy 1:5)
89. Does the Bible have answers for all of today’s moral dilemmas? (2 Timothy 2:15)
90. Does it matter which denomination my church belongs to? (Titus 3:9)
91. How do we know the Bible is true? (Hebrews 4:12)
92. Do Christians really need to attend church? (Hebrews 10:24–25)
93. What does it mean to have faith? (Hebrews 11:1)
94. In what ways can people experience God today? (James 4:8–10)
95. Should we regularly confess our sins to other Christians? (James 5:16)
96. How much influence does Satan have in the world today? (1 Peter 5:8)
97. What do we know about *a new heaven and a new earth*? (2 Peter 3:13)
98. Why are so many parts of the Bible difficult to understand? (2 Peter 3:16)
99. What happens to a Christian between death and the day of judgment? (1 John 4:17)
100. What is heaven like? (Revelation 4:1–11)

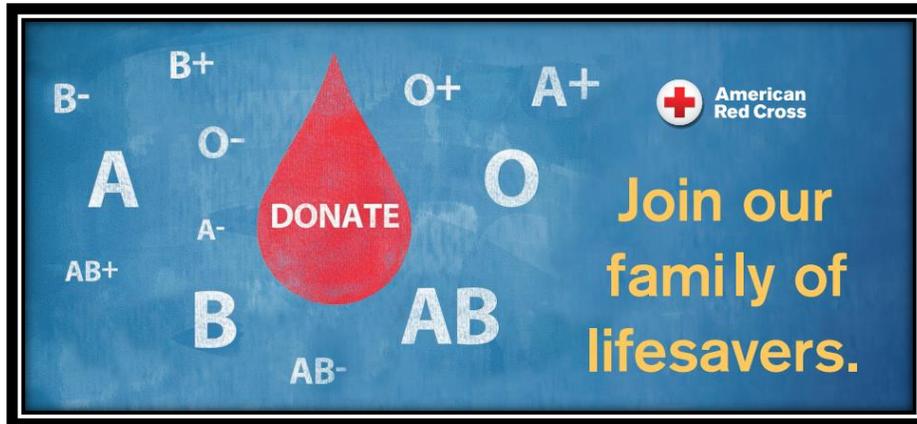


Graveside service for Ethel Isaacson Gentes will be held on Saturday, January 28th starting at 11:00 am at the Summit Cemetery (north of Yorktown). There will be a luncheon following the service at the Yorktown Community Center.

Suggested donation list for **February 2023**. We appreciate any and all donations! If you have questions or would like to tour the Food Pantry, please call 712-246-2093.

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| ✓ Non-sugared cereal | ✓ Chili and Chunky style soup |
| ✓ Mandarin oranges and pineapple | ✓ Cake and brownie mixes |
| ✓ Jelly | ✓ Taco shells and taco seasoning |
| ✓ Dry powdered milk | ✓ Kleenex |
| ✓ Tuna and Chicken Helpers | ✓ Shampoo and conditioner |





Blood Donor Ambassador Volunteers Needed!

Blood Drive Volunteers Save Lives! Did you know someone in the US needs blood every two seconds? To meet this critical need, the American Red Cross is looking for friendly, enthusiastic individuals to volunteer at blood drives in your community.

Blood Donor Ambassadors help provide excellent and professional customer service in a medical setting to enhance the donor experience by greeting and assisting donors with the initial intake and donation process. Choose your location and one or two 4-6 hour shifts per month. Free training! Must be 13 or older. APPLY TODAY! Scan the QR code or go to www.redcross.org/volunteer. For more information email us at NEIAVolunteer@redcross.org.

Youth Volunteers at Blood Drives:

- Individuals ages 13-15 require additional adult supervision to volunteer at a blood drive. Additional adult supervision can be provided by a parent, guardian, sibling, teacher, youth club coordinator, or other adult.
- Individuals ages 16-17 years of age may volunteer at a blood drive without additional adult supervision. Most blood collection happens during the day, Monday through Friday.

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20th Annual Clarinda Lutheran School
German Dinner
Sunday, February 5, 2023
Starting at 11 a.m.

Menu

Marinated Pork Loins
Bratwurst
Bavarian Sauerkraut
Hot German Potato Salad
Green Beans with Bacon
Escalloped Apples
Homemade German Breads
German Chocolate Cake
Peach Kuchen Lemon Streusel
Black Forest Cake Banana Rum Cake

Clarinda Lutheran School
707 W. Scidmore
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Silent Auction opens at 10:30 a.m. until 1:15 p.m.

**This is a benefit dinner for the operational expenses of
the educational ministry of Clarinda Lutheran School.
Cost of the meal is a free will donation.**

Call (712) 542-3657 for reservations



Share My Smile (Pottawattamie County) is looking for a County Ambassador Volunteer. The County Ambassadors will be a resource and liaison between foster/adoptive families in the county they serve. They will do this by connecting and referring foster/adoptive families to the enrollment form and inviting all foster/adoptive families in their area to events and to participate in programs. CA's have creative autonomy with ways to connect and engage new families. They may do this at TIPSMAPP classes, foster parent training classes, or by email introducing themselves. CA's will also work in partnership with the Executive Director to increase Share My Smile brand awareness. They may wish to attend local support groups, churches, or other activities that allow the CA to meet and connect with potential sponsors and donors. More information is available on the counter of the Welcome Center.



Methodist Minute: John Wesley at Oxford University

Early on in John Wesley's childhood, one could see that he was a deep thinker, logical, methodical, and deeply invested in religion. At 17, John enrolled at Oxford University and excelled in his studies. He stayed on at Oxford to earn his Master's degree for ordination. He was reluctant to enter into the priesthood, but those around him saw it as a natural fit.

While at Oxford he was exposed to spiritual writings that encouraged the use of journaling and personal rules for holiness and imitating Jesus. He also read a book on personal health which led him to a life of moderation and even austerity. He committed himself to daily prayer and examination; once in the morning and once in the evening. He strove to eliminate all idle time from his life in order to devote his entire being to the study of theology and the pursuit of personal holiness. According to his journals, his intentions were much further along than his actual practice.

What we see emerging in John Wesley, though, is a tension between his logical way of being in the world expressed through his personal rule of life and his romantic side expressed through the poetry that he wrote and the women he fell in love with. This same tension between reason and passion is a unique identifier of the Methodist movement.

While John had a zest for life, he also strove to follow this one general rule: "Whenever you are to do an action, consider how Christ did or would do the like and you are to imitate his example."

Grace and peace,

Pastor David B. Clark
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