

Great Bible Questions

- Where Art Thou?
- Am I Responsible?
- Will I Live Again?
- What Is The Gain?
- To Whom Shall We Go?
- How Shall We Escape?
- Who Will Stand?
- What Am I To Do?

A **DIRECT** statement from God's **TRUTH**, can **MOVE** sincere people, to **SERVE** from the heart.

- “**KNOWING** therefore, the **TERROR** of the Lord, we **PERSUADE** men;” ([2Cor.5:11a](#))

Sometimes a **QUESTION**, may turn a light bulb on, in our Thinking, Reasoning and Understanding. and so, we have some “**Great Bible Questions**”, for our consideration. Which is the title of the lesson.

The First recorded Question, that God Asked Man is,

I. “Where Art Thou?”

Recall the Biblical Record, regarding the Garden of Eden, and the Tree of Knowledge, of Good and Evil? The Bible says that,

- “the Lord God **called unto Adam**, and said unto him, **Where art thou?**” ([Gen.3:9](#))

When God came and asked the question, Adam and Eve **HID** among the trees ([Gen.3:8](#)).

But the Bible says that it is,

A. Impossible to Hide From God

Regarding the commitment to serve, in helping to secure the Promised Land, Moses warned,

- “But **IF** ye will **NOT** Do so, behold, ye have sinned **AGAINST** the Lord: and **Be SURE**, your sin will **FIND** you out.” ([Num.32:23](#))
- “**NEITHER** is there **ANY** creature, that is **NOT** manifest in **His SIGHT**: but **ALL** things are **NAKED** and **OPENED** unto the **EYES** of Him, with Whom we have to do.” ([Heb.4:13](#))

B. Where Am I, and Where Are You?

This is not a question of geography, but a question of spiritual self-examination.

Are we are in the world?

- “the **WAGES** of sin is **DEATH**; but the **GIFT** of God, is Eternal Life, **THROUGH** Jesus Christ our Lord.” ([Rom.6:23](#))
- When we are with**OUT** Christ, we are, “...**ALIENS** from the commonwealth of Israel, and **STRANGERS** from the covenants of **PROMISE**, having **NO** hope, and **with**OUT**** God in the world:” ([Eph.2:12](#))
- “Therefore let **ALL** the house of **ISRAEL**, know **ASSUREDLY**, that God hath **MADE** that same **JESUS**, Whom ye have **CRUCIFIED**, both **Lord** and **Christ**.³⁷ Now when they **HEARD** this, they were **PRICKED** in their heart, and said unto Peter, and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, **WHAT shall we DO?**” ([Acts 2:36-37](#))

In considering where we are spiritually, **Are we REMAINING Faithful?**

- Paul said, “I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you, that ye **WALK** worthy of the **VOCATION** wherewith ye are **CALLED**,” ([Eph.4:1](#))

Persecuted christians of the 1st century, were told,

- “Fear none of those things which thou shalt **SUFFER**: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may Be **TRIED**; and ye shall Have **TRIBULATION** ten days: **Be** thou **FAITHFUL** unto **DEATH**, and I will **GIVE** thee, a crown of **LIFE**.” ([Rev.2:10b](#))
- “he that shall **ENDURE** unto the **END**, the same shall be **SAVED**.” ([Matt.24:13](#))

Another Great Bible Question is,

II. “Am I My Brother’s Keeper?”

...Which was Cain’s Effort, To Escape Responsibility.

[Gen.4:9](#) reads,

- “And the Lord said unto Cain, **Where is Abel thy brother?**
And he said, I know not: **Am I my brother’s keeper?**”

A. Cain WAS, or at least should have been, His brother’s Keeper

- The Lord said, “**WHAT hast thou DONE?**
the voice of thy brother’s blood, crieth unto Me, from the ground.” ([Gen.4:10](#))

The Great Bible Question of, “Am I My Brother’s Keeper”, demands that we ask,

B. Are We Responsible for OTHERS?

Do we have ANY Responsibility, to the LOST?

- Paul said, “the (spiritual) things, that thou hast **HEARD** of me, among many witnesses, the same, **COMMIT** thou to faithful men, who **Shall Be ABLE**, to **TEACH OTHERS also.**” ([2Tim.2:2](#))
- “**I am DEBTOR**, both to the Greeks, **AND** to the Barbarians; both to the wise, **AND** to the unwise.
¹⁵ So, **AS MUCH AS IN ME IS**, I am **Ready to PREACH the Gospel**, to you that are at Rome also.
¹⁶ For I am **NOT ashamed of the GOSPEL of Christ**: for **IT IS**, the **POWER of God, unto SALVATION TO every one** that **BELIEVETH**; to the Jew first, **AND** also to the Greek.” ([Rom.1:14-16](#))

Do we have ANY Responsibility, to WEAK brethren?

- “We then that are **STRONG**, ought to BEAR, the infirmities of the weak, and **NOT** to please ourselves.” ([Rom.15:1](#))
- “Now we exhort you, brethren, **WARN** them that are unruly, **COMFORT** the feebleminded, **SUPPORT** the weak, **BE PATIENT** toward all men.” ([1Thess.5:14](#))

Do we have ANY Responsibility, to those who have become UNFAITHFUL?

- “Brethren, **IF** a man **Be OVERTAKEN** in a fault, ye which are spiritual, **RESTORE** such an one **IN the SPIRIT** of meekness; **CONSIDERING** thyself, lest thou also **Be TEMPTED.**” ([Gal.6:1](#))
- “**Brethren, IF any of YOU**, do **ERR** from the **Truth**, and one **CONVERT** him;
²⁰ let him know that, he which **CONVERTETH** the sinner, from the **ERROR** of his way shall **SAVE** a soul from **DEATH**, and shall **HIDE** a multitude of **SINS.**” ([Jas.5:19-20](#))

Notice A Great Bible Question, of Eternal Importance.

III. “If A Man Die, Shall He Live Again?”

all the days of my appointed time, will I wait, till my change come.” (reads [Job 14:14](#))

Surely no accountable person, with any depth, ever lived, whose mind has not been occupied with this question.

One **canNOT** answer it, from **Experience**, **NOR** from **Reasoning**.

A. The ANSWER is Revealed

- Paul said, “I would not have you, to **Be IGNORANT**, brethren, concerning them which are **ASLEEP**, that ye sorrow **NOT**, even **AS others** which have **NO hope**.
¹⁴ For **IF** we believe that **Jesus DIED** and **ROSE** again, even so them also, which sleep IN Jesus, will **God BRING with Him**.” ([1Thess.4:13-14](#))
- “Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall **NOT all SLEEP**, but we shall **ALL Be CHANGED**, ⁵² **IN a moment**, **IN the twinkling of an eye**, **AT the last trump**: for the **TRUMPET** shall sound, and the **DEAD** shall Be **RAISED incorruptible**, and we shall **Be CHANGED**.
⁵³ For this corruptible, must **PUT ON** incorruption, and this mortal, must **PUT ON** immortality.” ([1Cor.15:51-53](#))

We all need to,

B. Make Preparation, While We Are Alive

John wrote,

- “Marvel not at this: for the **HOUR is COMING**, in the which, **ALL** that are **IN** the Graves, shall **HEAR His Voice**, ²⁹ and shall **COME forth**; they that Have DONE GOOD, unto the resurrection of LIFE; and they that Have DONE EVIL, unto the resurrection of DAMNATION.” ([Jn.5:28-29](#))

Concerning, Correct Evaluation of One’s Soul, Jesus asked,

IV. “For What is A Man Profited

IF he shall GAIN the whole world, and LOSE his own soul?
or WHAT shall a man GIVE, in EXCHANGE for his SOUL?” (reads [Matt.16:26](#))

Would we trade our soul, for Solomon’s gold?

A. Death is the Great Equalizer

The Bible says,

- “For we brought NOTHING into this world, and it **IS CERTAIN**, we can carry NOTHING out.” ([1Tim.6:7](#))

So, Are we **READY?**

What could be **GAINED** in the flesh? Absolutely **NOTHING** that matters in the **END**.

B. What Could Be **LOST** spiritually in Eternity? **EVERYTHING!**

- Some, “shall be **PUNISHED** with Everlasting DESTRUCTION (that is, Destruction without End), **FROM** the Presence of the **Lord**, and **FROM** the Glory of His POWER,” ([2Thess.1:9](#))

V. **“To Whom Shall We Go?”**

[Jn.6:66-68](#) says that,

- “...many of His disciples went BACK, and **walked NO more with Him**.
67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, **Will ye also GO away?**
68 Then Simon Peter answered Him, Lord, **To whom shall we go?**
Thou hast the **Words of eternal LIFE.**” (that’s [Jn.6:66-68a](#))

A. **Do We Go, To Our Own Wisdom?**

The Bible says,

- “O Lord, I **KNOW** that the way of man is **NOT in himself**:
it is **NOT in man** that walketh, to **DIRECT** his (own) steps.” ([Jer.10:23](#))
- “There is A WAY, which **SEEMETH right** unto a man,
but the **END** thereof, are the WAYS of **DEATH.**” ([Prov.14:12](#))

B. **Do We SEEK Councils OF MEN? ...OR From Denominationalism?**

Jesus said,

- “But **IN VAIN** they do worship Me,
TEACHING for doctrines, the **Commandments OF MEN.**” ([Matt.15:9](#))
- “...**EVERY PLANT**, which My heavenly Father hath **NOT planted**,
shall be **ROOTED UP.**” ([Matt.15:13](#))

C. **Do We FOLLOW AFTER Brethren, and THEIR Practices?**

The Bible warns,

- “**OF your own SELVES**, shall men **ARISE**, speaking PERVERSE things,
to **DRAW AWAY** disciples AFTER them.” ([Acts 20:30](#))

Peter answered Jesus, “To Whom Shall We Go?”

D. **“Thou Hast The Words of Eternal Life”** ([Jn.6:68](#))

- Jesus said, “**I AM** the **WAY**, the **TRUTH**, and the **LIFE**:
NO man **COMETH** unto the Father, **BUT** by Me.” ([Jn.14:6](#))
- “God, Who at sundry times (or, in many parts), and in divers manners (or, in many ways),
SPAKE in **TIME PAST** unto the fathers, **BY** the prophets,
...Which refers to the various occasions, and different times throughout history,
and emphasizes the diversity, and multiplicity of God's communication, with humanity in the past.

So, God,

²hath in these last days, **SPOKEN** unto us **BY His Son**, Whom He hath appointed HEIR of **ALL things**,
BY Whom also, He **MADE** the worlds;” ([Heb.1:1-2](#))

...Which highlights, that the culmination, and fullness of God's revelation, is **IN Christ Jesus**.

- Jesus said, “He that **REJECTETH** Me, and receiveth NOT My Words, hath **ONE** that **JUDGETH** him:
the **WORD** that I have SPOKEN, the same shall **JUDGE** him in the last day.” ([Jn.12:48](#))

If We Have **NO Other AUTHORITY**, Then We Have **NO Other HOPE**.

And so, another Great Bible Question is,

VI. “How Shall We Escape

IF we neglect so GREAT Salvation;

which at the first began to be spoken, by the Lord,

and was confirmed unto us, by them that heard Him;” ([Heb.2:3](#))

A. There Will Be, ONLY Two Destinies

One will be mine, and one will be yours.

- Some, “shall **GO AWAY** into everlasting PUNISHMENT: but the **Righteous**, into **LIFE eternal**.” ([Matt.25:46](#))

One CAN go to hell, Simply by Doing NOTHING.

- God will take “...vengeance on them that **KNOW NOT God**, **AND**, that **OBEY NOT** the **gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ:” ([2Thess.1:8](#))

In Contrast, One canNOT Get To Heaven, By Doing NOTHING.

- Jesus said, “**NOT** every one that **SAITH** unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall **ENTER** into the kingdom of heaven; but he that **DOETH** the **Will** of My Father which is **IN** Heaven.” ([Matt.7:21](#))
- “and being made perfect, He (that is, Christ Jesus) became the **AUTHOR** of eternal SALVATION unto ALL them, that **OBEY Him**;” ([Heb.5:9](#))

B. Do We Plan On Making Things Right with the Lord, LATER?

The Road to hell is paved, with many good INTENTIONS.

- “(For he saith, I have heard thee in a **TIME** accepted, and in the **DAY** of salvation, have I **SUCCURED** thee: behold, **NOW** is the accepted TIME; behold, **NOW** is the day of **SALVATION**.)” ([2Cor.6:2](#))

The Bible says, as Paul,

- “**REASONED** of Righteousness, Temperance, and Judgment to **COME**, Felix **TREMLED**, and answered, **GO** thy way for this **TIME**; **WHEN** I have a convenient SEASON, I will **CALL** for thee.” ([Acts 24:25](#))

It is NOT Convenience that will Get One To Heaven, but CONVICTION to Act, Upon the Word of God.

Concerning the Jailor at Philippi,, The Bible says,

- “he took them (that is, Paul & Silas) the **SAME HOUR** of the night (**NOT** at a “convenient season”), and washed their stripes (that is, he repented with godly sorrow); and was **BAPTIZED**, he and all his (that is, his family or household), **STRAIGHTWAY**.” ([Acts 16:33](#))

The Previous Study, Leads To This Great Bible Question,

“for the great day of His wrath is come; and

VII. Who Shall Be Able To Stand?” ([Rev.6:17](#))

A. Notice The question ASKED, then ANSWERED

- “Who shall **ASCEND** into the hill of the Lord? or **who shall STAND** in His Holy Place?
4 He that hath **CLEAN** hands, and a **PURE** heart; who hath **NOT** lifted up his **SOUL** unto **VANITY**, **NOR** sworn **deceitfully**.” (reads [Psa.24:3-4](#))

B. None will Stand, IF they do NOT Obey the Gospel

Concerning Phillip and the Ethiopian Eunuch, The Bible reveals,

- “**AS** they **WENT** on their way, they **CAME** unto a certain WATER: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; **WHAT doth hinder me to Be BAPTIZED?**
³⁷ And Phillip said, **IF thou BELIEVEST with ALL thine HEART, thou mayest.**
And he answered and said, **I believe that Jesus Christ IS the Son of God.**

³⁸ And he commanded the chariot to stand still:

and **they went down, both into the water**, both Phillip and the eunuch; and **he BAPTIZED him.**

³⁹ And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Phillip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he **WENT** on his way REJOICING.” ([Acts 8:36-39](#))

C. How Many Christians Will Stand?

- The Bible says, “Wherefore **TAKE** unto you the **WHOLE armour OF God** (not just some of it, or what we like) that ye may **BE ABLE** to **withSTAND** in the evil day, and **HAVING DONE ALL, To STAND.**” ([Eph.6:13](#))

It is Essential, to **STAND For TRUTH.**

- Because some, “...**RECEIVED NOT** the **Love** of the **TRUTH**, that they might be **SAVED.**” ([2Thess.2:10b](#))

It is Also essential, to **STAND Against ERROR.**

- Because we are told to, “have **NO fellowship** with the unfruitful works of **DARKNESS**, but rather **REPROVE** them.” (reads [Eph.5:11](#))

If We Have **NOT** yet, **Taken A Spiritual STAND,**

We Need To **ASK**, The Same **Great Bible Question**, that Saul was **ASKED.**

...**AS**, “he trembling and astonished said, Lord,

VIII. What Wilt Thou Have Me To Do?

And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee, **WHAT thou MUST DO.**” ([Acts 9:6](#))

A. To the Lost, The Answer is The Same, As it Was To Saul

- “And now why tarriest thou? (that is, why wait?) arise, and **Be BAPTIZED**, and **WASH AWAY** thy sins, Calling on the **NAME** of the Lord.” ([Acts 22:16](#))
- “And immediately there fell from his eyes, as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was **BAPTIZED.**” ([Acts 9:18](#))

B. If you were once Baptized into Christ, but have since become Unfaithful.

- The Bible says to those who, “...hast **LEFT** thy first LOVE.
⁵ **REMEMBER** therefore from whence thou art **FALLEN**, and **REPENT**, and **DO** the first WORKS; or **ELSE**, I will **COME** unto thee quickly, and will **REMOVE** thy candlestick **OUT** of his place, Except thou REPENT.” ([Rev.2:4-5](#))

Some should go to the Heavenly Father, and say unto Him,

- Father, I have sinned **AGAINST** Heaven, and **BEFORE** thee,” ([Lk.15:18b](#))
- “**IF** we **CONFESS** our sins, **He** is **FAITHFUL** and **JUST** to, **FORGIVE** us our sins, and to **CLEANSE** us, from ALL UNrighteousness.” ([1Jn.1:9](#))

IX. IN CLOSING

Don't ever forget these, **Great Bible Questions**.

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In light of these questions, consider the last question of this lesson, SOBERLY.

Saul (who later became Paul) was **CONVICTED**; Wanted to **SERVE**, and he **OBEYED** from heart.
What about me, and what about you?

Saul was asked,

- “**WHY TARRIEST THOU?** (that is, **WHY WAIT?**)
arise, and **Be BAPTIZED**, and **WASH AWAY thy sins**,
calling on, the Name of the Lord.” ([Acts 22:16](#))
- “the Spirit and the bride say, **COME**.
And **Let** him that Heareth say, **COME**.
And **Let** him that is Athirst **COME**.
And whosoever **WILL**,
Let him **TAKE**, the **Water of LIFE**, freely.” ([Rev.22:17](#))

The Lord Invites, and we await to assist.

If you have a spiritual Need,
Come without delay, while together, we stand and sing.