

Unit 7: Faith and Works and Water Baptism

Unit Introduction

It is so hard for the natural man to understand that salvation, or heaven, is gained by faith alone apart from works. This seems so unfair to the natural mind. The natural mind does understand that it takes goodness to make it to heaven. But they don't understand that that goodness that is needed does not come from us doing good works. Rather it comes from the goodness of Christ.

Every once in a while you hear this being discussed on radio or tv. I remember once a famous Christian leader suggested that Mother Teresa, a Catholic nun famous for her work among the needy, will probably not be in heaven. Well, everyone was stunned by that statement! Yet the statement is true in that she will not make it to heaven no matter how good her works are. She will only make it if she trusts Christ.

But the natural man often does like the idea of contributing to his salvation. So, works are always added. Remember, works are always THE issue in speaking with unbelievers. Besides works in general, another specific work that's added by some is water baptism

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Lesson Introduction

The following is an adaptation from Dr. Scudder's sermon.

This topic is important and easy to get wrong. I have gone to church after church and they may have everything else right, and then when they get to James 2 they mess it up. And really I think it's very clear. But even Martin Luther--and I tell you he was a great, great man of God--he just thought that the book of James wasn't part of the Canon of scripture. He was so much into grace that he couldn't accept James as being part of the Bible, because James taught a justification by works. Now don't hold that against him; remember where he came from and how far he came. The reformers didn't clear up everything, they still baptized babies among other things, and that is wrong.

So, I want us to look at this passage because I've had people misuse this many times over.

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Topic 1: James 2:14-24

Out of all the New Testament books, James is the one most used by opponents of the teaching that faith alone saves. And, out of all the passages in James, this is the one these teachers most often use.

The opponents try to use James to say "faith alone saves, but the faith that is alone does not save". They try to teach that faith must result in the works James talks about or it really is not true faith. Many even go so far as to say that that type of faith is not saving faith.

This is a serious challenge. That's why it is so important to study this passage to find out exactly what James is talking about.

Topic 1: James 2:14-24

Once Through

Now I want us to look real seriously tonight, and I want us to look at this, first of all this passage that we are going to be covering and I want us to look at it because I tell you, I've had people misuse this over and over and over and over. In James 2:14, what does it profit, now I want you before I finish reading it, look at that word profit. Look at that word profit, now remember, salvation never comes as a profit, it is always a gift. I'm just saying that. That word profit is extremely important for you to understand this passage. What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he have faith, and have not works? can faith save him? Now, see, so many people take this to mean, this is salvation. And can faith save him? Yes, faith can save him. In verse 15, If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; not withstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. Is this talking about salvation? Keep looking. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Now I want us to look at this very, very seriously. This is the one area that people are really confused on.

QUESTION 1

The word in James 2:14 that is extremely important for you to understand in this passage is _____.

QUESTION 2

Faith alone apart from works can save us for initial salvation. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

Topic 1: James 2:14-24

The Context

Now, whenever you study scripture, it is very important that we always ask some questions. First of all, to whom is the author writing? To lost or to saved people? That is very important to start out. To whom is the author writing? To lost or to saved people? Number two, is what situation prompted the writing of this passage? Number three, a careful study of the passage, verse-by-verse, not adding to or taking away from the Word of God. Now, first of all, I want to ask the question, who is it written to? It is written to the saved. That is all through the book of James. It says what does it profit my brethren? You see, no one can be called a brother that is not saved. You do not call unsaved people brethren. That would be a sin against

God, God never wants us to call the unsaved, an unmixed multitude, brethren. My brethren. The entire epistle, number two, is written to the Christians for their instructions on conduct and Christian service. And now we are going to look at a verse-by-verse explanation of this passage, and I think it is very very important that we see it.

Question 3

What two questions does the author suggest to ask ourselves to get important background information on this passage?

QUESTION 4

James is written to _____ .

- A. Those already saved
- B. Those needing salvation
- C. A mixed group of saved and unsaved
- D. We have no way of knowing

QUESTION 5

This entire book is written to Christians for their instruction on _____ .

- A. Law
- B. Positional truth
- C. Salvation
- D. Service

Topic 2: James 2:14

Here James asks the question that seems to directly contradict what Paul says:

“Though a man say he hath faith, and have not works; can faith save him?” Meanwhile Paul says, “But to the one who does not work, but believes in the one who declares the ungodly righteous, his faith is credited as righteousness” (Rom 4:5).

We know that Scripture properly interpreted cannot contradict itself, so how do we reconcile these two teachings from these inspired writers?

What Does It Profit?

Okay, What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him? James asks if there is any profit, any value, any fruit if a man claims to have faith in Christ and yet doesn't live and serve as a Christian should. Now remember there is a big difference in discipleship and being a Christian. To me this passage clearly states, clearly, the difference between discipleship and being a Christian. Being a Christian is a gift that is given by God. Discipleship takes work on our part,

and we got to be able to see the difference, it is very important that we be able to see this, it really is. You know Christians are told, it in Ephesians 2:10, you know we quote Ephesians 2:8 and 9 all the time, but Ephesians 2:10 says, For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath been before ordained that we should walk in them. See, we should walk in good works. We are saved so that we can serve. No, every Christian doesn't serve. The Corinthians Christians did not serve. I mean they served, but they were sure mixed up. You see we are to have good works. The normal Christian life should be good works. The problem is a lot of Christians never find the normal Christian life because their churches are not teaching the Word of God. And they never find what is normal. They never find what is happy. You see we are created unto good works which God has before ordained that we should walk in them, not that we will walk in them, but we should walk in them. Oh, it is so important to walk as God wants us to walk, and to walk in good works and to do what God wants us to do. It is so important to do that. I want you to be able to see that, I want you to be able to see that example. It is true that those who are saved are saved by faith and not by works, but after they are saved God wants them to do good works. God wants every Christian to have good works. He wants every Christian to be as loyal as he possibly can be. Look at Titus 3:8, This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men. It's not guaranteed. If every Christian automatically served God, there would be no failures. There would be no times that people do things wrong. Once you became a Christian it would be it and everybody would want to be a preacher. Because there would be no problems. Everybody would be saved and everybody would serve, and everybody would be wonderful. It doesn't work that way. People get saved and now they have got the power to do what God wants them to do, they have got the power to crucify the old nature, they've got the power to just reckon the old nature dead. They have got the power to live in the new nature, but they don't always do it. If you don't grow, that's why Paul said some of your are still babes.

QUESTION 6

Which of the following verses would you use to show someone how important it is for a Christian to live a life of good works? (*Select all that apply.*) Answer: _____

- A. Acts 4:12
- B. Ephesians 2:10
- C. Titus 3:8
- D. James 2:14

QUESTION 7

Which of the following do Christians have the power to do that unbelievers do not? (*Select all that apply.*) Answer: _____

- A. To crucify the old nature
- B. To eliminate the old nature
- C. To reckon the old nature dead
- D. To walk in the new nature

Are We Fruitful?

Assignment

- Please memorize Titus 3:14.
- Please memorize John 15:2.

Look at Titus 3:14, And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful. Not to be saved, but to be fruitful. Do you see that? Oh, God wants us to be fruitful. He wants our lives to produce, and He wants us to be profitable. No, not profitable in the way that the world is, He wants us to be profitable in our Christian life. So to answer James's first question there is no profit, no fruit, if a man says that he has faith but does not produce any works. He is saved but he is an unfruitful Christian. John 15:2 warns those who are saved in Christ, but do not bear fruit. I want you to look at that. John 15:2, Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now you say that means a Christian can be lost. No it does not. He says as a branch. No, John chapter 15 does not say that a Christian can be lost. What it is saying, and I believe brother Schneller calls it a bonfire, don't you? There's going to be a bonfire in Heaven, and there will be, and we are going to see the unfruitful things that we've done burned off. That is in First Corinthians 3. There is going to be a bonfire in Heaven. Now no, once a Christian is saved you can never be unsaved, but I tell you, it is a very dangerous thing for a Christian. No, God says this just so you can realize the seriousness of serving Him. Not to be paranoid, when you're paranoid, you are no good, your not going to help God. The way you serve God is by realizing the wonders of God and the seriousness of serving Him. It is very very important that we learned to do this.

QUESTION 10

What does the statement, "There is going to be a big bonfire in heaven" refer to?

Answer: _____

- A. That all sin will someday be removed by fire.
- B. That many we thought were Christians will end up in hell.
- C. The destruction of this current universe by fire
- D. When our works are judged by Christ

Topic 2: James 2:14

Can Faith Save Him?

Now the next question in James 2:14, can faith save him? Well, I have put down Romans 4:5, and that answers that question, and if you will look at that. But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. You see that? But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. That is about as clear as a verse can be, isn't it? The old southern way would be, he that doesn't do a cotton pickin' thing. He that doesn't do a cotton pickin' thing. But believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly his faith is counted for righteousness. I tell you, when I hear these people say, listen if your saved you will change, you will change but sometimes you will get worse. Now you can change, you have all the power to change, and if you don't change it is all your fault, not God's, because now you have the power to change. That is why we need churches. That is why we need to be in local churches. See, God's way right now, in this dispensation, is the church. Christ gave Himself for the church and He wants us to be in the church.

Faith is counted for righteousness. Yes, faith can save him, in fact nothing else can save us but faith. When a person tries to be saved by works, faith and works, he cannot be saved. Look at Romans 11:6, boy, I love that one don't you? And if it is by grace, then it is no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace but if it be of works, that is it no more of grace: otherwise work is no more work. Do you see that? Romans 11:6. And if by grace, then is it not by works. Can't be both. You can't have ice and steam at the same time. Listen, it's either by grace, or it is by works. You cannot mix ice and steam. And this is where, you see, the devil doesn't care how much you preach against sin, he doesn't care how much anything, as long as you don't let people see that the blood of Jesus is what gets us to Heaven and the blood of Jesus alone. And when he can get people to say, well listen, you've got to have some works or were not sure you are saved. Listen, God knows whether were saved or not. I don't know whether you are saved, you can tell me you are saved, and if I don't see any change, than I don't know if you are saved or not. But the moment you believe that Jesus and Jesus only can save you, that's when a person gets saved. And they put their total trust in Jesus Christ, that's when they get saved. Can faith save him? You better believe it. That's the only thing that can save you. And you know, no one argues that. There is not a church, hardly ever, a Baptist church, a Bible church, or fundamental church, anywhere that does not believe that salvation is all by grace. And they will believe that verse, For by grace are you saved through faith but not of yourselves, they will believe it with their whole heart, but then they will turn around and say, but if you don't have it, that's like saying the airplane ride is free but you have to pay to land. You know it's not free, if you have to pay to land. It would be like putting that \$5 in that coin return and not getting it, and it just eats up. That's the way a lot of people think they are working their way to Heaven. It is going to be like putting that \$5 in the change machine and the change machine eats their \$5 bill. A lot of people are going to be as shocked as I was that day.

QUESTION 11

Romans 4:5 answers the question about whether faith can save someone. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

QUESTION 12

Which of the following is like saying the airplane ride is free but you have to pay to land?

Answer: _____

- A. Requiring works for discipleship
- B. Requiring works to accompany faith after salvation
- C. Requiring works to accompany faith for salvation
- D. Teaching that faith alone saves someone from hell

Topic 3: James 2:15-17

What part of God's work is left for us to do? We know Christ finished the work of salvation, so it can't be any part of that (Heb 10:12). Yet He left us here for a reason. We are to continue His work of testifying of God that He began (Mk 16:20). While we go out with the gospel, He goes with us (Mt 28:18-20). We go out with His authority.

Yes, the Great Commission is a big part of this work. But the Great Commission is narrower than all of the work we can do to testify of God. "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good

works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them” (Eph 2:10). These good works, not salvation works, are what James discusses here in this passage.

If a brother or sister, James 2:15 and 16, be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace. Now let me explain that. No, left me finish it. Be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? The answer is that it doesn't profit. Now let me try to put this where you could understand it. This is talking about service. Now, I am not talking about people that we don't know, that are always calling the church and they are always wanting a handout. But I'm talking about people that really needs help. Someone in the church really needs help. Someone that you know for sure, your neighbor, and you know for sure that they really need help. You know for sure that they are just not a professional begger. Let's say a person comes and they really need help, and you know they need help, and you know how bad they need help, and you say, brother, be ye warmed and filled I'm going to pray for you. People ease their conscience by saying brother I am going to pray for you. Now listen don't get me wrong, you need to pray for people and it is not wrong to say you're going to pray for people, but don't say it unless you're going to do it. But if someone really needs help, and you go, Oh, brother, be ye warmed and filled, that is what this is talking about, not helping somebody. He's not talking about salvation. It's not talking about how to be saved, it is talking about not helping someone. And without saving them. What profit is it? There is no profit. If someone needs help you don't help them. But you say, Pastor, I've helped people and they let me down. Listen you always help people. Now I am not talking about helping every bum that walks on the street, because listen many times those bums are bums because they deserve to be bum. Not all of them. But there are too many people, or brother be warmed and filled and nothing. See that is what this is talking about. And listen Christians let me tell you, if you know someone needs help, and you turn your back and you don't help them that is an awful thing. What does it profit? It doesn't profit. In verse 17, even so faith if it have not works is dead, being alone. Yes, it is true that if you have faith in Christ but do not have works and serve the Lord, your faith will not bear fruit. The word dead is *necros* in the Greek and it means useless. Useless. If you have faith in the Lord but you don't do anything for others, your faith will not be of any value to them. None. It will be useless. You are not demonstrating your faith in Christ to others just by telling them to depart in peace and be warmed and filled. If you are not willing to do something to help them in fact you will be a discredit to Christianity and do much harm to the gospel. Now, I'm talking about a real person that really needs help. And you don't help them. Listen, you should be willing to a person that needs help, to give your last dime to help somebody. How many of you would ever put somebody to where you would sacrifice yourself to help a man?

QUESTION 13

It is wrong to pray for someone if you have the means of meeting their needs but do not. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

QUESTION 14

The word “dead” in this passage is “*necros*” in the Greek and means _____ .

- A. Never existed
- B. Separated
- C. Unloving
- D. Useless

Topic 4: James 2:18-20

“Faith without works is dead” (Jas 2:20). If our faith does not result in good works, what good is it? Yes, we’re going to heaven because we’ve trusted Christ for salvation apart from any works (Jn 6:29-30; Eph 2:8-9). Yet if we’re not going to do good works God may as well take us right to heaven at the moment we’re saved.

That’s why James tells us what he’s going to teach us about in advance. But he makes clear he is not talking about initial salvation saying, “Wherefore my beloved bretheren” (Jas 1:19). Then he tells us his message saying, “But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only” (Jas 1:22). Or in other words, “Now that you’ve been saved, do the word!”

James 2:18, Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. A Christian can say you have faith and I have good works, you tell me you have so much faith without showing me any good works but I can tell you that I have faith and you can see that I have faith because my works show that I believe. Now you see there's a big difference when we are talking about to the world and to Christ. Christ knows whether you believe or not. He knows it because He can read your mind. But the world can't tell. You know the world is so sick of what looks like, Christianity today, the church has lost all respect, the preachers have lost all respect in this world we live in today, because of people like Swaggart and Baker and all the rest of them. Okay, verse 19, Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe and tremble. You see this is where some people take this person say, you see the Devil believed it and he wasn't saved. Listen the devil can never be saved, believe me. The devil believes there is a God, but it's more. No one is going to go to heaven believing there is a God; believing there is a God is not what it gets you to Heaven, it is believing in Jesus Christ who paid our sin debt that gets you to Heaven. See but believing in God is not enough to save, you must believe what God the Lord Jesus Christ has done for you and accept Him as payment for your sin to be saved. You see believing in God is not enough. You have got to believe in the part of the God head that did the saving and that is Jesus Christ. James 2:20, But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? As in verse 17, faith without works is of no use to us or to other people. I am not talking about salvation a saved person who doesn't serve the Lord lives a vain, useless, Christian life. His life counts for nothing. Listen, there are going to be thousands of Christians that their life has been worthless. And there is going to be the greatest bonfire you ever saw in Heaven. And there is going to be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. And there is going to be people saying, Oh I wish I had done more. Oh, it is going to be a bonfire, boy. And it is going to be terrible, it is going to be terrible. Let's look at Hebrews 12:6, For whom the Lord loveth he chaseneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. Now, if you are not chastened, you are not saved. God says if you are not chastened you are not saved. That is as clear as it can be in scripture. If you are saved you're going to be chastened if you do not serve God. First Corinthians 3:15, If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

QUESTION 15

Christ knows whether you have believed or not apart from seeing your works. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

QUESTION 16

Believing there is a God is enough to get you to heaven. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

QUESTION 17

What verse would you use to show someone that our works will be judged at the judgment seat of Christ?

Answer: _____

- A. 1 Corinthians 3:15
- B. Hebrews 12:6
- C. James 2:18
- D. James 2:20

Topic 5: James 2:21

The same man Paul used to illustrate justification by faith, James used to illustrate justification by works (Rom 4:3). But which came earlier in his life? Abraham's justification by faith or his justification by works?

In Romans 4:3 Paul quotes Genesis 15. At this time in his life his name was still called Abram. He was apparently eighty some years old at this time (Gen 16:16). But Abraham was many years older when he sacrificed Isaac. For when Isaac was born Abraham was 100 years old (Gen 21:5).

So, as expected, Abraham's justification by works was probably about thirty years after his justification by faith. It is also important to note that his justification by faith was before God, and his justification by works was before man.

Topic 5: James 2:21

Justified Before Man

Now, Abraham our father, justified by works when he had offered Isaac his son upon the alter? Now I want us to get this, oh, it's so important that we get this. It is more important that we get this more than anything I could ever describe to you. And I want you to be able to see it. I want you to see it. To answer James question here, yes, Abraham was justified by works when he offered up Isaac, but before whom? When Abraham offered up Isaac he was not justified before God he was justified before men. Now, I had a man down in Arkansas and he said to me, there were no witnesses when Abraham offered Isaac. And I said, yes there were. The servants said they stood from a far, and they could see it. Believe me, there were witnesses and the word was out that Abraham had so much faith in God that he was willing to sacrifice his own son. No God never required human sacrifice, and of course never did, but that was the greatest act of faith for a man to slay his own son because he had so much faith in God and he knew that God had to raise Isaac up from the dead because Isaac was the bloodline of Messiah. And Abraham had so much faith, you see they saw Abraham's faith, that he even offered Isaac his son, and he was justified in the site of man that knew by his works. That here was a man who truly had great faith in God. See as you at work, when you don't act and react, and in get all bent out of shape and act terrible when something doesn't go the way it ought to go, and they see you have faith and they see that you are different, then you're going to start seeing results take place at work. But when they see you no different than the rest of them, and they see you gripe and complain and bellyache, just like everybody else, and then you wonder I don't have any

testimony at work, I don't know why. I will tell you why, it is because the way you were acting. God does not want you to act that way.

QUESTION 18

The answer to James' question in James 2:21 is yes, that Abraham was justified by works. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

QUESTION 19

God wants you to react the same way your co-workers do so you can win them to Christ. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

Justified before God

His faith was demonstrated in the sight of man. But when was Abraham justified in the sight of God? When was Abraham justified in the sight of God? The Lord justified Abraham by faith many years before he offered Isaac. In fact Abraham was justified before Isaac was even born. Look at Genesis 15:6, it was probably 40 years before he offered his son Isaac. And he believed in the Lord, and he counted it to him for righteousness. What did he believe? He believed Messiah was going to come. You see it's not believing in God, it is believing God that saves you. Abraham believed God, look at Galatians 3:6, Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. You're saved by faith apart from works. Forty years before he was saved. But then when he offered Isaac he was justified before man. You see some people have such little trust, and they have seen such terribleness of Christianity, that they don't want to believe it. And listen when they see you lie and cheat and steal, and I hope you don't swear, and they see these things, then they say what is wrong. Look at verse 8 and 9 of Galatians 3, And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel to Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed. In other words, he knew that there would be other people saved through Abraham, and that is us. Nations all over the world will be saved because of Abraham. Oh what a tremendous act of faith. In verse 10, For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them. But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: The just shall live by faith. The just shall live by faith. It is so important that everybody understands what this means, and that you are saved before God by your belief. There is many many Christians that are saved that are born again, that will never go to hell, they are going to get to Heaven, as some people call it, by the skin of their teeth.

Assignment

- Please memorize Galatians 3:6-7.

QUESTION 21

Abraham was justified by faith before Isaac was even born. *True or False?*

Answer: _____

Lesson 16 Answers to Questions

QUESTION 1: Profit [The issue is what does it profit if no works accompany our faith.]

QUESTION 2: True [Salvation never comes as a reward; it is always a gift.]

QUESTION 2: False

QUESTION 4

A. Those already saved [At the very beginning of this passage he calls them brethren (James 2:14).]

QUESTION 5

D. Service [Understanding this will help us interpret this passage correctly.]

QUESTION 6

B. Ephesians 2:10

C. Titus 3:8

D. James 2:14

[The normal Christian life should be one of good works.]

QUESTION 7

A. To crucify the old nature

C. To reckon the old nature dead

D. To walk in the new nature

[We will always have our sin nature with us in this life as a Christian but we can learn that it is positionally crucified; so we should reckon it dead and walk in the new nature.]

QUESTION 8: *Your answer should be similar to the following:*

“And let our’s also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.”

QUESTION 9: *Your answer should be similar to the following:*

“Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit”

QUESTION 10

D. When our works are judged by Christ [We are going to see the unfruitful things that we have done burned off.]

QUESTION 11: True [Initial salvation is by grace apart from works; it cannot be both.]

QUESTION 12

C. Requiring works to accompany faith for salvation [Either way you have to pay so it doesn’t make any difference whether you require it up front or require someone to pay later. Both require works.]

QUESTION 13: True [If you know someone needs help and turn your back and you do not help them, it is an awful thing.]

QUESTION 14

D. Useless [If you have faith in the Lord, but do not do anything for others, your faith will not be of any value to them.]

QUESTION 15: True [However the world cannot tell. Because of evil practice many preachers have lost all respect from the world and have tainted the testimony of the church of Christ.]

QUESTION 16: False [Even demons believe there is a God. You must believe in the person of the Godhead that did the saving.]

QUESTION 17

A. 1 Corinthians 3:15 [There are going to be thousands of Christians whose lives have been worthless for Christ.]

QUESTION 18: True [When Abraham had offered up Isaac, he was not justified before God. He was justified before men.]

QUESTION 19: False [When you are at work, and do not act inappropriately or get all bent out of shape when something goes wrong, the others notice your faith and see that you are different.]

QUESTION 20: *Your answer should be similar to the following:*

“Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness. Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.”

QUESTION 21: True [Genesis 15:6: “And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.”]