

Review Questions

The Church: Pillar & Ground of the Truth

THE CHURCH

1. How many times is the word “church” used in the King James Bible?
2. What is the meaning of the Greek word “*ekklesia*”?
3. In what three ways is the word “*ekklesia*” used in the New Testament?
4. What are the three ways that Christ’s church is used in the New Testament?
5. What N.T. passage (book and chapter) contains the first mention of the term “church”?
6. What happened in Christ’s ministry right before He mentions the church for the first time?
7. How do we know that the church did not exist in the Old Testament time?
8. What are four reasons why the rock of Matthew 16:18 is not Peter?
9. What was Peter’s testimony of whom Jesus is?
10. What are three meanings of the phrase “the gates of hell shall not prevail against” the church?

11. What are the keys in Matthew 16:19?
12. According to the book of Titus, what are six things that are required for a proper New Testament church?
13. Is a home Bible study or prayer meeting a church?
14. Is it biblically correct to speak of “the church in Nepal” or “the church in Europe”?
15. What are three of the ways that the New Testament emphasizes the importance of the church?
16. What are four reasons why Christians must be faithful to the church (from Hebrews 10 and 13)?
17. How does Revelation 1-3 teach that churches are independent and autonomous?
18. How does Revelation teach that the church is not on earth during the tribulation?
19. What New Testament verse says that church services are to be done “decently and in order”?

DESCRIPTIONS OF A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH

20. What verse says the church is the pillar and ground of the truth?
21. In the context, what type of church is this?
22. This verse teaches a _____ church membership?

23. How does this verse teach that the church must be operated by God's laws?
24. What are four ways that the church is the ground of the truth?
25. How is the church the pillar of the truth?
26. How does this verse refer to Christ's Great Commission?
27. What is the meaning of "mystery" in the New Testament?
28. What is the church as a mystery in Ephesians 3?
29. What are the unsearchable riches of Christ?
30. How are the unsearchable riches of Christ available to sinners?
31. What is serving grace?
32. Who are the principalities and powers of Ephesians 3:10 that are learning from the church?
33. What are four ways the church is revealing the manifold wisdom of God?
34. What is God's eternal purpose in Christ Jesus?
35. What verse states this purpose?
36. What verse says the church is a spiritual house made of living stones?

37. How is Christ a stone of stumbling?
38. What are the Greek words in 1 Peter 2:8 for “stone” and “rock,” and what is the difference in meaning between these words?
39. How did Paul deal with a carnal church?
40. How did Christ deal with the lukewarm church?
41. How does a living stone depict salvation?
42. What was the priestly tribe in Israel?
43. What was the royal tribe in Israel?
44. What tribe in Israel were royal priests?
45. What are five ways that 1 Peter describes the work of the believer priest?
46. What are seven marks of a New Testament church in Acts 2?
47. How do we see a regenerate church membership in Acts 2?
48. What passage (book and chapter) describes the New Testament church as a new lump of unleavened bread?

49. This is a reference to what feast in the Old Testament?
50. What does this feast signify?
51. This feast began on what day and what does this signify?
52. How is it possible for a church to be a New Testament church without continual purging?
53. What were four evidences of salvation mentioned in 1 Thessalonians 1?
54. How is biblical repentance described in 1 Thessalonians 1?
55. Macedonia and Achaia are encompassed by what nation today?
56. In Romans 15:14, how do we know that the entire church was full of goodness and filled with all knowledge?
57. According to this verse, what was the church at Rome able to do?
58. What verse says the church is to warn every man and teach every man?
59. What is the mystery of the church according to Colossians 1?
60. How many of the church members are to be warned and taught?
61. Why is warning mentioned before teaching in Colossians 1?
62. What is the goal of warning and teaching?
63. What is the Greek word translated "labour" in Col. 1:29?
64. Who provides the enablement for the warning/teaching ministry?

65. What passage (book and chapter) describes the first missionary church?
66. What are four characteristics of this church?
67. In Revelation 1, churches are depicted as golden candlesticks. What two things does this signify?
68. What is the significance of Christ's eyes depicted as a flame of fire?

THE CHURCH AS A BODY

69. Without the right _____ there can be no right churches.
70. How does Ephesians 4:11-16 describe the call of God upon church leaders?
71. What is the perfect man of Ephesians 4:13?
72. According to Ephesians 4, the church is to grow up in Christ in how many things?
73. What are five things believers are to do "one to another"?
74. How many members of the church have a function in the body?
75. What is the meaning of "edify"?

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

76. What are two ways that we see church membership in Acts 1-2?

77. What are four reasons why churches need membership?
78. What verse says, “Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular”?
79. What verse says, “that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment”?
80. According to a 1997 study by the Southern Baptist Convention, what percentage of members attend Sunday morning services? What percentage attend anything beyond this?

THE PASTOR

81. What are the three terms used in the New Testament for a church leader and what is the significance of each term?
82. What are the Greek words for these terms?
83. What are two passages (book and chapter) in which these three terms are used?
84. How did Paul describe the pastor’s call in Acts 20?
85. What are seven tests for a call to the ministry?
86. What are five things the pastor must be able to do?

87. Spurgeon said, "There has hardly ever been an instance, take the whole house through, where the general opinion of the entire college concerning a brother has been _____ ... and a _____ will be slow to set aside the _____ of the house."
88. What verse says pastors and deacons must first be proven?
89. What verse warns, "Lay hands suddenly on no man"?
90. This verse contains what other warning?
91. Timothy was instructed to "make full proof of thy ministry." How does a preacher do this?
92. What two New Testament passages give the pastor's qualifications?
93. What are seven reasons for high biblical standards for pastors?
94. "It is obvious that the _____ and _____ of the church depend greatly, if not entirely, on the _____ of the ministry."
95. What is a steward?
96. What is the basic meaning of the word "blameless" in 1 Timothy 3:2?
97. What are three reasons we give for a pastor not being divorced?
98. What are the two ways that the Bible describes the children of the qualified pastor?

99. What are the four standards for the wife of a pastor or deacon?
100. What is the meaning of “grave”?
101. What is the Greek word for “slander”?
102. Who was the first slanderer and whom did he slander?
103. The Greek word translated “sober” in 1 Timothy 3:11 is also translated what?
104. What is the Greek word translated “given to hospitality” in 1 Timothy 3:2, and what does it literally mean?
105. What is the Greek word translated “not given to wine” in 1 Timothy 3:3, and what does it mean literally?
106. What verse says “wine is a mocker”?
107. Richard Quebedeux said, “The _____ has had a profound impact on the evangelical movement as a whole.”
108. A 2007 LifeWay survey found that what percentage of Southern Baptist “laity” drink alcohol?
109. What year did Dallas Theological Seminary drop its ban against alcohol?
110. What is an example of a “striker” pastor in the New Testament?
111. What is the meaning of being “greedy of filthy lucre”?
112. What are the two Greek words for “not a brawler,” and what does it mean literally?
113. What is the Greek phrase for “not covetous,” and what does it mean literally?

114. What is the Greek word for “novice,” and what does it mean literally?
115. What is the particular danger for the novice?
116. What does the Bible mean when it says the pastor must be proven?
117. What is a self-willed pastor?
118. What is a Bible example of a self-willed pastor?
119. What sin did Moses commit that kept him from entering the Promised Land (as described in the book)?
120. What are three words that define “just”?
121. What is the meaning of “temperate”?
122. According to the Bible, the believer is to be temperate in what things?
123. What is the meaning of “apt to teach”?
124. What passage (book and chapter) says that every believer is to be a teacher and skillful in using God’s Word?
125. What verse says the pastor is a man who holds the faithful word “as he hath been taught”?
126. What is the meaning of the Bible as the “faithful word”?
127. What are two things that the qualified pastor must be able to do with the Faithful Word?
128. What is the meaning of “gainsayers” in Tit. 1:9?
129. What is the meaning of “vain talkers” in Tit. 1:10?

130. What is the meaning of “subverters” in Tit. 1:11?
131. What is the meaning of “filthy lucre” in Tit. 1:11?
132. What are four ways a pastor can stop the mouths of false teachers?
133. What are two verses found in the book of Hebrews that state that pastors have “the rule over you”?
134. What is the meaning of the term “bishop”?
135. What verse describes a deacon’s ruling authority?
136. What are three major areas of responsibility of pastors that require authority?
137. What are four spiritual characteristics of the pastor’s authority?
138. What verse exhorts the pastors not to be lords over God’s heritage?
139. What verse says the pastors are to be examples to the flock?
140. What verse says the pastors are to exercise the ministry “without preferring one before another”?
141. What are seven advantages to leadership ministry teams?

142. It has been said, "He who corrects me gives me a _____."
143. What book of the Bible has a repeated emphasis on the importance of having a good attitude toward reproof?
144. What are two things that this book says about the person who regards reproof (as seen in the text book)?
145. In what book and chapter is the prophet Agur quoted?
146. Why did Agur consider himself "more brutish than any man"?
147. In receiving criticism, we should be _____ to hear, _____ to speak.
148. What verse teaches this?
149. How can I know if a certain reproof or criticism should be heeded?
150. What passage (book and chapter) teaches that elders are to be counted worthy of double honor?
151. What types of elders are worthy?
152. What is the meaning of "double honor"?
153. Why did Paul not accept support from the church at Corinth?
154. What book and chapter describes how an elder is to be disciplined?
155. What are the four rules described in this passage?

156. "The principle of _____ witnesses, along with the right of the accused to be faced by his or her accuser, is absolutely essential for the well-being of all concerned."
157. According to Proverbs 25:23, how is a backbiting tongue stopped?
158. If someone wants to whisper something to you against a church leader, what should you do?
159. What is to be done to an elder who sins?
160. Why does Paul mention the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels in the context of disciplining elders?

CHURCH MEMBERS' RELATIONSHIP TO PASTORS

161. What are eight responsibilities that church members have to pastors?
162. What passage (book and chapter) instructs believers to esteem pastors?
163. What are the works of pastors mentioned in this passage?
164. What is the meaning of knowing them which labor among you and are over you in the Lord?
165. What type of esteem is to be given?
166. What part does love have in properly esteeming pastors?

167. What verse says the pastor is to be an ensample to the flock?
168. What verse says, “Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth”?
169. What book and chapter instructs believers to not strive, but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient?
170. What passage (book and chapter) contrasts heavenly wisdom with earthly wisdom?
171. According to this passage, what are two evidences for leaving a church over legitimate doctrinal concerns?
172. What passage (book and chapter) forbids women to teach men?
173. What is the problem when people get offended at some sin or error of man and leave church altogether?
174. “The Lord Jesus will never _____ us, but men will always _____ us in some way.”
175. Which of the churches in the New Testament were perfect?
176. In what verse did Christ teach that there are weightier matters of the law?
177. Does this verse teach that the matters of lesser weight are to be neglected?
178. According to Romans 15:14, what two things are necessary to be able to admonish one another?
179. What are two reasons we cannot have the exact pastor we want?

OTHER MINISTRY-GIFTED MEN

180. What are the three ways the term “apostle” is used in the New Testament?

181. What New Testament verse describing the New Jerusalem says there are only 12 apostles in eternity?

182. What are eight marks of apostolic authority?

183. What verse says the apostles had sign miracles?

184. What are the three reasons there are no apostles today like the original 12?

THE DEACON

185. How do we know there should not be women deacons?

186. In what N.T. passage (book, chapter) do we find the first selection of deacons?

187. What authority does the deacon have over the pastors?

188. What N.T. passage (book, chapter) contains the qualifications for the deacon?

CHURCH ORDINANCES

189. What are the two key N.T. passages (book, chapter) about baptism.

190. What is required before one can be baptized?

191. What is the proper mode of baptism?

192. What follows baptism?

193. Who has the proper authority for baptism?
194. How do we know that none of those baptized with Cornelius were infants?
195. Does the Bible say that Lydia had infant children?
196. How do we know that none of those baptized with the Philippian jailer were infants?
197. How do we know that none of those baptized with Crispus were infants?
198. How do know that the Lord's Supper is not a sacrifice?
199. Is it right to take the Lord's Supper at an ecumenical conference?
200. What is the requirement for taking the Lord's Supper?
201. Does the church have the right to restrict those who take the Lord's Supper?

CHURCH DISCIPLINE

202. Church discipline is a matter of love in what six ways?
203. What was the name of the Baptist confession of 1656 which required the members to be strict in the observance of godly Christian living and church service?
204. What were eight "one another" responsibilities described in that confession?

205. What did public offense call for in this confession?
206. What was said in this confession about assembling together?
207. What was said in this confession about those who were received as members?
208. In the Pendleton Covenant of 1853, what was required when a church member changed locations?
209. What did this covenant say about the church members' responsibility toward their children?
210. The old Baptists "placed _____ in the center of church life."
211. To the old Baptists, "a church without _____ would hardly have counted as a _____."
212. To old Baptists, when churches did not require a regenerate membership "they make the church of Christ a _____."
213. To old Baptists, "when discipline leaves a church, _____ goes with it."
214. What were Days of Discipline?
215. To old Baptists, willful neglect of the assemblies "called for the _____ of the church."

216. Old Baptist churches supervised the members in “general conduct, their _____ life, their _____, their connections in _____, their _____, and even their _____.”
217. Mary Poulter was disciplined for “walking disorderly in _____ and _____.”
218. John Christmas was disciplined “for not _____ Ann his wife as he ought.”
219. Thomas Bass was disciplined “for telling of _____ and _____.”
220. Mrs. Bevis was not received as a member because “of her selling _____ _____.”
221. Old Baptist churches in America restored about what percentage of those who were disciplined?
222. Who was the liberal pastor of Riverside Church in New York City?
223. In what century did discipline begin to become lax in Baptist churches in America?
224. What is pragmatism?
225. What is the social gospel?
226. What are six goals for biblical church discipline?
227. What are two passages (book and chapter) that warn that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?
228. What is the meaning of leaven in these passages?

229. "God does not put ____ and _____ in opposition to each other. He says, 'For whom the Lord _____ he _____' (Heb. 12:5-11)."
230. What are five right attitudes to maintain in exercising discipline?
231. Where does the church get the authority to exercise discipline?
232. According to Matthew 18, what are the steps to be taken in seeking to correct offenses between church members?
233. What does it mean to treat a church member "as an heathen man and a publican"?
234. What are three types of sins that require dismissal from the church?
235. What are the six sins mentioned in 1 Corinthians 5 that require church discipline?
236. What are four things involved in excluding one from membership?
237. What New Testament passage (book and chapter) describes true repentance?

238. What is the purpose of probation?
239. What passage (book and chapter) describes the discipline of heretics?
240. What is the meaning of the word “heretic”?
241. What is the meaning of the word “subverted” in reference to a heretic?
242. According to the Bible, how should the heretic be treated?
243. What passage (book and chapter) describes the discipline of church leaders?
244. What are four major lessons from this passage?

THE CHURCH AS HEADQUARTERS FOR CHRIST’S GREAT COMMISSION

245. What are the five places (book and chapter) where we are commanded to fulfill the Great Commission?
246. What New Testament verse commands us to have our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace?
247. What is the Greek word for “teach all nations,” and what does it mean?
248. What is the main word in the New Testament to describe a born again believer?
249. How many times this word seen in the New Testament?
250. The word for “to” in Matthew 28:20 is the Greek word *idou* and is often translated what other English word?
251. The word “world” is the Greek word *aion*, referring to _____ in which God is working out His eternal plans.

252. In what two verses do we see the gospel summarized?
253. What book and chapter tells us that God would have all to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth?
254. What are the five characteristics of saving faith?
255. What is the first step of obedience after one is saved?
256. The apostolic sign gifts operated only in the age of the _____.
257. What New Testament verse asks “and how shall they hear without a preacher?”
258. Luke 24:47 tells us “that _____ and remission of sins should be preached.”
259. 2 Corinthians 5 teaches us, “Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a _____: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.”
260. What is the chief business of God’s people today?
261. Missionary work is done best by _____ of men.
262. List the advantages of this kind of ministry.
263. What chapter of Acts is the beginning of the pattern of missionary work for us?
264. What are the eight ways listed in the book for how God’s people are to fulfill the Great Commission?

265. In what book and chapter did Christ say, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me"?
266. What is the biggest reason why churches have no power and eventually die?
267. Having a single _____ refers to putting Christ absolutely first in one's life as taught in Matthew 6:19-24.

THE CHURCH'S CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

268. In what two places, (book and chapter) do we see the instructions to the churches for congregational singing?
269. What is the first spiritual condition mentioned in Ephesians 5:18?
270. How is one able to fulfill this condition?
271. What are the two purposes of congregational singing?
272. What are the things that hinder the ministry of "speaking to yourselves"?
273. What is the most basic element of the music?
274. What is the Greek word for song?
275. What is the foundation of a spiritual song service as seen in Colossians 3?