

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?
115 times
2. What is the meaning of the Greek word “*ekklesia*”?
A lawful, organized assembly
3. In what three ways is the word “*ekklesia*” used in the New Testament?
1) Israel in the wilderness
2) A political assembly
3) Christ’s assembly
4. What are the three ways that Christ’s church is used in the New Testament?
1) The assembly on earth
2) The heavenly assembly
3) The assembly of all the redeemed of the church age
5. What N.T. passage (book and chapter) contains the first mention of the term “church”?
Matthew 16
6. What happened in Christ’s ministry right before He mentions the church for the first time?
Christ was rejected by the Jewish leaders
7. How do we know that the church did not exist in the Old Testament time?
Jesus said, “I will build my church” which is in the future tense
8. What are four reasons why the rock of Matthew 16:18 is not Peter?
1) The context tells us that the rock is Christ
2) The Greek words in the passage tell us that Christ is the rock
(Peter is petros, or πέτρος and Christ is petra or πέτρα)
3) Peter himself tells us that he is a stone in the living church and that Christ is the chief corner stone
4) Paul tells us that the rock is Christ in 1 Corinthians 10:4
9. What was Peter’s testimony of whom Jesus is?
“Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God”
10. What are three meanings of the phrase “the gates of hell shall not prevail against” the church?
1) The church in its fulness is already seated victoriously in heavenly places in God’s eyes and cannot be overcome
2) The New Testament church cannot fail in its assigned task if it obeys Christ
3) True churches will continue to exist throughout the age in spite of the spread of apostasy

Answer key

11. What are the keys in Matthew 16:19?
The gospel
12. According to the book of Titus, what are six things that are required for a proper New Testament church?
*1) A regenerate church membership
2) Sound gospel
3) Qualified leadership
4) Sound doctrine
5) Sound Christian living
6) Discipline*
13. Is a home Bible study or prayer meeting a church?
No
14. Is it biblically correct to speak of “the church in Nepal” or “the church in Europe”?
No
15. What are three of the ways that the New Testament emphasizes the importance of the church?
It is the only institution Jesus is building today; it is the house of God; it is the pillar and ground of the truth; it is where Jesus is standing; it is the institution to which the Holy Spirit is speaking; it is the headquarters for world evangelism; it is the institution through which God is glorified forever; it is God’s church; it is purchased with Christ’s blood; and it is Christ’s body.
16. What are four reasons why Christians must be faithful to the church (from Hebrews 10 and 13)?
Steadfastness, fellowship, responsibility, safety, evidence of salvation, training, example, oversight and protection, and judgment
17. How does Revelation 1-3 teach that churches are independent and autonomous?
*Revelation addresses the churchES (plural) of Asia.
There was no reference to the existence of any kind of regional headquarters.*
18. How does Revelation teach that the church is not on earth during the tribulation?
The church is not mentioned from Revelation 4-22
19. What New Testament verse says that church services are to be done “decently and in order”?
1 Corinthians 14:40

DESCRIPTIONS OF A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH

20. What verse says the church is the pillar and ground of the truth?
1 Timothy 3:15
21. In the context, what type of church is this?
The assembly with pastors and deacons
22. This verse teaches a _____ church membership?

Answer key

Regenerate

23. How does this verse teach that the church must be operated by God's laws?
*Because it is God's church; therefore, we must behave ourselves according to His rules.
Man never has the authority to make a different kind of church than revealed in Scriptures.*
24. What are four ways that the church is the ground of the truth?
By possessing the truth, by preserving the truth, by understanding the truth, by defending the truth, by serious Christian living, and by discipline
25. How is the church the pillar of the truth?
By proclaiming God's Word and by preaching the gospel
26. How does this verse refer to Christ's Great Commission?
By summarizing the church's main business which is the preaching of the Gospel
27. What is the meaning of "mystery" in the New Testament?
Truth that was hidden in the Old Testament and revealed in the New Testament
28. What is the church as a mystery in Ephesians 3?
"That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel"
29. What are the unsearchable riches of Christ?
The glorious gospel
30. How are the unsearchable riches of Christ available to sinners?
Through the preaching of the gospel
31. What is serving grace?
The gift and calling of God and the ability and enablement that God gives for that calling
32. Who are the principalities and powers of Ephesians 3:10 that are learning from the church?
Angelic rulers both fallen and un-fallen
33. What are four ways the church is revealing the manifold wisdom of God?
God's wisdom in overcoming evil with good, in thwarting the devil's rebellion, God's in satisfying the demands of His holy law and establishing His law while freely forgiving sinners, in being just while also being the justifier of sinners, in concluding all in unbelief that he might have mercy upon all, and in turning the wisdom of this world into foolishness
34. What is God's eternal purpose in Christ Jesus?
That "in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ."
35. What verse states this purpose?
Ephesians 1:10
36. What verse says the church is a spiritual house made of living stones?
1 Peter 2:5

Answer key

37. How is Christ a stone of stumbling?
He is a stone of judgment for those who reject Him
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?
*“Stone” is lithos which means small rock
“Rock” is petra which refers to “a projecting rock, cliff”*
39. How did Paul deal with a carnal church?
He exhorted the members to “examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith”
40. How did Christ deal with the lukewarm church?
*Christ warned that He would spew them from His mouth,
and He warned that He would remove their candlestick*
41. How does a living stone depict salvation?
*A natural stone is dead, and the sinner in his natural condition is dead in trespasses and sins.
There is nothing that man can do to make a spiritually dead sinner live, but God can by giving
a supernatural new birth—being made alive in Christ!*
42. What was the priestly tribe in Israel?
The tribe of Levi
43. What was the royal tribe in Israel?
The tribe of Judah
44. What tribe in Israel were royal priests?
None of them
45. What are five ways 1 Peter describes the work of the believer priest?
*Patience in trials, holiness, preaching the gospel, an honest reputation, submitting to God-
ordained authority, honoring all men, loving the brotherhood, being a good worker, godly
living in the home, a separated pilgrim lifestyle, prayer, and ministering His gifts*
46. What are seven marks of a New Testament church in Acts 2?
*1) Salvation
2) Baptism
3) Discipleship
4) Apostles’ Doctrine
5) Fellowship
6) Breaking of Bread
7) Prayers*
47. How do we see a regenerate church membership in Acts 2?
There was the preaching of the Gospel, conviction, repentance, glad faith, and a conversion.
48. What passage (book and chapter) describes the New Testament church as a new lump of unleavened bread?
1 Corinthians 5

Answer key

49. This is a reference to what feast in the Old Testament?
The Feast of Unleavened Bread
50. What does this feast signify?
The entire Christian life
51. This feast began on what day and what does this signify?
The day of Passover, signifying salvation
52. How is it possible for a church to be a New Testament church without continual purging?
It is not possible. Without purging, it is on its way to apostasy.
53. What were four evidences of salvation mentioned in 1 Thessalonians 1?
Their work of faith, labor of love, patience of hope, being followers of Paul and of the Lord, having joy in affliction, being examples to all that believe, sounding out the word of the Lord, turning to God from idols, serving the living and true God, and waiting for His Son from heaven
54. How is biblical repentance described in 1 Thessalonians 1?
They turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God
55. Macedonia and Achaia are encompassed by what nation today?
All of Greece
56. In Romans 15:14, how do we know that the entire church was full of goodness and filled with all knowledge?
"You" and "brethren" are plural.
57. According to this verse, what was the church at Rome able to do?
They were able to discern good and evil because of their passion to be diligent Bible students.
58. What verse says the church is to warn every man and teach every man?
Colossians 1:28
59. What is the mystery of the church according to Colossians 1?
That Christ will dwell in Gentiles
60. How many of the church members are to be warned and taught?
Every member
61. Why is warning mentioned before teaching in Colossians 1?
To emphasize the importance of warning
62. What is the goal of warning and teaching?
Perfection
63. What is the Greek word translated "labour" in Col. 1:29?
agonizomai
64. Who provides the enablement for the warning/teaching ministry?

Answer key

God

65. What passage (book and chapter) describes the first missionary church?
Acts 13
66. What are four characteristics of this church?
1) A church that raises up ministry-gifted men to be preachers, teachers, pastors, evangelists
2) A church that is busy reaching its own area with the Gospel
3) A church that is listening to the voice of the Spirit of God, yielding to Him, following Him, open to His every leading
4) A church that ordains and sends out missionary church planters to multiply itself
67. In Revelation 1, churches are depicted as golden candlesticks. What two things does this signify?
1) It refers to the Great Commission
2) It refers to the church as the pillar and ground of the truth
68. What is the significance of Christ's eyes depicted as a flame of fire?
This signifies Christ's omniscience

THE CHURCH AS A BODY

69. Without the right _____ there can be no right churches.
Leaders
70. How does Ephesians 4:11-16 describe the call of God upon church leaders?
It says that "he [God] gave"
71. What is the perfect man of Ephesians 4:13?
The fulness of Christ
72. According to Ephesians 4, the church is to grow up in Christ in how many things?
"in all things"
73. What are five things believers are to do "one to another"?
Admonish one another, by love serve one another, bear ye one another's burdens, forgive one another, forbearing one another, teaching and admonishing one another, comfort one another, edify one another, exhort one another, consider one another, and to provoke unto love and to good works
74. How many members of the church have a function in the body?
Every member
75. What is the meaning of "edify"?
"To build up, spiritual profit or advancement"

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

76. What are two ways that we see church membership in Acts 1-2?
1) The names of the members were kept
2) Those saved on Pentecost were "added unto them"

Answer key

77. What are four reasons why churches need membership?
1) *Each church is a body*
2) *For unity*
3) *For discipline*
4) *For authority*
78. What verse says, “Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular”?
1 Corinthians 12:27
79. What verse says, “that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment”?
1 Corinthians 1:10
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?
33% on Sunday morning and
12% for anything else

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?
1) *Pastor—shepherd*
2) *Elder—older, senior*
3) *Bishop—overseer*
82. What are the Greek words for these terms?
Pastor—poimen or poimaino
Elder—presbuteros
Bishop—episkopos
83. What are two passages (book and chapter) in which these three terms are used?
Acts 20 and 1 Peter 5
84. How did Paul describe the pastor’s call in Acts 20?
As a divine call—they had been appointed by the Holy Ghost
85. What are seven tests for a call to the ministry?
1) *The test of desire*
2) *The test of gifting*
3) *The test of life*
4) *The test of ability*
5) *The test of recognition*
6) *The test of proving*
7) *The test of fruit*
86. What are five things the pastor must be able to do?
1) *Feed and shepherd the Lord’s sheep*
2) *Make disciples by teaching the believers “to observe all things”*
3) *Take oversight of the church*
4) *Protect the believers from error*

5) Train Christian workers and leaders

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."
Erroneous; wise man; verdict
88. What verse says pastors and deacons must first be proven?
1 Timothy 3:10
89. What verse warns, "Lay hands suddenly on no man"?
1 Timothy 5:22
90. This verse contains what other warning?
"Keep thyself pure"
91. Timothy was instructed to "make full proof of thy ministry." How does a preacher do this?
By having some fruit, some success, and some evidence of fruit
92. What two New Testament passages give the pastor's qualifications?
1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1
93. What are seven reasons for high biblical standards for pastors?
*1) Good leadership is necessary
2) The nature of the church
3) The pastor is the steward of God
4) The difficulty of the work
5) The pastor must be an example
6) Spiritual warfare
7) The activity of false teachers*
94. "It is obvious that the _____ and _____ of the church depend greatly, if not entirely, on the _____ of the ministry."
Character; welfare; character
95. What is a steward?
A manager
96. What is the basic meaning of the word "blameless" in 1 Timothy 3:2?
"Not to be taken hold of, irreproachable" or "having no just handle for blame"
97. What are three reasons we give for a pastor not being divorced?
*1) He is to be blameless in his marital status
2) He is to be an example of God's will to the church
3) He has to preach the whole counsel of God*
98. What are the two ways that the Bible describes the children of the qualified pastor?
*"Having his children in subjection with all gravity" and
"Having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly"*

Answer key

99. What are the four standards for the wife of a pastor or deacon?
"Grave, not slanderers, sober, and faithful in all things"
100. What is the meaning of "grave"?
It "speaks of that combination of gravity and dignity which invited the reverence of others"
It describes the type of Christian lady who lives her life with a godly seriousness of purpose.
101. What is the Greek word for "slander"?
diabolos
102. Who was the first slanderer and whom did he slander?
The devil slandered God to Eve
103. The Greek word translated "sober" in 1 Timothy 3:11 is also translated what?
Vigilant
104. What is the Greek word translated "given to hospitality" in 1 Timothy 3:2, and what does it literally mean?
philoxenos meaning *"fond of guests"*
105. What is the Greek word translated "not given to wine" in 1 Timothy 3:3, and what does it mean literally?
paraoinos meaning literally para (near) and oinos (wine)
106. What verse says "wine is a mocker"?
Proverbs 20:1
107. Richard Quebedeux said, "The _____ has had a profound impact on the evangelical movement as a whole."
Wider culture
108. A 2007 LifeWay survey found that what percentage of Southern Baptist "laity" drink alcohol?
29%
109. What year did Dallas Theological Seminary drop its ban against alcohol?
In 2014
110. What is an example of a "striker" pastor in the New Testament?
Diotrephes
111. What is the meaning of being "greedy of filthy lucre"?
One who is greedy of improper gain, one who is desirous of base or wrong gain
112. What are the two Greek words for "not a brawler," and what does it mean literally?
a mache meaning literally a (not) and mache (peaceable)
113. What is the Greek phrase for "not covetous," and what does it mean literally?
a philos arguros meaning literally a (not) philos (love) and arguros (silver)

Answer key

114. What is the Greek word for “novice,” and what does it mean literally?
neophutos meaning literally “newly sprung up” in the sense of a new plant
115. What is the particular danger for the novice?
That he be lifted up in pride
116. What does the Bible mean when it says the pastor must be proven?
The pastor’s life and abilities are tested to ascertain if he is called of God and qualified for the position.
117. What is a self-willed pastor?
He is ruling the flock of God by his own will rather than by God’s will
118. What is a Bible example of a self-willed pastor?
Diotrephes was self-willed
119. What sin did Moses commit that kept him from entering the Promised Land (as described in the book)?
Moses’ anger
120. What are three words that define “just”?
It means equitable (in character or act), honest, having right dealings with men, not taking bribes, equality, and treating all men fairly
121. What is the meaning of “temperate”?
Spirit-controlled, not controlled by the flesh, not controlled by bad habits
122. According to the Bible, the believer is to be temperate in what things?
All things
123. What is the meaning of “apt to teach”?
Skilled in teaching, qualified in teaching
124. What passage (book and chapter) says that every believer is to be a teacher and skillful in using God’s Word?
Hebrews 5
125. What verse says the pastor is a man who holds the faithful word “as he hath been taught”?
Titus 1:9
126. What is the meaning of the Bible as the “faithful word”?
It is the faithful, infallible, verbally inspired Word of God
127. What are two things that the qualified pastor must be able to do with the Faithful Word?
Exhort the saints and convince the gainsayers
128. What is the meaning of “gainsayers” in Tit. 1:9?
Those who are opposers of the truth
129. What is the meaning of “vain talkers” in Tit. 1:10?

Answer key

Those whose talk is empty

130. What is the meaning of “subverters” in Tit. 1:11?
To overthrow
131. What is the meaning of “filthy lucre” in Tit. 1:11?
Improper gain
132. What are four ways a pastor can stop the mouths of false teachers?
1) By teaching sound doctrine in such a way that the believers are not deceived by error
2) By answering the false teaching
3) By rebuking the saints when they are giving heed to false doctrine and are in danger of going astray
4) By rejecting heretics when they refuse to repent
133. What are two verses found in the book of Hebrews that state that pastors have “the rule over you”?
Hebrews 13:7, 17
134. What is the meaning of the term “bishop”?
Overseer
135. What verse describes a deacon’s ruling authority?
Deacons are never referred to in the capacity of ruling or overseeing the churches
136. What are three major areas of responsibility of pastors that require authority?
1) The responsibility to teach and shepherd the church
2) The responsibility to protect the church from false teaching
3) The responsibility to oversee the entire ministry of the church
137. What are four spiritual characteristics of the pastor’s authority?
1) A ministering authority
2) A humble authority
3) A loving authority
4) A building up and liberating authority
138. What verse exhorts the pastors not to be lords over God’s heritage?
1 Peter 5:3
139. What verse says the pastors are to be examples to the flock?
1 Peter 5:3
140. What verse says the pastors are to exercise the ministry “without preferring one before another”?
1 Timothy 5:21
141. What are seven advantages to leadership ministry teams?
1) More gifts
2) More eyes
3) More mouths

Answer key

- 4) *More hearts*
- 5) *More hands*
- 6) *More feet*
- 7) *More equality*

142. It has been said, "He who corrects me gives me a _____."
Gold coin
143. What book of the Bible has a repeated emphasis on the importance of having a good attitude toward reproof?
Proverbs
144. What are two things that this book says about the person who regards reproof (as seen in the text book)?
He shall be honored, he is prudent, he abideth among the wise, he getteth understanding, etc.
145. In what book and chapter is the prophet Agur quoted?
Proverbs 30
146. Why did Agur consider himself "more brutish than any man"?
He was humble
147. In receiving criticism, we should be _____ to hear, _____ to speak.
Swift; slow
148. What verse teaches this?
James 1:19
149. How can I know if a certain reproof or criticism should be heeded?
By weighing the criticism by the Word of God
150. What passage (book and chapter) teaches that elders are to be counted worthy of double honor?
1 Timothy 5
151. What types of elders are worthy?
Those who are diligent in the ministry
152. What is the meaning of "double honor"?
It speaks of financial support
153. Why did Paul not accept support from the church at Corinth?
Because of their carnality and the slander of false teachers against Paul in that region
154. What book and chapter describes how an elder is to be disciplined?
1 Timothy 5
155. What are the four rules described in this passage?
1) The accusation must pertain to disciplinary types of sin
2) The accusation must be a specific charge

Answer key

3) There must be two or three witnesses before the accusation can be received

4) The church should make its own investigation as to the truth of the matter

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."

Multiple

157. According to Proverbs 25:23, how is a backbiting tongue stopped?

By not listening to gossip and backbiting and not gossiping or backbiting yourself

158. If someone wants to whisper something to you against a church leader, what should you do?

Not listen to it

159. What is to be done to an elder who sins?

He is to be disciplined

160. Why does Paul mention the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels in the context of disciplining elders?

-As a reminder that Christ is risen, exalted to the right hand of God, and He is Lord.

-As a reminder that the angels are witnesses to the affairs of the churches.

-As a motive to not fear man in the matter of discipline

CHURCH MEMBERS' RELATIONSHIP TO PASTORS

161. What are eight responsibilities that church members have to pastors?

1) Respect and love them

2) Obey their teaching as they follow the Bible and as they seek to build up the church for the service of the Lord

3) Follow their examples

4) Submit to their oversight

5) Pray for them

6) Challenge them

7) Provide for their physical needs

8) Be charitable and merciful to them

162. What passage (book and chapter) instructs believers to esteem pastors?

1 Thessalonians 5

163. What are the works of pastors mentioned in this passage?

Their labor, overseeing, and admonishing

164. What is the meaning of knowing them which labor among you and are over you in the Lord?

It means to know them in the sense of knowing that their calling and authority is from God and knowing the value of such leaders

165. What type of esteem is to be given?

Very high esteem

166. What part does love have in properly esteeming pastors?

Christian love is the key to showing proper honor to one's spiritual leaders

Answer key

167. What verse says the pastor is to be an ensample to the flock?
1 Peter 5:3
168. What verse says, "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth"?
Galatians 6:6
169. What book and chapter instructs believers to not strive, but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient?
2 Timothy 2
170. What passage (book and chapter) contrasts heavenly wisdom with earthly wisdom?
James 3
171. According to this passage, what are two evidences for leaving a church over legitimate doctrinal concerns?
1) One's attitude
2) The fruit that issues from the situation
172. What passage (book and chapter) forbids women to teach men?
1 Timothy 2
173. What is the problem when people get offended at some sin or error of man and leave church altogether?
They have their eyes focused on man rather than on Jesus Christ
174. "The Lord Jesus will never _____ us, but men will always _____ us in some way."
Disappoint; disappoint
175. Which of the churches in the New Testament were perfect?
None of them
176. In what verse did Christ teach that there are weightier matters of the law?
Matthew 23:23
177. Does this verse teach that the matters of lesser weight are to be neglected?
No, they are not to be left undone
178. According to Romans 15:14, what two things are necessary to be able to admonish one another?
Being full of goodness and filled with all knowledge
179. What are two reasons we cannot have the exact pastor we want?
1) Every pastor has strengths and weaknesses
2) Every pastor has certain things that he will emphasize and pay more attention to and be more gifted at

OTHER MINISTRY-GIFTED MEN

180. What are the three ways the term "apostle" is used in the New Testament?
1) The Lord Jesus Christ
2) The twelve who were chosen by Christ to lay the foundation of the church

Answer key

3) Christian workers in general

181. What New Testament verse describing the New Jerusalem says there are only 12 apostles in eternity?
Revelation 21:14
182. What are eight marks of apostolic authority?
*1) They were chosen personally by Christ
2) They were with Christ from the beginning of His ministry
3) They saw the resurrected Christ
4) They received their message by direct revelation from God rather than being taught by men
5) They could impart spiritual power and gifts to others
6) They had special signs to authenticate their message
7) They had the same authority as Old Testament prophets
8) They wrote Scripture*
183. What verse says the apostles had sign miracles?
2 Corinthians 12:12
184. What are the three reasons there are no apostles today like the original 12?
*1) No one today qualifies to be such an Apostle
2) There were only twelve of them, and their office, apart from the exception of Judas, was never passed on to others at their death
3) The first Apostles were called to lay the foundation of the church*

THE DEACON

185. How do we know there should not be women deacons?
The qualifications require that they be "the husbands of one wife"
186. In what N.T. passage (book, chapter) do we find the first selection of deacons?
Acts 6
187. What authority does the deacon have over the pastors?
He has no authority over the pastors
188. What N.T. passage (book, chapter) contains the qualifications for the deacon?
1 Timothy 3

CHURCH ORDINANCES

189. What are the two key N.T. passages (book, chapter) about baptism.
Acts 2 and Acts 8
190. What is required before one can be baptized?
He must exercise repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ
191. What is the proper mode of baptism?
It is by immersion
192. What follows baptism?
Church membership

Answer key

193. Who has the proper authority for baptism?
Sound New Testament churches
194. How do we know that none of those baptized with Cornelius were infants?
Those who were saved and baptized with Cornelius were those "who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ"
195. Does the Bible say that Lydia had infant children?
Nothing is said about infants in the passage
196. How do we know that none of those baptized with the Philippian jailer were infants?
The entire household believed, and infants are not able to believe
197. How do we know that none of those baptized with Crispus were infants?
We are told, "Crispus...believed on the Lord with all his house..." and infants are not able to believe
198. How do know that the Lord's Supper is not a sacrifice?
*-The New Testament never called the Lord's Supper a sacrifice
-Christ's sacrifice was accomplished on the cross, once for all
-There are no ordained priests in the New Testament who offer sacrifices*
199. Is it right to take the Lord's Supper at an ecumenical conference?
No, it is a church ordinance
200. What is the requirement for taking the Lord's Supper?
To be a saved, baptized church member in good standing and not under church discipline
201. Does the church have the right to restrict those who take the Lord's Supper?
Yes

CHURCH DISCIPLINE

202. Church discipline is a matter of love in what six ways?
*1) Love for God
2) Love for holiness
3) Love for truth
4) Love for Christ's testimony
5) Love for brethren
6) Love for the unsaved*
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?
Somerset Confession
204. What were eight "one another" responsibilities described in that confession?
*1) Watching over one another
2) Caring for one another (by visiting one another, especially in sickness and temptations)
3) Exhorting one another*

Answer key

- 4) *Discovering to each other, and bearing one another's burdens*
- 5) *Loving one another*
- 6) *Reproving one another*
- 7) *Submitting one to another in the Lord*
- 8) *Administering one to another (according to the gifts received, whether it be spiritual, or temporal)*

205. What did public offense call for in this confession?

Public rebuke

206. What was said in this confession about assembling together?

"To assemble together, that their duty to God, and the church may not be neglected"

207. What was said in this confession about those who were received as members?

That "it is the duty of the church, and ministers whom it concerns, in faithfulness to God, that they be careful they receive none but such as do make forth evident demonstration of the new birth, and the work of faith with power"

208. In the Pendleton Covenant of 1853, what was required when a church member changed locations?

"We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word."

209. What did this covenant say about the church members' responsibility toward their children?

To educate them religiously

210. The old Baptists "placed _____ in the center of church life."

Discipline

211. To the old Baptists, "a church without _____ would hardly have counted as a _____."

Discipline; church

212. To old Baptists, when churches did not require a regenerate membership "they make the church of Christ a _____."

Harlot

213. To old Baptists, "when discipline leaves a church, _____ goes with it."

Christ

214. What were Days of Discipline?

It was "when the congregation would gather to heal breaches of fellowship, admonish wayward members, rebuke the obstinate, and, if necessary, excommunicate those who resisted discipline."

215. To old Baptists, willful neglect of the assemblies "called for the _____ of the church."

Censure

Answer key

216. Old Baptist churches supervised the members in “general conduct, their _____ life, their _____, their connections in _____, their _____, and even their _____.”
Domestic; business; civil society; recreations; dress
217. Mary Poulter was disciplined for “walking disorderly in _____ and _____.”
Pride; vanity
218. John Christmas was disciplined “for not _____ Ann his wife as he ought.”
Loving
219. Thomas Bass was disciplined “for telling of _____ and _____.”
Lies; swearing
220. Mrs. Bevis was not received as a member because “of her selling _____ _____.”
Strong drink
221. Old Baptist churches in America restored about what percentage of those who were disciplined?
About 33%
222. Who was the liberal pastor of Riverside Church in New York City?
Harry Emerson Fosdick
223. In what century did discipline begin to become lax in Baptist churches in America?
The 19th century
224. What is pragmatism?
Using whatever works to produce a desired goal, rather than following the Word of God
225. What is the social gospel?
An emphasis away from evangelism and church planting to building the kingdom of God on earth through social-justice projects, honest business practices, and maintaining good social order
226. What are six goals for biblical church discipline?
*1) To protect the purity of the church, to keep it from being permeated with sin and false doctrine
2) To maintain a good testimony before the unbelieving community
3) To please and glorify the Lord
4) To restore erring church members
5) To restrain sin
6) To keep the church ready for Christ's return*
227. What are two passages (book and chapter) that warn that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?
1 Corinthians 5 and Galatians 5
228. What is the meaning of leaven in these passages?
It refers to sin and false doctrine

Answer key

229. "God does not put ____ and _____ in opposition to each other. He says, 'For whom the Lord _____ he _____' (Heb. 12:5-11)."
Love; punishment; loveth; chasteneth
230. What are five right attitudes to maintain in exercising discipline?
1) *The attitude of humility*
2) *The attitude of impartiality*
3) *The attitude of compassion*
4) *The attitude of mourning*
5) *The attitude of firmness of purpose*
231. Where does the church get the authority to exercise discipline?
From the Word of God and from Jesus Christ
232. According to Matthew 18, what are the steps to be taken in seeking to correct offenses between church members?
1) *The matter should be discussed privately between the two church members,*
2) *If this doesn't solve the problem, the injured brother should take one or two others*
3) *If that doesn't solve the problem, the matter should be brought before the church*
4) *If the trespasser refuses to hear the church, he is to be disciplined*
233. What does it mean to treat a church member "as an heathen man and a publican"?
-It means that the church member is not allowed to serve in a church ministry or to participate in church business and ordinances
-It means that the offender is not to be allowed to participate in the close fellowship that is normal between church members
234. What are three types of sins that require dismissal from the church?
1) *Public sin*
2) *Grave sin*
3) *Sin that would destroy the church if ignored*
235. What are the six sins mentioned in 1 Corinthians 5 that require church discipline?
1) *Fornication*
2) *Covetousness*
3) *Idolatry*
4) *Railing*
5) *Drunkenness*
6) *Extortion*
236. What are four things involved in excluding one from membership?
1) *The excluded one is turned over to Satan*
2) *The excluded person cannot hold a ministry or participate in church business*
3) *The members should not have close fellowship with the excluded person so that he will be ashamed and brought to repentance*
4) *The offender is not allowed to partake in the Lord's Supper*
237. What New Testament passage (book and chapter) describes true repentance?
2 Corinthians 7

Answer key

238. What is the purpose of probation?
It is to show one's repentance for a period of time until the church is convinced that things have been made right
239. What passage (book and chapter) describes the discipline of heretics?
Titus 3
240. What is the meaning of the word "heretic"?
A willful alignment with error
241. What is the meaning of the word "subverted" in reference to a heretic?
It is to be twisted or turned inside out
242. According to the Bible, how should the heretic be treated?
He is to be admonished twice, and afterward rejected
243. What passage (book and chapter) describes the discipline of church leaders?
1 Timothy 5
244. What are four major lessons from this passage?
*1) It is essential that the church be very cautious about selecting and ordaining pastors
2) Accusations must not be received against a pastor unless they can be substantiated by two or three witnesses
3) Pastors that sin in such a manner that required discipline should be rebuked publicly
4) God's people are solemnly charged not to show partiality in these things*

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?
Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 20, and Acts 1
246. What New Testament verse commands us to have our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace?
Ephesians 6:15
247. What is the Greek word for "teach all nations," and what does it mean?
matheteuo meaning "to make disciples"
248. What is the main word in the New Testament to describe a born again believer?
Disciple
249. How many times this word seen in the New Testament?
More than 250 times
250. The word for "lo" in Matthew 28:20 is the Greek word *idou* and is often translated what other English word?
Behold
251. The word "world" is the Greek word *aion*, referring to _____ in which God is working out His eternal plans.

Answer key

An age

252. In what two verses do we see the gospel summarized?
1 Corinthians 15:3-4
253. What book and chapter tells us that God would have all to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth?
1 Timothy 2
254. What are the five characteristics of saving faith?
*1) Saving faith is undivided faith
2) Saving faith is trusting faith
3) Saving faith is fully convinced faith
4) Saving faith is unmixed faith
5) Saving faith is receiving faith*
255. What is the first step of obedience after one is saved?
Baptism
256. The apostolic sign gifts operated only in the age of the _____.
Apostles
257. What New Testament verse asks “and how shall they hear without a preacher?”
Romans 10:14
258. Luke 24:47 tells us “that _____ and remission of sins should be preached.”
Repentance
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.”
New creature
260. What is the chief business of God’s people today?
The Great Commission
261. Missionary work is done best by _____ of men.
Teams
262. List the advantages of this kind of ministry.
*1) The work of God can progress much more quickly
2) The work of God is strengthened
3) The work of God can be better protected*
263. What chapter of Acts is the beginning of the pattern of missionary work for us?
Acts 13
264. What are the eight ways listed in the book for how God’s people are to fulfill the Great Commission?
*1) By surrender
2) By devotion*

Answer key

- 3) *By learning*
- 4) *By going*
- 5) *By praying*
- 6) *By giving*
- 7) *By child training*
- 8) *By separation from the world*

265. In what book and chapter did Christ say, "Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me"?
Matthew 11
266. What is the biggest reason why churches have no power and eventually die?
They greatly lack prayer!
267. Having a single _____ refers to putting Christ absolutely first in one's life as taught in Matthew 6:19-24.
Eye

THE CHURCH'S CONGREGATIONAL SINGING

268. In what two places, (book and chapter) do we see the instructions to the churches for congregational singing?
Ephesians 5 and Colossians 3
269. What is the first spiritual condition mentioned in Ephesians 5:18?
Being Spirit filled
270. How is one able to fulfill this condition?
By being under the control of the Spirit alone
271. What are the two purposes of congregational singing?
1) Edifying the saints
2) Worshipping God
272. What are the things that hinder the ministry of "speaking to yourselves"?
1) When the people do not understand that this is what they should be doing and if they do not engage in it enthusiastically from the heart
2) When the people are nominal and lukewarm and aren't truly walking with Christ and obeying God's Word
3) By choosing songs with a false theological message
4) By choosing songs with a shallow theological message
5) When the congregants cannot hear one another sing
6) When the music is so fast that the congregants cannot readily grasp the message
273. What is the most basic element of the music?
The melody
274. What is the Greek word for song?
ode
275. What is the foundation of a spiritual song service as seen in Colossians 3?
That "the Word of Christ dwell in you richly"