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"Come now and let us reason together, said the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. If you be willing and obedient, you shall cat the good of the land."

"As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us."

"I, even I, am he that blots out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins."

Baptism

- 1. WHAT commission did Christ give his disciples? Matthew 28:19.
- 2. To what point of time was this commission to extend? Matthew 28:20.
- 3. Did the apostles teach that all men should be baptized as one of the means by which they were to be saved? Acts 2:38.
- 4. With what did John say he baptized? John 1:26.
- 5. Where did John usually baptize? Matthew 3:5, 6.
- 6. Why did John at times baptize at Aenon? John 3:23.

The water in the Jordan at some seasons of the year was quite low. See history of Palestine,

- 7. From this we would suppose that much water is necessary for Christian baptism.
- 8. Would it require MUCH water to sprinkle or pour a person? No.
- 9. What is the meaning of the word baptize? To Plunge, or dip, a person or garment under water; to immerse. The Greeks used the word Baptizo when referring to immersion, Ranlizo for sprinkle, and ekchao for Pouring. The New Testament always uses the word Baptismo when referring to baptism. "Sprinkle" and "pour" are entirely different words, with altogether different meanings.
- 10. How many kinds of baptisms are there? Ephesians 4:5.
- 11. Does the baptism take place in the water? Matthew 3:16.
- 12. In the examples recorded of Christian baptism, do the candidate and administrator both go into the water? Acts 8:36-38.
- 13. What was promised to those who would repent and be baptized? Acts 2:38.
- 14. Was this Spirit given after baptism? Luke 3:21, 22; Acts 8:12-17.
- 15. Was it ever given before baptism? Acts 10:44-47.
- 16. Was it sufficient for them to be baptized with the Spirit? Acts 10:46,48
- 17. W hat did John the Baptist teach should precede baptism? Matthew 3:1, 2, 7, 8.
- 18. Did the apostles teach the same? Acts 2: 37, 38.
- 19. Must faith also precede baptism? Mark 16:15, 16; Acts 8:35,37.
- 20. How do we get faith? Romans 10:17.
- 21. Are infants capable of hearing and understanding the word of God, and of exercising faith? Deuteronomy 1:39.
- 22. Of what is baptism a memorial, or likeness? Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:12.
- 23. What is the only mode of baptism which fully represents Christ's burial and resurrection? Immersion. To be buried beneath the water, out of sight of the world, with the eyes closed, and breath held, a complete representation, or likeness, of a burial; then to be raised out of the water, opening the eyes, catching the breath, and mingling again with friends, a complete likeness of a resurrection.

Reader have you followed the Savior in this ordinance of his own appointment, which he honored by his example? Have you died to transgression, and been buried with your dying Lord In baptism? Is not, then we inquire, "Why tarries thou?" Some say they tremble and hesitate because it is a very solemn thing to obey this ordinance. True, but is it not a very solemn thing to disregard and neglect it? If we should tremble at the thought of obedience to the vine requirements, much more should we tremble at the thought of disobedience.

- 24. How long after conversion does one need to wait to be baptized? Acts 16:25-33; 9:17,18; 22:16.
- 25. What did those reject who refused John's baptism? Luke 7:29, 30.
- 26. What are those who have been baptized said to have put on? Galatians 3:27.
- 27. How should those walk who have thus publicly put on Christ? Romans 6:4; 1 John 2: 6.

LIGHT

"For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the

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light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." 2 Corinthians 4:6.

"Light is sown for the righteous." Psalm 97:11.

"The path of the just is as the shining light, that shines more and more unto the perfect day." Proverbs 4:18.

"Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness come upon you. . . . While you have light, believe in the light, that you may be the children of light." John 12:35, 36.

"If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin." 1 John 1:7.

"Walk in the light! So shall thou know That fellowship of love His Spirit only can bestow Who reigns in light above."

The Law of God

- 1. BY whom were the ten commandments spoken? Deuteronomy 4:12, 13.
- 2. By whom were they written? Exodus 24:12; 31:18; 32:15, 16.
- 3. What did David say of this law? Psalm 19:7.
- 4. Is God particular that his law be observed exactly as lie gave it? Deuteronomy 4:2; 12:32.
- 5. How long was it to remain in force? Psalm 111:7-9.
- 6. What did the prophet say Christ would do with this law-Magnify it. Isaiah 42:21.
- 7. Did Jesus fulfil this prediction? Matthew 5: 17-19, 21, 22, 27, 28.
- 8. Does faith in Jesus make void the law? Romans 3:31.
- 9. Is every part of this law to be kept by Christians? Matthew 5:19; 7:21; James 2:8-12, 17.
- 10. What does the Lord say of those who profess to know and serve him, and yet refuse to keep his commandments? Matthew 15:8, 9; 1 John 2:4.
- 11. Will the Lord hear the prayers of those who turn away their ears from hearing his law? Proverbs 28:9.
- 12. What is the love of God defined to be? 1 John 5:3.
- 13. How are the remnant people of God described in Revelation 12:17 and 14:12?
- 14. Upon whom does Jesus pronounce a blessing, and promise an entrance into the city of God? Revelation 22:14.
- 15. What is said to be the whole duty of man? Ecclesiastes 12:13.
- 16. What is required by the fourth commandment? Exodus 20:8-11, or see chart preceding page.
- 17. When was this day blessed and sanctified? Genesis 2:3. Twenty-three hundred years before there was a Yew on earth.
- 18. For whom was the Sabbath made? Man. Mark 2:27. By whom? Christ. John 1:1-3, 10 with Mark 2:27,28.
- 19. Then if the Sabbath was made for all mankind, would it seem necessary ever to change it or make a new Sabbath for Christians?
- 20. Did Christ change or abolish the Sabbath, or fourth commandment? Matthew 5: 17, 18.
- 21. Did Jesus make provision for the observance of the Sabbath for forty years after his resurrection? Matthew 24:15, 16, 20, Jerusalem was destroyed in AD 70
- 22. Were the disciples to instruct others to observe all things commanded them? Matthew 28:18-20.
- 23. Did the disciples keep the Sabbath after the crucifixion? Luke 23:56.
- 24. Was it Paul's custom to preach on that day? Acts 17:2.
- 25. Did the Jews keep the same day? Acts 18:4.
- 26. Did the Gentiles meet on the same day? Acts 13:42.
- 27. How long did Paul remain at Corinth reasoning from the Scriptures every Sabbath? Acts 18:4, 11.
- 28. Did they observe the Sabbath anywhere besides in the synagogue? Acts 16:13.
- 29. After resting upon the Sabbath day according to the commandment, did they observe the first day, or Sunday? Luke 23:56; 24:1.
- 30. Which day, then, is the Sabbath of the New Testament, the first day or the day preceding it? Mark 16:1.2.
- 31. Will the Sabbath be observed by the redeemed in the New Earth? Isaiah 66:22, 23.