

evidence of its truthfulness through the fulfillment of prophecy. 2 Peter 1:19; Dan. 12:4, 9, 10.

4. Without faith it is impossible to please God. Heb. 11:6.

5. We ought to pray God to strengthen our faith. Mark 9:24; Luke 22:32.

6. God will always in his own way and time answer prayers that are in harmony with his word and will. John 15:7, 1 John 5:14.

7. Works always accompany living faith. Gal. 5:6; Jas. 2:14, 17, 20.

8. In Hebrews, chapter 11, will be found many examples of living faith.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is faith? Give reference.

2. How many things are essential to intelligent and living faith?

3. Name and explain them.

4. What is the first reason for having confidence in the Scriptures? Name one text.

5. Name the second reason; the third reason.

6. Give a text proving that we cannot please God without faith.

7. What ought we to pray for in regard to faith?

8. On what condition will God answer prayer? When and how?

9. What will always accompany living faith?

10. In which chapter of the Bible do we find many examples of genuine faith?

LESSON LXV.

I. UNBELIEF.

1. The chief cause of unbelief is lack of confidence, and it manifests itself:

(a) By refusing to hear. Zech. 7:11, 12; 2 Peter 3:5, 6.

(b) By not believing after they have heard. John 16:9; 5:44-47.

2. Unbelief originates in a sinful, hardened heart. Heb. 3:12; Acts 19:9.

3. Unbelief is a great sin; for it sets itself up as a judge of God and his word. John 16: 9; 1 John 5: 10.

4. The following are some of the most marked examples of unbelief.

(a) The antediluvians. Matt. 24: 37-39.

(b) The people of Sodom and Gomorrah. Gen. 19: 14; Luke 17: 28-30.

(c) Israel in the wilderness. Heb. 3: 16-19.

5. Unbelief will increase in the last days. Luke 18: 8; 2 Tim. 3: 1-5, 13.

II. PRESUMPTION.

1. Presumption consists in setting aside God's law or commands and doing something else instead thereof, hoping that God will accept them and their service. Num. 15: 30, 31; 14: 40-45.

2. Unbelievers and workers of presumption will find their doom at last in the lake of fire outside the city of God. Rev. 21: 8.

Note.—Faith in the gospel of Christ belongs to the duties growing out of the new relations, and is represented by the sixth line, beginning at the time when the seed (Christ) was promised, passing through the cross, and ending with the close of probation.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is the principal cause of unbelief?
2. In what two ways does unbelief manifest itself?
3. Where does it originate?
4. Explain why unbelief is so great a sin. Give one text.
5. Name three examples of marked unbelief.
6. What becomes of these unbelievers?
7. When will unbelief increase? Name one text.
8. What is presumption? Give one example. Num. 14: 40-45.
9. What will become of unbelievers at last?
10. How long will gospel faith be preached?

LESSON LXVI.

REVIEW QUESTIONS ON LESSONS LXII TO LXV.

1. What experience must a person pass through in order to be saved, and why? Lesson LXII, paragraphs 1, 2.