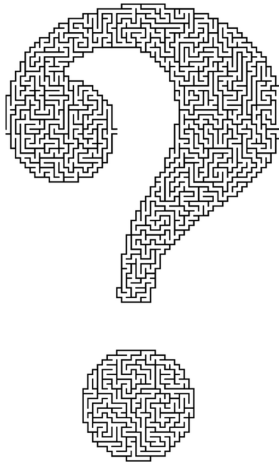


Answering Life's Big Questions

A Bible study in 1 Peter



Lesson 6: Glorifying God with my conduct -
How am I to act?

Lesson 1 - Peter's emphasis is on God as our

_____.

Lesson 2 - Our fundamental identity is

_____.

Lesson 3 - We are born again to receive

_____.

Lesson 4 - Why are you here now?

_____.

_____.

Lesson 4 - How are we to glorify God in our thinking?

_____.

Lesson 5 - How are we to glorify God in our emotions?

_____.

And if you call [_____] on him as Father [_____] who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, [_____] conduct yourselves [_____] with fear [_____] throughout the time of your exile, knowing [_____] that you were ransomed . . . (1:17-19)

Therefore let those who suffer [_____] according to God's will [_____] entrust their souls [_____] /_____/_____ to a faithful Creator [_____] while doing good [_____]. (4:19)

How am I to act?

1. Be _____; Be _____

(1:1-2, 1:14-17, 1:22)

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. (2:24)

a. Die to _____. (1:14-16, 2:11, 4:1-3)

b. Live to _____: Do _____.

Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. . . For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor. (2:12,15-17)

Practicing good deeds in the sight of unbelievers
brings glory to God!

Righteousness is not a withdrawn life of holy contemplation, but an active one of doing good at every opportunity. We are free to do all kinds of good in all kinds of ways, constrained only by honoring others, loving the brotherhood, and fearing God.

2. _____ one another.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart. (1:22)

What is the prerequisite to love? _____

- a. Love in your attitude toward others.
3:8-9 _____

- 3:11 _____
- 3:15-16 _____

- b. Love in the way you _____ to others.
(3:8-11, 2:1-3, 2:21-23, 4:10-11)
Speak _____.
Speak _____.
Speak _____.

c. Love by choosing not to _____.
(2:23, 3:1-2, 4:8)

d. Love by _____ others. (4:8-11)

Love others by extending to them the merciful, reconciling grace of God you have received.

3. Live rightly related to others – humbly, submitting to and honoring others.

- a. _____ toward _____.
(2:13-14, 17)
- b. _____ toward _____.(3:1-6)
- c. _____ toward _____.(3:7)
- d. _____ toward _____.(5:1-4)
- e. _____ toward _____.(5:5)
- f. Believers toward _____.
(2:17, 5:5)

4. Be actively functioning in your new role as

_____.

- a. Offer spiritual _____. (2:4)
- b. _____ God's excellencies. (2:9)
- c. Abstain from _____. (2:11)

5. Look out for and _____ the enemy of your faith and holiness. (5:8-9)

Memory verse:

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. (4:8-10)

Lesson 6 Study Questions

Day 1 – Jesus' teaching on doing good

Read Luke 6:27-36.

1. Describe the kinds of people Jesus says we are to do good to. _____

2. To whom is it easy to do good (verse 33)?

3. What does verse 35 give as the reason we are to do good to our enemies? _____

4. What attitude is to characterize all our good works (verse 36)? _____
5. What warning does I Corinthians 13:3 give about our good works? _____

6. Are your good works limited to people who are able to return the favor? _____

Day 2 – Jesus’ further teaching on doing good

Read Luke 10:25-37.

1. What phrase (vs. 31, 32) describes the actions of the priest and Levite? _____
2. What kept the Samaritan from doing the same thing?

Read Luke 10:38-42.

3. List at least three things that Martha’s serving produced in her heart and mind (verses 40, 41).

4. How does Jesus encourage Martha to keep her service from producing anxiety? _____

5. What are the unnecessary things in your life right now? _____

Day 3 – Other NT teaching on good works

1. According to Ephesians 2:10, why we were created in Christ? _____
2. According to Titus 2:14, why have we been purified and redeemed? _____
3. According to Matthew 5:16, what is the purpose of our good works? _____

4. According to the following verses, what resources do we have available to us to enable us to do good works?
Acts 10:38 _____

Hebrews 10:24-25 _____

II Corinthians 9:8 _____
II Timothy 3:17-18 _____

5. Read II Corinthians 9:6-15 and identify some of the outcomes of generous giving:
- vs. 6 _____
 - vs. 10 _____
 - vs. 11 _____
 - vs. 11-12 _____
 - vs. 13 _____

Day 4 – Sacrifices

1. Identify in the following verses what our spiritual sacrifices are to consist of:
- Psalm 50:14 _____
 - Psalm 51:17 _____
 - Psalm 141:2 _____
 - Romans 12:1 _____
 - Philippians 4:18 _____
2. There are things God desires more than sacrifices. What do the following verses say they are?
- I Samuel 15:22 _____
 - Matthew 9:13 _____
 - Mark 12:28-34 _____

Day 5 – Sacrifice and service

Read Hebrews 13:1-17

1. What elements of our spiritual sacrifice are given in verses 15 and 16?
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
2. In verses 1-7, the writer gives several specific ways we are to do good and share what we have. List them:
- vs. 1 _____
 - vs. 2 _____
 - vs. 3 _____
 - vs. 4 _____
 - vs. 5 _____
 - vs. 6 _____
 - vs. 7, 17 _____
3. Which of the actions in question 2 does the American culture in which we live value and encourage?
- _____
- _____

4. What truth does verse 8 speak into a culture which views Biblical morality as outdated? _____

5. According to verse 14, what kind of thinking should drive our relationship to the culture we are living in?

6. Read Hebrews 13:20-21. Where do we get the resources to live a godly life that will please God and bring Him glory? _____
