

Questions to Make You Think

TODAY WE WILL BE LOOKING AT SOME QUESTIONS THAT WILL MAKE YOU THINK

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT CHRISTIANITY? --WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE LORD'S CHURCH?

(THE ROMAN CAESAR TO PAUL:) Ac 28:22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against. 23 And when they had appointed him (Paul) a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening. 24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

(JESUS, TO THE PHARISEES:) Mt 22:42 Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The Son of David. 43 He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, 44 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? 45 If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? 46 And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT JESUS... DO YOU BELIEVE IN HIM?

Mt 26:63 (HIS "TRIAL") But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God. 64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. 65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy. 66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

Mt 16:13 When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? 14 And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. 17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. 18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN GO TO HEAVEN WITHOUT BELIEVING IN JESUS?

Joh 8:24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Ac 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Joh 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not. 12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN GO TO HEAVEN WITHOUT OBEYING GOD?

PAUL SAYS TWICE: Eph 5:6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the *children of disobedience*.

Col 3:6 (AGAIN) For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on *the children of disobedience*.

OF JESUS: Heb 5:8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; 9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal *salvation unto all them that obey him.*"

Rom. 2:4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance? 5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God; 6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds: 7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: 8 But unto them that are contentious, *and do not obey the truth*, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, 9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; 10 But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: 11 For there is no respect of persons with God.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE JUDGMENT?

Heb 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, *but after this the judgment...*

Jude 14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, 15 To execute **judgment upon all**, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

SOME THINK THE CHURCH WILL NOT BE JUDGED, BUT... HE SAID "ALL."

2Co 5:9 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. 10 For **we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ**; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. 11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men...

THE CHURCH IS CALLED "THE HOUSE OF GOD" (1 Tim. 3:15)

AND PETER SAID, 1Pe 4:17 For the time is come that judgment **must begin** at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

AND PAUL ANSWERS THAT QUESTION: (2 Thes. 1:7--9) ...the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, **and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**; Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power.

DO YOU REALIZE THE VALUE OF YOUR SOUL?

Mt 16:26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? 27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

DO YOU THINK YOU WILL LIVE FOR EVER?

MOST EVERYBODY WOULD SAY, "NO," BUT SOME PEOPLE LIVE LIKE THEY THINK IT'S THAT WAY:

Ps 49:6 They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches; 7 None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him: 8 (For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:) 9 That he should still live for ever, and not see corruption. 10 For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others. 11 **Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for ever**, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their lands after their own names. 12 Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts that perish. 13 This their way is their folly...

DO YOU THINK THE LOST WILL NOT BE RESURRECTED? -THAT'S WHAT SOME PEOPLE CLAIM...

PAUL SAID, Ac 24:15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, **that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.**

John 5:26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; 27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. 28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

DO YOU THINK THE LOST WILL BE ANNIHILATED? (BURNED UP) -SOME SAY THAT.

-JESUS SAYS, NO. 2 THES. 1:8 SAYS "EVERLASTING DESTRUCTION" FROM GOD'S PRESENCE, NOT DESTROYED FOR EVER.

JESUS SAYS HE WILL SAY TO THOSE ON THE LEFT, (Mat 25:41) Depart from me, ye cursed, into **everlasting fire**, prepared for the devil and his angels. He says, Mt 25:46 And these shall go away into **everlasting punishment**: but the righteous into life eternal.

He says, Re 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night.

IT'S A PLACE as Mrk 9:44 says, Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

DO YOU THINK YOU CAN GO TO HEAVEN WITHOUT BEING A MEMBER OF THE LORD'S CHURCH?

(Some folks say "the church doesn't save." But THE CHURCH **IS** THE SAVED!)

"And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be (were being) saved." Acts 2:47.

"Christ is the head of the church: and he is the **saviour of the body**." (Eph. 5:23.)

God "gave him to be the head over all things to the church, **Which is his body...**" (Eph. 1:22,23)

The church is "the BRIDE, the LAMB'S WIFE," (Rev. 21:9).

DO YOU THINK WHEN HE COMES TO TAKE HIS BRIDE HOME, YOU WILL GET TO GO IF YOU ARE NOT A PART OF IT?

DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE FOREVER TO PREPARE FOR ETERNITY?

The Bible says, "behold, **now** is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." (2Cor.

6:2)

DO YOU THINK THERE IS NO URGENCY IN GETTING READY TO MEET GOD?

Heb 10:28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: 29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? 30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. 31 ***It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.***

Eph 2:14 ***For he is our peace***, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; 16 ***And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross***, having slain the enmity thereby: 17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. 18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. 19 ***Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;*** 20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; 21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

ARE YOU IN CHRIST? Ga 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Mrs. C. H. Morris wrote:

"There's time enough yet! there's time enough yet!"

'Tis the tempter's subtle snare;

'Tis the rock on which many lives are wreck'd,

Going down in dark despair.

There is time for pleasure and time for work,

And for wealth to seek and hoard,

But alas! alas! for the deathless soul

With no time to seek the Lord.

Then turn to the Lord, while 'tis called to-day,

Lest this be thy vain regret,

That my soul is lost, and my life is wrecked

On the rock of "time enough yet."