

✠ Unsheathing the SWORD ✠



Matthew

MEMORIZATION – Matthew 7:7 – Jesus said: “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”

Chapter 1

1. In verse one the genealogy of Christ is condensed to His two most important predecessors. Who are they?
2. As you read verses 1-17 use it as a review of Old Testament history (and the kings of Judah).

Extra credit (just for fun): Count the number of names in the genealogy that sound familiar.

3. What does the text say about the possibility that Joseph is the biological father of Jesus?
4. What adjective is used to describe Joseph in verse 19?

Extra credit: Do you see Joseph’s plan to quietly divorce Mary (due to the pregnancy) as an indication that Joseph is not the father?

5. What a wonderful, God-fearing man! What happens to cause Joseph to accept the responsibility of raising the Messiah?
6. The baby’s name will be “Jesus.” Why?

7. Matthew writes that all of this fulfills the words of a prophet. “The _____ will be _____ and will give birth to a son, and they will call Him _____” – which means, “_____.”

Extra credit: What prophet spoke these words?

8. Joseph takes Mary into his home as his wife and we have another statement regarding their private life as man and woman. What does the text say?

Chapter 2

1. Jesus is born and when Magi (“wise men”) come from the east they naturally head to the present king (King Herod) to inquire about the newly born “king of the Jews.” When the chief priests and teachers of the law are asked where the Messiah is to be born, what is the answer?

2. Read Micah 5:2. Finish this phrase from Micah, “out of you will come for Me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins....”

3. The star reappears and leads the Magi to a house in Bethlehem. When they arrive what do the Magi do first?

4. Then they present their gifts. What are the gifts?

5. Do they return to King Herod to report the location of Jesus? Why or why not?

6. Joseph has another angelic dream. To what country are they told to flee?

7. Imagine the emotions! Joseph takes the warning very seriously. He gets up and during the night leaves for Egypt. We don’t know how close a call this was. How long had the Magi stayed in Bethlehem? How long did King Herod wait patiently for the Magi’s return before realizing they had “outwitted” him? How long did it take for the soldiers to carry out their

orders? Bethlehem is only about five miles from Jerusalem. The threat was so close! Was Joseph careful not to tell anyone where they were heading? Was there ever an attempt to track them down? Or did everyone in Bethlehem aid in the rescue of Jesus by voluntarily keeping silent about the child who had escaped? Think about the danger to our Savior – and the plan of salvation.

8. Matthew writes of another prophecy being fulfilled. It's from Hosea 11:1. "Out of _____ I called My son."

Extra credit: Jeremiah's sad prophecy is fulfilled. Who is Rachel?

9. a) When do Joseph, Mary and Jesus return to Israel?

b) How do they know when to return?

10. What return destination is Joseph's first choice?

11. After another dream, to what district do they withdraw?

12. What prophecy does this fulfill?

Chapter 3

1. Matthew identifies John the Baptist as the one spoken of by which prophet?

2. What do the people do before they are baptized by John the Baptist?

3. John preaches to the Pharisees and Sadducees (the religious leaders) that they are to produce fruit _____ .

4. Match the individuals to their baptisms.

John the Baptist _____

One more powerful than John _____

a) water

b) Holy Spirit and fire

5. True or false: John tells Jesus that Jesus needs to be baptized.

Extra credit: At the baptism of Jesus we see all three persons of the Trinity. Where is the Holy Spirit? Where is the Father?

Chapter 4

1. The desert temptations. Jesus fasts 40 days and is then tempted by the devil.

a) What is the first temptation?

b) Write out the response of Jesus.

c) Read Deuteronomy 8:3 to see the source of His quote.

2. Notice that the devil also quotes from the Old Testament.

a) What is the second temptation?

b) What is Jesus' reply?

c) Read Deuteronomy 6:16.

3. a) What is the third temptation?

b) What is the reply of Jesus?

c) Read Deuteronomy 6:13.

Extra credit: What is your favorite book of the Old Testament? Has your opinion of Deuteronomy changed after reading the responses of Jesus?

Extra credit: Find Nazareth, Capernaum and the Sea of Galilee on a map.

4. Matthew quotes Isaiah once again. Read Isaiah 9:1-7.

5. What two brothers are called as the first disciples?

6. What is their occupation?
7. How soon do they leave their fishing and follow Jesus?
8. Name the second set of brothers.
9. What is their occupation?
10. How soon do they leave their fishing and follow Jesus?
11. Begin a list of the twelve disciples.
12. Throughout what territory does Jesus preach, teach and heal?
13. True or false: People come to Jesus from Syria, Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea and across the Jordan.

Chapter 5

1. Chapter five begins with Jesus' teaching of the Beatitudes and goes on to cover many teachings. Some people today say that the commandments are no longer important now that we have Jesus. Carefully read 5:17-20. What impression do you get regarding the importance of the commandments?
2. Does Jesus' teaching on murder make it harder or easier to obey the commandment, "You shall not murder" than His hearers' interpretation?
3. Does the teaching of Jesus on adultery make it harder or easier to obey the commandment, "You shall not commit adultery" than His hearers' interpretation?
4. Is Jesus' teaching on divorce harder or easier to obey than the interpretation of the day?

Chapter 6

Extra credit: Notice that Jesus gives a very specific “sample” prayer. What do we call this prayer?

1. Does it seem that Jesus is “for” or “against” fasting?
2. “But store up for yourselves _____, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your _____ is, there your _____ will be also.”
3. The birds don’t sow or reap; yet they are fed by the Father. The lilies don’t labor or spin; yet God clothes them. We are not to worry. What are we supposed to seek first and foremost?
4. “Therefore _____ about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.” If you are a chronic “worrier,” memorize this verse.

Chapter 7

1. Match the action with the result.

<u>Action</u>		<u>Result</u>
Ask	_____	a) opened
Seek	_____	b) given
Knock	_____	c) found

2. What sums up the Law and the Prophets?

3. Match the gate and road to the destination.

<u>Gate and road</u>		<u>Destination</u>
Wide gate and broad road	_____	a) destruction
Small gate and narrow road	_____	b) life

4. Match the gate and road to who enters.

<u>Gate and road</u>		<u>Who enters</u>
Wide gate and broad road	_____	a) many
Small gate and narrow road	_____	b) few

5. People often aren't what they appear to be. By what can we recognize them for what they are?

6. How do you build on a rock?

7. The crowds are amazed. Jesus teaches as one who has what?

Extra credit: Is the centurion Jewish?

Chapter 8

1. True or false: Jesus specifically states that Gentiles will be at the feast in the kingdom of heaven with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

2. What prophet is quoted once again?

Extra credit: The lake in verse 24 is what body of water?

3. There is a furious storm and waves are sweeping over the boat. What is Jesus doing?

4. Jesus has shown power over demons and disease. Now what do we see obey Him?

Extra credit: Jesus has left Capernaum and crossed the Sea of Galilee to the region of the Gadarenes near a large herd of pigs. Is He in Israel or not?

Chapter 9

Extra credit: Friends bring a paralyzed man to be healed and Jesus forgives his sins. At this moment, if you were the friend would you be thrilled or disappointed?

Extra credit: Some of the teachers of the law are upset. If Jesus can pronounce forgiveness of sins, what is He claiming?

1. To prove His authority to forgive sins, what does Jesus do?
2. From tax collector to disciple of Jesus – just like that. Who is this new disciple?

Extra credit: What prophet does Jesus quote when the Pharisees question the quality of His dinner companions?

3. a) Do John's disciples fast?
b) Do the Pharisees fast?
c) Do Jesus' disciples fast?
d) Will Jesus' disciples fast in the future?
4. To whom does Jesus compare Himself in verse 15?
5. A ruler comes to make a request of Jesus. What power does this ruler believe Jesus has?
6. True or false: The mourners aren't sure if the daughter is really dead.
7. It sounds as if Jesus is healing non-stop – including those demon-possessed. What do the Pharisees say about the driving out of demons?
8. Slowly read the summary of the ministry of Jesus in verse 35.
 - a) Where does He go?
 - b) Where does He teach?
 - c) What does He preach?
 - d) What does He heal?

9. Jesus has compassion on the crowds because they are harassed and helpless, like _____ without a _____.

10. “The harvest is _____ but the workers are _____. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field.” Make this request part of your prayers.

Chapter 10

1. The 12 disciples are sent out. What authority does Jesus give them?

2. Complete your list of the disciples.

3. Who are the target audience of the disciples?

4. What message are the disciples to preach?

5. True or false: The disciples are told to raise the dead.

6. You get the impression that Jesus is preparing His disciples not just for this mission, but for the rest of their lives of ministry.

v. 16 - “...be as _____ as snakes and as _____ as doves.”

v. 20 - “...it will not be you speaking, but the _____ _____
_____ speaking through you.”

v. 22 - “...he who stands firm to the end _____ _____.”

v. 28 - “Do not be afraid of those who kill the _____ but cannot kill the
_____. Rather be afraid of the One who can destroy both _____
_____ in _____.”

v. 34 - “I did not come to bring _____, but a _____.”

Extra credit: What prophet does Jesus quote in verses 35-36?

Chapter 11

Extra credit: Read Isaiah 35:5-6. The prophet Isaiah wrote about 700 years before the birth of Jesus. According to his prophesy, when God comes what will happen to:

- a) the blind?
- b) the deaf?
- c) the lame?
- d) the mute?

1. In Matthew 11:2-6, John the Baptist asks Jesus straightforwardly if He is indeed the Messiah. Jesus does not answer with a simple “yes” or “no,” but offers His miracles as proof that Old Testament prophecy of a time when God would come is fulfilled. In the ministry of Jesus what has happened to:

- a) the blind?
- b) the lame?
- c) the leper?
- d) the deaf?
- e) the dead?
- f) the poor?

2. What does Jesus call John?

3. And not only that, but Jesus quotes Malachi’s words of the Lord Almighty in reference to John. That link makes John the messenger preparing the way for Jesus. Read Malachi 3:1.

4. “From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been _____, _____, and forceful men lay hold of it.”

5. a) With which specific prophet does Jesus equate John?

b) Read Malachi 4:5.

6. True or false: Once the people of Korazin, Bethsaida and Capernaum see the miracles of Jesus, they repent.

7. To whom will Jesus give rest?

8. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am _____ and _____, and you will find rest for your souls. For My _____ is _____ and My _____ is _____."

Chapter 12

1. It's the Sabbath and Jesus and His disciples are walking through grain fields. The disciples are hungry. What do they do?

2. This is considered by the Pharisees to be doing work on the Sabbath. Jesus tells a story about David and then quotes a prophet (Hosea) and says, "...I desire _____, not _____..."

3. This is the second time we see this "little" passage being quoted by Jesus in Matthew. Review Matthew 9:13.

Extra credit: Read Hosea 6:6 and look at the context of these words as the prophet Hosea speaks words of reproach to the people of Israel and Judah.

4. Who is Lord of the Sabbath?

5. True or false: It is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.

6. Does Jesus heal on the Sabbath?

7. a) Who are upset by this healing?

b) What do they plot?

8. What prophet is quoted in verses 18-21?

9. The healings are making people think that Jesus is the promised Son of David. How do the Pharisees explain the healings?

10. Jesus responds to the Pharisees:

a) "If Satan drives out Satan, he is _____ against _____."

b) "And if I drive out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do _____ drive them out?"

c) "But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the _____ has come upon you."

d) "Or again, how can anyone enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first _____ the _____? Then he can rob his house."

e) "He who is not _____ Me is _____ Me, and he who does not _____ with Me _____."

f) By what is a tree recognized?

g) Jesus calls the Pharisees a brood of what?

h) "Out of the overflow of the _____ the mouth speaks."

11. Carefully read verses 33-37. Apply these words to yourself and think of the times when your "careless word" has shown that there is a problem deep within your heart.

12. The Pharisees and teachers of the law ask for a miraculous sign and Jesus says the sign that will be given is the sign of the prophet Jonah. What happened to Jonah that will happen to the Son of Man?

13. Who will stand up at the judgment and condemn "this generation?" (circle one):

a) the men of Ninevah

b) the Queen of the South

c) both

14. Who are the brother, sister and mother of Jesus?

Chapter 13

1. Match the scattered seed and the result.

<u>Seed</u>		<u>Result</u>
On path	_____	a) thorn choked
Rocky places	_____	b) big crop
Among thorns	_____	c) no roots/sun scorched
Good soil	_____	d) birds eat

2. What prophet is quoted by Jesus in His answer about parables?

3. “For I tell you the truth, many _____ and _____ longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.”

4. Match the seed/hearer with the result:

<u>Seed/hearer</u>		<u>Result</u>
On path/not understanding	_____	a) produces a crop
Rocky places/believes briefly	_____	b) choked by worries/wealth
Among thorns/unfruitful	_____	c) trouble comes & falls away
Good soil/understands	_____	d) evil one snatches away

5. True or false: The parable of the weeds regards the end of the age.

6. List the half brothers of Jesus named here.

7. True or false: Jesus does many miracles in His hometown.

Chapter 14

1. Is the story of John’s beheading new to you? In verses 1-2 does it sound like Herod may have a guilty conscience?

2. Upon hearing of John's death Jesus withdraws by boat privately to a solitary place. It sounds like He wants to be alone, however crowds stalk Him. So Jesus (circle one):

- a) flees to another part of the lake
- b) has compassion on them and heals their sick
- c) has them wait for the next day

3. That same day Jesus provides the meal.

- a) With how many loaves and fish does He start?
- b) What does Jesus do before breaking the loaves?
- c) All eat and are what?
- d) There are how many baskets of leftovers?
- e) How many had eaten?

4. What does Jesus do immediately after feeding the people?

5. What is the disciples' reaction when they see Jesus walking on the lake?

6. Which disciple walks on water (briefly)?

Chapter 15

1. The Pharisees and teachers of the law accuse the disciples of breaking the tradition of the elders. Jesus says that they (the Pharisees) nullify the word of God for the sake of tradition and He once again quotes Isaiah.

"These people honor Me with their _____ but their _____ are far from Me. They worship Me in vain; their teachings are but _____."

Extra credit: Read Isaiah 29:13. At what time of history and to whom did Isaiah speak these words?

2. Which makes us unclean (circle one)?

- a) what goes into our mouth
- b) what comes out of our mouth

3. What come out of the heart?
4. When people see Jesus heal the lame, blind, crippled, mute and others, whom do they praise?
5. Jesus does it again!
 - a) With how many loaves and fish does He start?
 - b) What does Jesus do before breaking the loaves?
 - c) All eat and are what?
 - d) There are how many baskets of leftovers?
 - e) How many had eaten?

Chapter 16

1. Who is Jesus (circle one)?
 - a) John the Baptist
 - b) Elijah
 - c) Jeremiah or one of the prophets
 - d) the Christ, the Son of the living God
2. What does Jesus do “from that time on?”

Chapter 17

1. Who see Jesus transfigured?
2. What does the transfigured Jesus look like?
3. What two Old Testament individuals join Jesus?

Extra credit: Read the words of the voice from a cloud. When have we heard these words before?

4. All this talk of Elijah!
- a) Read Malachi 4:5 to see why the Jews of Jesus' day were looking for Elijah to come before the Messiah.
 - b) Jesus says that Elijah has indeed come before the Messiah. Review Matthew 11:11-15.
5. In verses 22-23 what does Jesus say to the disciples?

Chapter 18

1. True or false: God feels a special love and protection for little children.
2. What are the steps you are to take if someone sins against you?
3. "For where two or three come together in My name, _____ with them."
4. Summarize in two or three sentences the lesson about forgiveness in verses 21-35.

Chapter 19

Extra credit: In His answer about divorce Jesus quotes from what book of the Bible?

1. Have you heard this passage quoted at weddings? "Therefore what _____ has _____ together, let _____ not _____."
2. According to Jesus, why did Moses permit divorce?
3. What one "exception" is mentioned regarding divorce in verse nine?
4. True or false: Everyone should marry.

5. If the hands of Jesus can heal the sick, think how they can bless a child! Of course parents bring their children to Jesus for Him to put His hand of blessing on them. And the disciples are protective of their teacher and perhaps think His power should be “saved” for the ill. But Jesus makes His point and the children are blessed. If you are a parent, in your prayer time try using the image of Jesus laying His hand of blessing on your children (young or old).

6. According to Jesus, how many are there who are good?

7. The rich young man believes that he has kept the required commandments. The answer of Jesus in verse 21 (circle one):

- a) shows him being good enough to get eternal life is harder than he thinks
- b) shows us all that “There is only One who is good.”
- c) both

8. A camel through the eye of a needle?! “With man this is impossible, but with God _____.”

Chapter 20

1. In your opinion is the landowner fair to all the hired men?

2. Jesus is on His way to Jerusalem and He tells His disciples:

a) He will be _____ to the chief priests and teachers of the law.

b) they will _____ Him _____.

c) He will be _____ and _____ and _____ by Gentiles.

d) on the third day He will _____.

3. Does this sound incredibly precise?

4. What is the posture of Zebedee’s wife when she brings her request to Jesus?

Extra credit: Name the sons of Zebedee.

5. See verse 22. So the sons are there as their mother makes her request. Is your reaction like that of the ten?

6. a) What did the Son of Man not come for?

b) What did the Son of Man come for?

Chapter 21

1. Jesus is almost to Jerusalem. From what mount does He begin His ride into Jerusalem?

Extra credit: Find the Mount of Olives on a map.

Extra credit: Read Zechariah 9:9. The prophet Zechariah spoke over 500 years earlier to a people who had lost their kings. He wrote of a future time when their king would be restored.

2. How large is the crowd?

3. What is the crowd shouting?

Extra credit: Read Psalm 118:25-29 and make note of the parallels. Also remember that the horns of the altar were touched with the blood of the Old Testament sacrifice.

4. When the “whole city” is stirred and asks, “Who is this?,” how do the crowds answer?

5. True or false: Jesus is upset by the buying and selling going on in the temple.

Extra credit: See Isaiah 56:7 and Jeremiah 7:11.

6. True or false: Jesus is not able to heal while He is at the temple.

7. What is the response of the chief priests and the teachers of the law when they see the “wonderful things” Jesus does, and hear the children shouting?

8. Jesus tells a parable of two sons, and a parable of vineyard tenants. To whom is He still speaking each time?

9. “The stone the builders rejected has become the _____...”

Extra credit: Go back to Psalm 118 and this time begin your reading with verse 22 and end with verse 29.

Chapter 22

1. The kingdom of heaven is compared to a (circle one):
 - a) new moon festival
 - b) wedding banquet
 - c) both

2. Taxes. Who are trying to trap Jesus this time?

3. What does Jesus call them in verse 18?

4. Who are trying to trap Jesus with a question about the resurrection?

Extra credit: What’s really sad about the Sadducees?

5. Will we marry in heaven?

6. What is the greatest (and first) commandment in the Law?
7. What is the second commandment in the Law?
8. Traps are laid and Jesus is challenged by various religious groups. Read the final result in verse 46 – and smile.

Chapter 23

1. Something for all of us to remember. “For whoever _____ himself will be _____, and whoever _____ himself will be _____.”
2. In verse 13: “_____ _____ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”
3. In verse 15:
 - a) “_____ _____ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”
 - b) and Jesus goes on to use the phrase “son of _____.”
4. Verse 16: “_____ _____ _____, blind guides!”
5. Verse 23: “_____ _____ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”
6. Jesus says the teachers and Pharisees are so legalistic that they even tithe on spices, yet what more important matters of the law do they neglect?
7. Verse 25: “_____ _____ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”
8. Verse 27: “_____ _____ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”

9. Verse 28: “ _____, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you _____!”

10. Verse 33: “You _____, you brood of _____!”

Extra credit: How many “woes” are there?

11. What emotion do you read in the words of Jesus in verse 37?

Chapter 24

1. What does Jesus predict for the temple buildings?

A long extra credit: Just like people of all ages, the disciples are curious about “the end of the age.” Jesus’ answer fills two chapters. Tag each statement from verses 4-21 to the proper “time.”

“Time”

1. Don’t be alarmed/the end still to come/beginning of birth pains
2. And then the end will come
3. Flee/great distress/unequaled before or after

- _____ a) deceivers claiming “I am the Christ.” (“Christ”=Messiah)
- _____ b) nation against nation
- _____ c) famines and earthquakes in various places
- _____ d) hated by all nations because of Jesus
- _____ e) many false prophets appear and deceive many people
- _____ f) gospel preached in whole world
- _____ g) wars and rumors of wars
- _____ h) abomination in the holy place
- _____ i) persecution and death
- _____ j) many turn away from faith and betray and hate each other
- _____ k) love grows cold because of increase of wickedness
- _____ l) kingdom against kingdom

2. In verse 13, who will be saved?

3. "And this _____ of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to _____, and then _____."

Extra credit: Read Daniel 9:25-27, Daniel 11:28-32 and Daniel 12:8-13. And remember that we, like Daniel, must say, "I heard, but I did not understand."

4. Why will those days be shortened?

5. True or false: False Christs and false prophets will perform great signs and miracles.

6. The coming of the Son of Man will be as (circle one):

- a) a wave traversing the ocean
- b) lightning visible from east to west

7. What will happen "immediately after the distress of those days" is described in terms of (circle one):

- a) national disaster
- b) earthly destruction
- c) cosmic disaster

Extra credit: Jesus quotes Isaiah. Read Isaiah 13:9-13 and Isaiah 34:1-4.

8. When the Son of Man comes:

- a) where will He be seen coming?
- b) how will He come, quietly or with power and great glory?
- c) what noise will the angels add?
- d) what will happen to the elect?

9. "Heaven and earth will _____, but My words will _____."

10. Who knows about the day and hour (circle all that apply)?

- a) angels in heaven
- b) the Son
- c) the Father

11. Jesus compares that time to the time of (circle one):

- a) Adam
- b) Noah
- c) David

12. Carefully read verses 40-41 and make note of the context (“the coming of the Son of Man”).

13. Jesus tells stories to help explain the importance of our time before His return.

Wicked Servant

The wicked servant will be assigned a place with hypocrites. What will be there?

Chapter 25

1. Ten Virgins

- a) How many of the ten virgins are wise?
- b) How many of them are foolish?

2. Talents

- a) Of the three servants, how many are praised?
- b) The worthless servant is thrown outside into the darkness. What will be there?

3. What nations will be gathered before the throne?

4. Match the animals and direction.

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|-------------|-----------------|
| _____ sheep | a) Jesus' right |
| _____ goats | b) Jesus' left |

5. The kingdom has been prepared for those on the right since...
6. Notice the switch in titles.
 - a) What is Jesus called in verse 31?
 - b) What is Jesus called in verse 34?
7. Match.

_____ sheep on right	a) eternal punishment
_____ goats on left	b) eternal life
8. Think about the meaning of the word “eternal” and pray for the lost.

Chapter 26

1. It's two days before Passover. What does Jesus say will happen?
2.
 - a) Who assemble in the palace of the high priest?
 - b) What do they plot?
3. Jesus is eating a meal at the house of Simon the Leper. What happens?
4. True or false: The disciples think this is a beautiful gesture.
5. For what does Jesus say this perfume prepares Him?
6. True or false: The chief priests approach Judas regarding betraying Jesus.
7. Jesus tells the disciples that He will be betrayed by one of them. What meal are they eating?

Extra credit: Read Exodus 12:1-16.

a) What meat is eaten at the Passover?

b) On the night of the first Passover, what saved the firstborn from death?

8. "Take and eat; this is My body" and "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." This is not only the institution of the Lord's Supper, it is also the fulfillment of a symbolic meal which had been commemorated for well over a thousand years. Jesus is the Passover Lamb and it is His blood that saves us all from death. Take some time to think about this.

9. How do Jesus and the disciples end their Passover meal?

Extra credit: The Passover meal traditionally ended with the singing of Psalm 118. We have read it in connection with the Palm Sunday procession. Read it now with thoughts of the Passover meal and the imminent crucifixion.

10. Jesus quotes the prophet Zechariah and tells the disciples that all of them will scatter. He also says, "But after I have _____, I will go ahead of you into _____."

11. Peter says, "Not I," but Jesus says Peter will deny Him how many times before the rooster crows?

12. Jesus and His disciples are at Gethsemane and Jesus becomes "sorrowful and troubled." The only Son of God knows what is before Him and says, "My soul is _____ _____ _____ to the point of _____."

13. True or false: The disciples pray with Jesus until Judas arrives and Jesus is arrested.

14. How does Judas identify (betray) Jesus?

Extra credit: How many angels are there in twelve legions?

15. Where is Jesus taken?

16. There is trouble making any of the false witness stick. Finally the high priest charges Jesus to answer a question under oath by the living God. What is the question?

17. So Jesus is found “worthy of death” for the blasphemy of saying that He is the Messiah. Is it blasphemy for Jesus to say that He is the Messiah? Think about it.

18. Peter denies Jesus when he is confronted by (circle one):

- a) a servant girl in the courtyard
- b) a second servant girl at the gateway
- c) others standing there
- d) all of the above

19. How does our brash, bold Peter react when he hears the rooster crow after his denial of Jesus?

Chapter 27

1. To whom is Jesus led away?

2. When Judas is “seized with remorse” and returns the thirty silver coins what does he say?

3. “Then he went away and _____.”

Extra credit: Read Zechariah 11:12-13 and Jeremiah 19:1-13 to see the prophets’ object lessons. List the similarities of the object lessons to the account of Judas.

4. When Pilate asks Jesus if He is “king of the Jews” how does Jesus answer?

5. Pilate knew “it was out of _____ that they had handed Jesus over to him.”

6. Who sends a message to Pilate that Jesus is innocent?

7. Pilate is “getting nowhere” and things are getting out of hand. He releases Barabbas and does what symbolic act?

Extra credit: Flogged by soldiers who know how to inflict pain, mocked by a whole company of soldiers, his head repeatedly beaten with a staff (pounding the thorns into the scalp)...and the pain and humiliation is only beginning. Read Psalm 22.

8. What is the charge against Jesus that is posted above His head?

9. List the phenomena that occur in connection with the death of Jesus.

10. Who testifies, “Surely He was the Son of God!”?

11. What women are mentioned here?

12. a) Who goes to Pilate to request Jesus’ body?

b) Where does he “bury” Jesus?

13. What women see where Jesus is buried?

14. Why do the chief priests and Pharisees request that the tomb be made secure?

15. How is the tomb secured?

Chapter 28

1. Who head to the tomb?

2. Another earthquake! What causes it and how do the guards react?

3. Who see the angel (circle one)?
 - a) soldiers
 - b) women
 - c) both

4. Who see Jesus (circle one)?
 - a) soldiers
 - b) women
 - c) both

5. Where is Jesus heading?

6. When the chief priests are told everything that has happened they (circle one):
 - a) believe in Jesus
 - b) bribe the soldiers to lie

7. Matthew ends his Gospel by quoting Jesus. “All _____ in heaven and earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and _____ of _____, _____ them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and _____ them to _____ I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the _____.”

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