

..The.. Watchmen



Study Guide



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Thank you for your interest in learning to become a watchman standing for the truth of God! This study guide is provided freely for all who wish to study *The Watchmen* in a personal or group setting.

Fitting easily into a quarterly schedule, this 10 week course provides either a quick survey approach or an in depth look at *The Watchmen* depending on the needs of the student or class.

This book is an important study in capturing the essence of the Christian life that culminates in reaching the lost for Christ. Its teachings and stories, backed by penetrating truth, bring the student into the heart of God that desires the world to know His great love, provision for sin, and refuge in Christ from His coming wrath.

To enhance your learning opportunity, this guide contains three sections: *Discussion Questions* covering the main subjects, an *Answer Key* reinforcing the key points and *Scripture Verses* enabling quick learning. For open classroom settings, the facilitator might choose selected questions to cover in group discussions.

Taking hold of these truths will pull your heart up to the high calling of being a watchman on the wall for God. Those who implement these principles and take their stand for the gospel will witness the undeniable hand of God moving through their encounters with the lost!

May God bless your journey in becoming a steadfast watchman for Him. Unbelievable experiences and great joy await you!



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Chapter 1: Blood Curdling Scream

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Recognize Truth

- A. How important is discerning the "'Word of the Lord' for the watchman? (*Psalm 119:89; Luke 21:33*)

- B. Who is the Word and why is it living? (*John 1:14*) Why can God's Word never change?

- C. How does the watchman train himself to recognize truth?

*"For ever,
O LORD,
thy word is
settled in
heaven."*

Psalm 119:89

2. Watchmen Recognize Falsehoods

- A. Whom does Satan use as deceivers and why do people surrender to them? (*2 Corinthians 11:13-15; 2 Peter 2:1*)

- B. Who would you include or exclude as a possible deceiver in your life? (*Acts 20:29-30*)

- C. How does religious deception impact our understanding of the truth? (*2 Corinthians 11:3; Galatians 3:1; Colossians 2:8; Mark 7:7*)

*"But I fear, lest
by any means,
as the serpent
beguiled Eve
through his
subtlety, so your
minds should
be corrupted
from the
simplicity that
is in Christ."*

2 Corinthians 11:3

D. Who is ultimately our teacher? (*John 16:13*) What tests must all teachings pass? (*Acts 17:11; 1 John 4:1*)

E. What impact do false teachings have on our view of God and the gospel?
(*2 Corinthians 11:4; Galatians 1:7-9*)

F. How can watchmen prepare for the battle of declaring truth? (*2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 6:13; 2 Timothy 3:16*)

"...If any man
preach any other
gospel unto you
than that ye have
received, let him
be accursed."

Galatians 1:9

3. The Qualities of a Watchman

A. What qualities should all watchmen have?

B. What warning does God give the watchman who might fail to discharge his duties faithfully and why? (*Ezekiel 33:2-6*)

"People are either
alive and well,
or
alive in hell,
one of the two."

4. Watchmen Warn "Trouble's Coming"

A. What warnings did God want Ezekiel to give to the house of Israel about sin that watchmen give as well? (*Isaiah 58:1; Ezekiel 33:7-11*)

B. Why is warning the lost important to watchmen? If they perish, does their death mean they cease to exist?

"...I have no
pleasure in the
death of the
wicked; but that
the wicked turn
from his way
and live: turn ye,
turn ye from your
evil ways: for why
will ye die...."

Ezekiel 33:11

- C. How do watchmen engage the lost to warn them that 'trouble's coming' unless they repent and believe upon Jesus Christ? Should they fear people of reputation? (*Acts 10:34; 2 Timothy 1:7*)

5. The Watchman's Challenge

- A. Is God just as serious about watchmen warning the lost today as He was in Ezekiel's day? (*Ezekiel 3:18; Acts 20:26-27, 31*)

- B. Do God's watchmen hold their peace or warn only once? (*Isaiah 62:6-7; Galatians 4:19*)

"What are you doing with the gospel God has entrusted you with?"

- C. How might you reset your thinking to live from a heavenly, rather than an earthly, perspective? (*Ephesians 2:6; Colossians 3:2; 2 Timothy 2:4*)

- D. What did God prove to sinners by the cross? What does the watchman prove to God when warning the lost? (*John 3:16; Romans 5:5*)

"The cross is proof that souls matter to God. When a watchman speaks and warns people about eternity, it is proof to God that souls matter to the watchman as well."

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Chapter 2: You Plus

Discussion Questions

1. God's Watchmen

- A. How do God's watchmen know that they, plus the Holy Spirit, are a majority anywhere they go? (*Joshua 1:5; Hebrews 13:5*)

- B. Biblical heroes were real life people facing great challenges. What would you do if confronted with the same situations?

*"...for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."
Hebrews 13:5*

2. King David and Goliath - 1 Samuel 17

- A. What actions of David proved he was indeed a man after God's own heart? (*1 Samuel 13:14; Psalm 69:9*) What happened because of his victory? (*Psalm 18:39*)

- B. How should watchmen meet the 'Goliaths' in life that obstruct truth and hinder salvation? (*2 Corinthians 10:5; Hebrews 4:12*) What ground will be lost if you do not stand? (*Ephesians 6:13-14; 1 Peter 5:9*)

*"...for the battle is the LORD'S"
1 Samuel 17:47*

3. Elisha and the Chariots of Fire - 2 Kings 6

- A. What lessons did Elisha's servant and believers today learn about trusting God? (*2 Kings 6:15-17; Psalm 34:7, 37:40; 2 Corinthians 5:7*)

- B. When there appears to be no way out of a situation, who does the watchman fear and why? (*2 Kings 17:39; Psalm 46:1*) What is the result? (*Psalm 37:5; Isaiah 40:31*)

*"And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see..."
2 Kings 6:17*

4. Daniel Prays Publicly- Daniel 6

- A. Why do you suppose Daniel held to such strong convictions when in the foreign land of Babylon? (*Psalm 1:2; Psalm 119:97; Deuteronomy 6:6-7*)
- B. What did Daniel face 'head on' without shrinking back? What impact did his commitment have on others?
- C. How does Daniel's story encourage you to stand boldly for your convictions? How can such a stand impact others? (*Isaiah 43:2; Mark 9:23*)

"...Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee."
Daniel 6:16

5. Queen Esther Approaches the King - The Book of Esther

- A. God used Queen Esther's faith to glorify His Name before the entire Persian Empire. Who helped Esther recognize the crucial moment in front of her? (*Esther 4:14; Psalm 37:5*)
- B. What did she 'lay on the line' for God and what was the outcome of her bold stand? (*Esther 4:16; 8:10-11; 9:28*)
- C. What crucial moments facing you have brought your resolve to 'lay it all on the line' for God? Who needs your help in recognizing the critical moments in front of them?

"...and who knoweth whether thou are come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"
Esther 4:14

6. Stephen Testifies - Acts 7

- A. What did Stephen's uncompromising stand for truth result in? Who stood to receive him? (*Acts 7:55-59*)
- B. Who was probably convicted because of Stephen's willingness to stand to the death for what he believed? (*Acts 8:1*) What spread because of his martyrdom? (*Acts 8:4*)
- C. What stands for truth might you make against false religious beliefs that threaten to undermine Biblical truth? Who might God reach in the larger audience overhearing your defense of the faith?

*"The LORD
is on my
side; I will
not fear:
what can
man do
unto me?"
Psalm 118:6*

7. Watchmen Take God at His Word

- A. From God's viewpoint, what does He want His watchmen to know about His faithfulness when they make their stand for truth? (*Psalm 55:22; Romans 8:28; Hebrews 13:5*)
- B. What promises from the end of this chapter convince you that 'You plus the Holy Spirit is a majority anywhere you go?'

*"A watchman always knows that
you plus the Holy Spirit is an unstoppable
force anywhere you go!"*

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Chapter 3: Hey Stranger

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Follow the God's Commands

- A. Who do watchmen take their instruction from? Who did Jesus say should be evangelized? (*Mark 16:15; Luke 14:23; Acts 1:8*)

- B. If evangelism techniques are not from the Bible, where are they coming from? What impact can unbiblical teachings have on evangelism?

*"...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."
Mark 16:15*

2. Watchmen Witness Before Friendship

- A. Why do watchmen not need to earn the right to speak truth into someone's life? (*2 Timothy 2:9*) What are believers commanded to do with their voice? (*Ephesians 6:19-20; 2 Timothy 4:2*)

- B. Why is it unwise for watchmen to first make friends with those whom they want to reach with the gospel? What kind of friends can lost people become to watchmen?

- C. How does 'friendship evangelism' interfere with and prevent true evangelism? What is the Christian hoping their unsaved friend will do?

- D. What topic do watchmen most want to discuss? (*Malachi 3:16*) What things do you find yourself talking about with your friends or the people you meet?

"You don't 'earn' the right to share your faith, you have the right to share your faith."

3. Watchmen Talk to Strangers

- A. What advantages does the watchman find in evangelizing people they do not know?

- B. Why might a perfect stranger be willing to discuss eternal matters with you rather than with people they know?

"Is everlasting life the most important part of a conversation for you?"

4. Watchmen's Good Deeds Adorn the Gospel

- A. Other religions do good works, but in whose name do they do them? What needs to be added to good deeds in order to glorify God?

- B. How have good works open the heart of the lost to listen to the gospel?
(Matthew 5:16; Galatians 6:10)

*"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."
Matthew 5:16*

5. Watchmen Trust God for Follow Up

- A. What can watchmen do in 'following up' to strengthen the truth they preach? What purpose does this serve?

- B. When is lack of 'follow up' Biblical? *(Acts 8:39-40)* What examples from your own life shows "follow up" is not always an option?

*"...the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more..."
Acts 8:39*

6. Watchmen Remember Their Own Conversion

- A. Looking back on your own conversion story, how many strangers played a part in you coming to faith in Jesus Christ?
- B. What must a person believe and do to be saved? (*Mark 1:15; John 3:16; 8:24, 14:6; Acts 17:30; Romans 10:9, 13; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Ephesians 2:8-9*)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16

7. Watchmen Blow the Trumpet

- A. Knowing the fierce wrath of God coming on Judgment Day, what is the watchman's attitude toward speaking out boldly to both friends and strangers? Who will be the "great and small" standing before the throne of God on that day? (*Revelation 20:11-15*)
- B. Who do watchmen wake up, and to what are they awakening them? (*Romans 13:11; Ephesians 5:14*)

"Since all people need the gospel, we should be talking with all people whether they are friends or strangers."

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Chapter 4: Speak With Boldness

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Follow Jesus Christ

- A. What command of Jesus do all watchmen take seriously? (*Matthew 4:19; 28:19-20*)
If we're not fishing for men, what are we not doing?

- B. When asked about our evangelism habits, what should be our response?
What priority should witnessing have in our lives?

"If the cross is important enough for Jesus to die on, then it is important enough for us to share with the lost."

2. Watchmen "Want to" Reach the Lost

- A. What zone do watchmen want to step out of and step into to serve the Lord?
What does the Lord give those who step out in faith?

- B. Are the hearts of the lost able to be reached with truth? (*John 16:8; Romans 1:20*)
What will watchmen share with them and why? (*Mark 1:15; 6:12*)

- C. What alternative definition of 'witness' might apply to watchmen who boldly proclaim the gospel and why? (*John 3:19-20; 2 Corinthians 2:16*)

- D. How can persecution become a blessing? (*John 12:24; Acts 8:1-4; Philippians 1:12-13*)

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me... unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Acts 1:8

3. Watchmen Cannot be "Afraid to" Speak Boldly

A. How can Christians be empowered to speak with everyone they meet about Jesus? (*John 15:26; 16:13; Acts 4:31-33*)

B. Is the sacrifice of Jesus worth telling others about? What blessings might watchmen enjoy for sharing the gospel?

*"Let your
love of God
trump your
fear of man"*

C. Why does Jesus tell us that being rejected for sharing eternal truth is a blessing? (*Luke 6:22-23*) Is the watchman the one being rejected? (*John 15:18*)

D. Why should watchmen fear God and not men? (*Psalms 118:6; Isaiah 51:11-13*)

*"Sharing your
faith is a
conversation,
not a
presentation."*

4. Watchmen Learn "How To" Share Their Faith

A. In learning to share your faith, who would you go to for witnessing advice and why? What are some good things to remember before you go?

B. How might you begin a conversation with a total stranger? What are some things to keep in mind to keep a discussion moving?

*"... repent ye,
and believe
the gospel."
Mark 1:15*

C. What questions can quickly move a discussion in a spiritual direction? What other questions do we follow with and why?

D. What more serious questions can we ask the lost in order to address their spiritual condition of sin? (*Exodus 20:1-17; Mark 10:18; Romans 2:15; 6:23*)

E. What purpose does the law serve and to what does it lead the sinner? (*Romans 3:20; 7:7, 13; Galatians 3:24*)

F. What does God require as the payment for sins? (*Leviticus 17:11; Romans 6:23; 1 Peter 1:18-19*) Why must the lost know about this payment?

G. How do watchmen sandwich challenging truths to let the lost know they truly care about them? (*John 13:35; Colossians 4:6; 1 Corinthians 13:1-7*)

"Remember that God demands a perfect blood sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures, which only Jesus can provide."

5. Watchmen Practice Sharing Their Faith

A. When might a watchman probe deeper to make sure the person professing faith has trusted the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of their sins? (*1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Luke 9:62; John 6:68*)

B. What does the watchman 'want to' do? What can the watchman not be 'afraid to' do? And what does the watchmen practice 'how to' do? What are the two requirements for being a watchman?

"A watchman knows there are only two requirements for sharing your faith and being bold for God: Being born again and breathing!"

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Chapter 5: Prayer Changes Things

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Know that Prayer Changes Things

- A. What attitude do watchmen show toward God as they lay their requests before Him? (*Romans 1:8-10*)

- B. What does the watchman ask God to raise up and for what purpose? (*Matthew 9:37-38; 1 Timothy 2:3-4*)

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

Matthew 9:38

2. Watchmen Pray to Move the Heart of God

- A. What does it mean for watchmen to pray in the name of Jesus and how does this affect their prayers?

- B. What prayers does God delight to answer and how does this strengthen the watchman? (*Psalms 145:19; Proverbs 15:8; 1 John 5:14-15; Ephesians 3:16-21*)

- C. What requests will not move the heart of God and why? (*James 4:3; Proverbs 1:28-29; Isaiah 1:15; 59:1-2*)

"You must go forward on your knees."

Hudson Taylor

"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you..."

James 4:8

- D. If we are off track with God, how can we get back on the right path with Him? (*Psalm 32:5; Ephesians 5:26; James 4:8; Psalm 139:23-24*)

"That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."

Colossians 1:10

3. Watchmen Live to Please God

- A. What kind of life, and for what reason, does the watchman want to live? (*Colossians 1:10; 3:3-4; 2 Corinthians 5:9*)

- B. What do we learn about praying requests that will bless the heart of God from Jabez? (*1 Chronicles 4:9-10*)

"The watchman proclaims Jesus, and Jesus' name alone as he blows the trumpet."

4. Watchmen Know Jesus Does Their Bidding

- A. What does the watchman proclaim to the lost about the Lord? (*Philippians 2:6-11*) Who is being represented if this gospel message is altered at all?

- B. How might praying the 'witnessing paragraph' change everything for watchmen? (*Colossians 4:2-6*)

- C. What can Jesus do through prayer that we could never do for those for whom we are concerned? What might those we pray for eventually become?

"Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

D. How do you ready yourself for the divine appointments God has prepared for you each day? (*Psalm 4:1; 5:3; Ephesians 6:18-19; 1 Peter 4:7*)

E. When the lost express hatred toward the watchman or their own situations in life, what is likely the root cause of their anger? (*John 15:18*) Do watchmen worry about being harmed? (*Isaiah 54:17; Philippians 1:21*)

*"For me to
live is Christ,
and to die
is gain."*

Philippians 1:21

5. Watchmen Pray Without Ceasing

A. What should the watchman be doing during the long nights while standing watch on the wall? (*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*)

B. How do watchmen demonstrate they believe prayer changes things? How can watchmen be confident that God listens to them? (*1 John 3:21-22*)

"God is still on the throne....and prayer changes things!"

-- Noah Hutchings of Southwest Radio Church Ministries

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Chapter 6: More Blessed To Give Than Receive

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Build Up Others

- A. Does God place importance on encouraging others? (*Deuteronomy 3:28*) How will watchmen encourage the lost as well as the saved? (*1 Thessalonians 5:11*)

- B. Who is the model for graciousness that watchmen follow? (*Numbers 6:24-26; Psalm 145:8*) What does grace want to and not want to do toward the lost?

*"The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy."
Psalm 145:8*

2. Watchmen are Givers

- A. Whose life do watchmen have dwelling in them? (*Colossians 1:27*) What moves watchmen to give generously to others and what doors can this open? (*John 3:16*)

- B. What do watchmen find most blessed to do that distinguishes them from the world? (*Acts 20:35*)

- C. What can God do through a generous watchman to reach the lost? Who are the ones blessed through their giving?

"This world comes down to selfishness and selflessness."

D. When men do not give to God, what does He consider this? (*Malachi 3:8-10*)
What is being stolen and lost?

E. What attitude does God want His children to give with and why? What can generous givers look forward to? (*2 Corinthians 9:6-7*)

F. What attitude does not bring God's blessing in giving? (*Proverbs 16:18; 29:23; Luke 18:12-14; James 4:6*)

*"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7*

G. Who should set the standards for giving in this life? What might watchmen offer to the Lord if they have no money?

"The gospel is a verbal proclamation, not a visual demonstration."

3. Watchmen Evangelize with the Gospel

A. What is the watchmen's primary focus in life? (*Mark 16:15*) What does Paul say is necessary for believing? (*Romans 10:14*)

B. When the gospel is withheld in exchange for good deeds, what is this called? What can good deeds set the stage for?

*"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."
John 15:13*

C. What is indirect witnessing and how can it reach the lost?

4. Watchmen Lay Their Lives Down

- A. Why is 'laying it all down' for Jesus a wise investment of our lives? (*John 15:13; 1 Timothy 6:7*) What holds us back from doing so?

- B. What will be revealed about believers' works on the day they are tested by fire? (*1 Corinthians 3:11-15*) What do watchmen one day hope to hear from the Lord? (*Matthew 25:23*)

- C. What does your alms or giving look like to the Lord, to the lost and to the saved? Are you known for doing 'good' to others?

"The lost may argue with the truths we share, but they can never argue with the love we show."

5. Watchmen Love Others

- A. What does pouring God's love, grace and encouragement into the lives of others through giving accomplish in the lives of those around you?

- B. Does the watchman give to receive anything in return? Are you looking for opportunities to be a great giver of love and truth? (*Acts 20:24*)

"Be a great giver, a great giver of Biblical truth and a great lover all of your days."

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Chapter 7: "I Think About Eternity All The Time"

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Reason With Truth

- A. What manner of conversation and single question can really get people thinking about Jesus? (*Matthew 16:15*)

- B. What main point does the watchman make with the lost and with what does he use to make it? (*Isaiah 1:18; Acts 17:2-3; 1 Corinthians 1:23*)

"...Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?... But whom say ye that I am?"

Matthew 16:13, 15

2. Watchmen Know People Respond to Truth Differently

- A. What reactions to preaching the gospel did Paul encounter, which watchmen might experience as well? (*Acts 17*) What fruit did God give Paul in Thessalonica, Berea and Athens?

- B. Why were the Bereans special and what can we learn from their example? (*Acts 17:11*) How can this example benefit the lost?

- C. What spheres in your life are you turning upside down with the gospel? (*Acts 17:5-9*) What reputation precedes and follows you?

"...they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so."

Acts 17:11

3. Watchmen Are Always On A Mission Trip

- A. What is foremost on the mind of every watchman and for what does every outing become an opportunity?
- B. Where might watchmen share the gospel with the lost? Why is discussing truth with everyone we meet vitally important? (1 Peter 3:15)
- C. Who might watchmen reach without realizing? What did the love of God do for Mitsuo Fuchida? How did he resolve to spend the rest of his life?

*"Peace and freedom
-- both national
and personal --
come only through
an encounter with
Jesus Christ."
Mitsuo Fuchida*

4. Watchmen Challenge Idolatry

- A. What did God create man with a desire to do that the Paul's audience were not doing? (1 Thessalonians 1:9; Acts 17:16, 23, 29; Exodus 20:1-6)
- B. What does our culture worship today? What does this do to its practitioners and the heart of the watchman? (Romans 1:22-25; 2 Corinthians 10:5)
- C. Do men have an excuse for worshiping idols? (Romans 1:20) Can men find God? (Jeremiah 29:13; Acts 17:27; Luke 11:9-10; Acts 8:27-31; Heb 11:6)

*"Their idols are
silver and gold,
the work of men's
hands... They
that make them
are like unto
them; so is every
one that trusteth
in them."
Psalm 115:4, 8*

5. Watchmen Engage the Culture

- A. What does the watchman know about engaging the culture through conversation? What will the lost person reveal if they feel safe?

*"If you do
not engage the
culture, the
culture will
engage you!"*

- B. What do people generally think about their religious standing before God? What religious trappings does the watchman challenge the lost about?

- C. How does Paul argue the existence of God with the Athenians? (*Acts 17:28-29*)
Can macroevolution and the Bible coexist?

- D. What teaching of Paul's seemed strange to the Athenians? (*Acts 17:20, 30-32*)
How does God inform men they've violated His moral standards?
(*Romans 2:15, 3:20*)

- E. What must men do to find God? (*Acts 17:26*) Are all people equal in the eyes of God? (*Revelation 7:9*)

*"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe."
1 Corinthians 1:21*

6. Watchmen Turn the World Upside Down

- A. What are watchmen not surprised by as they give out the gospel? Does mistreatment bother watchmen? (*Acts 5:41*)

- B. What is the watchman's primary concern in life? What task do watchmen feel an urgency to do? What is the result of carrying out their mission?

"God is the only one who gives us breath....We should be so grateful...We should want to cherish those breaths and speak words of eternal life into others."

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Chapter 8: Is Not My Word As Like A Fire?

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Know the Importance of the God's Word

- A. How valuable is the Word of God to the watchman? (*2 Timothy 3:16-17; Psalm 119:10-11; 2 Timothy 2:15*) What happens without a healthy diet of God's truth?
- B. How do the quotes from the early part of this chapter convey the importance of the Bible?
- C. Since the Bible is God's Word for life, who needs to read it and why? Does the Bible need additional revelation? (*Revelation 22:18-19*)

"Sin will keep you from this Book. This Book will keep you from sin."

D. L. Moody

2. Watchmen Protect the True Gospel

- A. In what ways does God's enemy pervert the gospel that saves? When does the watchman's guard go up?
- B. How do watchmen refute commonly held lies that move people off the narrow road of salvation? (*Matthew 7:13-14*)
- C. What crucial question do watchmen ask the lost? Are you prepared to defend from scripture that Jesus is the only way of salvation? (*John 14:6; Revelation 1:18*)

"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed."

Galatians 1:8

3. Watchmen Know the Character of God

- A. Why does God invite the lost to seek, reason with, call upon, and learn from Him? (*Isaiah 1:18; 2 Peter 3:9; Hebrews 11:6; John 6:45*) Does God offer what He will not give? (*Numbers 23:19; Isaiah 55:3*)
- B. Do all men have the ability to repent and believe the gospel? (*Deuteronomy 30:19; Isaiah 55:7; Ezekiel 33:11*)
- C. Who cannot believe the gospel and why? (*Psalms 14:1; John 3:19-20; Hebrews 11:6*)
- D. How is God's character affected if He doesn't respect faith as the condition for salvation? (*Acts 10:34; Romans 10:9-10*)
- E. Would God be 'just' in judging men for what they are unable to do? (*Genesis 18:25; Romans 9:14*)
- F. What words must be redefined in order for these false teachings to gain a foothold and what danger does this pose? (*Colossians 2:8*)
- G. What does the psalmist mean when he says God "hast magnified thy word above all they name?" (*Psalms 138:2*)
- H. How does the teaching of unconditional election affect the atonement of Jesus Christ? (*Isaiah 53:6; John 1:29; 2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 2:2, 16*)

"...And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me."
John 6:45

"...Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:"
Acts 10:34

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men..."
Colossians 2:8

- I. How does special grace for the 'elect' change God's genuine love for all mankind? (*John 3:16; 2 Peter 3:9*) Can men resist the Holy Spirit? (*Acts 7:51*)
- J. What do these teachings give unsaved men on Judgment Day? What does God say about men who refuse to come to Him? (*Romans 1:19-20, 32*)
- K. If God regenerates the 'elect' before they hear the gospel, what impact would this have on evangelism?

"Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them....so that they are without excuse:"

Romans 1:19-20

4. Watchmen Guard Against False Teachings

- A. How does the watchman protect himself and others against counterfeit teachings? Does he handle and become comfortable with counterfeits?
- B. When watchmen spot danger coming in the form of false teachings, who do they follow and why? What might these tests of faith cost them? Who do they remain faithful to no matter what?

"There are many tests in life as a watchman. False doctrines will pop up to see if you are going to follow the crowd or follow the teachings of God's word."

The Watchmen

Chapter 9: No Crossing Over

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Remember Blessings Come From God

- A. From where do watchmen know their blessings come? (*Deuteronomy 8:17-18*)
Who shows regard for receiving and using blessings appropriately?
- B. Who in our world today characterizes the 'rich man' and 'Lazarus' from the Luke 16 account? What should our heart attitude be toward those in need?

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above..."

James 1:17

2. Watchmen Always Take Hell Seriously

- A. What thoughts race through the watchman's mind when visiting a cemetery and what does this move him to do? Who do watchmen trust for their beliefs about hell?
- B. What must all people understand about death's door? Do we get a second chance at heaven? What choice did Polycarp make about life and death?
- C. What vivid descriptions of hell do we learn through this true account of the rich man in torment? What is his conscious state?
- D. Who will be in hell for all of eternity? (*Revelation 20:10; 14, 15; 21:8*)

*"Heaven is real,
hell is hot,
and eternity
is long."*

*"And whosoever
was not found
written in the
book of life was
cast into the
lake of fire."*

Revelation 20:15

3. Watchmen Value the Mercy of God

- A. What lavish gift does God want to pour out on all mankind? (*Psalm 86:5; 136:1*)
What attitude of men refuses God's mercy and forgiveness to them?
- B. What does the rich man want now that he is in torment? Why can he not receive it? What is now gone for his entire eternity?
- C. What remorse is the rich man faced with forever? (*Isaiah 55:6*) What lesson does the rich man make clear for us?

*"O give thanks
unto the
LORD; for he
is good: for his
mercy endureth
forever."*

Psalm 136:1

4. Watchmen Warn There is No Crossing Over

- A. What do watchmen know is fixed once a person dies? (*Hebrews 9:27*) Who wants to cross over from one side to the other and why?
- B. What is the rich man in hell concerned about knowing there is no longer hope for him? (*Luke 16:27-28*) What does he perhaps wish someone had done for him while he was still living?
- C. What do believers in heaven and watchmen on earth all have in common? Did the rich man believe it was possible for his brethren to avoid hell if given the truth? (*Luke 16:30*)
- D. What does the rich man think will convince his brothers to take God's warnings seriously? What answer is he given? (*Luke 16:31*) Whose testimony is refused today though He has risen from death?

*"And as it is
appointed unto
men once to
die, but after
this the
judgment:"*

Hebrews 9:27

- E. What comes to mind for watchmen whose friends have died without the Lord? What do the deceased and watchmen consider urgent for the unsaved?

5. Watchmen Know Every Person Can Seek God

- A. What is every person responsible to search for in this life? (*Deuteronomy 4:29; Hebrews 11:6*) What do many people seek out instead?
- B. How do lost people sometimes handle clear evidence for the resurrection and why? (*Psalms 10:4; Proverbs 16:18; John 3:19*)
- C. Whose choice does God honor when sending people to hell? (*Proverbs 16:25*) Is God just? (*Deuteronomy 32:3-5*) For whom did God create hell? (*Matthew 25:41*)

*"But if from
thence thou
shalt seek the
LORD thy God,
thou shalt find
him, if thou
seek him with
all thy heart
and with all
thy soul."*

Deuteronomy 4:29

6. Watchmen Declare Hell is Coming for the Unprepared

- A. How can watchmen turn people away from hell and toward heaven? What do they willingly withstand to warn the lost that they are perishing?

*"Watchmen do not want to see anyone
take a last breath without Jesus and
go to hell for all of eternity."*

The Watchmen

Chapter 10: Time No More

Discussion Questions

1. Watchmen Know the Days Run Short

A. How do watchmen spend the time they have left in this earthly life? (*Romans 13:11-12; 2 Timothy 2:1-4*)
Whose friendship do they seek? (*James 4:4*)

B. As time runs short, what do watchmen tell sinful men that God is patiently waiting for them to do? (*Isaiah 55:7-8; Romans 2:4*)

C. What earthly lessons from the Japanese catastrophe show the importance of heeding eternal warnings?

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world..."
1 John 2:15

2. Watchmen Number Their Days Aright

A. What perspective do watchmen cultivate that helps them number their days aright (*Psalm 90:12*)?
For whom do they want to spend their life?

B. What changes should be made in your life to be a 'sold out' watchman for the Lord?

"Tomorrow is promised to no man."

3. Watchmen Finish Well For The Lord

- A. What do you learn from the examples of those who finished life well for God? What would you want your dying words to be?

- B. Do watchmen see people who are alive and well today from a temporal or eternal viewpoint? (*Matthew 13:41-42*)

*"I have fought
a good fight,
I have finished
my course, I
have kept the
faith."
2 Timothy 4:7*

4. Watchmen Keep Their Focus

- A. Knowing the days run short and the judgment of the Lord tarries, how do watchmen use their time? (*2 Corinthians 5:10; 1 Peter 4:2, 5, 7*)

- B. What do watchmen pray for one another to do and who empowers them to do so? (*Ephesians 6:18-20*)

- C. When the world ridicules the watchman, what does he know about whom he follows and where he is headed? (*Matthew 15:14; Luke 9:24; Romans 1:16*)

- D. Since watchmen are not ashamed of the gospel, what are they ashamed of and why? (*Romans 6:21; 13:12*)

- E. When watchmen turn away from the world to follow Christ, how does the world respond (*John 15:18-20*)? What trials might he endure? (*1 Peter 4:4*)

*"But this I say,
brethren, the time
is short..."
1 Corinthians 7:29*

*"And they
overcame him by
the blood of the
Lamb, and by the
word of their
testimony; and
they loved not
their lives unto
the death."
Revelation 12:11*

5. Watchmen Understand "Time No More"

- A. What do watchmen see coming on the horizon? (*Zephaniah 1:18*) What will God do to the earth when time is no more? (*Isaiah 13:13; Revelation 10:6*)
- B. What sins will bring God's wrath in that day? (*Daniel 5:23; 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9*) Who can be sheltered from His fierce wrath? (*Zechariah 2:5*)
- C. Who do watchmen love first and foremost in life? How did John Harper show God's love on the Titanic?

"And swear by him that liveth forever and ever... that there should be time no longer:"
Revelation 10:6

6. Watchmen Are Moved To Action

- A. What will watchmen do now that they have read this book? Where will they go and what will they say?
- B. In what does God take no pleasure? (*Ezekiel 33:11*) What are all watchmen in the midst of in this life? (*Ephesians 6:10-13*) Will you join in the battle to fight for the souls of men? (*1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Timothy 4:7*)

"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."
Philippians 3:14

*"Time to put the book down.
Time to join the watchmen. Time to open your mouth.
Time to pick up the trumpet and blow it loud and blow it clear.
Our God takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked...."*

The Watchmen

Chapter 1: Blood Curdling Scream

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Recognize Truth

- A. God's watchmen know the importance of discerning the 'Word of the Lord' that is forever settled in heaven. God's Word is the pure, eternal, incorruptible, living truth that is not to be added to, but obeyed and proclaimed for the way of salvation.
- B. Jesus is the Word become flesh which is why the Word is alive and powerful, able to pierce and discern the intent of the heart, convict the conscience, convert the soul, give life and sanctify those who believe. God's Word never changes because God never changes. Jesus is both God and the 'Word made flesh.'
- C. Watchmen greatly desire to be used by God and therefore train themselves to recognize truth through Bible reading, study, prayer and obedience. They are prepared with pure truth to speak skillfully and accurately into the lives of those they meet. Their great desire is to strengthen the saved and offer salvation to the lost.

2. Watchmen Recognize Falsehoods

- A. False teachings can come through some of the most respected and sincere religious people we know. The apostles warned that false teachers will arise from and be among believers. Whenever a person is esteemed in our eyes, they have the potential to mislead us because we have vested them with our trust. We cannot recognize untruth until we know the truth.
- B. God provides the church with the gifts of pastors and teachers but they must speak according to the truth of His Word and presents His character and gospel accurately. We must keep our guards up to filter every teaching through the Word of God. Deceivers can be found in institutions of learning, places of worship, the media, printed materials, and even in our circle of family and friends.
- C. Watchmen know that Satan is the great deceiver who sends his emissaries into the world with lies wrapped in garments of truth. False teachers use Biblical words that appear fine on the outside, but on the inside have hidden meanings assigned to them. The result is the Word is redefined verse by verse into a philosophy or tradition of men. The unsuspecting, who are captured by these false explanations learn, live out of and defend these twisted and nuanced meanings as 'truth.' This results in a completely different belief system that is communicated and embraced using the very words of scripture.
- D. The Holy Spirit is ultimately our teacher who promises to guide us into all truth. He will never lead us to perceive the Word in ways that violate the character of God or the gospel of salvation. We test the teachings of every man to see if they will carry us away from the Spirit of truth and into the spirit of bondage or strange teachings.
- E. False teachings, that reinterpret the meaning of scripture, create changes in how we understand and approach God. In short, when the truth of God's Word is twisted through false teachings, God's character and gospel are inevitably warped as well. False teachings hamper evangelism because the message of salvation is changed, and the character of God is altered. The lost cannot be forgiven by a different Jesus, nor saved through a different gospel.
- F. Watchmen prepare to battle for truth by accurately understanding the scripture, casting down every imagination that exalts itself above truth, putting on the full armor of God to stand their ground, and testing the spirit of a teaching to see if it aligns with the Spirit of God. A good prayer to pray is that God will not let you be deceived so that you will not deceive others.

3. The Qualities of a Watchman

- A. The position of watchman is best served by a diligent, trustworthy, alert, focused, dependable, honest, principled, honorable, resolute and skilled person who also possesses integrity, accurate sight and a caring heart. These qualities should characterize every believer as they grow in Christ. If they aren't present in our lives, we can repent from getting off track and get back on the narrow road to represent Jesus well.
- B. God warns the watchman that if he fails to warn wicked men to turn from their evil ways, then their blood will be upon his head. This warning keeps the watchman from abusing his post. He can't be negligent, lazy, fearful of persecution, a man pleaser, use his position for personal gain, take bribes, minimize the warning or be tempted not to warn those he dislikes. He is to warn full strength because the judgment of God will be full strength.

4. Watchmen Warn "Trouble's Coming"

- A. The house of Israel needed strong warnings that although they were God's chosen nation, those who would not turn from their evil ways would die in their iniquity. Their attitude of entitlement to salvation, coupled with their privileged position as the custodians of God's sacred things, had deadened their fear of sin and judgment. God takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked and wants men to repent from their sin and turn to Him. Watchmen warn men who are living in sin and outside of God's mercy to do the same today.
- B. Watchmen know that judgment for the lost will be terrifying and do not want anyone standing before God as His enemy who will be condemned to eternal torment for rejecting their only Advocate and Sin Bearer, Jesus Christ. When the lost die, they continue to consciously exist either alive in heaven or alive in hell.
- C. Watchmen share their faith through conversation, rather than through a presentation. Using the lost person's name during the discussion highlights their importance. Watchmen move discussions from the temporal to the eternal by asking simple questions about God, sin, Jesus, eternity and judgment. When watchmen see all men through the eyes of God, their station in life begins to disappear. They boldly share their faith with the famous, those of reputation, as well as those lesser known. Their concern is for any lost sinner on the way to a fiery eternity.

5. The Watchman's Challenge

- A. When God repeats a command, as he did to Ezekiel, watchmen straighten up, pay attention and take notice. God is just as serious today about sinners turning from their wicked ways to take refuge in Christ.
- B. Watchmen like the apostle Paul warn, and more than once if given the opportunity, to be free from the blood of all men. They will not hold their peace until the lost are saved and Christ is formed in them. In short, the watchman keeps his post his entire life because if the lost are breathing, they need Jesus.
- C. Pleasing Christ is the watchman's sole priority. He sifts out worldly enticements that entangle him in earthly affairs and pull him away from completing the race set before him. His eyes are focused on eternity rather than the things of this world which are passing away. Therefore, he sees the days as short and the souls of men on a collision course with Judgment Day unless they repent and believe.
- D. God completely proved His love for mankind when He gave the gift of His Son to pay for the sins of the whole world. "The cross is proof that souls matter to God." The watchman warns the lost because God's love dwells in him, and he fully believes God's judgment is coming for those who reject His Son. "When a watchman speaks and warns people about eternity, it is proof to God that souls matter to the watchman as well." The watchman shows he has aligned his heart with God's purposes when he warns lost men to turn from their sin and trust Christ for salvation.

The Watchmen

Chapter 2: You Plus

Answer Key

1. God's Watchmen

- A. God promises He will never leave or forsake His children. Just as God was with Moses and Joshua, He will be with His watchmen too. Watchmen can take courage to stand for what is right and true, even when others won't, knowing their stand brings protection and life for themselves and others as well.
- B. What giants causing real trouble are presenting themselves in your life (David)? What situations have impossible odds for a good outcome (Elisha)? Is there a conspiracy brewing against you because you are a Christian (Esther)? Do you need to put everything on the line for God (Daniel)? Do you need to boldly speak truth to those convinced of a different belief system so they might repent and be saved (Stephen)? The stories in this chapter provide help in dealing with such situations.

2. King David and Goliath - 1 Samuel 17

- A. The man after God's own heart stands up for His God! David brazenly challenged the Philistine champion, Goliath, knowing the battle was the Lord's. David shunned the weapons of the flesh to stand in the name of the Lord of Hosts. Israelite lives, land, and the sacred things of God were at stake. David's stunning victory, before the enemies of Israel, proved to all that the God of Israel is God Most High. David, plus the Holy Spirit, was the majority against Goliath and the Philistine armies.
- B. There are many 'Goliaths' in life that hamper men from believing that God and the Bible are trustworthy. Secular teachings, macro evolution, and false religious beliefs all affect one's worldview. Christians arm themselves with truth to destroy every speculation raised up against the knowledge of God. Standing for truth, regardless of our audience, allows God to move across the hearts of those present. If we fail to stand, the lost will not hear the gospel and others will fear standing up for truth as well.

3. Elisha and the Chariots of Fire - 2 Kings 6

- A. God's prophet, Elisha, warned the King of Israel about the movements of the advancing King of Assyria. Elisha fully trusted God to protect Israel and his city that was encircled by the Syrian regiment. When Elisha's servant saw the angelic realm, he realized that "they that *be* with us *are* more than they that *be* with them." Elisha's servant learned to look through his physical circumstances to seek supernatural deliverance from God. Believers who walk by faith can 'see' God working through their circumstances to bring about amazing rescues as well.
- B. Watchmen instinctively turn to God for deliverance, especially in impossible situations. They commit their ways to the LORD knowing He is their refuge and strength. God's deliverance from our enemies renews our strength causing our hearts to soar; to run and not be weary. When we trust that we plus the Holy Spirit are a majority anywhere we go, unexplainable encounters and miraculous circumstances reveal our God moving right before our eyes.

4. Daniel Prays Publicly - Daniel 6

- A. Imagine being taken captive as a teenager and moved to another country for the rest of your life. Daniel loved his God and God's land and people. He resolved to stay committed to Him and His law all the days of his captivity in the land of Babylon. Surely he was raised by godly parents who fostered in him a love of the law, of God, of His great deliverances for Israel, and of obediently living for Him.

- B. Daniel understood his responsibility, as a high official in the Babylonian and Persian governments, was most likely a protection for the Israelite captives. He faced his trials head on and undaunted, zealously determined to stand for the things of God. He purposely prayed openly in spite of the law that would bring his sure arrest and death in the lion's den. His obedience to God was not hidden but fully public, and God miraculously and publicly delivered him. The results were King Darius knew that Daniel's God was true, the Jews were protected, and his conspirators suffered the fate they intended for him.
- C. The story of Daniel encourages us to trust God to do the impossible in full view of others. Daniel was not alone because he plus the Holy Spirit was a majority against his conspirators and in the lion's den. As with Daniel, God is able to deliver us from certain trouble with great joy, increased courage, and incredible exploits for Him. Standing boldly and firmly for God, in impossible situations, gives Him the opportunity to thunder to all involved that He alone is God! When God is glorified in big ways, the lost know that He is the only God, the gospel will spread and Jesus Christ will be trusted for salvation.

5. Queen Esther Approaches the King - The Book of Esther

- A. Mordecai helped Queen Esther to recognize and seize the unique opportunity to glorify her God and protect His people...."for such a time as this."
- B. Esther fasted, prayed, and fully trusted the Lord as she put her life 'on the line' by approaching the king unsummoned to make her request..."and if I perish, I perish." The result was God used her bold stand to save the Jewish people dispersed throughout Persia. While the initial decree gave Israel's enemies permission to slay them, thus bringing them out in the open, the second decree allowed Israel to defend their lives, and destroy and plunder their attacking enemies. God's protection and deliverance of Israel from their enemies is commemorated even today through their celebration of the Feast of Purim, all because of Esther's 'sold out' faith.
- C. Watchmen see critical moments all around them and don't let them slip away. They risk their lives to do what's right so that others might live. Watchmen stand strong for God and His truth, as well as encourage others to take 'no other choice' risks for God as well. They are living examples of committed faith.

6. Stephan Testifies - Acts 7

- A. Stephan was full of faith and wisdom that could not be refuted by the Jews. He actively shared his faith which landed him before the High Priest. Stephan's powerful speech convicted and infuriated the Sanhedrin who stopped up their ears and rushed upon him to stone him. Jesus Christ, the Lord of heaven and earth, stood to receive His faithful witness.
- B. Saul, who later became the apostle Paul, witnessed all of the events surrounding Stephen's stoning that no doubt spoke to his heart. The death of Stephan brought the persecution of believers which caused the gospel to spread everywhere the people were scattered.
- C. God uses faithful witnesses to spread the gospel, even when 'religious' people try to suppress it. We need to push through the fear of unbiblical authority, and rejection from friends, family and peers to stand boldly for truth. Others are watching and listening. God can do incredible things in the lives of the lost and the saved if we will stand our ground to back up our profession of faith.

7. Watchmen Take God at His Word

- A. God knows every trial we face and promises never to leave or forsake us. When watchmen take great risks for God, He remains faithful to keep His promises and work these trials together for good. God blesses His watchmen with great joy and great stories that magnify His faithfulness. These light and momentary troubles then become priceless. He promises that if He is for us, no one can be against us because, "You plus the Holy Spirit are a majority anywhere you go!"
- B. Watchmen take God's promises at face value because they believe that God and His Word are completely trustworthy. They would rather die than turn away from their God. In fact, they would die for Him and His truth. The watchman knows that God's eyes are on the righteous, and He will keep His promises to them. To that end, God pours His heart of faithfulness out to His watchmen who believe and act on His promises. They know that they "plus the Holy Spirit is an unstoppable force anywhere you go!"

The Watchmen

Chapter 3: Hey Stranger

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Follow the God's Commands

- A. Watchmen always take their instructions from God's Word. Jesus says we are to share the gospel with every creature and reach out to the uttermost parts of the earth. We are to preach the gospel along the highways and byways everywhere we go to gather children for the kingdom of God.
- B. If evangelism techniques are not coming from the Bible, they are not coming from God. Evangelism cannot be redefined, minimized or considered optional, otherwise the result is the lost are not reached and God is not glorified. God equips believers with the power and desire to evangelize biblically.

2. Watchman Witness Before Friendship

- A. The Bible never tells watchmen they must earn the right to speak truth into anyone's life. The gospel is not bound. God has given believers the command and the right to open their mouths to speak boldly to everyone they meet about the Lord Jesus. If they don't speak up, they are disobeying God.
- B. The Bible never tells watchmen to first make friends with the lost who need their warning much more than their friendship. Christians will interact with thousands of people in their lifetime, but will probably make friends with only hundreds of people. Stipulating that we make friends of the lost first would exclude countless numbers of people from hearing the gospel. Watchmen make sure to warn the people who cross their paths. Some of those whom we witness to may eventually become our friends and acquaintances.
- C. Friendship evangelism creates bonding between the lost and the Christian, and makes sharing truth potentially stressful to the relationship. The watchman reaches many more people when he doesn't make friends with the lost first. It is much wiser to share the gospel before becoming friends. Friendship evangelism hopes the lost person will initiate discussions about the gospel, which rarely happens.
- D. Watchmen love to tell others about Jesus Christ, Truth and the wondrous works of God. The Lord loves when Christians speak of Him, even recording their thoughts in a book of remembrance. The Bible says we speak out of the overflow of the heart where the love of God naturally overflows into the lives of all we meet. Watchmen can't help thinking and talking about the things of God and how He has worked in their lives.

3. Watchmen Talk to Strangers

- A. Over 80% of the witnessing encounters in the NT are with total strangers. Since watchmen can't be friends with "all creatures," we must evangelize people we do not know. Watchmen can evangelize many people when sharing with total strangers.
- B. Watchmen are safe people with whom strangers can explore truth or unload their burdens when a friend or relative may not be safe. They are free to ask tough questions because there is no fear of creating problems or breaking a relationship with a stranger. We earn their momentary trust by being kind, friendly, and taking an interest in them without hypocrisy.

4. Watchmen's Good Deeds Adorn the Gospel

- A. Various religions do many good deeds in the name of their gods who cannot save. Watchmen know that good deeds adorn the true gospel of Christ. The lost are watching. When our actions back up the truth we declare, it is a powerful demonstration of God's love moving through us to them. If His presence in our lives is real, the lost realize Jesus Christ has the power to save and transform their lives as well. The lost will not be saved by watching our good deeds, but by hearing and believing the Biblical truth we proclaim.
- B. When watchmen live up to their calling, they confirm to men who are searching for real answers in life and for eternity that there really is a God who loves them thoroughly, and has messengers on earth communicating His love and good news to them. The hearts of the lost can be opened to truth when we express love to them through helps, spending time, buying necessities, etc. We pour the love and truth of God into the lives of everyone around us.

5. Watchmen Trust God for Follow Up

- A. Watchmen want the light of God to shine before all men. Watchmen 'follow up' with those they have witnessed to as circumstances allow. This includes providing them with Bibles, books, DVDs, prayer, phone calls, meeting again, emails, inviting them to church or anything else that helps them move toward trusting Jesus Christ for salvation.
- B. 'Follow up' is always good, but lack of 'follow up' often occurs. The story of Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch illustrates that God Himself carried the apostle Philip immediately out of a witnessing situation making 'follow up' impossible. Jesus spoke with the woman at the well as He was just passing through Samaria. Paul spoke to King Agrippa. Watchmen will always witness and never withhold the gospel when 'follow up' is not possible.

6. Watchmen Remember Their Own Conversion

- A. Watchmen are thankful Christians took the time to share with them the truths of God that drew them to Christ. Retracing the steps of our own conversion is always fascinating. Many things may have contributed to our hearing, understanding and believing the gospel. It may have taken years of weighing the truth, a moment of full repentant faith or a combination of both before our own repentance and belief occurred.
- B. The person who comes to Christ must repent of their sins, and believe that Jesus is God who took on flesh to die on the cross and shed His blood as the sacrifice and atonement for the sins of the world. Jesus was buried three days proving He was actually dead, and then resurrected the third day proving He has the power over life and death. His life fulfilled hundreds of prophecies proving that He was the long anticipated Messiah, Savior and Lord. The sinner who calls on the name of the Lord, believes in his heart unto righteousness, and confesses with his mouth unto salvation.

7. Watchmen Blow the Trumpet

- A. The Great White Throne judgment will be a terrifying moment for those who will be judged with no chance for pardon. Some of those standing there will be people we know, love, or have crossed paths with in life. This scene is a good reminder to make every moment count for the Lord and the lost. There can be no excuses for not sharing the gospel with every living creature.
- B. The task of reaching the lost needs an army of watchmen who take their responsibilities seriously because the world is sleeping. Since the dread of judgment fills the watchmen's hearts, they convey this message to friend and stranger alike who have been lulled to sleep concerning salvation. We need to wake them to the reality of hell and to the way of escape. Rather than let the lost walk unawares into eternal judgment, let's prepare them instead for the wedding feast of the Lamb and heaven thereafter!

The Watchmen

Chapter 4: Speak With Boldness

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Follow Jesus Christ

- A. Watchmen take Jesus' command to "come follow Me" very seriously. There is no 'following Jesus' without also fishing for the souls of men. Jesus Christ paid for the sins of every man with His very life and there is no way He is not also passionate about His followers reaching the lost. The call of all watchmen is to make known the complete love of God proved on the cross to all men everywhere.
- B. Christians have not always made evangelism the high priority it needs to be in their lives, nor in the life of their church. When approached about whether we share our faith, all Christians should respond with committed zeal. Watchmen want to please and obey Jesus in this most important regard.

2. Watchmen "Want to" Reach the Lost

- A. Watchmen have the desire to step out of their 'comfort zone' and into the zone of boldly proclaiming the gospel. The Spirit of God in them compels them to speak up. Often we just need to step out in faith to get started. Once we do, the joy of reaching the lost surprises us, and intensifies our desire to keep witnessing.
- B. Men made in the image of God have the capacity to understand and evaluate the truth that Jesus loves them, paid for their sins on the cross, and resurrected three days later. Since Jesus said sinners need to repent and believe the gospel, watchmen instruct men to do the same. God has set eternity in the hearts of men who have the ability to believe and are without excuse for not coming to faith in Christ.
- C. Watchmen want to be strong witnesses for their Lord. They boldly proclaim that sinners must repent and believe on Him to be saved from eternal judgment. The word 'witness' can also mean martyr. Men who love sin and hate the light of God consider believers to be the stench of death to them. They hate conviction for their evil deeds and will even murder the messenger to put the message of truth to death.
- D. Persecution strengthens the resolve of the watchman to give the message of truth more boldly to the lost. They have died to self and are living for Jesus which produces much fruit. Persecution forces decisions which reveal who is really for Christ. People need to "stand up for Jesus or walk away."

3. Watchmen Cannot be "Afraid to" Speak Boldly

- A. Christians often have a fear of rejection that holds them back from proclaiming truth. It is the Holy Spirit who empowers watchmen to testify boldly to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Spirit of Truth speaks not of Himself, but testifies of truth and magnifies the Son.
- B. Watchmen grasp the monumental sacrifice that Jesus made for every man, and therefore care that His provision for sin is not disregarded. It would be a crime of indifference against Jesus not to tell the lost that He died for them. He asks watchmen not to let the news about His sacrifice sit idle and waste away, but to hand deliver His great gift to everyone they meet. Watchmen have the special privilege of making the joy of both Giver and receiver complete, while being swept up in the joy of the purposes of God as well! If we value the lost, and the great sacrifice that Jesus provided, we will tell everyone we meet of God's immense love for them.
- C. Jesus says the world will hate us because it first hated Him. When watchmen speak up, they give the world a reason for rejecting them. Witnessing proves our devotion to Jesus Christ while at the same time revealing men's attitude toward Him. Watchmen rejoice in rejection and suffering knowing their reward is the Lord in heaven and not anything in this earthly life.
- D. Watchmen remember they serve the Lord God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, who is all powerful, righteous and holy. God is on the side of those who trust Him, and so watchmen do not fear men who die. God is

the One before whom all men will stand to give an account of their lives and therefore the only One whom watchmen fear. Those who fear men have lost sight of the correct perspective.

4. Watchmen Learn "How To" Share Their Faith

- A. Watchmen learn to share their faith from those who practice witnessing regularly. They remember the God they serve answers prayer. They pray for boldness, ask for the right people to talk to, ask for open hearts, and to take the U-turns the Spirit prompts them to make. As they practice sharing their faith, they see which scriptures they should memorize to use in discussions with the lost.
- B. Watchmen remember that sharing their faith is a conversation, not a presentation. Friendly greetings build trust with those they approach. Watchmen notice natural conversation starters such as bracelets, tattoos or circumstances around them to discuss. They listen and prompt further conversation by asking questions. People love to talk about themselves which lets the watchman look for doors that lead to a supernatural discussion.
- C. Questions that open a spiritual discussion include: "Can I ask you an interesting question?" or "If you were to die tonight, are you 100% assured you would go to heaven?" or "Did you grow up in any religious faith or tradition as a child? Now that you're older, is that more important to you or less important?" We remember to listen carefully to their answers, and then ask them questions such as: "Why do you believe that?" or "What evidence have you found to back up your beliefs?" or "How do you know this to be true?" These open ended questions plant seeds with the lost to get them thinking about whether their beliefs are really true and worth staking their eternity on.
- D. Once we introduce the importance of God and eternity, we can move the discussion toward the problem of sin. Sin causes people to hide from God and their unforgiven sin will keep them out of heaven. However, most people think they are good enough to go to heaven. We can ask: "Do you consider yourself to be a good person?" Then we show them their sin according to the Bible. It is the Holy Spirit, not us, who convicts them of sin through using scripture. God alone has no sin and therefore He alone is good and qualified to be the unblemished sacrifice for sin.
- E. The law of God makes sin clearly evident. It shows men they have broken God's moral standards and convicts sinners of their serious need for a Saviour. The law shows men their exceeding sinfulness before a holy God who hates all sin. Law keeping cannot wash away sin and therefore cannot save. Men need to repent and believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ so their sins may be blotted out and washed away by His blood.
- F. God requires a perfect blood sacrifice as the payment for sins committed against Him. 'Perfect' because a sinful man can't pay for his own sins. 'Blood' because it alone cleanses and washes away sin. 'Sacrifice' because the wages of sin is death. The believing sinner who has come to God in repentance and faith is cleansed of sin and free to go to heaven. The lost must trust this exact payment for sins because those who ignore or reject it will remain lost for all eternity.
- G. Watchmen truly care about the lost person's eternal condition. Sometimes the truth can be challenging for them to hear. The watchman approaches the lost in love, gives them clear truth, and then finishes with love. It's the love-truth-love sandwich. In reality though, the whole conversation is love from start to finish. It is loving to warn them about coming judgment. We tangibly demonstrate love with perhaps a hug, picking up a meal check, blessing them financially or just spending time with them listening. They will know us by our love.

5. Watchmen Practice Sharing Their Faith

- A. Watchmen run across people all the time who claim to have repented of their sins and believed upon the Lord Jesus Christ, but have either the wrong answer or no answer when asked how a person gets to heaven. The watchman makes sure everyone understands the clear gospel message that Jesus is God who took on a body of flesh and blood to become the perfect, blood, sacrifice for sin, and who resurrected proving He has the power to conquer death and give life. The true believer knows the true gospel by which they were saved. They don't forget Jesus, they don't look back at the things of the world and they know for certain the way of salvation. Jesus alone is the answer for eternal life.
- B. Watchmen "want to" and know they cannot be "afraid to" and constantly practice "how to" share their faith. Anyone who is born again and breathing can be a soul winner for the Most High God!

The Watchmen

Chapter 5: Prayer Changes Things

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Know that Prayer Changes Things

- A. Watchmen understand that prayer is an intimate conversation with God about the things of God. Prayer before Almighty God humbles and softens our hearts producing in us a gracious spirit. We pour out our gratitude, thankfulness, love and appreciation for His salvation and incredible works. We thank Him for the prayers He's already answered and show trust for the prayers He has yet to answer. Through prayer, we put our lives in the hands of God. Paul prayed without ceasing with thanks for the saints and work of the Lord.
- B. The heart of the watchman lines up with the heart of God when he prays for laborers to be raised up to go into all the world and share the gospel with the lost, even when those laborers might be in difficult circumstances. To that end he waits patiently for his prayers to be answered, regardless of circumstances or his own suffering, because the watchman fully believes that prayer changes things.

2. Watchmen Pray to Move the Heart of God

- A. When watchmen pray in the name of Jesus, they reflect back to God all that His name and character represents. They seek to be in the center of His will whether praying or living. This is the heart that God delights to listen to in prayer because it is fully devoted to Him and praying in His will.
- B. God delights to answer the prayers of those who steadfastly seek His face, are upright in heart, and fear His name. Obedience and answered prayer are related. Watchmen pray that the incomprehensible love of Christ, which strengthens and empowers their service for Him, would be known by all the saints, moving them to also share the love of God with the lost. They pray for boldness to speak up and not fear men who die, but the Lord to whom they answer.
- C. Asking for things not in the will of God, but centered on self, does not move the heart of God. God is interested in His watchmen representing Him well to back up the gospel they preach without hypocrisy. Those who cherish sin create separation from God and will not be heard. He is concerned about our character, as well as our requests, when we approach Him in prayer.
- D. Taking pleasure in sin hampers our prayers but repentance, confession, purifying our hearts, washing with the pure water of the Word and drawing near to God puts us back on track with Him.

3. Watchmen Live to Please God

- A. Watchmen want Christ to be their very life. They want always to be found pleasing to Him, abounding with fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God. They back up their profession of faith with actions worthy of the Lord. They gather other watchmen around them who live for Christ, treat others well, and reach out to the lost to help them stay the course and finish their lives victoriously for the Lord.
- B. Jabez prayed that God would bless him, keep him from evil, enlarge his coast, and that God's hand would be with him. The prayer of Jabez was answered because he was an honorable man who could be trusted with these blessings from God. We can pray for provision, favor, wisdom, knowledge, opportunity, laborers, and anything else that will bless the heart of God by using His gifts for His purposes.

4. Watchmen Know Jesus Does His Bidding

- A. Watchmen know they are responsible to tell the lost that Jesus Christ is God who humbled Himself by taking on human flesh to become the sin sacrifice on the cross for every single person who has ever lived. His name is exalted above every name and should be confessed, honored and worshiped by all creation to the glory of the Father. If the essence of this message is altered in any way and then trumpeted, it is not the name of Jesus that is being proclaimed, but rather the name of an impostor who cannot save.
- B. Colossians 4:2-6 is a great summary passage for watchmen to always keep in mind. It focuses their attention on the need to pray for boldness and opportunities in reaching the lost because prayer changes things. Watchmen pray with thanksgiving as they ask God to open doors to speak the mystery of Christ, to walk in wisdom toward unbelievers, redeem the time, and season their conversations with salt. Committing this prayer to memory keeps the watchman focused on living wisely and in the will of God.
- C. Jesus can do the work of convicting and bringing other Christians behind us to pick up where we leave off after sharing the gospel with someone. However, other Christians can't be the answer to our prayers unless they choose to boldly give out truth. When we speak up and are the answer to someone's prayer, there is amazing joy for all involved. Perhaps those we are concerned about and share truth with might one day become another soul winner for Christ.
- D. Pray for God's boldness to speak up, for watchfulness, soberness, and protection as you move through your day. Pray that God will use you to open your mouth to speak about His Son, open your eyes to see who He wants you to talk to, and move you where He wants you to go. Pray to fear God and not men, for protection, and that God would show you how He uses you for His glory. After praying, we walk confidently into the situations God puts right in front of us. These are our divine appointments.
- E. Those who hate the watchman, who bears and testifies to the truth, really hate Jesus who is the Truth. If they persecuted Him, they will persecute watchmen who blow their trumpet clearly. When people are disgruntled in life, they are expressing discontent toward God for what He has allowed in their lives. Watchmen do not need to fear men or persecution because they know God is aware of threats formed against them and will allow only what advances His purposes.

5. Watchmen Pray Without Ceasing

- A. Watchmen use their long nights on the wall wisely by praying without ceasing for all things, especially for those they've witnessed to, those they're concerned for, and those they're hoping to reach with the gospel. They pray for the Lord to work in the hearts of the lost, and to give them opportunities to blow their trumpet clearly so the unsaved will heed the warnings and find salvation in Christ.
- B. Watchmen fully believe that God is still on the throne and prayer change things! They lay their requests before the Lord with confidence knowing He answers those who follow Him.

The Watchmen

Chapter 6: More Blessed To Give Than Receive

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Build Up Others

- A. God knows that all men need encouragement and watchmen know this as well. When encouraged and edified, we are strengthened to do our best for the Lord. Watchmen greatly desire to pour out encouragement to others through words of truth, Christian wisdom, expressions of acceptance, gestures of kindness, accepting tones of voice, and a friendly demeanor. Everything within them wants to bless others.
- B. Since the Lord has shown us great mercy and grace, watchmen are filled with the same as they give out truth. They are gracious, humble, gentle, merciful, bold, slow to anger, cheerful and anxious to radiate the character of God to others. They may extend hugs, pats on the shoulders, hand shakes, prayers and gifts to express God's love to others. Gracious watchmen do not get angry with the lost, whom they know are spiritually blind, because they want to lead them to Christ.

2. Watchmen are Givers

- A. Watchmen have the life of God dwelling in them. Since God's love moved Him to sacrificially give His only begotten Son for the sins of the world, watchmen want to give as well. Like God, they want to pour "life" into others. Their generosity not only opens doors to witnessing, but speaks volumes to others about the love of God as well. When watchmen freely give, they adorn the gospel of Christ and demonstrate the graciousness of God in immeasurable ways.
- B. Watchmen find it much more blessed to give than to receive while the world holds on to its possessions tightly. When watchmen bless unbelievers, they dispel the unfair reputation Christians have for only being takers.
- C. Watchmen know that God opens hearts and works miracles through their generosity. Lavish giving blesses the lost and the Lord, as well as the watchman, because they are all swept up in the good purposes of God. Watchmen who give liberally have blessings overflowing into the lives of everyone around them.
- D. God considers it robbery to withhold giving, tithes and offerings to Him. Platforms for truth and miracles that confirm God's gracious nature are lost when giving is withheld. Praises for these withheld blessings are also stolen from God. These missed opportunities hamper blessing others with the gospel. Watchmen want to be givers. We will one day give an account for how we used the resources with which we have been entrusted.
- E. God is most concerned with our heart attitude toward giving because God loves a cheerful giver. Enthusiastic givers anticipate the joy that comes when God uses our tithes and offerings to bless the lives of others and to work wonders right before our eyes. Generous giving shows the lost we love them and trust the Lord to meet our needs though we give much away.
- F. Pride in giving doesn't bring God's blessings, but rather discipline through humbling instead.
- G. Christians, who represent the Most High God, should set the standards for giving. Watchmen rise up to this call. They give generously of their time, talents and resources to bless, even when they have few resources, to open opportunities to give out the gospel. "Little is much with God in it." Watchmen welcome others into their homes, share meals and provide helps when possible to create opportunities to witness to the lost.

3. Watchmen Evangelize with the Gospel

- A. The watchman's primary objective in life is to reach the unsaved with the gospel. Paul makes very clear that the gospel must be verbally preached and heard in order for it to be believed. The lost must hear, reason through, and believe the gospel to escape condemnation on Judgment Day.
- B. Good deeds can open doors to evangelism, and in that way be considered pre-evangelism, but cannot at all replace the giving of truth. 'Servant evangelism' by good deeds cannot possibly replace the verbal sharing of the gospel. The gospel is a verbal proclamation, not a visual demonstration.
- C. Indirect witnessing occurs when we share truth with one person while another is listening. The one overhearing our conversation just might be the one God is really reaching. Therefore, we need to lift our voices up like a trumpet and proclaim truth in the hearing of all present.

4. Watchmen Lay Their Lives Down

- A. Watchmen willingly lay their lives down for the One who laid His life down for them. Watchmen live for eternity now, and are sending their deeds ahead to heaven by blessing others. It is better to use our goods for God's purposes in this life, rather than store them up, because we can't take anything but our deeds with us when we die. Promises of dying for Jesus later when we will not lay down our lives now merely puts off what believers are called to do today.
- B. Believers' works will one day be tested by fire to reveal the genuineness of their quality. Valuable works will be rewarded while worthless works will be burned up. Watchmen know the Lord loves to bless and His blessings on that day will be unimaginable. Watchmen hope to hear Jesus say to them, "Well done, good and faithful servant" and look forward to entering into the joy of their Master's happiness.
- C. Watchmen know that God and others take notice when they lay down their lives through alms and giving. If they truly are givers, they will be well-known for their sacrificial love expressed through blessing others generously.

5. Watchmen Love Others

- A. Watchmen know that God's love, grace and encouragement are just passing through them into the lives of those around them. While the truth they proclaim might be rejected, their heart of love which is the heart of God will always be remembered. We should be well-known as generous givers.
- B. Just as God freely gave to them, watchmen freely give to others. The joy of giving energizes watchmen and keeps them from becoming weary in doing good. Watchmen fix their eyes on Christ, the author and finisher of their faith, as they run the race set before them. They make every effort to reap a harvest for the Lord before hitting the finish line of life!

The Watchmen

Chapter 7: "I Think About Eternity All The Time"

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Reason With Truth

- A. Watchmen engage the lost daily as part of their normal routine. They discuss truth wherever they go in a back and forth manner of conversation to get people thinking about biblical truths, eternity and salvation. Asking the lost who they believe Jesus Christ to be quickly focuses their attention on the most important question of life.
- B. Watchmen reason from the scriptures that Jesus is the Christ whose blood cleanses the stain of sin away from whosoever believes in Him. He alone forgives sins. Since watchmen reason from the Bible, those who argue with them are really arguing with the words of God.

2. Watchmen Know People Respond to Truth Differently

- A. When the gospel is openly preached as it was with Paul, some men will believe, some will mock and still others will cause trouble such as public humiliation, false accusations, and allegations of strange teachings. However, some might investigate truth further and believe, as God allowed Paul to see in each of the cities mentioned in Acts 17.
- B. The Bereans willingly searched the scriptures daily to see if Paul's teachings were true. Watchmen do the same today as they test all teachings against scripture as well. Watchmen challenge the lost to test their personal beliefs against the Bible so their answers for eternity are grounded in truth and not in personal opinion or in the traditions of men.
- C. Watchmen turn their world upside down with truth as they challenge conventional thinking about salvation. As with Paul, the religiously proud may feel threatened and appeal to higher authorities to silence the gospel. Watchmen are always known to stand for truth no matter what the cost.

3. Watchmen Are Always On A Mission Trip

- A. Watchmen are single-minded in their concern for the eternal destination of everyone they meet. They turn every outing into a mission trip where they engage lost people with salvation truths. The sharing of their faith is a daily, rather than a weekly, monthly, or yearly mission trip occurrence.
- B. Just as Paul spoke in the market places of his day, watchmen frequent locations where people gather. They engage the lost with Biblical truth to provide solid answers for their questions and to stop the lies of the world from seeping in, which can either prevent or destroy faith.
- C. As watchmen reach the lost, they might touch the heart of a future watchman unawares as with Mitsuo Fuchida. His guilt, bitterness and disillusionment were only removed by the forgiveness that is found in Jesus Christ. After his conversion, he spent the rest of his life as an evangelist, *"striking a death blow to the basic hatred which infests the human heart and causes such tragedies. And that hatred cannot be uprooted without assistance from Jesus Christ."*

4. Watchmen Challenge Idolatry

- A. In both Thessalonica and Athens, the Greeks worshiped idols made by human hands and human minds. God created mankind with the capacity to worship Him, which the Athenians were not doing. God alone is to be worshiped because He alone gives life and breath to all creatures. All peoples should revere Him with an attitude of grateful thanks for granting and sustaining their lives.

- B. Our culture worships what it values most; accomplished people, self, sports, entertainment, possessions and even ideas. Men create idols which they worship in ignorance. Watchmen are grieved by the ravishing of lives and the judgment of God that idolatry inevitably brings. This moves them to cast down every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God and bring the lost to a saving knowledge of their Savior.
- C. All men know their Creator exists, and therefore are without excuse for their idolatry. Men will be held accountable to search for God in their lifetime. God promises that the one who searches for Him will find him. Any who asks, seeks or knocks will find truth, be forgiven if they repent and believe, and receive an open door to salvation.

5. Watchmen Engage the Culture

- A. Watchmen know that people love to talk, especially about themselves. Talking builds friendship which allows a serious religious question to be dropped into a conversation. People will often reveal their view of God and eternity when they feel safe. Watchmen take these opportunities to engage them with Biblical truth.
- B. Most people think they will be just fine when they stand before God on Judgment Day. Watchmen prepare them for that day by challenging their false religiosity, false gods, false conceptions of Jesus, and even the adding of Jesus to their collection of gods in order "to cover all their bases."
- C. Macroevolution asserts that complex life evolved from random non-living molecules. Therefore the lost may reason that the God of the Bible didn't create life and by extension doesn't exist. The apostle Paul argues for the existence of God with the Athenians by saying that if they are living beings and are God's offspring, then God is living as well. The Law of Biogenesis basically asserts the same with its axiom that life produces life. Evolution cannot coexist in the least with the book of Genesis or the rest of the Bible. They are mutually exclusive and cannot be blended. God cannot lie and the Bible is proven true.
- D. The subject of sin, the righteousness of Christ, the crucifixion, and the resurrection seemed strange to the Athenians who generally believed in pleasure, an impersonal god, or that everything in the universe is collectively god (Pantheism). God provides the Ten Commandments to clearly convict men of violating His moral standards for which He will bring all men to account. He wants all men to repent and believe the gospel to escape His coming judgment against all who love sin and refuse His terms of peace and offer of forgiveness.
- E. Even the worst of sinners, like Paul before becoming an apostle or David Berkowitz (Son of Sam), are not outside of God's forgiveness and salvation. Those who seek God, repent, and believe will be forgiven the most grievous of sins. There should be no hint of prejudice against sinners, or racism toward people groups, among watchmen. Every person is an eternal being and must be given the opportunity to believe and be saved. Those who do, regardless of past sins or race, will be standing before the throne of God with us one day.

6. Watchmen Turn the World Upside Down

- A. Watchmen are not surprised when the lost mock and suppress the gospel of God. The souls of men are too important to worry about being treated well or being accepted by others. Like themselves, there are people in the world who "think about eternity all the time." While a person may say 'no' to truth with their mouth, the watchman knows they may say 'yes' to truth in their heart. Watchmen willingly inform the lost about eternity knowing there are some who are searching for answers, will weigh the truth, and will trust Christ for salvation.
- B. The watchman's mission in life is to win souls to Christ wherever lost people are found. They know God is just as concerned with their neighbor down the street as with the man on the other side of the globe. Watchmen do not waste time as they take to the streets and market places to engage the lost in order to point them toward the eternal truths of God that can save their souls. They gladly turn the world around them upside down with the gospel to reach those who might choose to believe and be saved.

The Watchmen

Chapter 8: Is Not My Word As Like A Fire?

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Know the Importance of the God's Word

- A. Watchmen proclaim biblical truth which reveals God's character and the redemption He offers. It is more precious than gold and worth treasuring. It is worth suffering persecution and even death to uphold. The Word of God is life to the watchman. Without a healthy diet of God's Word, a person will emaciate into a frail picture of a Christian.
- B. These quotes show the great appreciation that men from all walks of life have for the Bible. The Scriptures are God's gift to mankind for knowing the way of salvation, guidance in right living, the welfare and protection of citizens within a nation, and an education that no institution can provide.
- C. All people, meaning the lost, the saved, adults and children, should read and learn the Bible in order to be saved and to produce lives that reflect the image of God to others. This is accomplished through preaching, studying, meditating on, obeying, and treasuring the scriptures. There is no other book in life that even comes close to its importance. God says His Word is complete and gives strong warnings against adding to it any other teachings or writings.

2. Watchmen Protect the True Gospel

- A. Satan perverts the gospel to prevent people from being saved. He twists and redefines truth to hook people into false doctrines that drag them away from God. Watchmen are very careful to keep their guard up around religious folks and filter every teaching through the Bible.
- B. The false gospel which says that many paths lead to heaven is the broad road of destruction promoted by many trusted religious and political leaders today. Watchmen serve God by confronting these lies and exposing those promoting them so the lost will trust the narrow way of salvation found in Jesus Christ alone. Those who fear offending others, rather than pleasing God, cause the true gospel to be silenced.
- C. Watchmen ask the lost who they believe Jesus to be because knowing that He is God is critical to salvation. It is God who became the perfect blood sacrifice for sins. We must come to God to be forgiven of sins and it is Jesus alone who holds the keys of eternal life.

3. Watchmen Know the Character of God

- A. God equips every lost person with the ability to reason through truth, repent and believe because He truly wants to save all who will turn and trust Him. His offer of salvation is genuine because God is genuinely calling every sinner to choose life.
- B. Watchmen know that every person has the ability to reason through truth and cry out to God for forgiveness. God invites men to reason with Him and warns them to repent because they are able to do so. Anyone who repents and comes to Jesus for salvation receives abundant pardon.
- C. Those who deny that God exists are the ones who refuse to seek Him and therefore cannot be saved. Men who choose to hide from both God and the light of truth do so because their deeds are evil. Those who believe God exists and earnestly seek Him will be rewarded with eternal life.

- D. The Bible teaches that God saves those who meet the condition of faith from the heart. If He saved on the basis of preselecting particular people, He would be a respecter of persons which the Bible denounces. God's holy, righteous, merciful and loving character is seen in giving all men the ability and choice to believe and be saved.
- E. God's just character is seen in giving all men the ability and responsibility to repent and believe the gospel. As a just Judge, He does not tamper with the case of faith by preselecting who will be saved. There is no unrighteousness with God, and the Judge of all the earth always does right.
- F. In order for the teaching of unconditional election to gain a foothold, words in scripture such as 'world,' 'whoever,' 'whosoever,' 'all' and 'everyman' must be redefined to mean the 'elect.' Redefining God's words to carry distorted meaning renders a theology that can easily take its followers captive to the philosophies and traditions of men.
- G. When the psalmist says God magnifies His word above His name, this should not allow wrong interpretations of God's Word to be applied to His name. God's name is identical with the Word and therefore magnifying one cannot be at the expense of the other. Our understanding of scripture should always reflect God's holy and righteous character.
- H. If God predetermined for only some men to be saved, there would be no point in Jesus dying for every man. However, God says He laid the iniquities of us all on His Son who is the Lamb of God that takes away the sins of the whole world. Jesus died for the world, that lusts after sin, and for the false teachers who reject Him.
- I. The Bible says that God's great love moved Him to give His Son as the sacrifice for the sins of the world. If God 'saves' some men from their deadness in sin by gifting them with special enabling grace, He could easily save all men in the same way but is unwilling. However, the Bible says that God is not willing for any to perish but for all men to come to repentance. Since God says He wants all men to repent, then it is men who resist the Holy Spirit's conviction, as the Pharisees did when Stephen confronted them with their sin before he was stoned.
- J. If men were too depraved to believe the gospel and if God must unconditionally preselect who is to be saved, then those rejected by God will have this as their excuse when they stand before Him on Judgment Day. However, the Bible says that all men are without excuse because they know that God exists and that sin will bring His righteous judgment.
- K. If preselected men have been regenerated before hearing the gospel, then evangelism becomes a quest to 'discover the elect' rather than 'evangelize the lost.'

4. Watchmen Guard Against False Teachings

- A. Watchmen know that twisted truth breeds deception, so they are very careful to know their scriptures. They test all teachings by the Word of God to keep from being deceived and from deceiving others. They quickly distance themselves from any false teachings that twist the character of God or the gospel and don't allow themselves to get comfortable with these or 'see' value in them. They warn everyone they can by blowing their trumpet long and loud that danger is coming in the form of these false teachings.
- B. Knowing the truthfulness and power of God's words, watchmen stand strong against false teachings to follow the Lord rather than the crowds. They love hard, challenging Biblical truths, and don't pick and choose doctrines they like. They are willing to die to self and stand for truth in the face of persecution because the Lord is worth it! They are on the Lord's side no matter what the cost!

The Watchmen

Chapter 9: No Crossing Over

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Remember Blessings Come From God

- A. Watchmen know their blessings come from the hand of God and they receive them with a thankful and grateful heart. They want to use God's provisions for His purposes. While the world highly regards possessions to bring themselves honor, watchmen seek the high regard of God by handling blessings appropriately.
- B. The 'rich man' of today is the one who has his earthly needs abundantly met and who shows little regard for others, while the 'Lazarus' of today tends to be the person without medical care, food or shelter. Watchmen never know how God might use them to answer a cry for both provisions and salvation truth with the impoverished. They treat all people with kindness and respect knowing they could be in need one day themselves.

2. Watchmen Always Take Hell Seriously

- A. When watchmen visit a cemetery, they are keenly aware that the grave and eternity is ahead of all people. They take Jesus' words and warnings about eternal torment very seriously because He doesn't misrepresent the reality of hell. Watchmen run with this warning telling the lost they are rushing toward eternal suffering if they do not reconcile with God through the cross.
- B. The living need to know that death does not end existence, but merely opens the door to eternity. We need to live this short shot at life wisely with eternity clearly in view. All men must understand there is no second chance for heaven once we die. Polycarp willingly submitted to the earthly flames that brought his death knowing they paled in comparison to the unquenchable flames of eternal punishment.
- C. This account of the rich man in torment describes a place of unquenchable flames, punishment, misery, pain, memory, remorse, thirst, anger and the wrath of God. The rich man is very much alive as evidenced by his fully functioning senses.
- D. Satan, the Antichrist, the False Prophet, fallen angels, Judas Iscariot and all unsaved people whose names are not written in the Lamb's book of life will eventually be in the lake of fire for all of eternity.

3. Watchmen Value the Mercy of God

- A. Today is the day of God's great mercy and grace for salvation which He wants to pour out on all mankind. Those who reject Jesus' provision for sin, forgiveness and mercy are following their own heart's desire that wants to turn away from God and His truth, to worship things, activities or people.
- B. The rich man now realizes how desperately he needs mercy and relief, but will receive none because he fixed his eternal condition through the choices he made while living on earth. He comes to terms with the fact that all hope is lost for all of eternity.
- C. The rich man realizes he didn't seek God while He could be found, but traded his eternity for indulging in wealth without a thought for others. He did nothing for Lazarus sitting right at his gate. God's mercy and forgiveness for redemption are offered while men are living on earth, but will surely come to an end upon death. The 'rich man' makes clear that men should worship God and not possessions or prosperity.

4. Watchmen Warn There is No Crossing Over

- A. Watchmen know that men's eternal destination is fixed once they die and there's no crossing over from torment to salvation. Those in heaven want to cross over to rescue the condemned in suffering and those in hell want to cross over from torment to be with the saved in heaven. Everyone who has a clear picture of hell wants the perishing to be saved.
- B. The rich man becomes quite concerned for his five brothers who are still living. He asks that Lazarus be sent to testify to them so they will not end up in eternal suffering as well. Perhaps this rich man wishes someone had impressed upon him the seriousness of rejecting truth while he was alive on earth.
- C. The rich man, those in heaven, and watchmen on earth all believe in personal evangelism. All who know the gospel should share these life-giving truths with everyone so they too can avoid the inferno of hell. The rich man knew his brothers could choose to listen to God's truth and believe. He knew their eternal destination hadn't been predetermined.
- D. The rich man thinks his five brothers will listen to Lazarus if he returns from the dead and testifies of the torment that awaits those who refuse to repent. Abraham tells the rich man that if his brothers will not listen to the testimony of Moses and the prophets, then they will not listen to someone who returns from the dead. This makes the point that those who refuse to listen to truth today, will also refuse the testimony of Jesus who has returned from death.
- E. Watchmen picture those who have died without Christ begging and crying from hell for someone to go talk to their friends and relatives. Watchmen will heed this call, steel their resolve and lift their voices like a trumpet to carry out this critical mission in life.

5. Watchmen Know Every Person Can Seek God

- A. Every person has the genuine choice and responsibility to seek God with all their heart and soul while they are still living on earth. Sadly, many people choose to seek the things of the world which brings death instead of seeking the things of God that bring life.
- B. Many people deny the facts of the resurrection to deny their need for God's forgiveness. They refuse to come into the light because they love the darkness that hides their sin. If people won't listen to truth, they won't listen to testimony about Jesus rising from the dead. They bolster their unbelief by regarding accounts of the resurrection as fables, when it is they who are living in fiction. Pride keeps them from believing in Jesus and surrendering their lives to God.
- C. God's existence is evident to all men and He holds them accountable to seek Him through truth. God does not force men to come to Him in faith, but allows men to choose their eternal destination through repentant belief or persistent unbelief. Those who choose not to believe will end up in the lake of fire which was created for the devil and his angels.

6. Watchmen Declare Hell is Coming for the Unprepared

- A. Watchmen know the perishing are racing recklessly toward hell and not giving it much thought. Watchmen combat the lies of the world with truth and stand fearlessly against ridicule and insult to point the lost in the direction of Christ for salvation. They don't want anyone to take their last breath without Jesus, and end up in hell for all eternity.

The Watchmen

Chapter 10: Time No More

Answer Key

1. Watchmen Know the Days Run Short

- A. Watchmen understand that because time is precious and the days run short, they should focus their energies on eternal matters and not earthly pleasures. They realize enough time has been spent chasing after the things of the world and it is high time to wake up from slumber, cast off the works of darkness, and be clothed with truth. Turning from worldly affairs to seek the lost shows they care for the salvation of men and the friendship of God.
- B. God is waiting for the lost to turn to Him in repentance and faith because the ways of the Lord are mercy and abundant pardon. As time runs short, watchmen pick up the pace to prepare men to stand before Him. They firmly warn that God will judge sinners participating in the sin running rampant all around us. While a person may say 'no' to truth with their mouth, the watchman knows they may say 'yes' to truth in their heart.
- C. The Japanese had no idea that day might be their last, just as we don't know what day will be our last. The villagers who heeded the warnings to build their houses above the tsunami water line illustrate the importance of heeding the warnings and preparing for death well before it arrives unannounced.

2. Watchmen Number Their Days Aright

- A. Time is precious and once it is gone, we cannot get it back. Watchmen grasp the gravity of life, choices, heaven and hell, and therefore see time and people in an eternal rather than temporal sense. They want their lives to count for God's purposes, rather than be spent on things that have zero eternal value.
- B. Christians who want to live 'sold out' for God must read what He says and obey what they read. Watchmen repent, pray, study the Bible, give, and step out boldly to share their faith which keeps them on track in living for the Lord. Reviewing how they use their time reveals whether they spend their life for themselves or spend it for the Lord. It also shows where changes can be made to become a fully committed watchman of God.

3. Watchmen Finish Well For The Lord

- A. The Lord Jesus Christ was the perfect watchman who gave out truth up to his very last breath. Other examples of watchmen who finished well for the Lord include the thief on the cross, Peter, Paul, and Stephen, to name a few. Watchmen want their entire life to count for the Lord, warning and giving truth to whomever they can for as long as they can until there is no breath left in them. Thinking about our dying words brings into focus what we value most in life.
- B. Watchmen view men in terms of eternity, either worshiping before the throne of God in heaven or gnashing their teeth in tears of pain and remorse from the bowels of hell. These mental images sharpen the watchman's resolve to rescue as many as possible from an eternity of relentless suffering, torment, regret, darkness and loneliness. Watchmen want all people to finish life well for the Lord, rather than end it in waste and destruction.

4. Watchmen Keep Their Focus

- A. Watchmen know that death comes suddenly for many who are here today and gone tomorrow. Watchmen value each day as a gift from the Lord knowing they and the lost are not promised tomorrow. Each day could be their last, or the last for those they meet, moving them to make every day count for the Lord. They are mindful that they will give an account for how they use their days and so focus on what has eternal value now.

- B. Watchmen, like the apostle Paul, want to stand boldly for Christ but know they need the empowering of the Holy Spirit to do so. Therefore, they pray for one another so that each watchman can stand their ground and speak boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel.
- C. The watchman understands the world mocks the things of God, but he is undeterred. The watchman unflinchingly believes, remains resolute and is steadfast in giving his life for the true gospel that he is unashamed to defend. The watchman knows where he is going because he follows the Lord Jesus all the days of his life, and knows the Lord will take him to heaven to worship before His throne for all eternity.
- D. Watchmen are ashamed of their past sins and the time they wasted chasing worldly endeavors before they were saved, but they are never ashamed of the Lord Jesus Christ. They are thankful for the cross and prove it by spending the rest of their days defending it.
- E. Jesus said that since the world hated and persecuted Him, it will hate and persecute believers who are in the world, but are no longer of the world. The world maligns those who do not behave or think like them. Watchmen will suffer shunning, ridicule, persecution and even death at the hands of men who rebel against God and His truth. The Lord protects His own by taking them safely to heaven to be with Him forever.

5. Watchmen Understand "Time No More"

- A. Watchmen know from the Word of God that one day time will be no more. God will shake this earth in His fierce anger, and the idols that men trusted in will not deliver them in that day. God will destroy the works and people of sin through devouring fire.
- B. The wrath of God will certainly fall on those who suppress the truth in unrighteousness and who turn to worthless idols, both of which lead to indulging in sin. Idolaters reject the truth in order to believe the lie that God will not judge sin, even though watchmen repeatedly warn that God will call men to account. Believers will be sheltered from God's coming wrath that will be poured out on the world for their iniquity, rebellion, and persecution of God's children.
- C. Watchmen passionately love the Lord with their whole heart, mind, soul and strength. This love overflows into the lives of others around them, as did the Baptist preacher John Harper's, who shared the gospel with those drowning as the Titanic sank. His last words were, "Believe on the Name of the Lord Jesus and you will be saved." All watchmen would want their final words to be the same.

6. Watchmen Are Moved To Action

- A. Those who have answered the call to be watchmen of God will take to the streets, their workplaces, neighborhoods, and campuses to speak to strangers, friends, family and coworkers. They will share with them the immense mercy and forgiveness found in the love of God through Christ Jesus, as well as warn them of the unimaginable suffering and torment awaiting those who refuse to take refuge in Christ from the fierce wrath of God coming against rebellious sinners and their sin.
- B. God takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked. His watchmen warn the lost that eternal trouble is coming quicker than they realize. You are in the war zone of the battle between God and Satan for the souls of men. Will you join the ranks of watchmen who blow their trumpets long and loud to rescue those on the road to destruction? Remember the days run short and all too soon for the watchman and the perishing alike, it will be "time no more."

The Watchmen

Chapter 1: Blood Curdling Scream

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Psalm 119:89 "For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven."

Luke 21:33 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away."

Question 1 B

John 1:14 "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."

Question 2A

2 Corinthians 11:13-15 "For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."

2 Peter 2:1 "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."

Question 2B

Acts 20:29-30 "For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them."

Question 2 C

2 Corinthians 11:3 "But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."

Galatians 3:1 "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?"

Colossians 2:8 "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

Mark 7:7 "Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men."

Question 2 D

John 16:13 "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come."

Acts 17:11 "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so."

1 John 4:1 "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world."

Question 2 E

2 Corinthians 11:4 " For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with *him*."

Galatians 1:7-9 "Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."

Question 2 F

2 Corinthians 10:5 "Casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;"

Ephesians 6:13 "Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

2 Timothy 3:16 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Question 3 B

Ezekiel 33:2-6 "Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them, When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their watchman: If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people; Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand."

Question 4 A

Isaiah 58:1 "Cry aloud, spare not; Lift up your voice like a trumpet; Tell My people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins."

Ezekiel 33:7-11 "So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul. Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins be upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we then live? Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

Question 4 C

Acts 10:34 "Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:"

2 Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

Question 5 A

Ezekiel 3:18 "When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand."

Acts 20:26-27, 31 "Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.... Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears."

Question 5 B

Isaiah 62:6-7 "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence, And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth."

Galatians 4:19 "My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,"

Question 5 C

Ephesians 2:6 "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:"

Colossians 3:2 "Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."

2 Timothy 2:4 "No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier."

Question 5 D

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Romans 5:5 "And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

The Watchmen

Chapter 2: You Plus

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Joshua 1:5 "There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee."

Hebrews 13:5 "...for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Question 2 A

1 Samuel 13:14 "But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him *to* be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept *that* which the LORD commanded thee."

Psalms 69:9 "For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me."

Psalms 18:39 "For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me."

Question 2 B

2 Corinthians 10:5 "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;"

Hebrews 4:12 "For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Ephesians 6:13-14 "Therefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;"

1 Peter 5:8 "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring **lion**, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Question 3 A

2 Kings 6:15-17 "And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, a host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do? And he answered, Fear not: for they that *be* with us *are* more than they that *be* with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain *was* full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha."

Psalms 34:7 "The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them."

Psalms 37:40 "And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him."

2 Corinthians 5:7 "(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)"

Question 3 B

2 Kings 17:39 "But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies."

Psalms 46:1 "God *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

Psalms 37:5 "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass."

Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint."

Question 4 A

Psalms 1:2 "But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night."

Psalms 119:97 "O how I love thy law! *it is* my meditation all the day."

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up."

Questions 4 C

Isaiah 43:2 "When thou passest through the waters, I *will* be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."

Mark 9:23 "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth."

Question 5 A

Esther 4:14 "For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, *then* shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?"

Psalms 37:5 "Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass."

Question 5 B

Esther 4:16 "Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish."

Esther 8:10-11 "And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed *it* with the king's ring, and sent letters by posts on horseback, *and* riders on mules, camels, *and* young dromedaries: Wherein the king granted the Jews which *were* in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, *both* little ones and women, and to take the spoil of them for a prey,"

Esther 9:28 "And *that* these days should be remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and *that* these days of Purim should not fail from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them perish from their seed."

Question 6 A

Acts 7:55-59 "But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, And cast *him* out of the city, and stoned *him*: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon *God*, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

Question 6 B

Acts 8:1 "And Saul was consenting unto his death..."

Acts 8:4 "Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word."

Question 7 A

Psalms 55:22 "Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved."

Romans 8:28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose."

Hebrews 13:5 "..... for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

The Watchmen

Chapter 3: Hey Stranger

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Mark 16:15 "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Luke 14:23 "And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled."

Acts 1:8 "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Question 2 A

2 Timothy 2:9 "Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, *even* unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound."

Ephesians 6:19-20 "And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak."

2 Timothy 4:2 "Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine."

Question 2 D

Malachi 3:16 "Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name."

Question 4 B

Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Galatians 6:10 "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

Question 5 B

Acts 8:39-40 "And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing. But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea."

Question 6 B

Mark 1:15 "And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 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."

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

Acts 17:30 "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commendeth all men everywhere to repent:"

Romans 10:9 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Romans 10:13 "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"

Ephesians 2:8-9 "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

Question 7 A

Revelation 20:11-15 "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

Question 7 B

Romans 13:11 "And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed."

Ephesians 5:14 "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light."

The Watchmen

Chapter 4: Speak With Boldness

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Matthew 4:19 "And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Matthew 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen."

Question 2 B

John 16:8 "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:"

Romans 1:20 "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:"

Mark 1:15 "And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

Mark 6:12 "And they went out, and preached that men should repent."

Question 2 C

John 3:19-20 "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd."

2 Corinthians 2:16 "To the one *we are* the savor of death unto death; and to the other the savor of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things?"

Question 2 D

John 12:24 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

Acts 8:1-4 "And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles. And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and made great lamentation over him. As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed *them* to prison. Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word."

Philippians 1:12-13 "But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things *which happened* unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel; So that my bonds in Christ are manifest in all the palace, and in all other *places*; And many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear."

Question 3 A

John 15:26 "But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:"

John 16:13 "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come."

Acts 4:31-33 "And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness. And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all."

Question 3 C

Luke 6:22-23 "Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their* company, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets."

John 15:18 "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you."

Question 3 D

Psalm 118:6 "The LORD *is* on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?"

Isaiah 51:11-13 "Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away. I, *even* I, *am* he that comforteth you: who *art* thou, that thou shouldst be afraid of a man *that* shall die, and of the son of man *which* shall be made *as* grass; And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where *is* the fury of the oppressor?"

Question 4 D

Exodus 20:1-17 " ¹And God spake all these words, saying, I *am* the LORD thy God...Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven imageThou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy....Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's."

Mark 10:18 "And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God."

Romans 2:15 "Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;"

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Question 4 E

Romans 3:20 "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin."

Romans 7:7 "What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet."

Romans 7:13 "Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful."

Galatians 3:24 "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith."

Question 4 F

Leviticus 17:11 "For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it *is* the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul."

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

1 Peter 1:18-19 "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:"

Question 4 G

John 13:35 "By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

Colossians 4:6 "Let your speech *be* always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

1 Corinthians 13:1-7 "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have *the gift of* prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long, *and* is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things."

Question 5 A

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"

Luke 9:62 "And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

John 6:68 "Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life."

The Watchmen

Chapter 5: Prayer Changes Things

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Romans 1:8-10 "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers; Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you."

Question 1 B

Matthew 9:37-38 "Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

1 Timothy 2:3-4 "For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth."

Question 2 B

Psalms 145:19 "He will fulfill the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them."

Proverbs 15:8 "The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight."

1 John 5:14-15 "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

Ephesians 3:16-21 "That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

Question 2 C

James 4:3 "Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts."

Proverbs 1:28-29 "Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:"

Isaiah 1:15 "And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood."

Isaiah 59:1-2 "Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear."

Question 2 D

Psalms 32:5 "I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah."

Ephesians 5:26 "That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,"

James 4:8 "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded."

Psalms 139:23-24 "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: ²⁴And see if *there be any* wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

Question 3 A

Colossians 1:10 "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;"

Colossians 3:3-4 "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory."

2 Corinthians 5:9 "Wherefore we labor, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him."

Question 3 B

1 Chronicles 4:9-10 "And Jabez was more honorable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow. And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep *me* from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested."

Question 4 A

Philippians 2:6-11 "Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth; And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Question 4 B

Colossians 4:2-6 "Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving: Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds: That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Let your speech *be* always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

Question 4 D

Psalm 4:1 "Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me *when I was* in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer."

Psalm 5:3 "My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up."

Ephesians 6:18-19 "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,"

1 Peter 4:7 "But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

Question 4 E

John 15:18 "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you."

Isaiah 54:17 "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD."

Philippians 1:21 "For to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain."

Question 5 A

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 "Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

Question 5 B

1 John 3:21-22 "Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, *then* have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight."

The Watchmen

Chapter 6: More Blessed To Give Than Receive

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Deuteronomy 3:28 "But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do."

Question 1 B

Numbers 6:24-26 "The LORD bless thee, and keep thee: The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace."

Psalms 145:8 "The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy."

Question 2 A

Colossians 1:27 "To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:"

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Question 2 B

Acts 20:35 "I have shewed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Question 2 D

Malachi 3:8-10 "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Question 2 E

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

Question 2 F

Proverbs 16:18 "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall."

Proverbs 29:23 "A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit."

Luke 18:12-14 "I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

James 4:6 "But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble."

Question 3 A

Mark 16:15 "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Romans 10:14 "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Question 4 A

John 15:13 "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

1 Timothy 6:7 "For we brought nothing into *this* world, and *it is* certain we can carry nothing out."

Question 4 B

1 Corinthians 3:11-15 "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire."

Matthew 25:23 "His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

Question 5 B

Acts 20:24 "But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God."

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Chapter 7: "I Think About Eternity All The Time"

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Matthew 16:15 "He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?"

Question 1 B

Isaiah 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason together, saith 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."

Acts 17:2-3 "And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures, Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ."

1 Corinthians 1:23 "But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;"

Question 2 A

Acts 17 (see Bible)

Question 2 B

Acts 17:11 "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so."

Question 2 C

Acts 17:5-9 "But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people. And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also; Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another king, *one* Jesus. And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things. And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go."

Question 3 B

1 Peter 3:15 "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:"

Question 4 A

1 Thessalonians 1:9 "For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;"

Acts 17:16, 23, 29 "Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry...For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you... Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device."

Exodus 20:1-6 "And God spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of *any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments."

Question 4 B

Romans 1:22-25 "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."

2 Corinthians 10:5 "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;"

Question 4 C

Romans 1:19-20 "Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed *it* unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse."

Jeremiah 29:13 "And ye shall seek *me*, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart."

Acts 17:27 "That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:"

Luke 11:9-10 "And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

Acts 8:27-31 "And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet. Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot. And Philip ran thither to *him*, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest? And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him."

Hebrews 11:6 "But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Question 5 C

Acts 17:28-29 "For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device."

Question 5 D

Acts 17:20, 30-32 "For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean...And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; *whereof* he hath given assurance unto all *men*, in that he hath raised him from the dead. And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this *matter*."

Romans 2:15 "Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;"

Romans 3:20 "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin."

Question 5 E

Acts 17:26 "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;"

Revelation 7:9 "After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;"

Question 6 A

Acts 5:41 "And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name."

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Chapter 8: Is Not My Word As Like A Fire?

Scriptures

Question 1 A

2 Timothy 3:16-17 "All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Psalm 119:10-11 "With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."

2 Timothy 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Question 1 C

Revelation 22:18-19 "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book."

Question 2 B

Matthew 7:13-14 "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

Question 2 C

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

Revelation 1:18 "*I am* he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

Question 3 A

Isaiah 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason together, saith 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."

2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

Hebrews 11:6 "But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe *that* he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

John 6:45 "It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me."

Numbers 23:19 "God *is* not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do *it*? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?"

Isaiah 55:3 "Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David."

Question 3 B

Deuteronomy 30:19 "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:"

Isaiah 55:7 "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

Ezekiel 33:11 "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

Question 3 C

Psalm 14:1 "The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good."

John 3:19-20 "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd."

Hebrews 11:6 "But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe *that* he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Question 3 D

Acts 10:34 "Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons"

Romans 10:9-10 "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation."

Question 3 E

Genesis 18:25 "That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

Romans 9:14 "What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid."

Question 3 F

Colossians 2:8 "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

Question 3 G

Psalm 138:2 "I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name."

Question 3 H

Isaiah 53:6 "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."

John 1:29 "The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

2 Peter 2:1 "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction."

1 John 2:2, 16 "And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world...For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world."

Question 3 I

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

Acts 7:51 "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers *did*, so *do* ye."

Question 3 J

Romans 1:19-20, 32 "Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed *it* unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse...Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them."

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Chapter 9: No Crossing Over

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Deuteronomy 8:17-18 "And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of *mine* hand hath gotten me this wealth. But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for *it is* he that giveth thee power to get wealth.....as *it is* this day."

Question 2 C

Revelation 20:10, 14, 15 "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever....And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

Revelation 21:8 "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

Question 3 A

Psalms 86:5 "For thou, Lord, *art* good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee."

Psalms 136:1 "O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever."

Question 3 C

Isaiah 55:6 "Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:"

Question 3 D

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Question 4 A

Hebrews 9:27 "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:"

Question 4 B

Luke 16:27-28 "Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment."

Question 4 C

Luke 16:30 "And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent."

Question 4 D

Luke 16:31 "And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead."

Question 5 A

Deuteronomy 4:29 "But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find *him*, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul."

Hebrews 11:6 "But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe *that* he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."

Question 5 B

Psalms 10:4 "The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God*: God is not in all his thoughts."

Proverbs 16:18 "Pride *goeth* before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall."

John 3:19 "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."

Question 5 C

Proverbs 16:25 "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death."

Deuteronomy 32:4-5 "He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he. They have corrupted themselves.... they are a perverse and crooked generation."

Matthew 25:41 "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:"

The Watchmen

Chapter 10: Time No More

Scriptures

Question 1 A

Romans 13:11-12 "And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light."

2 Timothy 2:1-4 "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier."

James 4:4 "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God."

Question 1 B

Isaiah 55:7-8 "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD."

Romans 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?"

Question 2 A

Psalms 90:12 "So teach *us* to number our days, that we may apply *our* hearts unto wisdom."

Question 3 B

Matthew 13:41-42 "The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

Question 4 A

2 Corinthians 5:10 "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."

1 Peter 4:2, 5, 7 "That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God....Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead...But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

Question 4 B

Ephesians 6:18-20 "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak."

Question 4 C

Matthew 15:14 "Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch."

Luke 9:24 "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it."

Romans 1:16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek."

Question 4 D

Romans 6:21 "What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death."

Romans 13:12 "The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light."

Question 4 E

John 15:18-20 "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also."

1 Peter 4:4 "In all this, they are surprised that you do not run with them into the same excesses of dissipation, and they malign you;"

Question 5 A

Zephaniah 1:18 "Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land."

Isaiah 13:13 "Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger."

Revelation 10:6 "And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:"

Question 5 B

Daniel 5:23 "But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:"

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9 "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;"

Zechariah 2:5 "For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her."

Question 6 B

Ezekiel 33:11 "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

Ephesians 6:10-13 "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

1 Timothy 6:12 "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses."

2 Timothy 4:7 "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:"