

Answers to Self-Tests

Lesson 1

- 1 b) problems.
- 2 a) obedience to God and His Word
- 3 d) joy.
- 4 c) tempt us.
- 5 a) All men are guilty of personal sin.
- 6 a) wrong reactions.
- 7 b) eternal values.
- 8 b) continue with your purpose and don't give up.
- 9 c) Tempt us to do evil.
- 10 a) 4) Mistaken judgment *or* 3) Outside influence.
b) 6) God's dealing with us.
c) 2) Personal sin.
d) 5) Carefully-consider choice.
e) 2) Personal sin.
f) 3) Outside influence *or* 1) Sin-damaged world.
g) 1) Sin-damaged world.

Lesson 2

- 1 c) Jesus is Lord.
- 2 b) sin problem.
- 3 a) provides the way for me to be released from the penalty of death.
- 4 d) obeying His Word.
- 5 c) Scripture.
- 6 True.
- 7 False.
- 8 False.
- 9 True.
- 10 True.
- 11 False.
- 12 False.
- 13 True.

14 False.

15 True.

16 True.

Lesson 3

- 1 a Arlene's problem was that there was no money for her college education.
- b The source of the problem was her parents' decision to use their money for their son's education. This was a decision outside of Arlene's control.
- c Arlene reacted by withdrawing. (Her reaction involved jealousy, selfishness, and self-pity. Her reaction only added to her problem by bringing about the more serious problem of mental illness.)
- d If Arlene had committed this problem to the Lord, He could have helped her to find a common-sense solution, such as working her way through college as many other people do. Or He may have provided a miraculous solution to the problem that Arlene could not have imagined possible.
- e Arlene should have trusted God to work for her good, as promised in Romans 8:28.
- 2 a Jordon should have started with a Christian approach: spiritual preparation through Bible reading and prayer; and a willingness to know and do God's will. Then he would have avoided his wrong reactions and he could have taken steps to find a Christian solution. This would have been a glory to God.
- b The end result was that Jordan and David became enemies and this had a bad effect on the entire church which they attended. It was also a very bad testimony to their non-Christian friends.
- c The end result should have been that Jordan's heart would be filled with praise that God had given him spiritual victory in dealing with the situation, whether he got his money back or not. This would have glorified God.
- d Jordan should have identified the source of the problem as being something over which he had no control. Then he should have committed the problem to God and asked for His direction in finding a solution. He would have looked in God's Word to see what instructions he might find there that would apply to the situation. Perhaps he would have consulted his pastor at this point, and his pastor

would have brought 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 to his attention. Then perhaps Jordan would have gone to David with a Christ-like attitude, and David's response would have been different. But even if David still refused to return his money, Jordan would have found victory over the problem by committing it to God and trusting God to work for his good in the situation.

- 3 a** Method B seems to apply: Identify the problem, commit it to God, and expect Him to work for good in the situation.
- b** James and Esther identified their problem as being physically unable to have children. They committed their problem to God and expected Him to work for their good. God's solution in this instance was not to give them a child, but make them spiritual parents of many children, which was of far greater eternal value. The end result was that, even though they had no child of their own, their hearts were filled with praise for the many children God had allowed them to bring into His kingdom.

4 Your answer.

Lesson 4

- 1 c)** wanting what someone else has.
- 2 a)** service to one another.
- 3 d)** God's power.
- 4 b)** Feelings of inferiority.
- 5 a)** endure.
- 6 d)** does not envy.
- 7 b)** exalting Christ.
- 8 d)** put God's kingdom first and give with generosity.
- 9 c)** your total commitment to His kingdom.
- 10 a)** take the injustice in a Christlike way, and trust God to give you victory over it.
- 11** False.
- 12** False.
- 13** True.
- 14** False.
- 15** False.
- 16** True.
- 17** True.

- 18 True.
- 19 True.
- 20 False.

Lesson 5

- 1 c) Christ to the church.
- 2 b) teaching, discipline, and love.
- 3 a) adultery.
- 4 d) children.
- 5 c) remain as he was at the time of conversion.
- 6 b) Love and respect.
- 7 c) pay their tithe first.
- 8 False.
- 9 True.
- 10 True.
- 11 False.
- 12 False.
- 13 True.
- 14 True.
- 15 True.

Lesson 6

- 1 c) a divorced person.
- 2 d) single persons have the possibility of devoting more time to God's work without distractions.
- 3 a) those who choose to devote their time to the kingdom of heaven rather than to marry are a particular blessing to the church.
- 4 b) God's will for his life.
- 5 b) godly.
- 6 c) development of a strong, mature Christian character.
- 7 b) Marry an unbeliever.
- 8 a) divorced.
- 9 d) Make a full commitment to God's will for your life.
- 10 c) The basis for Christian fellowship is not a person's social status, but the fact that he or she belongs to Christ.

- 11 (In any order) Look within yourself—recognize that the Lord is your joy and your strength. Recognize your special position in Christ. Get involved in helping others. Spend more time in Bible reading, meditation, and prayer. Apply Christian principles of problem solving.

Lesson 7

- 1 b) honor God with your body.
2 b) is unmarried and without sexual involvement.
3 c) both procreation and oneness.
4 d) The marriage relationship.
5 c) help him to understand that God forgives a repentant sinner.
6 b) A pure life.
7 a) Will it honor God?
8 d) a gift of God.
9 a) mutuality.
10 a) It is against God's principle of sexuality, which is one man and one woman.
b) The Bible calls it evil.
c) It comes under divine judgment.
11 Your answer. Here are some possible answers.
a) 1 Corinthians 6:12-13, 19-20, and chapter 7.
b) 1 Corinthians 7:3-4; Ephesians 5:22-23.
c) Exodus 20:13; 1 Corinthians 6 and 7; John 8:11.
d) Romans 1:18-32; Leviticus 18:22-23; 2 Peter 2:6-10.
e) Matthew 5:6; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Luke 7:50.

Lesson 8

- 1 True.
2 False.
3 False.
4 True.
5 True.
6 True.
7 True.
8 False.
9 True.

- 10 True.
- 11 False.
- 12 False.
- 13 True.
- 14 True.
- 15 True.
- 16 spiritual, physical
- 17 sin
- 18 help *or* reach out to
- 19 solve
- 20 forgiveness
- 21 joy
- 22 (Any of these) Show concern; be loving; listen; be available; share sorrow; offer help; give support; give comfort, hope, and encouragement.

Lesson 9

- 1 c) warns us of a problem that needs attention.
- 2 a) ignore Him when He speaks to us in other ways.
- 3 d) loves us so much.
- 4 c) future glory.
- 5 b) keep his faith in God and continue to worship Him.
- 6 a) Hope.
- 7 d) Bargaining.
- 8 b) Depression.
- 9 c) While you are still healthy.
- 10 d) Pretend that they are going to recover from their pain and not die. (This is dishonest—however, you *can* pray for their healing and encourage them to trust God to undertake for them.) (See answer e.)
- 11 b) He prayed for deliverance providing that was God's will for Him.
- 12 a) Withdrawal.

Lesson 10

- 1 True.
- 2 True.
- 3 False.
- 4 True.
- 5 False.
- 6 True.
- 7 True.
- 8 False.
- 9 True.
- 10 False.
- 11 True.
- 12 True.

