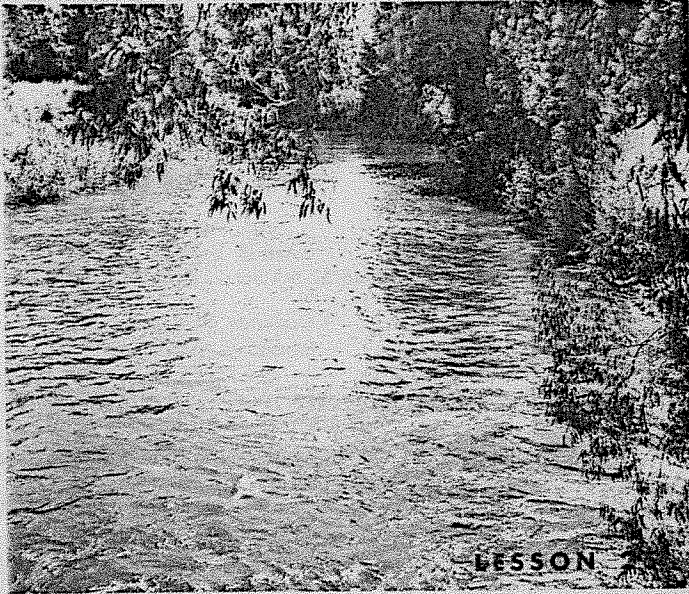


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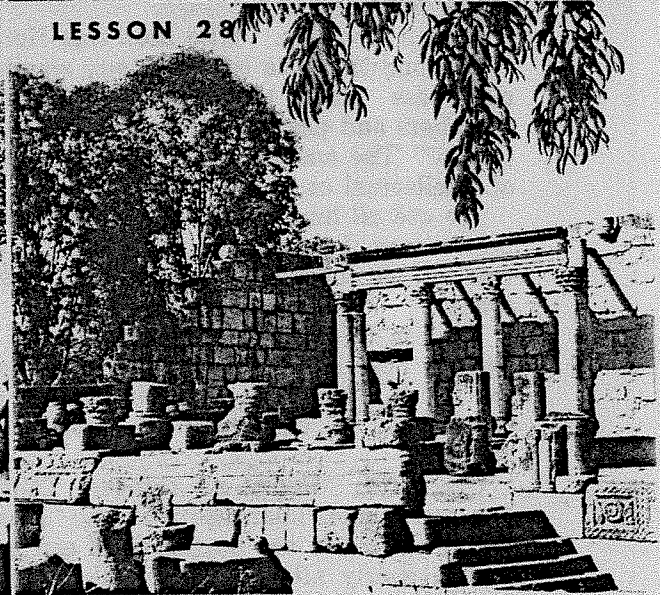
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**H**ERE'S a sample of "clever" but faulty human reasoning! Where God or the Truth are concerned, it seems natural to reason suspiciously, and with a skeptical or hostile approach.

Would you be deceived by this type of reasoning?

Recently a man, who knew little or nothing about the Truth which the living God is proclaiming to the world through us, asked: "How can you know that *you* are any nearer right than anybody else? You say the whole world is deceived. You say the churches are wrong on many points of doctrine, but that you have the TRUTH. You say they are human, and have been deceived. It's human to err. But are *you* not also human? Are you not also fallible? How can you be sure you are any nearer right than any of the others?"

I want to give our students the clear, plain, understandable answer to that question! I want to EXPLAIN, so plainly you can really comprehend it, HOW and WHY we know we have the TRUTH! I want to make clear how YOU may know what is the TRUTH, while this whole world is deceived and in utter darkness. I want to tell you HOW *you may be SURE!*

First, are we not also human? Yes, indeed! We can make mistakes, too! We, too, could be in error on this, or that, or the other point. But *we do not need to be!*

A man may say: "Who does this Herbert W. Armstrong think he is? Is he any smarter than all these great theologians — these noted preachers and heads of great religious denominations?" The answer is NO — it is not a matter of intellectual capacity.

We are *all* human. We are *all* fallible. I have been wrong. I have made mistakes. The same is true of all those God is using in HIS WORK today.

That is the very first thing that we *do* recognize. That is the *starting point* in the search for Truth. That is one reason why we *do* have the Truth, in the midst of a very deceived world.

God says: "PROVE all things." That means *you* are fallible. That means all the "great" men are fallible! ALL are human. ALL can be *wrong* — and nearly all are. The *whole world* is DECEIVED (Rev. 12:9). That means its religious leaders and churches are deceived!

The very recognition of that fact is the  
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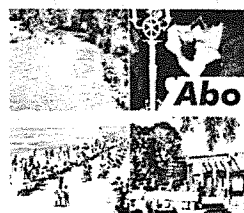
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**T**HIS examination is given to help you *better understand* your Bible and *evaluate* your progress. It is a **SIMPLE TEST** covering your studies in the last four lessons. It's a quick review to help you *remember* and put to *practical USE* the vital knowledge you have learned.

Notice that *four choices* are given under each question. *Only one* is the **CORRECT** answer. The other three are *wrong*. (Generally speaking, the *incorrect* answers are **FALSE** ideas which are taught and believed about the subject.)

**SELECT THE ONE RIGHT ANSWER FROM AMONG THESE FOUR CHOICES.** Then *circle* the letter of the answer you believe to be correct. The correct answer to the first

question is already circled for you as an example.

The questions are divided into four parts — each part corresponding to one of your last four lessons. Answer as many questions as you can without referring to the lessons. Take sufficient time to understand each question. If you find any difficult questions, do be sure to *refer to the lessons*.

Once you have finished going over the questions and are satisfied with your answers, check your circled selections with the correct answers listed at the bottom of page 16. Then count the number of questions you missed and find your grade in the grading section located on the same page. That's all there is to it. There's **NOTHING** to send back to us.

## Lesson 25

### WHY WATER BAPTISM?



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1. Water Baptism is
- A. a form of initiation into a church.
  - B. not a step we must take before we can receive the Holy Spirit.
  - C. absolutely essential for our receiving the Holy Spirit.
  - D. a basic Bible doctrine which is clearly understood and practiced by all today.

2. Which one of these four statements is *true*?

- A. Christ proclaimed that mere *belief* in Him is sufficient to become a true Christian. ✓
- B. One shows his repentance, belief in Christ, and desire to obey God by being baptized — immersed — in water. ✓
- C. Baptism is not an outward symbol of one's inward repentance and belief in Christ's sacrifice for his sins.
- D. On the Day of Pentecost, the Apostle Peter shouted, "Repent, and be sprinkled!" ✗

3. Which one of these four statements is *false*?

- A. Noah demonstrated his faith — his belief — in God's promise of salvation from the Flood by *obeying* His commands. ✓
- B. Because of Noah's faithful obedience, God saved him from the punishment of sinful mankind. ✓
- C. We must have the same kind of active, living faith Noah had in order to be saved from our sins. ✓
- D. The account of obedient Noah going through the waters of the Flood is not mentioned in the Bible as a *type* of New Testament water baptism.

4. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- The Israelites' passing through the Red Sea typifies New Testament baptism. ✓
  - The Egyptian Pharaoh who pursued Israel was repentant since he was totally immersed — baptized — in the Red Sea.
  - Pharaoh did not really drown in the Red Sea — he merely got stuck in a swamp.
  - The drowning of Pharaoh in the Red Sea does not *picture* our leaving sin behind in the waters of baptism.
5. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- John administered the "baptism of the Holy Spirit."
  - John did not baptize repentant believers.
  - John's "baptism of repentance" had nothing to do with preparing a people to receive Christ.
  - John's baptism *emphasized the need of true repentance.* ✓
6. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Christ was baptized only to set the example for His apostles.
  - Baptism was commanded only for the time of Christ and the apostles.
  - Christ commanded baptism for all mankind in His final gospel commission to His apostles. ✓
  - We can receive the Holy Spirit today *without* being baptized.
7. Sprinkling and pouring are
- forms of baptism which are just as acceptable to God as complete immersion in water.
  - counterfeit* modes of baptism which were introduced by men. ✓
  - words mentioned in the Bible, therefore they are valid forms of baptism.
  - the modes of baptism practiced by the true Church of God today.
8. The Greek word *baptizo*, from which we derive "baptize," means
- to sprinkle.
  - to pour.
  - anything we want it to mean.
  - to immerse, plunge into, or put into. ✓
9. John the Baptist and Philip went down *into* the water to baptize repentant believers because
- it was easier to "sprinkle" water on them while standing in the water.
  - they enjoyed the invigorating feeling of the cold water.
  - "pouring" required very much water.
  - it was necessary to plunge and completely immerse them under the water. ✓
10. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Baptism is a meaningless ceremony we must go through in order to become a true Christian.
  - Baptism today is not as meaningful as it was during the days of the apostles.
  - One must *figuratively* bury his old carnal sinful life in the waters of baptism to become a spirit-led Christian. ✓
  - Baptism actually washes away our human nature.
11. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- The doctrine of baptism is too "spiritual" for us to really comprehend its true meaning. ✓
  - Our bodies are plunged into a watery *grave* when completely immersed momentarily in water.
  - Once risen from the watery grave of baptism, we can receive God's Holy Spirit which will help us to keep our human nature in subjection to God's Laws.
  - True Christians must strive to keep their natures "*dead to sin*" while they yet live.
12. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- The Apostle Paul was literally crucified together with Christ.
  - After the old sinful Paul had been *figuratively* crucified — killed — with Christ in baptism, the spiritual mind of Christ began dwelling in his mind and helped him live in obedience to God. ✓
  - We don't really need to have the spiritual mind of Christ dwell in us in order to live a *Christian* life.
  - Christ completely controlled Paul in every way by taking up residence within him — that is, Paul had no say whatever regarding his future actions.
13. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- Baptism does not picture one's *sincere desire* to destroy his old sinful way of life. ✓

- B. Going down into the water of baptism pictures the death of Christ and the death of one's old sinful self.
- C. Being buried in the water pictures Christ's burial and the burial of one's old sinful life.
- D. Coming up out of the water pictures Christ's resurrection and one's rising to a new and higher life of spiritual obedience to God through the power of the Holy Spirit.
14. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. The Bible says Jesus *personally* baptized more people than John.
- B. Christ's disciples baptized believers "in the name of Jesus Christ" — that is, by Christ's authority or express permission — *for* Christ. ✓
- C. Jesus' disciples baptized by their *own* authority.
- D. Christ's disciples baptized in the names of various church denominations.
15. To be baptized "in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit" means
- A. to be baptized by their authority.
- B. to be baptized by their express permission.
- C. to be baptized "in the name of Jesus Christ."
- D. to be baptized or immersed "*into*" the Divine Family called God — the Kingdom of God — after which one may properly be called a "son of God," though *not yet born* of the Spirit into God's Family. ✓
16. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. At present, the literal spiritual Family of God consists of a "trinity" composed of three persons.
- B. To have been baptized "*into*" the God Family means that we have been born into it.
- C. To have been baptized "*into*" the name of the God Family makes possible our receiving the Holy Spirit after baptism, thereby elevating us to the status of God's *begotten* sons, though not yet born into the God Family as God's spirit sons. ✓
- D. We only need to be baptized "in the name of Christ," and not also "*into*" the name of the God Family.
17. To become a member of the "body" of Christ — the true Church of God —
- A. you need only to be baptized.
- B. you must shed a few tears, "accept" Christ, and shake the preacher's hand.
- C. you must "join it" by just sitting among its members when it assembles to worship God.
- D. God must *put you into it* by placing His Holy Spirit within you after baptism. ✓
18. "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit"
- A. is just a religious sounding phrase which has no special meaning for us today.
- B. was only for the apostles and disciples of Christ.
- C. is simply the *receiving* of the Holy Spirit which automatically puts us — *immerses* us — into the *body* of Christ — the true Church of God. ✓
- D. has nothing to do with being immersed, plunged into — put into — the true Church.
19. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. The laying on of the hands of God's ministers is an abolished tradition; therefore it is not necessary today for receiving the Holy Spirit.
- B. God gives one His Holy Spirit after baptism through the laying on of the hands of His authorized servants. ✓
- C. Cornelius' receiving of the Holy Spirit before baptism proves the laying on of hands for receipt of the Holy Spirit is irrelevant and unimportant.
- D. One can *refuse* to have God's ministers lay hands on him and still receive God's Spirit.
20. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. Merely saying, "I accept Christ's shed blood and His death" is all you need do to receive the Holy Spirit. ✓
- B. Man desperately needs the powerful help of God's Holy Spirit to obey His Laws and grow in God's holy character.
- C. God's Holy Spirit is His free gift to us if we meet His prior conditions of repentance, belief and water baptism. ✓
- D. Water baptism should not be delayed if one has truly repented and desires to receive the Holy Spirit.

## Lesson 26

## AVOID A COUNTERFEIT BAPTISM!



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21. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Most churches today baptize their members by immersion.
  - The doctrines of "baptism" taught and practiced by this world's churches are all scriptural.
  - The Bible teaches only *one* baptism — all other "baptisms" are false ideas of men. ✓
  - There isn't much confusion regarding baptism in the world today.
22. What does God demand of us before baptism?
- Nothing in particular.
  - A six months' trial period of living a spiritually obedient life.
  - A thorough understanding of all the spiritual truths taught in the Bible.
  - A *completely* surrendered and repentant attitude, and belief in Christ as Savior. ✓
23. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Christ instructed His disciples to first teach repentant believers all the various commandments in the Bible, and *then* baptize them.
  - Jesus taught His disciples to preach the gospel, baptize repentant believers, and *then* teach them all things that God commands. ✓
  - One should have a college education in Bible knowledge in order to know how to repent and be baptized.
  - One must be spiritually perfect before he is baptized.
24. How soon must repentant believers be baptized?
- We can't be sure since there are no examples in the Bible to go by.
  - They can delay baptism as long as they wish.
  - As soon as possible. ✓
  - They must be baptized within 24 hours after repentance.
25. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Infant baptism was taught by Christ and His apostles.
  - Infant baptism is necessary for salvation because all are born sinful, having "inherited" the "original sin" of Adam and Eve.
  - The Catholic Church "fathers" had nothing to do with spreading the false doctrine of infant baptism.
  - Infant baptism is a doctrine of men which was inspired by pagan Egyptian beliefs and practices. ✓
26. Infant baptism
- is a mockery of the teachings of God's inspired Word. Newly born infants cannot repent or believe since they can't even begin to think for themselves! ✓
  - is not practiced by most of this world's churches.
  - was practiced by ancient Israel.
  - is done by God's true Church today.
27. Which one of the four statements is *true*?
- A child is mature enough to repent and be baptized as soon as he can think for himself.
  - A child is mature enough at age twelve to be able to truly repent and continue growing spiritually.
  - The fact that Cornelius' "household" was baptized is positive proof that young children can and should be baptized.

- D. Since people mature at varying ages, there can be no absolute set rule about the proper age for baptism. But they usually are not ready under 21 — especially under 18 — to make a decision and stay with it. ✓
28. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- Nowhere in the Bible is there an example or command for baptizing infants or young children.
  - Jesus set us an example by baptizing infants and young children. ✓
  - Jesus, by *blessing* little children, set an example for His true ministers to follow regarding infants and young children.
  - Children properly trained and instructed in the ways of God will, in most cases, come to true repentance and belief in Christ when they become mature mentally.
29. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Most of the people “baptized” by this world’s churches have truly repented.
  - Most sincere “baptized” churchgoers of the world are truly converted and growing in spiritual grace and knowledge.
  - There have been millions of *false conversions* because most “baptized Christians” have never even been taught God’s definition of sin! ✓
  - True conversion is not possible today.
30. The “no works” baptism exists today because
- “the carnal mind is enmity to God” and does *not want* to do God’s will. ✓
  - the ministers of this world have taught their people God’s definition of sin.
  - it is taught in the Bible.
  - God’s Church teaches it.
31. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- We should seek a special “spirit baptism” to be able to speak in “unknown tongues”—that is, unknown languages.
  - Speaking in “unknown tongues” is the proof that one has received the Holy Spirit after baptism.
  - The apostles spoke in mysterious, bizarre “unknown” languages on the Day of Pentecost, 31 A.D.
  - The word “unknown” used in the Bible in connection with speaking in “tongues”—languages—has been *wrongly added* by the translators and should not appear at all. ✓
32. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Those who receive true spiritual gifts cannot use them intelligently.
  - “Tongues seekers” at “tarry meetings” act in a way befitting true spirit-led Christians.
  - The “tongues” spoken at “tarry meetings” are usually vain, unintelligible babblings inspired by Satan’s demons. ✓
  - The “tongues” spoken at “tarry meetings” are highly refined and most edifying to all.
33. What is the Bible *evidence* of one’s having received the baptism of God’s Spirit?
- No change in character.
  - One’s self-righteousness.
  - The showing of Godly “fruits” which the Holy Spirit manifests in one’s life — such as love, joy, peace, etc. ✓
  - The throwing of one’s self into violent contortions and the screaming of hideous, unintelligible jibberish.
34. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- The “baptism with fire” is commanded for salvation.
  - Repentant believers should seek the “baptism with fire.”
  - Those who seek the “baptism with fire” realize what they are asking for.
  - The “baptism with fire” shall *burn up* the incorrigible wicked. ✓
35. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- The Bible compares incorrigible sinners to chaff which is to be burned up — “baptized” into a fiery death at the final judgment. ✓
  - The unrepentant are also compared to tares — weeds — which are to be consumed by fire. ✓
  - Persistently unrepentant sinners are not compared to unfruitful trees which need to be burned. ✓
  - In a parable, Jesus compares righteous people to wheat which will be harvested into God’s Kingdom at His second coming. ✓
36. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- The Bible teaches that you can be baptized for another person.
  - “Baptism for the dead” is vain and ridiculous because the dead *know not anything!* ✓

- C. The unbaptized dead know when the living are baptized on their behalf.
- D. The doctrine of "baptism for the dead" did not originate in paganism.
37. What did the Apostle Paul mean when he wrote about being "baptized for the dead" in I Corinthians 15:29?
- A. The context of the chapter shows Paul actually taught baptism on behalf of the dead.
- B. It is impossible to know what he meant.
- C. The context of I Corinthians 15 plainly shows Paul referred to one's being baptized with the *hope* of being resurrected after he dies. ✓
- D. He referred to being buried with a Christ who is still dead.
38. What is the *hope* of the dead in Christ?
- A. We can't know since the dead can't tell us.
- B. Having someone baptized for them.
- C. Going to heaven.
- D. The resurrection to immortality — which hope they had when alive.
39. Who has authority from God to baptize people?
- A. Anyone who takes the authority to himself.
- B. Only those servants who are sent by the true Church of God — the Church Christ established and gave authority to baptize.
- C. No one really has such authority.
- D. It is not made clear in the Scriptures.
40. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. We should consider it is Christ who is baptizing us when it is done "in His name" and by one sent by His Church.
- B. To insure an acceptable baptism in God's sight, it is necessary to be personally baptized by Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong.
- C. Since all men are imperfect, we can't trust anyone to properly baptize us.
- D. You should *not* be baptized again if you learn that your previous baptism was not valid in God's sight.
41. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. It is vital to counsel with one of God's ministers about true repentance and baptism. ✓
- B. One who truly repents and realizes his need of baptism can write immediately

to Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong and request to be visited by one of God's ministers.

- C. If there is any doubt in your mind about the validity of your previous baptism, be sure to write Mr. Armstrong to arrange for a free personal conference with a minister of God's Church to discuss the matter.
- D. One who has *seen* the "argument" of the doctrine of baptism, but *hasn't* really repented, should be baptized *immediately!*

## Lesson 27

# WHY REST ON GOD'S SABBATH DAY?



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42. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. True Christians bear no special sign by which God recognizes them as His own.
- B. It makes no difference to God what day of the week we observe.
- C. God commands us to keep His Sabbath — the seventh day of the week.
- D. God commands everyone to observe Sunday — the first day of the week.
43. The keeping of God's seventh-day Sabbath pictures
- A. the "rest" of eternal death.
- B. the promised "rest" from sinful human nature in God's Kingdom.



- C. nothing at all — it is a meaningless command which must be obeyed today.  
D. a future life of idleness and ease.
44. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. It is within the nature of all people to want to keep the Sabbath.  
B. It is not at all natural for people to want to keep God's Sabbath.  
C. Refusal to keep the Sabbath reveals a right attitude toward God.  
D. We can do as we carnally wish on God's Sabbath.
45. The true Sabbath was brought into existence by
- A. a decree of the Roman Catholic Church.  
B. a decree of a Protestant church.  
C. a decree of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.  
D. God's resting on the 7th day of Creation Week. ✓
46. The Sabbath
- A. is twenty-four hours long. ✓  
B. is twelve hours long.  
C. begins at midnight.  
D. begins at dawn.
47. God's weekly Sabbath Day corresponds to
- A. Sunday.  
B. no definite day.  
C. Saturday — the seventh day of the week. ✓  
D. — it is impossible to know today.
48. The word "sanctify" means to set apart for
- A. any purpose man decides.  
B. the purpose any church ordains.  
C. the holy use or purpose God ordains. ✓  
D. no special purpose at all.
49. God rested on the 7th day of the week — the Sabbath Day — as an example for man to
- A. work as hard as he can on the Sabbath.  
B. rest on Sunday.  
C. rest on this day also. ✓  
D. disregard His example.
50. God created the Sabbath for
- A. the Jews only.  
B. the Gentiles only.  
C. the twelve tribes of Israel only.  
D. all mankind.
51. God ordained that we use His Sabbath Day to
- A. go fishing.  
B. go hunting.  
C. study, meditate and catch up on little odd jobs that need to be done around the house.  
D. study the Bible, meditate, pray and rest.
52. Sabbath keeping reminds us that
- A. God is the Creator of all things.  
B. man evolved from monkeys.  
C. we can ignore God with impunity.  
D. there is no God.
53. Old Covenant Israel's keeping of the Sabbath was to remind them that they
- A. were to go to heaven and lie around in idleness and ease.  
B. were to be made holy and were to lead the whole world to the same condition of holiness.  
C. could disregard God and His commission to them.  
D. were not to become a nation of priests.
54. Are those who have become spiritual Israelites through Christ to carry out the commission that Old Covenant Israel failed to perform?
- A. Yes, and the keeping of God's Sabbath reminds them of this great commission.  
B. Absolutely not!  
C. Their commission has nothing to do with New Testament Christians.  
D. Ancient Israel was given no special commission, except to occupy the Promised Land.
55. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. The Israelites who perished in the wilderness were not allowed to enter the Promised Land because they did *not believe* and *obey* God. ✓  
B. Keeping God's Sabbath illustrates our belief in the future "rest" from sin which He has promised His obedient children.  
C. God wants to keep us ignorant of our part in His great plan.  
D. Resting on the Sabbath is a *sign* we are God's obedient children destined to enter His "rest" — the Kingdom of God.

56. The way we bear God's Sabbath "sign" is by
- wearing a little card with "Sabbath Keeper" written on it.
  - doing nothing that would distinguish us from the world.
  - resting and drawing close to God on each Sabbath Day.
  - attending a church that rests on the Sabbath, but does not carefully keep each of God's other commandments.
57. Does God have a time plan?
- No — it would be ridiculous to think so.
  - Preposterous! There is no necessity for a time plan since we go directly to heaven when we die.
  - Perhaps, but we can't be absolutely certain.
  - He certainly does! And it's revealed in the Bible.
58. To accomplish His spiritual creation of mankind, God is allowing a period of
- 6,000 years.
  - 6,000 years followed by an additional 1,000-year "millennial" period — a total of 7,000 years.
  - unknown duration.
  - 1,000 years.
59. The time left before the end of 6,000 years and the beginning of the millennial "rest"
- is extremely short!
  - may be thousands of years.
  - is unimportant for us to be concerned about.
  - has no direct bearing on how we should live the remainder of our lives.
60. One who continues to observe Sunday as the weekly day of rest, and *persistently refuses* to keep God's Sabbath, will
- be praised by God.
  - be punished by God.
  - receive God's protection from the time of trouble just ahead.
  - be tormented eternally in a fiery "hell."
61. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- Human nature drives us to obey God's Fourth Commandment.
  - God does not put us to any great test in commanding us to keep His Sabbath.

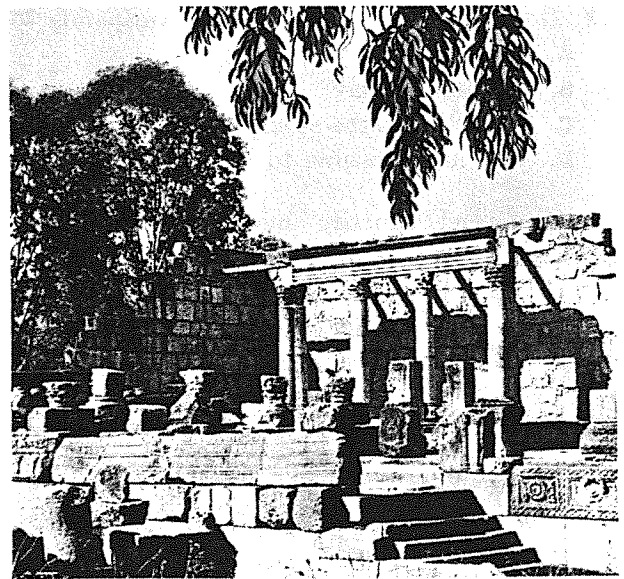
- Those who want to be born of God must keep His Sabbath holy.
- Keeping the Sabbath does not require complete *trust* — FAITH — in God to make all things work out for the best.

62. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- God promises us His divine help to keep the Sabbath — if we'll believe Him.
  - God will hear our prayers if we come to Him boldly for the help we need to obey.
  - We should ask God for the *faith* to keep the Sabbath.
  - Faith is not at all necessary to keep the Sabbath.

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## Lesson 28

# THE SABBATH IS THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY!



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63. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- One day of the week is no more important to God than any other.
  - The seventh day — the Sabbath — is the one day of the week God set aside and made holy.

- C. The Sabbath has nothing to do with the great change God is bringing about with-in spirit-begotten Christians.
- D. There is no particular reason to rejoice in keeping the Sabbath Day.
64. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. After Creation Week, God allowed the knowledge of the true Sabbath Day to be lost.
- B. The seven-day week has remained unaltered from creation.
- C. Righteous men of God who lived between the Flood and the coming of Christ, never kept the Sabbath.
- D. None of the heathen who lived between the Flood and the time of Christ, knew of the true Sabbath Day.
65. After God created the Sabbath, He
- A. lost all interest in whether or not man kept it.
- B. decided it would be too difficult for man to keep.
- C. realized that Sabbath keeping would accomplish no useful purpose.
- D. commanded time and again that it be kept holy.
66. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. Christ, the Son of God, could have been born into the Kingdom of God *without* keeping the Sabbath while a human being.
- B. Jesus always kept God's Sabbath Day.
- C. Jesus Christ always refrained from working on the seventh day.
- D. Christ taught His disciples to keep the seventh-day Sabbath holy in obedience to God.
67. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. Christ kept the Sabbath only after He became a man, so young people need not keep the Sabbath today.
- B. Christ is not the prime example of Sabbath keeping for us to follow.
- C. There are no other examples of Sabbath keeping in the New Testament for us to imitate.
- D. Christ is our living example of obedience, therefore all mankind should keep the Sabbath as He did.
68. After Christ's death, we find
- A. only one Biblical example of Sabbath keeping.
- B. only the apostles — not the entire Church — keeping the Sabbath.
- C. many Biblical examples of Sabbath keeping by the apostles and the New Testament Church — examples we are exhorted to imitate today.
- D. Christ's apostles observing Sunday — the first day — instead of the seventh day.
69. God commands that the Sabbath Day — Saturday, the seventh day — be kept by
- A. Baptists only.
- B. Methodists only.
- C. the whole world.
- D. the Worldwide Church of God only.
70. The Holy Spirit within a Spirit-begotten child of God will lead him
- A. to always keep the Sabbath just as Christ and His apostles did.
- B. to disregard the keeping of God's Sabbath.
- C. into great confusion as to which day to keep.
- D. to refute the fact God created the Sabbath to be a great blessing for all mankind.
71. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. Sabbath breaking is soon to bring the curse of war and captivity upon the modern descendants of Israel. ✓
- B. True Christians should follow — imitate — the examples of Sunday observance set by their neighbors.
- C. True Christians will always follow — *imitate* — the Sabbath-keeping example set by Christ. ✓
- D. When the Jews got together again after they had been separated for hundreds of years, they were all still observing, after a fashion, the *seventh-day* Sabbath! ✓
72. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. We should be overly concerned about material things if we decide to trust God and keep His Sabbath.
- B. God promises to supply all our *needs* — if we step out IN FAITH and OBEY Him!

- C. Seeking *first* the Kingdom of God and His righteousness has nothing to do with keeping God's Sabbath.
- D. God is not concerned about supplying you with work if you should by chance lose your job because of keeping His Sabbath.
73. What spiritual blessings does God promise us *later*, if we *faithfully* keep His commandments—including His Sabbath—today?
- A. Going to heaven and doing nothing, as the "Sunday" churches teach.
- B. A nebulous relationship with God—that's all.
- C. Sonship in the God Family, positions of rulership in the Kingdom of God, and eternal life!
- D. God has not revealed this in His Word.
74. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. History shows that no great calamity has ever happened to peoples or nations that did not keep God's Sabbath.
- B. Punishment for Sabbath breaking has happened, but never has it been so severe as to take the lives of those who disobeyed.
- C. We can't be sure what God will do to those who refuse to keep His Sabbath.
- D. Eternal death will be the ultimate punishment of those who persistently refuse to obey God.
75. Is it true that even Christ, the Son of God, had to keep the Sabbath—the seventh day—or die eternal death?
- A. Yes, the Bible clearly shows this to be absolutely true.
- B. It didn't really matter since He was *God* made flesh.
- C. God the Father certainly would have made an exception for His Son.
- D. No, for He did break the Sabbath by healing people on it.
76. Should one be preparing himself *now* for the breathtaking eternal future God promises His obedient children?
- A. Only if one is old.
- B. Emphatically yes!
- C. There is no hurry since the true way of salvation will always be taught.
- D. Yes, but Sabbath keeping will not really help you prepare for eternal life.
77. Which one of these four statements is *false*?
- A. It is God's will for people to continue fellowshiping in the Sunday-observing churches of this world—especially after having learned the truth about God's true Sabbath.
- B. God's Word clearly shows that one who has learned the truth about His Sabbath should *stop* observing Sunday and *start* keeping His true Sabbath.
- C. If one remains in a Sunday-observing church of this world when he knows the truth, he is plainly disobeying the command given in Ephesians 5:11.
- D. One can have fellowship with God right in his own home on the Sabbath if it is *impossible*, because of distance, to attend the true Church of God. But in most cases there will be one close enough to attend.
78. Is it God's will for His people to hold Bible studies *without* a trained minister of God?
- A. Not unless there is some dominant personality in the group who can lead the others.
- B. Definitely not! Mr. Armstrong's experience shows that it will inevitably lead to contention, error and division *away* from the Truth of God.
- C. Yes, if the person who rises to lead the group has much experience and knowledge in the churches of this world.
- D. Only if the one who takes it upon himself to lead is a born leader.
79. Which one of these four statements is *true*?
- A. There are not many false ministers in the world today.
- B. It's easy for the average man on the street to immediately recognize a true minister of God.
- C. If one is not able to fellowship with true Christians on the Sabbath, it is best to give up all contact with the Bible, and the literature and broadcast of God's true Work on earth.
- D. If you have sincerely repented of your sins—are willing to accept and act on each new truth as it is revealed to you—it may be possible for you to meet with others of like understanding on the Sabbath. Write to the Editor for more information. (See page 2 for the address of our office nearest you.)

## Now That You've Finished . . .

You are now ready to correct your own test. All you need to do is compare *your answers* with the correct answers listed at the bottom of page 16. After you have done this, simply count the number of questions you missed. Your grade will be next to that number in one of the columns of the grading section located on the same page.

REMEMBER! You are to grade *yourself*. There is absolutely NOTHING to send back to us.

Be sure to KEEP this test and review the questions occasionally. Why? Because reviewing will impress the true answers more firmly upon your mind. And reviewing the false answers will help you realize more clearly some of the *false* ideas which you may have taken for granted. You will thereby grasp and retain the *truth* more readily as it is revealed to you in the Bible through future lessons.

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## THE EDITOR

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*beginning* of right knowledge. We do recognize it — and that we ourselves could be wrong. That is the *first step* toward coming out of the fog of error and deception, starting toward Truth.

It is not a matter of who has the greater intellect. A man may have the highest i. q. in the world, and in his intellectual VANITY refuse to admit he could be wrong — reject all correction — and thus embrace error and deception.

The second step, if you would know TRUTH, is to be *willing* to admit being deceived, or in error, and to reject it and accept Truth. Ask yourself: "Am I really *willing* to confess error — to admit I'm wrong — *when proved* — and reject it? Am I *willing* to accept truth new to me — *when proved* — even though unpopular — even though it cuts me off from my family, friends, associates, club or church members — even though everything in my selfish and vain nature rebels against it? Am I willing to *act on it* — OBEY the Truth — no matter what the cost?"

Ah, yes! Perhaps *now* you are beginning to see why "all these great theologians — these noted preachers — these heads of great religious denominations" could be in error. Did you ever know a person of great intellectual powers who did not have the kind of VANITY that shrinks

## RELATED STUDY HELPS

Be sure to request your copy of the free booklets and reprinted articles listed below, if you do not already have them. They will help you to further understand the subjects covered in Lessons 25, 26, 27 and 28.

### LESSONS 25-26:

All About WATER BAPTISM

### LESSONS 27-28:

Has TIME Been Lost?

Which Day Is the SABBATH of the New Testament?

Which DAY Is the Christian Sabbath?

Rejoice In God's Sabbath!

NO! I Never Was a "Jehovah's Witness," or a Seventh Day Adventist!

What Should a Person Do About Sabbath Visitors?

Should a Christian Have Trials?

from confessing he has been WRONG — and has misled others? To find and live the TRUTH requires a HUMBLED mind.

These are the first TWO points in which one who has come to the TRUTH differs from those still steeped in deception and error.

Can we be SURE that we have the TRUTH, when we, too, as the critic argued, are fallible, with minds that are not perfect? Yes, *you can be SURE!*

The greatest, ablest intellect in the world is still HUMAN — still fallible — still imperfect. Those who are deceived and steeped in error have simply not stopped to realize their own imperfections — their proneness to error. They assume, in their egotism, that whatever they believe is TRUE. And they are UNWILLING to humble themselves and confess their wrongs.

I can tell you how *I* started, over forty years ago, out of the darkness and into the light. And it is the basically sound and SURE way for you, or any other, to start.

First, I had to know whether there is a real BASIS for Truth. Is there an INFALLIBLE AUTHORITY? In other words, does GOD exist? Is the all-wise — all-knowing — all-perfect GOD a *reality*? And if so, has He communicated basic TRUTH to mankind?

A world-famous Protestant leader writes (or has written for him and in his name) a syndicated newspaper column. It gives HIS answers to Bible questions. I wonder if you have noticed a question and answer column in *The PLAIN TRUTH*? Have you noticed that we completely

reverse the caption? We do not give OUR answers to Bible questions—we give you the BIBLE answers to your questions!

A question recently published in this syndicated newspaper column asked whether the Bible gives any PROOF of the existence of God. The *man's* answer may be summed up in one word: NO. He answered that we must *assume* God's existence—and then have FAITH. That is, have faith in this human assumption!

But the Bible commands: "PROVE ALL THINGS." That includes the existence of God! The Bible says the scoffers "are without excuse," because the PROOF of God's reality is clearly seen, even in nature. God Himself, in the Bible, offers the PROOF of fulfilled prophecies. He offers, though few experience this proof, the PROOF of answered prayer.

I found irrefutable PROOF of God's existence in the *facts* of science, the FACTS of matter, in reason, and in the Bible. And second, I sought PROOF of whether or not the Bible is the authoritative REVELATION from God to mankind—and I found it positively PROVED by many irrefutable proofs.

So I had a firm BASIS for faith. I had an infallible AUTHORITY!

Still, this was not alone sufficient. I had the SOURCE of Truth. But, up to that time, I had never been able to UNDERSTAND the Bible. Neither do most scientists, educators, or theologians understand it. A great mind and a superior intellect, alone, is incapable of UNDERSTANDING this spiritual revelation from Almighty God!

This is explained in the second chapter of I Corinthians. These Truths of God are a MYSTERY—a hidden SECRET—which none of the leaders, rulers, or great men of the world know (I Cor. 2:7-8). But God has *revealed* these spiritual Truths to converted Spirit-begotten Christians by His Spirit (verse 10). For (verse 11), what man can know the things of a man—that is, physical and material knowledge—but the *spirit* of man, which is *in* him?

Can you understand that? Pure physical BRAIN, composed of matter, cannot comprehend the things of this material universe known by scholars, scientists, educators. The dumb animals have physical BRAIN. But they do not comprehend HUMAN knowledge—the physical knowledge known to human MINDS.

But, as Job wrote (32:8), there is a spirit *IN* man. This spirit is not the MAN—man is DUST or matter (Gen. 3:19)—NOT spirit. But this human spirit, united with physical BRAIN, forms human MIND. Yet this human MIND is carnal. It can know the things of a MAN—that is, mortal or PHYSICAL things.

What man, then, could *know* or possess this material KNOWLEDGE, except by the *spirit* of MAN that is *IN* the man—united to and functioning with material BRAIN? The addition of this HUMAN spirit turns animal brain into human MIND.

Now go further, in the same verse (I Cor. 2:11): "even so, the things of GOD knoweth no man, BUT THE SPIRIT OF GOD." It is only by the receiving of God's HOLY SPIRIT, to unite with the human mind, that a man may comprehend SPIRITUAL KNOWLEDGE. Only by the receiving and indwelling of the Holy Spirit are the real TRUTHS of the BIBLE comprehended by the human mind.

The great MINDS of this world cannot comprehend Biblical and spiritual TRUTHS without God's Holy Spirit, any more than a dog, horse, ape, or elephant can comprehend physical, scientific knowledge without the spirit that is *in* MAN—and is NOT in the dumb brutes!

That is precisely WHY, over forty years ago, I could not understand the Bible. That is why nearly all of the truly GREAT minds of world leaders cannot understand this TRUTH! It is not a matter of degree of intellect.

So, in order to really *perceive* the deceptions that have BLINDED this world, once we have *recognized* our own fallibility and proneness to error—once we have become WILLING to admit it when proved wrong, and to accept TRUTH—the next step is to receive God's gift of His Holy Spirit. And the CONDITIONS to this are: 1) REPENTANCE; and 2) FAITH in Christ as personal Savior.

Repentance is toward God. Sin is against God. We may harm or injure people—but we SIN against GOD. Sin is the transgression of God's LAW. Sin is rebellion against God. It has cut us off from God. To repent means to be so HUMBLED, so broken up about the *colossal* crime of rebelling against the HOLY GOD—so abhorrent of our own rebellious, deceitful, vain, selfish SELVES—that in real contrition we turn to God for mercy and CHANGE of mind and attitude, now desiring to CHANGE OUR WAYS—to be obedient to GOD'S LAW.

Very few know what repentance really is. Then, through FAITH in Christ as Savior, we may be reconciled to God, and His PROMISE is that we shall then receive HIS HOLY SPIRIT.

The SELF has to die! It means unconditional surrender to God and HIS REVEALED WAY! I know that with me it was a painful process. The SELF does not want to give up in surrender. I knew it meant ridicule and persecution from relatives, friends, former business associates. It meant a CHANGED LIFE. It meant a start toward a NEW AND DIFFERENT GOAL.

But God had humbled me. He brought me to

repentance and faith. And He opened my mind to His TRUTH by the gift of His Holy Spirit.

But I had to be willing, continuously, to confess being wrong, and to embrace truths constantly NEW to me.

That process has been going on, now, for over forty years. As I studied a portion of the Bible, I could now understand it. But I had to *walk in the "light"* as God opened my mind to see. Regardless of the cost in the esteem of men, or in countering opposition and persecution, I had constantly to BE WILLING to follow GOD and not man.

It is a matter of WILLINGNESS — not of superior and lofty minds. It is a matter of being LED by GOD'S SPIRIT into His ways that are so CONTRARY to this world's established customs, not of personal human powers.

WHAT CHURCH do you know that has ever publicly confessed that its teaching and practice has been WRONG, and has CORRECTED IT, to conform to the Bible? What great, lauded, and mighty churchman or religious leader has ever made such a public confession, turned from his non-Biblical ways, and, despite persecution and ridicule, PROCLAIMED THE TRUTH?

These lauded, lofty "greats" of this world *could* become undeceived and have their eyes opened to God's Truth — IF THEY WOULD BE HUMBLED, REPENT, AND SURRENDER UNCONDITIONALLY TO ALMIGHTY GOD AND HIS LAW!

But if you would know what GOD says of these "great and eminent" religious leaders of the great denominations, read God's PROPHECIES describing these very leaders of OUR OWN 20TH CENTURY, in Jeremiah 23; Ezekiel 34; Ezekiel 22, especially verses 21-31, referring to British Commonwealth and United States peoples and their religious leaders NOW, at the time leading directly to "God's WRATH"—the time of the last PLAGUES, just prior to, and at, the second coming of Christ!

Yes, we CAN KNOW, if willing to know, whether we are right or wrong. It is not a matter of superior intellect, but of SUBMISSION TO GOD.

But the conclusion of the whole question is this: I did not start this work of my own accord at all. It is the very last thing I would have wanted, in my days of carnality, to do. IT IS GOD'S DOING!

By circumstances, God forced me to submission. The living CHRIST so manipulated events and the force of circumstance that He literally PLUNGED me into His Work. It is not my work — it is THE VERY WORK OF GOD.

And THIS can be easily proved, to those willing to know the TRUTH!

## What our STUDENTS SAY

### Lesson 26

"Today, I completed Lesson 26 of the Correspondence Course. After Looking back over it and meditating on it, the thought came to my mind that I just could not imagine what intensive study, research, time, effort and prayer, and not forgetting expense, went to prepare this lesson — and all the others — and put it in my hands — and without cost to me. Sir, I just decided to write this note to say that I do appreciate very much what you have done for me through these lessons."

— Samuel P., Harcourt, Newfoundland

### Lessons 27-28

"This Sabbath we were not able to attend services, but we did have Lesson 28 to work on. Studying about the Sabbath on the Sabbath has been a meaningful experience. The truth of God's Sabbath is now so clear it amazes me that all cannot see it. Of course, I realize that Satan has given this present evil age his counterfeit Sunday, but even so it is amazing the world observes a day the Bible does not command. I thank God for the Sabbath for over a year, but only now do I grasp the full significance of this most wonderful day. The smartest thing I ever did was ask for this course. I have received more help from these lessons than you could ever know. Thank you — sincerely and completely — for sending us these lessons."

— Mr. & Mrs. John G., Little River, Texas

• A good way to spend part of every Sabbath.

"I have completed Lesson 28 and Test 7 of the Correspondence Course. If there are any more lessons, please continue to send them to me, as I want to complete every lesson you have to offer. The Course has been a wonderful experience to me in understanding and loving to read my Bible."

— Student, Oversburg, Tennessee

"It gives me great pleasure to write to you and let you know how much I enjoy being enrolled in the Correspondence Course. I have just completed Test 7. I can hardly wait for Lesson 29 to come so I can study the Bible more and draw our family closer together. My wife is far ahead, but I must keep plugging along with

the help of God, constant prayer and the Bible. I know that I will learn to be a better husband and father.”

— C.L.D., Corunna, Indiana

- *Studying the Bible together helps to build a happy family.*

**Wouldn't Trade the Truth**

“I agreed with many things you said according to what knowledge and understanding I did have, even though I didn't hear it preached in the churches in my county in Eastern Kentucky. I was called an idiot, or unbeliever because I would not attend nor send my children to the... church there. Later I began the Correspondence Course. Now I have completed Lesson 35. And really, I never heard the contents of these lessons from 27 to 35 preached or even mentioned in church. In fact, I didn't hear but very little Bible taught and it twisted to suit the world. But now through the Ambassador College Correspondence Course I am learning, or beginning to realize, just how little “we” the majority do know about the real truth. I would not trade the knowledge and understanding I have gained through Ambassador College for the city of Los Angeles and be left in the dark again. That is how much it is worth to me. I can never thank you enough for making this possible.”

— Harly W., Wilmington, California

- *It takes faith to obey God, and He promises to bless those who diligently serve Him.*

**Insomnia**

“Since I have started studying your course, I have been hardly able to put it down. I am so enthralled by it and the Bible that I find the sun coming into my window in the morning hours. I am a terrible victim of insomnia, so it

doesn't matter whether I sleep or not. That way I can spend more time with Jesus Christ and God. My life is now at last having some meaning. This is what I have been searching for all my life and never really knew it. To you people and your wonderful organization, Christ and God, I give my eternal thanks and prayers.”

— Charles W., Newark, Ohio

**Passing Tests, But Failing Course**

“This is to state I have not stopped studying the Correspondence Course. As a matter of fact I have started! I found I was passing the tests, but failing the course. Of the last four lessons, 21 and 23 are the only ones I have really studied. I am sure I could take Test 6 and get a passing grade. I am also sure I have missed out on a lot of very important information in the lessons I did not study. So starting today I start studying. I thank God I saw my mistake in time to do something about it. When I catch up on my studying I will take the test.”

— Mrs. Geraldine M., Detroit, Michigan

- *A good example for other students who may be in the same boat Mrs. M. was in.*

**Simple, But Powerful**

“The lessons are so tremendous, so thrilling, so truly enthralling, I go slowly to absorb them, to master the new thoughts they disclose and to enjoy them. The truths presented are so simple, yet so powerful, and so expertly presented, I am constantly amazed at the lack of knowledge and understanding that the world in general has to offer, and so grateful for this wonderful opportunity to learn through the Ambassador Correspondence Course. I hope it lasts, and lasts, and lasts!”

— Mrs. C. F., Coldwater, Michigan

**Important!**

When you have finished taking the test, compare your answers with the correct answers below. Then grade yourself.

**CORRECT ANSWERS FOR TEST SEVEN**

1-C ✓	10-C ✓	19-B ✓	28-B ✓	37-C ✓	46-A ✓	55-C ✓	64-B ✓	73-C ✓
2-B ✓	11-A ✓	20-A ✓	29-C ✓	38-D ✓	47-C ✓	56-C ✓	65-D ✓	74-D ✓
3-D ✓	12-B ✓	21-C ✓	30-A ✓	39-B ✓	48-C ✓	57-D ✓	66-A ✓	75-A ✓
4-A ✓	13-A ✓	22-D ✓	31-D ✓	40-A ✓	49-C ✓	58-B ✓	67-D ✓	76-B ✓
5-D ✓	14-B ✓	23-B ✓	32-C ✓	41-D ✓	50-D ✓	59-A ✓	68-C ✓	77-A ✓
6-C ✓	15-D ✓	24-C ✓	33-C ✓	42-C ✓	51-D ✓	60-B ✓	69-C ✓	78-B ✓
7-B ✓	16-C ✓	25-D ✓	34-D ✓	43-B ✓	52-A ✓	61-C ✓	70-A ✓	79-D ✓
8-D ✓	17-D ✓	26-A ✓	35-C ✓	44-B ✓	53-B ✓	62-D ✓	71-B ✓	
9-D ✓	18-C ✓	27-D ✓	36-B ✓	45-D ✓	54-A ✓	63-B ✓	72-B ✓	

**YOUR GRADE**

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	8 - 90		20 - 75
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	10 - 87		22 - 72
	11 - 86		23 - 71
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