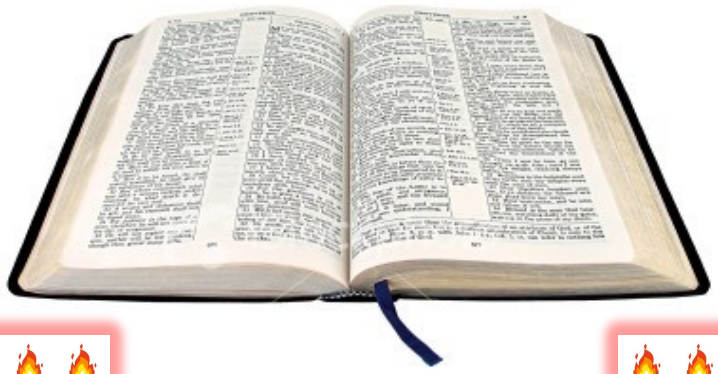
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Matthew 8:12 (KJV) *But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

Psalm 9:17 (KJV) *The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.*

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Workers & Tools

1) Which of the following prophets speaks of beating plowshares into swords?



A - Ezekiel
B - Jeremiah
C - Joel
D - Malachi

2) Which man was plowing when he was called to be a prophet of God?

A - Peter
B - Elijah
C - Elisha
D - Ezekiel

3) What trade related task were James and John working on when Jesus called them?



A - Repairing a plough
B - Mending a fishing net
C - Sharpening a saw
D - Mending a wheel

4) What does Joel foretell will be done to pruning hooks?



A - Used no more
B - Sharpened
C - Beaten into spears
D - Hung on the wall

5) What tool-of-trade did David perfect the use of in his early years?



A - Bow and arrow
B - Spear
C - Fishing net
D - Slingshot

6) Which woman used a 'workman's hammer' to put a tent peg into a most unusual spot?



A - Jael
B - Deborah
C - Hannah
D - Rebekah

7) Huram of Tyre worked on the temple with which material?

A - Cedar
B - Bronze
C - Silver
D - Gold

8) Joseph (Mary's husband) was involved in this trade:



A - Shepherding
B - Farming
C - Carpentry
D - Fishing

9) Why were there no 'blacksmiths' in Israel in the days of King Saul?

A - No need for them
B - Weren't allowed
C - No craftsmen
D - No metal available

Jesus uses the phrase "I am the _____" seven different times in the Gospel of John (for example, "I am the Way"). Name two of the remaining six phrases.

10) This borrowed tool fell into the water and Elisha miraculously recovered it.

A - Ax head
B - Hammer head
C - Grinding wheel
D - Saw

11) With which of the following do we associate Dorcas?

A - Selling purple cloth
B - Tent making
C - Cooking for others
D - Seamstress

12) King David started out his life in this occupation:

A - Shepherd
B - Warrior
C - Musician
D - Carpenter

13) What was the occupation of Demetrius?

A - Tentmaker
B - Soothsayer
C - Silversmith
D - Fisherman

14) In the country of the Gadarenes, where Legion was, there were kept...

A - Fruit orchards
B - Sheep
C - Cattle
D - Pigs

"*For the commandment is _____; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:"* _ _ _ _ _ amapl

15) Which was the first occupation mentioned in the Bible?

A - Vinedresser
B - Shepherd
C - Hunter
D - Gardener

How do you increase your faith?
1) By taking chances 2) By quoting God's Word
3) By living right 4) By hearing God's Word
Circle One **Answer: *Romans 10:17***

16) Who did Solomon say were the best at felling timber?

A - Sidonians
B - Philistines
C - Men of Judah
D - Assyrians

How many gates will there be in the New Jerusalem?
3, 7, 12, 24 **Answer: *Revelation 21:21***

17) Which two men were chosen by God to work on making the tabernacle in the wilderness?

A - Nadab & Abihu
B - Bezalel & Aholiab
C - Caleb & Joshua
D - Moses & Aaron

What was the name of Ruth's father-in-law?
Elimilech, Chilion, Mahlon, Boaz

Circle one **Answer: *Ruth 1:2-4***

18) This man was called by God to be a prophet from among the 'shepherds of Tekoa.'

A - Amos
B - Isaiah
C - Jeremiah
D - Jonah

What kind of wood did Noah make the ark out of? Gopher, Acacia, Redwood, Cedar

Circle one **Answer: *Genesis 6:14***

19) In Jeremiah, Babylon's destruction is likened to 'how broken and shattered is the ……. of the whole earth.'

A - Axe
B - Hammer
C - Anvil
D - Sword

Who was also known as Hadassah?
Daniel, Hannah, Esther, Shedrack

Circle one **Answer: *Esther 2:7***

20) With which occupation is Lydia associated?

A - Seamstress
B - Weaving
C - Shepherdess
D – Selling

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All Scriptures are from the King James Bible.

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.

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HEAVEN IS FOR REAL

In heaven there will be no pain,
There'll be no tears
A face to stain.
There'll be no hungry mouths to feed,
Or evil men So full of greed.
There won't be any shanty towns,
Just mansions
Up in heaven found.
You'll find there won't be any thieves,
Or any traces of disease.
There won't be any room for sorrow,
Or need to worry of tomorrow.
Those hearts of brokenness and sadness,
Up there God fills with joy and gladness.

This place called heaven is for real,
Those mansions there
Are not for sale,
It is no fantasy or myth,
But what God tells us
Does exist.

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The 5 Most Shocking Things In The Bible

Matthew 7:13-23 *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. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.*

#1 THERE IS A PLACE CALLED HELL

Luke 16:23-24 *And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.*

A Place Of Consciousness *Consciousness* (n.) The condition of being aware: awareness, alertness perception or perceive, realization , understanding,

A Place Of Torment *Torment* (n.) Great physical pain or mental anguish; Extreme pain; the torture inflicted on prisoners under interrogation...to cause to undergo great physical pain or mental anguish. ***Luke 16:28*** *For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.* He was in pain, extreme pain; and he didn't want his brothers to have to go through the pain. He asked for mercy, but it was too late.

A Place Of Darkness ***Matthew 8:12*** *But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.* *Outer darkness* is having no light.

Example: While in Florida at a graduation in a big auditorium, a big storm came and the power went out. It was so dark, you could not even see your hand in front of you.

A Place Of Eternal Separation ***2 Thessalonians 1:9*** *Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;* Complete separation and everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord.

A Place Of Memory and Regret

You will remember things and have regrets…"if I had only listened." "I remember the time I was almost persuaded to accept Jesus as my Savior."

A Place Of Intense Misery ***Matthew 13:42*** *And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.*

#2 THERE IS A POPULATION IN HELL ***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.* Are you going the narrow way or are you taking the broad way? This reminds me of a highway in Michigan that has 12 lanes all going the same way; you have to be on the right road or you are going to end up where you do not want to be.

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Joke! Jokes!! and More Jokes!!!

Who in the Bible kissed heaven's door but died and went to hell?
Answer: Judas Iscariot
Reason: According to the Bible, Jesus is the door and Judas betrayed him with a kiss in the garden.
*John 10:7 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **I am** the door of the sheep.*

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Q: What do snowmen eat for breakfast?
A: Snowflakes.

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A blonde got into heaven, and when she arrived at the Golden Gates, she was asked one question: "What is God's name?" She replied, "Andy." "Andy? Why Andy?" she was asked. She replied, "Oh, you know, 'Andy walks with me, Andy talks with me, Andy tells me I am his own.'

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A man dies and goes to heaven. St. Peter meets him at the pearly gates. St. Peter says, "Here's how it works. You need 100 points to make it into heaven. You tell me all the good things you've done, and I give you a certain number of points for each item, depending on how good it was. When you reach 100 points, you get in." "Okay," the man says, "I attended church every Sunday." "That's good," says St. Peter, "That's worth two points." "Two points?" he says. "Well, I gave 10% of all my earnings to the church." "Well, let's see," answers Peter, "that's worth another 2 points. Did you do anything else?" "Two points? Goodness! How about this: I started a soup kitchen in my city and worked in a shelter for homeless veterans." "Fantastic, that's certainly worth a point," he says. "Hmmm...," the man says, "I was married to the same woman for 50 years and never cheated on her, even in my heart." "That's wonderful," says St. Peter, "That's worth three points!" "THREE POINTS!!" the man cries, "At this rate the only way I get into heaven is by the grace of God!" "Come on in!" *Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: {9} Not of works, lest any man should boast.*

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There is a story about a monastery in Europe perched high on a cliff several hundred feet in the air. The only way to reach the monastery was to be suspended in a basket which was pulled to the top by several monks who pulled and tugged with all their strength. Obviously, the ride up the steep cliff in that basket was terrifying. One tourist got exceedingly nervous about half-way up as he noticed that the rope by which he was suspended was old and frayed.
With a trembling voice, he asked the monk who was riding with him in the basket how often they changed the rope. The monk thought for a moment and answered brusquely, "Whenever it breaks."

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Riddle! Riddles!! and More Riddles!!!

#1
A beggar's brother went out to sea and drowned.
But the man who drowned had no brother.
What was the relationship between the man who drowned and the beggar?
Who am I?

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#2
For our ambrosia we were blessed,
by Jupiter, with a sting of death.
Though our might, to some is jest,
we have quelled the dragon's breath.
What am I?

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#3
The following number is the only one of its kind.
8,549,176,320
Can you figure out what is so special about it?

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#4
Gaze at this sentence for just about sixty seconds and then explain what makes it quite different from the average sentence.
Quick! What is it?

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#5 USTOODWERNJ
Rearrange these letters to make just one word.

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#6
Colored as a maiden tweaked,
time was naught when I began;
through the garden I was sneaked,
I alone am the fall of man.
What am I?

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#7
Early ages the iron boot tread,
with Europe at her command.
Through time power slipped and fled,
'til the creation of new holy land.
What am I?

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#8
This creature, part man and part tree,
hates the termite as much as the flea.
His tracks do not match,
and his limbs may detach,
but he's not a strange creature to see.
What am I?

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#9
The part of the bird
that is not in the sky,
which can swim in the ocean
and always stay dry.
What am I?

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The 5 Most Shocking Things In The Bible

More people in Hell than in Heaven

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Isaiah 5:14 *Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.*

#3 THERE IS A PARADOX IN HELL *PARADOX* (n.) A situation that presents difficulty or uncertainty: problem, concern, or controversy.

The Rich Man: It does not matter if you are rich or poor—the only thing that matters if you have Jesus in your heart. The rich man's problem was that he had everything: money, religion —everything a man could want but he did not have what it took to get into heaven.

Lost Church Members: ***James 1:26*** *If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.* You may not always be able to judge a book by its cover, but you can always tell a tree **by its fruit!**

Even good and moral people who are unsaved will go to Hell. ***Romans 3:23*** *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God*; ***Romans 6:23*** *For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.* ***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.* Do you see yourself in this verse? Have you ever told a lie? One little lie? Then, you deserve Hell.

Perhaps the most horrible words that will ever fall on the ears of a human are those recorded in the Bible: *"depart from me, ye that work iniquity."* Can you image? The horror that will follow forever.

#4 THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH HELL The problem is that you could be there today! **Jesus could return** today. ***Matthew 24:44*** *Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.* **You could die today.** ***Luke 12:16-21*** *And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.* ***Proverbs 27:1*** *Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.* ***James 4:14*** *Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.* **Don't gamble with your future. Jesus will come again so be ready.**

Next column

Genesis 6:3 *And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.* **Please, do not take any foolish chances. Be saved today.**

#5 THERE IS A PERMANENCE TO HELL

Hell is eternal. No escape, pardon, or death. The redeemed enjoy the wonders and blessings of Heaven. As the saved are shouting around the throne of God in Heaven, the lost will be screaming in the blackness of Hell. The lost will suffer for all eternity.

Conclusion: Do you know for sure that you will miss Hell and go to Heaven? If not, you can get sure right now. ***Matthew 11:28*** *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.* ***Acts 16:31*** *And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.* ***John 5:24*** *Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.* **Ask the Lord to forgive you of your sins and come into your heart.** ***Romans 10:13*** *For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.* ***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.*

Lost Far from Home

A police car pulls up in front of Grandma Bessie's house, and Grandpa Morris gets out. The polite policeman explained that this elderly gentleman said that he was lost in the park and couldn't find his way home. "Oy, Morris," said grandma, "You've been going to that park for over 30 years! So how could you get lost?" Leaning close to grandma so that the policeman couldn't hear. Morris whispered, "I wasn't lost.....I was just too tired to walk home."



ONE HUNDRED PIANOS

Has it ever occurred to you that one hundred pianos all tuned to the same fork are automatically tuned to each other? They are of one accord by being tuned, not to each other, but to another standard to which each one must individually bow. So hundreds of worshipers meeting together, each one looking to Christ will be of one accord. There are two ways of being united-- one is by being frozen together, and the other is by being melted together. Christians are to be united by the warmth of brotherly love.

Answers to Workers & Tools

1) C - Joel *(Joel 3:10)*
2) C - Elisha *(1 Kings 19:16,19)*
3) B - Mending a fishing net *(Matthew 4:21)*
4) C - Beaten into spears *(Joel 3:10)*
5) D - Slingshot *(1 Samuel 17:49,50)*
6) A - Jael *(Judges 4:21)*
7) B - Bronze *(1 Kings 7:13-14)*
8) C - Carpentry *(Matthew 13:55)*
9) B - Weren't allowed *(1 Samuel 13:19)*
10) A - Ax head *(2 Kings 6:5-7)*
11) D - Seamstress *(Acts 9:39)*
12) A - Shepherd *(1 Samuel 16:11-13)*
13) C - Silversmith *(Acts 19:24)*
14) D - Pigs *(Mark 5:1-11)*
15) D - Gardener *(Genesis 2:15)*
16) A - Sidonians *(1 Kings 5:6)*
17) B - Bezalel & Aholiab *(Exodus 31:2-6)*
18) A - Amos *(Amos 1:1)*
19) B - Hammer *(Jeremiah 50:23)*
20) D - Selling *(Acts 16:14)*

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Questions and Answers to Blonde Jokes

Q: What do you call a blonde in an institution of higher learning?
A: A visitor!
Q: What do you call a blonde with half a brain?
A: Gifted!
Q: What do you call a brunette with a blonde on either side?
A: An interpreter!
Q: What do you call a fly buzzing inside a blonde's head?
A: A space invader!
Q: What do you call a blonde in a tree with a brief case?
A: A branch manager!
Q: What do you call a smart blonde?
A: A golden retriever!
Q: What do you see when you look into a blonde's eyes?
A: The back of her head!



Proverbs 2:4-5 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; {5} Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

True or False - Circle One:

1. Most fish sleep. True or False
2. The sponge is an animal. True or False
3. Boll Weevils attack sugar cane. True or False
4. Buttermilk is the sour liquid that is left after milk or cream has been churned to make butter. True or False
5. Americans chew 10 million pounds of gum each year. True or False
6. John D. Rockefeller donated the land the United Nations sits on. True or False
7. Sea sponges don't have heads, hearts or stomachs. True or False
8. It is possible to lead a cow downstairs, but not upstairs. True or False
9. Men get hiccups more than women. True or False
10. Armadillos can be house-broken. True or False

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Answers to True or False:

1. True, 2. True, 3. False, 4. True, 5. True, 6. True, 7. True 8. False, 9. True, 10. True

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Answers to Riddle! Riddles!! and More Riddles!!!

#1: The beggar was his sister.
#2: Bees
#3: It's the only number that has all the digits arranged in alphabetical order.
#4: It contains all of the letters in the alphabet.
#5: Just one word
#6: An Apple
#7: Italy (Rome)
#8: A Man With A Wooden Leg
#9: A Shadow

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Funny Isn't It??

Funny how a $10.00 bill looks so big when you take it to church, but so small when you take it to the market.
Funny how big an hour serving God looks and how small 60 minutes are when spent playing golf, fishing, or talking on the telephone.
Funny how long a couple of hours are when spent at church, but how short they are when watching a movie.
Funny how we get thrilled when a football game goes into overtime, but we complain when a sermon is longer than the regular time.

Trust Him

You ask how you learn to, trust Him?
Dear child, you must just let go
Let go of your frantic worry
And the fears that plague you so:
Let go, of each black tomorrow
Which you try to live today,
Let go of your fevered planning
He knoweth all your way.
Fear not, lest your slipping fingers
Let go of your Saviour too,
Trusting is only knowing
He'll not let go of you."
— Martha Snell Nicholson



Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)
Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.