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THINGS A CHRISTIAN SHOULD KNOW

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1Jn:4:15: Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

1Jn:4:16: And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

1Cor:12:3: Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

Rom:13:8: Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

The Great Commandments

Mt:22:36: Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

Mt:22:37: Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Mt:22:38: This is the first and great commandment.

Mt:22:39: And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Mt:22:40: On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

1. How can I get the Holy Spirt and what will it do for me?

Acts:2:38: Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts:2:39: For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Read: John 16: 5-15 1 Cor. 6: 6-20
 John 14: 15-17 1 Cor. 3: 16-17
 1 John 4: 1-3 Acts 2: 1-21

2. Eternal Life; How can I have this?

Read: John 3

3. Spiritual Gifts?

Read: 1 Corinthians 12
 1 Cor. 14: 1-25

4. Why did Peter go against the Jewish law and preach to the Gentiles and convert them?

Read: a) Acts 10 & 11

5. I want to do what Gods laws demand but find it to be hard if not impossible.

Read: Romans 7 & 8
All of Ecclesiastes

6. Are the Gentiles who are saved required to follow all the Jewish customs and ceremonies.

Read: Acts 15

7. How to be a good christian?

Read: Romans 13
James (the entire book)

8. Why we should be faithful to our government?

Romans 13

9. Was man made different than the rest of the creation?

Read - Genesis 1: 27
Genesis 2: 7

10. Faith ?

Heb:11:1: Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Heb:11:2: For by it the elders obtained a good report.

Heb:11:3: Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear

Read: Hebrews 11 Luke 17: 6
James 2: 14-26 Romans 4: 13-25
Galations 2: 15-15 Romans 3: 21-31

11. What can I do when my problems become to much to bear?

Mt:6:24: No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Mt:6:25: Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Mt:6:26: Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Mt:6:27: Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

Mt:6:28: And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

Mt:6:29: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Mt:6:30: Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Mt:6:31: Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

Mt:6:32: (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

Mt:6:33: But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Mt:6:34: Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Read: Matthew 7: 7-11

Psalm 27; Psalm 46; Psalm 23

12. Does the Bible say how to pick a church leader and church helpers?

Read: 1 Timothy 3

1 Cor. 14: 26-33

Matthew 7: 21-23

12a. Order In The Church

1 Cor. 14:26-40

13. Love?

1Cor:13:1: 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.

1Cor:13:2: 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.

1Cor:13:3: 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.

1Cor:13:4: Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

1Cor:13:5: Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

1Cor:13:6: Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

1Cor:13:7: Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

1Cor:13:8: Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

Read: 1 John 4: 7-21

1 John 3: 1-7

Matthew 22: 37-40

14. Marriage And Divorce?

Read: Matthew 19: 3-12

Matthew 5: 31-32

1 Peter 3: 1-7

1 Cor. 7

Ephesians 5:22-33

Hebrews 13: 4

Deuteronomy 24: 1-4

Mark 10: 2-12

Proverbs 31: 10-31

Luke: 16:18
Romans: 7:2-3

15. Is sex before marriage forbidden?

1Cor:6:13: Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.

1Cor:6:18: Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

Read: 1 Cor. 6:9-10

16. What does the bible say about homosexuality?

Read: Leviticus 18: 22

Leviticus 18

1 Corinthians 6: 9-10

Romans 1: 24-32

Leviticus 18:022 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.

1 Cor 6:9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

16a. The Unrighteous Shall Not Inherit The Kingdom of God

1 Cor 6:9-10

6:9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

6:10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

17. Are porno x-rated movies and books a sin?

Read: a) Romans 1: 18-32

Rom 26-32

001:026 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

001:027 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

001:028 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

001:029 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

001:030 Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

001:031 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

001:032 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.

18. What does the Bible say about people that foretell the future: witches, magicians, and consulting of the dead.

Read: Deuteronomy 18:10-12

Dont sacrifice your children in the fire on your altars; and dont let your people practice divination or look for omens or use spells or charms, and dont let them consult the spirits of the dead.

levitus

1 Samuel 28: 3-19

Isaiah 8: 16-20

Acts 16: 16-21

19. Is there a difference between demon possession and pathological disturbances?

Mt:4:24: And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

20. What can happen if we attempt to remove demons from a possessed person if we do not have a special gift from God to remove demons?

Read: Acts 19: 13-16

21. What will happen when we live our own lives and not follow the laws God has given us?

Gal:5:19: Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

Gal:5:20: Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Gal:5:21: Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Gal:5:22: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

Gal:5:23: Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

Read: Romans 1: 24-32

Leviticus 20: 15-24

Leviticus 8

22. Can we keep our old friends?

2Cor:6:14: Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

2Cor:6:15: And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

2Cor:6:16: And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

2Cor:6:17: Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

2Cor:6:18: And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

Read: 1 Corinthians 10:20-21

JAMES 4:4

LUKE 15:14-16

JOHN 15:15

MATTHEW 19:29

JOHN 1:45

23. Can we eat any kind of meat that we want?

Read: Genesis 1: 30

Genesis 9: 1-3

Deuteronomy 14:3-21

Matthew 15: 10-11

1 Timothy 4: 1

Romans 14

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25 -- deleted

26. -- deleted

27. Was there predictions of the coming of Jesus

Read all of Isaiah. (Take note of chapter 53 and chapter 7: 14.)

Genesis 12:1-3

012:001 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

012:002 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

012:003 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel

Isaiah 53

053:001 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

053:002 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

053:003 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

053:004 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

053:005 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

053:006 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.

053:007 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

053:008 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

053:009 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

053:010 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

053:011 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

053:012 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

28. When will Jesus return and what will happen?

Matthew 24

29. How will God defeat Satan?

Read all of Revelations

30. Will we be judge for judgeing others?

Read: Jms:4:10-12

Mt:7:1-6

Rom:2:1-2

31. Responsibilities Toward Family

1Tm:5:8

Eph:5:21-33

1Pt:3:1-7

Heb:13:4

32. Living In The Light

Eph:5:19-20

Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

33. True Happiness

Mt:5:3-12

34. Anger

Mt. 5:21-25

35. The Law

Mt. 5:17-20

Mt. 22: 36-40

Rom. 2:9-16

1Tm:1:8: But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully;

1Tm:1:9: Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,

1Tm:1:10: For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

36. WIVES AND HUSBANDS

Eph:5:21-33

1Pt:3:1-7

Heb:13:4

37. Can the Elders in the Church be Lords over us!

1 Peter 5:1-3

The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.

37a. Peter was reprimanded by Paul. Was Peters conduct wrong or did he use false doctrine, or both?

Gal 2: 11-16

002:011 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

002:012 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

002:013 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

002:014 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

002:015 We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,

002:016 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

38. Guilty Of The Law

Jms:2:10-11

For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.

For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.

39. FALSE PROFITS

Mt:7:15-20

2Cor:11:13-15

40. I NEVER KNEW YOU

Mt:7:21-23

41. CONFESSING & REJECTING CHRIST

Mt:10:32-33

42. NOT PEACE BUT, A SWORD

Mt:10:34-39

43. False Teachers & Food to Eat

1Tm:4:1-5

1Tm:6:3-5

44. THE TWELVE APOSTLES

Mt:10:1: And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

Mt:10:2: Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother;

Mt:10:3: Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;

Mt:10:4: Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.

44a THE MISSION OF THE TWELVE

Mt:10:5: These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not:

Mt:10:6: But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

Mt:10:7: And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Mt:10:8: Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

Mt:10:9: Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,

Mt:10:10: Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.

Mt:10:11: And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence.

Mt:10:12: And when ye come into an house, salute it.

Mt:10:13: And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you.

Mt:10:14: And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.

Mt:10:15: Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.

Mt. 28: 18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Mt. 28: 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Mt. 28: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

45. THE GENTILES RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT BEFORE THEY WERE BAPTIZED

Read Acts: 10: 34-48

Acts: 11: 16-18

Acts: 10: 44: While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

Acts:10:45: And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts:10:46: For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

Acts:10:47: Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

Acts:10:48: And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

46. The Gentiles And The Law

Acts 15: 1-35

Acts:15:23: And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

Acts:15:24: Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:

Acts:15:25: It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

Acts:15:26: Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts:15:27: We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

Acts:15:28: For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

Acts:15:29: That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

Acts:15:30: So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

Acts:15:31: Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

46a. What did Christ send Paul To Do?

1 Cor 1:17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

Acts 26:15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

Acts 26:16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

Romans 15:16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

Romans 1:15 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

47. (NT) Women Who Worked In The Church

Rom. 16:1

Acts 21:9

48. Those That Quite The Fellowship Were Never True Members

1 John 2:19

1 Jn: 2:19: They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

49. Is it the duty of every Christian to examine for himself whether the teaching in their Church agree with the Word in the Bible.

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.

50. The Word of Jesus is the sole authority in the Church!

Mat 28:019 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Mat 28: 20 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.

John 8: 31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

Read: 1 Tim 6: 3

1 Peter 4: 11

51. Bishops, Ministers, Elders, Deacons & Preaching

Acts 14:023

And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

Read:

Acts 20: 17

1 Peter 5: 1-4

1 Tim 3: 1-7

This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.

A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;

Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;
One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)
Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.
Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

1 Tim 3: 8-13

Likewise must the deacons be grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;

Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless.

Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.

Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.

For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1: 1

Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

Acts 26: 15-16

And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;

Romans 1: 15

So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

Rom:16:16:

Salute one another with an holy kiss.

The churches of Christ salute you.

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