

COACH'S NEWSLETTER

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THE BELL

I KNOW WHO I AM

I am God's child (John 1:12)
I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)
I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)
I am bought with a price (1 Cor 6:19-20)
I am a saint (set apart for God) (Eph. 1:1)
I am a personal witness of Christ (Acts 1:8)
I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt 5:13-14)
I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)
I am free forever from condemnation (Rom. 8: 1-2)
I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31 -34)
I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor 5:17-21)
I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)
I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)
I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom 8:35-39)
I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor 1:21-22)
I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28)
I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)
I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3: 12)
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)
I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15: 1-5)
I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3: 16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2: 10)
I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3) I have been justified (Romans 5:1)
I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)
I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected. (Phil. 1: 5)
I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph 1:5)
I belong to God
Do you know
Who you are?

Keep this bell ringing...
'The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you;
The LORD turn His face toward you
And give you peace...

Numbers 6:24-26

CLARIFICATION OF RULES

ELIGIBILITY

Any quizzer who has quizzed in Teen Bible Quiz as a 5th grader or less does not fall under the Quizzer Eligibility rules. Therefore, their eligibility "clock" does not start. However, if a quizzer received an exception and quizzed as a 5th grader or less in official competition at District, Regional and or National Finals, then their eligibility would begin with that year.

CHAPTER ANALYSIS ANSWER

Rule #2 for "Chapter Analysis Answers" under "What Makes an Answer Incorrect" on page 17, needs official clarification.

For questions, exclamations, parenthetical statements, and/or Old Testament Scriptures, a quizzer gives additional information and/or other words other than those Chapter Analysis answers before the required answer is completed when answering a question labeled with the Chapter Analysis Answer Introductory Remark.

These answers closely follow the rules for Give a Complete Answer, and exactly like Give a Complete Answer they do not have to be quoted. They do not follow the rules for Chapter Analysis individuals and geographical locations in which no other word is allowed in the answer. The interpretation of “additional information and/or other words other than those Chapter Analysis answers” is what will be clarified using our current rules.

Let’s consider what should be counted as correct for “additional information and/or other words.”

- 1. The first answer given completely contains the information required even though additional, irrelevant (it cannot be counted as correct, but is not incorrect) information is given during the answer, or incorrect information is given after the required answer has been completed. (From page 15, What Makes an Answer Correct #2).*
- 2. A quizzer gives the answer in his own words as long as the words he uses mean the same thing. (From page 15, What Makes an Answer Correct #7).*

Now let’s consider what should be counted as incorrect for “additional information and/or other words.”

- 1. The additional information and/or other words are not irrelevant or do not mean the same thing.*
- 2. The quizzer does not follow rule #3a under “What Makes an Answer Correct” “Chapter Analysis Answers” on page 15 which says “The quizzer gives only those Chapter Analysis answers when answering a question labeled with the Chapter Analysis Answer Introductory Remark.” The quizzer can’t quote the whole verse.*
- 3. The quizzer does not follow rule #3 under “Interjected Phrases” on page 24 which says “Interjected phrases before, in the middle of, or at the end of Chapter Analysis required answers must not be required as answers. A quizzer is not allowed to include the interjected phrase(s) with their answer. (e.g., The question in John 20:15 has the interjection “he said”— “Woman,” he said, “why are you crying?” In this example a quizzer is not allowed to give the interjection “he said” in the answer.)”*
- 4. The quizzer gives obvious information (that does not mean the same thing) from the same verse or another verse. Here it takes a combination of rules to come to this conclusion. All of rule #3 from “What Makes an Answer Correct” “Chapter Analysis Answers” on page 15, plus rules #2 and #3 from “What Makes an Answer Incorrect” “Chapter Analysis Answers” on page 17 need to be considered.*

This clarification is official and is intended to make our officiating on this rule consistent throughout the nation. The rules will be updated for 2017 to make the current rule reflect the intent of the rule.

Any Rules suggestions you have, please contact Bryan Turner at bturner1@yahoo.com. Bryan Turner, is a member of the BQ Steering Committee and the head of the Rules committee.

ADVICE TO A NEW COACH

Three things I would want to pass along to new coaches would begin with remembering that it is all about the students. We have a brief window into their life and our prayer is that they are better for the experience. Memorizing God’s Word has enough benefit to make this all worth the time and effort, but if we can influence these students to look at life in a different way than they have seen in the past then we have also broadened their horizons. The practical way we do that is in the day to day interactions with the students regarding their studying, the practical application of the material they are studying, how they interact with competitors, how to win well and lose well, etc.

The second thing we do builds off the first point, we customize the experience to the individuals. Structure is great, and we do have it, but some individuals are motivated differently and have different needs. Not every quizzier is cut out to be a national level competitor, so we sometimes have different levels of expectations for them. Certainly, there are rewards for working hard, but we try not to punish those that take the less competitive approach. That does make practices harder, and depending on how much help we have, we eventually sort out the individuals and split the practice to that we don't frustrate either group. Holding the students accountable for what they agreed to accomplish is the main task. Open discussions with them is our most effective method to help them set their goals.

Thirdly, we use reading questions for our primary method of teaching. We do stop in the middle of reading some questions to review the opening remarks, we also discuss hit points for the different question types. We believe that hearing questions over and over again strengthens their ability to recognize where questions are going so they can interrupt faster. If you are a coach that does not know hit points and question types, reading questions to the students is still the most valuable tool we know. With that being our priority, we do recommend purchasing as many questions as you can. The *Basic 5* has some good questions but you will also want the *League Practice questions*. As the year goes along, you will also want the *District, Regional and National sets*. There are also various question writers that advertise and we generally get at least one additional set each year. There are several other tools that work well but our priority every year goes like this; Memorize the material, study the Chapter Analysis contained in the scripture portion and then learn the material by reference. If you can accomplish these three things, you will be well on your way to a successful and fun year.

- Mike Forsman, Christian Temple, Houston, Texas

BREAKDOWN & WRITERS TIPS

	"A"		"Middle School"		"Experience Division"	
Meet # 1	Gal 1-6	149 vs	Gal 1-5	131 vs	Gal 3 & 5	55 vs
Meet # 2	Eph 1-6	155 vs	Gal 6-Eph1-4	116 vs	Eph 1& 4	55 vs
Meet # 3	Philippians	104 vs	Eph 5-6	57 vs	Eph 5-6:9	42 vs
Meet # 4	Col, Philemon	120 vs	Philippians 1-3	81 vs	Eph 6:10-24 & Phil 2	45 vs
	Total: 528 vs		Total: 385 vs		Total: 197 vs	

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

WINDY CITY CLASSIC, OCT 29, 2016

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET: *

	W/L		
1. Life 360, Springfield, MO	9-1	1,645 pts	165 avg.
2. Calvary Church, Naperville, IL	8-1	1,810 pts	201 avg.
3. First Assembly, East Lansing, MI	8-2	1,955 pts	196 avg.
1. Josiah Smith, Lexington, KY		1,115 pts	8 QO
2. Shreanna Powell, Naperville, IL		1,045 pts	8 QO
3. Cameron Ramsey, Life 360, MO		1,080 pts	8 QO
4. Celah Convis, East Lansing, MI		1,010 pts	9 QO
5. Darcie Harr, East Lansing, MI		945 pts	9 QO

CHALLENGER BRACKET:

1. James River, Ozark, MO	7-1	1,330 pts	166 avg
2. Lighthouse A/G, Harbor Beach, MI	5-3	655 pts	82 avg
3. Stone Church, Orland Park, IL	4-4	620 pts	78 avg
1. Abby O'Connell, Ozark, MO	880 pts	6 QO	
2. Luke Hodge, Frankfort, IN	605 pts	5 QO	
3. Ellen Ingram, Harbor Beach, MI	560 pts	4 QO	
4. Tom McGarry, Orland Park, IL	480 pts	2 QO	
5. Zara Rethman, Ozark, MO	365 pts	0 QO	

CRUSADER BRACKET:

1. James River, Ozark, MO	9-0	2,455 pts	273 avg
2. Springfield, MO	6-3	1,575 pts	175 avg
3. First A/G, Lexington, KY	3-6	815 pts	91 avg
1. Paige Chrastina, Ozark, MO	1,040 pts	7 QO	
2. Ally O'Connell, Ozark, MO	795 pts	8 QO	
3. Kambria Braithwaite, Springfield,	785 pts	5 QO	
4. Josiah Laakkonen, Lexington, KY	690 pts	5 QO	
5. Davis Garrison, Ozark, MO	620 pts	7 QO	

COMPETITOR BRACKET:

1. Life 360, Springfield, MO	10-0	1,775 pts	178 avg
2. JR, Ozark, MO "Mark My Words"	7-3	1,890 pts	189 avg
3. JR, Ozark, MO "One Faith"	6-4	1,475 pts	148 avg
1. Kaitlyn Ramsey, Springfield, MO	915 pts	6 QO	
2. Riley Breig, Springfield, MO	860 pts	8 QO	
3. Julianna Torbett, Ozark, MO "MMW"	830 pts	6 QO	
4. Kaiya Braswell, Ozark, MO "MMW"	810 pts	7 QO	
5. Jonathan Dasal, Ozark, MO "OF"	680 pts	2 QO	

*Not all teams in Championship Bracket played the same number of games

GOBBLEFEST BQ TOURNAMENT, Nov 18,19, 2016**"A" GOLD**

1. Living Hope, WC, Swedesboro, NJ	13-1	3,035 pts	217 avg
2. Smithtown Gospel, Smithtown, NY	11-3	3,100 pts	221 avg
3. Kennebec Valley AG, Chelsea, ME	11-3	2,740 pts	196 avg
1. Katrina Dowdy, Swedesboro, NJ	1,960 pts	14 QO	
2. Julia Martello, Greensboro, NC	1,745 pts	14 QO	
3. Ally Waller, Chelsea, ME	1,365 pts	10 QO	
4. Joel Larson, Allison Park, PA	1,335 pts	10 QO	
5. Ronald Barr, Blackwod, NJ	1,280 pts	11 QO	

“A” BLUE

1. Maple Lane A/G, Deposit, NY	14-0	3,525 pts	252 avg
2. Word of Life, Springfield, VA	12-2	3,145 pts	225 avg
3. Newport A/G, Newport, PA	12-2	2,795 pts	200 avg
1. Halle Reisinger, Newport, PA	1,850 pts	12 QO	
2. Nigus Dawit, Springfield, VA	1,705 pts	13 QO	
3. Madison Holcomb, Sarver, PA	1,580 pts	13 QO	
4. Chris Turner, Georgetown, KY	1,430 pts	11 QO	
5. Judah Stevens, Deposit, NY	1,375 pts	11 QO	

All 30 “A” teams were equally divided into Blue/Gold

“MS/PD/B” RED

1. Green Ridge A/G, Scranton, PA	7-1	1,320 pts	165 avg
2. Maple Lane A/G, Deposit, NY	6-2	1,050 pts	131 avg
3. Smithtown Gospel, Smithtown, NY	5-3	1,250 pts	156 avg
1. Rachel Bradshaw, Scranton, PA	920 pts	7 QO	
2. Hannah Fioramonti, Smithtown, NY	650 pts	7 QO	
3. Emily Larson, Allison Park, PA	545 pts	5 QO	
4. Micah DeSanto, Swedesboro, NJ	500 pts	3 QO	
5. Aaron Rozelle, Deposit, NY	435 pts	5 QO	

“MS/PD/B” PURPLE

1. Mechanicsville CC, VA	7-0	1,365 pts	195 avg
2. Hamlin A/G, Lake Ariel, PA	5-2	930 pts	133 avg
3. Calvary Temple Int., Wayne, NJ	4-3	645 pts	92 avg
1. Rachel Smith, Mechanicsville, VA	865 pts	7 QO	
2. Natalie Bartkow, Lake Ariel, PA	865 pts	6 QO	
3. Caleb Cook, Wayne, NJ	565 pts	6 QO	
4. Gloria Acor, Waynesburg, PA	505 pts	5 QO	
5. Julia Beal, Pennsburg, PA	475 pts	4 QO	

*MS then played another 3 rounds except for Mechanicsville and Scranton played 4 extra. Scranton Won. Those extra rounds and individual points were not added to above. All 17 MS/B teams were equally divided into Red/Purple.

“EXPERIENCE” ORANGE

1. Hamlin A/G, Lak Ariel, PA	8-4	735 pts	61 avg
1. Judah Miller, Lake Ariel, PA	375 pts	0 QO	
2. Austin Rompilla, Pennsburg, PA	320 pts	1 QO	
3. Emma Gilligan, Lake Ariel, PA	295 pts	1 QO	

Experience division played another 3 rounds against another MS team for scrimmage. Those extra rounds and individual points were not added to above.

BIBLE QUIZ TOURNAMENTS

MISSOURI CLASSIC

Central Assembly, Springfield, MO
Dec 2-3, 2016
Friday One-on-One, Saturday Team Quizzing
Contact Marci Woodward at somobjbq@gmail.com

SOUTH TEXAS INVITATIONAL

Dallas, TX
Date TBA

2017 MID-WINTER CLASSIC

UW-Oshkosh Campus in Oshkosh, WI
January 13-14, 2017
Contact Don Batty at debatty00@gmail.com

32nd FRIENDSHIP CLASSIC

(Tournament Full)
Allison Park Church, Pittsburgh, PA
Jan 26-27, 2017
"A" Gal, Eph, Phil, Col 1 & 2
Writer is Seth Sundell
Contact Bernie Elliot at ElliotBQ@Aol.com

2016 RIVER CLASSIC

James River A/G, Ozark, MO
March 3-4, 2017
Contact Mark Griffith at onegriff@gmail.com

QUESTIONS AVAILABLE

Gold Cup Questions: Gold division covers all of Galatians, Silver division covers Galatians 1-5, and Bronze (Experience) division is Galatians 3 and 5. \$25. Contact: Lori Sullivan at safkids@gmail.com

Gobblefest BQ Tournament Questions: "A" sets (Gal & Eph 1-5) & "MS sets" (Gal & Eph 1-3) and 15 "Experience Division" (Gal 3 & 5 & Eph 1 & 4) sets for \$15.00. Contact: Bernie Elliot at ElliotBQ@Aol.com if interested.

A-Level Questions: 50 Sets for \$25; MS-Level Questions: 40 Sets for \$20. If you order both packages, the total price is \$40. Please click here for a sample set: <http://bit.ly/2bcRxDB> If you are interested, please email richardcfair@gmail.com.

From My Healthy Church:

- G, E, P, C, P "A" League Practice Questions CD-ROM, 50 sets by official writer. Item #73CB1741. Price \$ 55.00
- G, E, P, C, P "A" League Practice Questions Digital Download, 50 sets by official writer. Item #35CB1249. Price \$50.00
- G, E, P, C, P "Middle School" Questions CD-ROM, 40 sets by official writer Item #73CB1755. Price \$35.00
- G, E, P, C, P "Middle School" Questions Digital Download, 40 sets by official writer. Item #35CB1252. Price \$30.00

NUTS & BOLTS

- **Corrections** needed for G, E, P, C, P:
 - Gal 4:23 Add the word "to" "according **to** the flesh"
 - Phil 4:10 Add the letter "d" to the word "rejoice" should be "rejoic**d**"
- Master Memorization Award. All of G, E, P, C, P must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 45 minute time limit, beginning with Galatians Chapter one, verse one, and continuing through Philemon verse 25. The quizzier is permitted 5 mistakes for the entirety of the material.

- No new Rules again this year!!!!
- National BQ Finals will be held at Sandy Cove Ministries, North East, MD, July 1-7, 2017.
Video <https://vimeo.com/169765935>
 - We will start the National Finals competition on Saturday AM, July 1 with a Volleyball Competition.
 - The winning team will receive \$500 cash. A generous sponsor (who will be announced later) is blessing the winners. Specific rules will be announced in the future.
 - Adult quizzing at National Finals. Veteran: Book of Ephesians-155 verses. Novice: Ephesians Chapters 4, 5, 6 for 89 verses. There will be some changes to Adult Quizzing for 2017!!! Will announce more details in the future.
- Discipleship Books for the 2016-2017 BQ Season: *The Word and The Spirit*, by David Hertweck and the *Human Right Devotional*.
- Giving to the Scholarship is extremely easy as of now. Go to:
<https://giving.ag.org/Give/Search?SearchFields.Ministry=Bible+Quiz>
In the box type "Bible Quiz Scholarship." The account is 042001. You can give a one time gift or set it up as a recurring gift. We are looking for as many people as possible, especially BQ Alumni, to give at least \$52.00 a year (a dollar a week) by May 1, 2017. Yes, you may give any amount (one person has pledged \$500.00).
- Need a quiz set?
 - Grass Lakes BQ Ministry <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>
 - Steve Kirkman www.quizequipment.com
- Need to find other BQ information?
 - <http://www.biblequiz.ag.org>
 - <http://www.biblequiz.com>

QUOTABLES

"There are some people who, if they don't already know, you can't tell 'em." - Yogi Berra

"Character is what you are in the dark." - Dwight L. Moody

"Compassion will cure more sins than condemnation" - Henry Ward Beecher

JUST FOR LAUGHS

Great advice for truly enjoying the holiday season!

(By Craig Wilson, USA TODAY)

I hate this time of year. Not for its crass commercialism and forced frivolity, but because it's the season when the food police come out with their wagging fingers and annual tips on how to get through the holidays without gaining 10 pounds.

You can't pick up a magazine without finding a list of holiday eating do's and don'ts. Eliminate second helpings, high-calorie sauces and cookies made with butter, they say. Fill up on vegetable sticks, they say. Good grief. Is your favorite childhood memory of Christmas a carrot stick? I didn't think so. It isn't mine, either. A carrot was something you left for Rudolph.

I have my own list of tips for holiday eating. I assure you, if you follow them, you'll be fat and happy. So what if you don't make it to New Year's? Your pants won't fit anymore, anyway.

1. About those carrot sticks. Avoid them. Anyone who puts carrots on a holiday buffet table knows nothing of the Christmas spirit. In fact, if you see carrots, leave immediately.
2. Drink as much eggnog as you can. And quickly. You can't find it any other time of year but now. So drink up! Who cares that it has 10,000 calories in every sip? It's not as if you're going to turn into an eggnogaholic or something. It's a treat. Enjoy it. Have one for me. Have two. It's later than you think. It's Christmas!
3. If something comes with gravy, use it. That's the whole point of gravy. Gravy does not stand alone. Pour it on. Make a volcano out of your mashed potatoes. Fill it with gravy. Eat the volcano. Repeat.
4. As for mashed potatoes, always ask if they're made with skim milk or whole milk. If it's skim, pass. Why bother? It's like buying a sports car with an automatic transmission.
5. Do not have a snack before going to a party in an effort to control your eating. The whole point of going to a Christmas party is to eat other people's food for free. Lots of it. Hello? Remember college?
6. Under no circumstances should you exercise between now and New Year's. You can do that in January when you have nothing else to do. This is the time for long naps, which you'll need after circling the buffet table while carrying a 10-pound plate of food and that vat of eggnog.
7. If you come across something really good at a buffet table, like frosted Christmas cookies in the shape and size of Santa, position yourself near them and don't budge. Have as many as you can before becoming the center of attention. They're like a beautiful pair of shoes. You can't leave them behind. You're not going to see them again.
8. Same for pies. Apple. Pumpkin. Mincemeat. Have a slice of each. Or, if you don't like mincemeat, have two apples and one pumpkin. Always have three. When else do you get to have more than one dessert? Labor Day?
9. Did someone mention fruitcake? Granted, it's loaded with the mandatory celebratory calories, but avoid it at all cost. I mean, have some standards, mate.
10. And one final tip: If you don't feel terrible when you leave the party or get up from the table, you haven't been paying attention. Reread tips. Start over.

But hurry! Cookieless January is just around the corner.

LAST WORD

Continue to pray for Steve Fowler and Kent Kloefkorn. Steve Fowler's kidney transplant is scheduled for Nov 29.

I pray this Christmas season will bring peace and joy to you and your family. Take time for what is important and by the way # 9 above is wrong. Home-made fruitcake is delicious.

Blessings,

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