

# Bible Quiz Newsletter

## December 2022

Dear Children,

It has come to my attention that many of you are upset that folks are taking My name out of the season. Maybe you've forgotten that I wasn't actually born during this time of the year and that it was some of you're predecessors who decided to celebrate My birthday on what was actually a time of pagan festival; although, I do appreciate being remembered anytime.

How I personally feel about this celebration can probably be most easily understood by those of you who have been blessed with children of your own. I don't care what you call the day. If you want to celebrate My birth just, GET ALONG AND LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Now, having said that, let Me go on.

If it bothers you that the town in which you live doesn't allow a scene depicting My birth, then just get rid of a couple of

Santa's and snowmen and put in a small Nativity scene on your own front lawn. If all My followers did that there wouldn't be any need for such a scene on the town square because there would be many of them all around town. stop worrying about the fact that people are calling the tree a holiday tree, instead of a Christmas tree. It was I who made all trees.

You can and may remember Me anytime you see any tree. Decorate a grape vine if you wish: I actually spoke of that one

in a teaching that explains who I am in relation to you and what each of our tasks are. If you have forgot that one, look at John 15:1-8.

If you want to give Me a /present/ in remembrance of My birth, here is my wish list.

Choose something from it.

1. Instead of writing protest letters objecting to the way My birthday is being celebrated, write letters of love and hope to soldiers away from home. They are terribly afraid and lonely this time of year. I know, they tell Me all the time.

2. Visit someone in a nursing home. You don't have to know them personally. They just need to know that someone cares about them.

3. Instead of writing George complaining about the wording on the cards his staff sent out this year, why don't you write and tell him that you'll be praying for him and his family this year. Then follow up. It will be nice hearing from you again.
  4. Instead of giving your children a lot of gifts you can't afford and they don't need, spend time with them. Tell them the story of My birth and why I came to live with you down here. Hold them in your arms and remind them that I love them.
  5. Pick someone that has hurt you in the past and forgive him or her.
  6. Did you know that someone in your town will attempt to take their own life this season because they feel so alone and hopeless? Since you don't know who that person is, try giving everyone you meet a warm smile it could make the difference. Also, you might consider supporting the local Hot-Line: they talk with people like that every day.
  7. Instead of nit picking about what the retailer in your town calls the holiday, be patient with the people who work there. Give them a warm smile and a kind word. Even if they aren't allowed to wish you a "Merry Christmas" that doesn't keep you from wishing them one. Then stop shopping there on Sunday. If the store didn't make so much money on that day they'd close and let their employees spend the day at home with their families.
  8. If you really want to make a difference, support a missionary, especially one who takes My love and Good News to those who have never heard My name. You may already know someone like that.
  9. Here's a good one. There are individuals and whole families in your town who not only will have no "Christmas" tree, but neither will they have any presents to give or receive. If you don't know them (and I suspect you don't) buy some food and a few gifts and give them to the Marines, the Salvation Army or some other charity that believes in Me and they will make the delivery for you.
  10. Finally if you want to make a statement about your belief in and loyalty to Me, then behave like a Christian. Don't do things in secret that you wouldn't do in My presence. Let people know by your actions that you are one of mine.
- P.S. Don't forget; I am God and can take care of Myself. Just love me and do what I have told you to do. I'll take care of all the rest. Check out the list above and get to work; time is short. I'll help you, but the ball is now in your court. And do have a most blessed Christmas with all those you love and, remember, I LOVE YOU.

God

(Author Unknown)

## RESULTS FROM BQ TOURNAMENTS

### GOBBLEFEST BQ TOURNAMENT

#### CHAMPIONSHIP: 15 TEAMS

TOP 3 TEAMS:	W	L	AVG
1. Redeemer Church, Utica, NY	10	1	198
2. <u>Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX "John"</u>	9	2	237
3. Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX "Lori"	9	2	205

TOP 5 QUIZZERS:	AVG	QO
1. Camden Haney, Cedar Hill, TX "John"	120	10
2. Glory Stevens, Utica, NY	119	11
3. Ryan Schiebel, Garfield, NJ	108	8
4. Elaina Ponraj, Burien, WA	92	7
5. Noah Claunch, Cedar Hill, TX "Lori"	91	9

#### CONTENDER TEAMS: 5 TEAMS

TOP 3 TEAMS:	W	L	AVG
1. Redeemer Church, Utica, NY	8	0	158
2. Cornerstone Church, Bouie, MD	5	3	61
3. Fountain of Life, Burlington, NJ	5	3	51

TOP 5 QUIZZERS:	AVG	QO
1. Claire Cook, Utica, NY	77	5
2. Andre Mikhailouski, Utica, NY	51	3
3. Obioma Ozioma, Burlington, NJ	36	1
4. Malachi Smith, Bouie, MD	33	1
5. Eleana Oxenford, Utica, NY	30	1

#### XP5 TEAMS: 10 TEAMS

TOP 3 TEAMS:	W	L	AVG
1. Oasis Community Church, Ithaca, MI	9	0	204
2. United Evangelical, Westfield, NJ # 1	7	2	171
3. Calvary Christian Church, Lynnfield, MA	7	2	151

TOP 5 QUIZZERS:	AVG	QO
1. Colton Markwell, Ithaca, MI	126	9
2. Paul Ciampa, Lynnfield, MA # 2	119	9
3. Ethan Schiebel, Wayne, NJ	117	9
4. Zoe Gerald, Lynnfield, MA #3	102	7
5. Andrew Vellore, Westfield, NJ # 1	94	6

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## NATIONAL BIBLE QUIZ FINALS: 2023

- National BQ Finals will be held at the Renaissance Hotel, St. Louis, MO July 1-7, 2023. \$99.00 a night hotel, free parking.
- Master Memorization Award. All of 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, and 1, 2, 3 John within 45 minutes, 5 mistakes or less and must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting
- Adult quizzing at National BQ Finals 2023: \*\*\*\*\***PLEASE NOTE CHANGE**\*\*\*\*\*
- Veteran Division: 1 Timothy chapters 1-6
- Fun Division: 1 Timothy chapters 1-4. Question writer TBA.
- Requirements for the Discipleship Award are posted at <http://www.biblequiz.com> for the 2022-2023 BQ Season.
- Application Questions are posted at <http://www.biblequiz.com> for the 2022-2023 BQ Season.
- Need a quiz set?

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### Scripture Portion:

1. Error in 1 Timothy 3:12. There should not be the word "his" before household." Please delete it.
  2. Please note Crete in Titus 1:5 is not in "Italics"- It should be. It is listed as such in the CA, and the new Entire CA. It also italicized in vs 12.
- **Question number 5 for 20 points. Scripture-text application question.**
    - What does Paul mean by the statement, **Quote** "Night and day we toiled to earn a living so that we would not be a burden to any of you"?
    - 1 Th 2:9 Other traveling ministers sometimes demanded free food and lodging, but Paul didn't want to give any hindrance to his ministry. Bruce, 35
    - The word "**Quote**" is missing in the Application Question.

Looking Ahead: Bible Quiz Season 2023-2024 Romans & James

# BQ TOURNAMENTS

## *Mid-Winter Classic BQ Tournament*

January 13-14, 2023

Sioux Falls, SD

Championship, Contender, and XP5 Levels

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February 4th, 2023

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Contender: 1&2 Thess., 1&2 Tim.

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March 3 & 4, 2023

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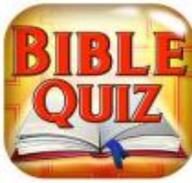
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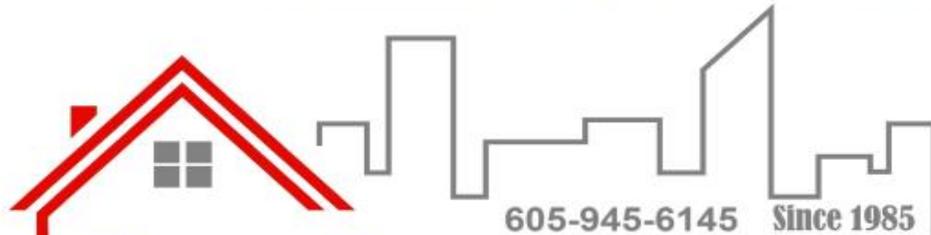
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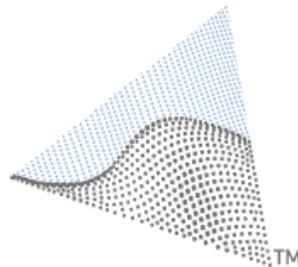
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