ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE AND MOVE ON! Lesson 4 Answers for Review Questions

1. Answer:

The old life of the Israelites had been a defeated life.

- (a) It was a life of enslavement, oppression, persecution and suffering (Ex. 1;8-22).
- (b) It was a life of complaining, grumbling, murmuring and unbelief (Ex. 15:22-27; 16:1-36; 17:1-7).
- (c) Etc.

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2. Answer:

- (a) God intended that Israel would be a depository and distributor of divine revelation.
- (b) It is from Israel would come the Word that became flesh and "dwelt among us." (John 1:14); that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life (John 3:16)
- (c) Etc.

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3. Answer:

As a result of Israel's Red Sea and Jordan River experience three fundamental reasons to always fear (reverence) God are:

- (a) Israel witnessed the demonstration of the omnipotence of God.
- (b) They knew that God would use His omnipotence on behalf of those who obey Him.
- (c) It was known that God communicated His will through human leaders.

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4. Answer:

Israel's crossing of the Jordan River was only by the power of God which resulted in farreaching consequences.

- (a) For Israel it meant a safe passage across the flooded river, as a result of the presence of God with them.
- (b) For the Amorite and Canaanites, it resulted in a state of paralyzing terror.

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Answer:

(a) forced (b) recognize (c) strongest (d) worthless (e) opposition

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6. Answer:

Symbolically we must cross over Jordan River.

- (a) We must "put off the old man." We must turn away from and leave behind the old life of sin and shame (Rom. 6:6; Col. 3:9; etc.).
- (b) Going across Jordan also means "putting on the new man" (Eph. 4:23-24; etc.). For more information see Pages 4-5

7. Answer:

- (a) The "Sign of the Covenant" is also referred to as "Symbol of the Covenant."
- (b) Jewish men were circumcised as a symbol of the covenant with God.
- (c) Etc.

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8. Answer:

Two primary reasons for the multitude circumcision:

- (a) First, there was a need for the restoration of the "sign" of commitment, their commitment, their covenant relationship with God (Josh. 5:4-8)
- (b) Second, their circumcision "rolled away the reproach of Egypt" (Josh. 5:9 For more information see Page 6

9. Answer:

Two conditions on which the "Covenant of Circumcision" was established:

- (a) God first gave the circumcision to Abraham (Abram) as a sign of the covenant with God, established with him and his descendants.
- (b) Under the covenant (Gen. 17) circumcision marked every male as a child of Abraham and a servant of God.

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10. Answer:

- (a) Circumcising so many ensnared his entire army before his enemies because they were sore for a period.
- (b) Joshua knew of the potential danger of having his army not physically fit due to the circumcision, but his act proved that he was devoted and completely yielding to all God's orders and requirements.

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11. Answer:

Item (a) . . . heart cleansed from sin

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12. Answer:

	CORRECT	
STATEMENTS	REFERENCE	
Dying to self and the past	Rom. 6:3	
Raised to newness of life willing to live new		
life for Christ	Rom. 6:4	
Becoming identified with the followers of		
Christ, the Church	1 Cor. 12:13	
Circumcision a sign of Abrahams faith and a		
seal of his righteousness	Rom. 4:11	

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13. Answer:

- (a) False
- (b) Circumcision **did not** confer righteousness on Abraham; it only confirmed that he was righteous.

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14. Answer:

- (a) Rites and rituals are signs of something that has already taken place.
- (b) As rites and rituals refer to something already taken place, even so this is true to circumcision and water baptism.
 - (1) **Circumcision** was done by those who believe God and had committed themselves wholly to Him.
 - (2) **Water Baptism** is an external testimony of the inward work of grace where regeneration has been experienced.

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15. Answer:

- (a) The Passover celebrates **The Exodus,** the freedom from slavery, of the Israelites from Egypt that followed the plagues.
- (b) Three Passovers were celebrated to their entry in Canaan are:
 - (1) The first was celebrated in Egypt (Ex, 12, NB v. 3)
 - (2) The second was observed one year after leaving Egypt (Num. 9, NB Vv. 1-2).
 - (3) The third when they entered Canaan (Josh. 5:10-11).

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16. Answer:

The circumcision noted in Josh. 5:2-8 was necessary before the Passover (Josh. 5: 10-11) because no Israelite man could participate in the Passover unless he was circumcised (Ex. 12:43-50, NB v. 48).

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17. Answer:

Justification is a change of the individual's position in regards to the judgment of God and the charges of law against him.

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18. Answer:

The **Feast of Unleavened Bread** symbolize the urgency to be free from the world and its sin, the urgency to be liberated so that believers could live for God in the Promise Land. Page 14

19. Answer:

- (a) In general usage, "leaven" refers to a raising agent in dough and batters. Some examples are yeast, baking soda, baking powder, air and steam.
- (b) As used in Scriptures "leaven" or "yeast" symbolizes "evil" and "unleavened" symbolizes "righteousness." Page 15

20. Answer:

"Corn" as used in Josh. 5:11 is referring to "the seeds of small grains, wheat, oats, rye or barley.

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21. Answer:

- (a) There must be an urgency to be free from the world and its sinful enticement.
- (b) There should be no hesitation to personally forsake sin.
- (c) There must be a determination to abstain from sin.
- (d) Evil must be removed from our lives and our homes.

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22. Answer:

- (a) Joshua may have been doing what any wise military leader would do, conveying a survey of the geography, etc. of Jericho.
- (b) He felt the pressure of leadership and the demands and results of war. As a leader who is closely related with his people, he wanted a time by himself to focus on the demands and be in the presence of God.

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23. Answer:

- (a) Before the incarnation (Luke 1:31; John 1:1-18, NB v. 14; Phil 1:27), God revealed Himself in physical form in different ways as recorded in the Old testament. Such appearances are referred to as "Theophanies."
- (b) Some scholars refer to these appearances as "Christophanies" or the appearances of Christ prior to His arrival as we have in the Gospels.

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24. Answer:

Incarnation: God clothed Himself with humanity (become flesh), become man, in the person of Jesus Christ; He is the Son of God and the second person in the Trinity (John 1:1, 14; 1 Tim. 2:5; Phil. 2:7; Col. 1:17; etc.). Page 24

25. Answer:

- (a) Taking the shoe off is a sign of reverence and respect.
- (b) The ground was holy because of the presence of God.
- (c) God has a high standard for approaching Him.

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