ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE AND MOVE ON Lesson 9B Answers for Review Questions

1. Answer:

Sample Answer:

The Church consist of those who have accepted Jesus Christ, obtained His forgiveness through the washing of His blood and with the help of the Holy Spirit and our obedience we walk in the light of His Word.

We are called out in that we have been separated, and to remain distinct by our lifestyle . . . Etc. (See John 15:19; 2 Cor. 6:17; etc.)

2. Answer:

(a) one (b) route (c) wholeheartedly (d) Creator (e) free (f) person (g) created Page 2

3. Answer:

The character of Joshua continues to glow in so many ways, for example his response to help the Gibeonites not only revealed his loyalty to the commitment he made but he kept it with energy, diligence and dedication. Page 3

4. Answer:

Item (b) . . . was much better than

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5. Answer:

- (a) True
- (b) God does His work, but He draws us into working with Him! God waits to see our initiative, our willingness to be partner with Him before He does what only He can do.

For more information see Pages 3-4

6. Answer:

Answers will vary . . . one example:

At times we may be surrounded by people who gossip about us or criticize us. Verbal cruelty can damage us as badly as physical abuse. Rather than answering with hateful words, we like David, can talk with God about the problem. *Psalm 57:4 was referred to on Page 4*

7. Answer:

- (a) They noted that because the earth rotates around the sun, and the sun does not move and it was misleading for him to command the sun to stand still.
- (b) While being critical of Joshua's command, it should be remembered that we speak of "sun set" and "sun rise" without thinking about it.

For more information see Pages 5-7

8. Answer:

- (a) False
- (b) The precise method God used to prolong the daylight is not given in Scripture. One has to recognize that He who made the laws of nature has the right to use them as He desires.
- For more information see Pages 6-7

9. Answer:

- (a) God's sovereignty over nature enables Him to promote His spiritual kingdom by use of the physical world.
- (b) Two examples are:
 - (1) The Psalmist emphasize that the whole visible universe exists for spiritual purposes; see for example Psa. 19:1-2.
 - (2) The Psalmist also declared that the earth is God's and everything within it; see for example Psa. 24:1. Page 6

10. Answer:

(a) method (b) extension (c) day (d) extraordinary (e) bold (f) prayer Page 6

11. Answer:

Joshua's prayer was not a prayer of ignorance, nor a display of impulsiveness, etc. but one of great faith in the God he served. For more information see Page 7

12. Answer:

Joshua's prayer (Josh. 10:12), clearly shows his dedication, determination and desire to serve without reservation.

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13. Answer:

If the prayer request accomplished nothing it would have been humiliating for Joshua because it was made in the presence of his army (Josh. 10:12). Page 8

14. Answer:

- (a) The enemy came in large numbers and additional time was needed to conquer the that same day and not giving them any chance of escaping to fenced cities.
- (b) It was a unique day because there was no other day like it before or after (Josh. 10:14)

For more information see Pages 8-10 as well as preceding pages, for example Page 6.

15. Answer:

The Book of Jasher is said to be a collection of poems related to wars and the miracles associated with the war.

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16. Answer

- (a) God would as a result magnify Joshua.
- (b) God would hereby notify the world what He was doing for His people in Canaan.
- (c) The miracle would confound idolaters.
- (d) The miracle points to the necessity of light.
- (e) The arresting of the sun and moon prefigures the turning of the sun into darkness and the moon into blood on that great day.

For more information see Pages 9-10

17. Answer:

God listened and answered in a mind blowing and amazing way which resulted in an amazing victory for Israel. All believers have the assurance that if we ask it shall be granted according to God's will. We should not hesitate to pray that the LORD would work in an extraordinary way on our behalf. Pages 10-11

18. Answer:

The southern coalition forces were overwhelmingly confident of success when they launched their attack against Gibeon; however, with Israel's intervention the alliance forces were crumbling and defeat was certain, as a result the five kings of the alliance fled and hid in a cave. Page 12-13

19. Answer:

- (a) Joshua had the cave secured and had it guarded, then continued destroying the common soldiers so they did not escape.
- (b) We must remain focused and maintain discipline in pursuing our goals and prioritize on the major issues before proceeding to the minor issues.
- For more information see Pages 13-14

20. Answer:

Two things seen from this statement:

- (a) Israel's perfect safety and tranquility.
- (b) Their high honor and formidable reputation.
- For more information see Pages 14-15

21. Answer:

(a) Placing a foot on the neck of a captive was a common military practice in ancient North East. It symbolized the victor's domination over his captives.

(b) As it relates to Israel (Josh.10:23-25) this was not a moment of display nor merrymaking but done with decorum as ministers of justice.

For more information see Pages 15-16

22. Answer:

Two things revealed when Joshua instructed his officers to place their feet on the neck of the kings are:

- (a) God would hereby punish the abominable wickedness of these five kings.
- (b) God would bring to fulfillment the promise of Moses as seen in Deut. 33:29.
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23. Answer:

- (a) They were not to fear the kings of the southern coalition or anyone associated with them.
- (b) They were not to fear any other kings who may at any time be a confederacy because they too will be defeated just as these who thought they were formidable.
- For more information see Pages 16-17

24. Answer:

- (a) They were executed then hung, most likely by the hand , on trees until evening. It is believed that Israel did not believe in hanging convicts alive by the neck, so they were first executed.
- (b) By executing and hanging the bodies on a tree was a symbol and warning of God's rejection and judgment.

For more information see Page 18

25. Answer:

The bodies of the five kings were sealed in the cave where they sought refuge and this serves as a **"warning memorial"** to all unrighteousness of the world. Page 18

26. Answer:

Two cities that were not totally conquered during the southern campaign were Jerusalem and Jarmuth.

For more information see Pages 18=19

27. Answer:

(a) wicked (b) snared (c) counsels (d) opposing (e) judgments (f) sooner (g) own Page 19

28. Answer:

One important lesson to be learnt from Joshua's swift focused effort displayed in conquering southern Canaan is: a great deal of work can be accomplished in a little time if we will be busy and improve our opportunities. Page 20

29. Answer:

- (a) False
- (b) The mercy of God had been long extended but only Rahab (Josh. 2:9-14) and the Gibeonites (Josh. 9:3-27) sought mercy.
- For more information see Pages 21-22

30. Answer:

The extermination of the Canaanite nations was actually a manifestation of God's love.

- (a) **First,** because the remaining nations were thus given a clear lesson that the God of Israel was LORD of the earth.
- (b) **Second,** because His own people were thus protected from the contamination of these unclean nations.
- (c) **Third,** as a result of establishing and preserving the new nation, all the world benefited, since through Israel the Redeemer came to mankind.

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