

## *Lesson 87 How Reverence is Gained or Lost - 2*

**Memory Verse:** For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. Isaiah 57:15

### **9) Conduct in the House of God**

22. When Jacob came into the presence of God, what was that place to him? **Gen. 28:17**  
And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is none other but the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and this is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

23. Who is it that comes to meet with His people on earth? **Isaiah 57:15**

For thus saith the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ One that inhabiteth \_\_\_\_\_, whose name is \_\_\_\_\_; I dwell in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ place, with him also that is of a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit, to \_\_\_\_\_ the spirit of the humble, and to \_\_\_\_\_ the heart of the contrite ones.

? What spirit should we have when we realize that the High and Holy One condescends to come and meet with His people on earth? C\_\_\_\_\_ and H\_\_\_\_\_

? Where should we focus our thoughts and affections? **Colossians 3:1,2**

If ye then be risen with Christ, \_\_\_\_\_ those things which are \_\_\_\_\_, where \_\_\_\_\_ sitteth on the \_\_\_\_\_ hand of God. Set your \_\_\_\_\_ on things \_\_\_\_\_, **not** on things on the \_\_\_\_\_.

Put your thoughts and affections on things \_\_\_\_\_, not on things on the \_\_\_\_\_, especially when you are in the H\_\_\_\_\_ of God for it is like the G\_\_\_\_\_ of Heaven.

? What does Jesus warn us about in **Matthew 26:41**?

He says, "to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, that ye \_\_\_\_\_ not into \_\_\_\_\_: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

We will be tempted to put our thoughts on things of E\_\_\_\_\_, but if we W\_\_\_\_\_ and P\_\_\_\_\_ we will have power from God to keep our thoughts on things A\_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** It is your **privilege**, dear young friends, to **glorify God upon the earth**. In order to do this, you must **direct your minds away from** things that are superficial, frivolous, and unimportant, to those that are of **eternal worth**. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 1

We are living in an age when all should especially give heed to the injunction of the Saviour, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation." One of your strong temptations is to **irreverence**. **God is high and holy**; and to the **humble, believing** soul, His **house** on earth, the place where His people meet for worship, is as the **gate of heaven**. The song of praise, the words spoken by Christ's ministers, are **God's appointed agencies to prepare a people for the church above**, for that loftier worship into which there can enter nothing that is impure, unholy. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 2

From the **sacredness** that was attached to the **earthly sanctuary** among the children of Israel, **Christians may learn how they should regard the place where the Lord meets with his people**. God himself gave rules of **order**, perfect and exact, to be observed in his worship. But there has been a **change**, not for the better but for the worse, in **habits** in reference to religious worship. **The spirit of reverence has largely passed away**. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 3

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Reverence is greatly needed in the youth of this age. I am alarmed as I see children and youth of religious parents so heedless of the order and propriety that should be observed in the house of God. While God's servants are presenting the words of life to the people, some will be reading, others whispering and laughing. Their eyes are sinning by diverting the attention of those around them. This habit, if allowed to remain unchecked, will grow and influence others. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 4

24. What does God say particularly to the church in the last days? **Revelation 3:15,16**

I \_\_\_\_\_ thy \_\_\_\_\_, that thou art neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor \_\_\_\_\_: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art \_\_\_\_\_, and neither cold nor hot, I will \_\_\_\_\_ thee out of my \_\_\_\_\_.

? What did Jesus say to the disciples? **Matthew 12:30**

He that is not \_\_\_\_\_ me is \_\_\_\_\_ me; and he that \_\_\_\_\_ not with me \_\_\_\_\_ abroad.

Those who are H\_\_\_\_\_ are W\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus 100%. They G\_\_\_\_\_ with Him.

Those who are C\_\_\_\_\_ are A\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus. They S\_\_\_\_\_ abroad away from Him.

Those who are L\_\_\_\_\_ are not W\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus 100%, they say they are, but their actions are S\_\_\_\_\_ away from Him – influencing others away. God wants people to be H\_\_\_\_\_, to be W\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus 100%.

**Note:** Children and youth should **never feel that it is something to be proud of to be indifferent and careless in meetings where God is worshiped.** God sees every **irreverent** thought or action, and it is registered in the books of heaven. He says, "I know thy works." Nothing is hid from His all-searching eye. If you have formed in any degree the **habit of inattention and indifference in the house of God**, exercise the powers you have to **correct it**, and show that you have self-respect. **Practice reverence until it becomes a part of yourself.** YI, October 8, 1896 par. 5

**Do not have so little reverence for the house and worship of God as to communicate with one another during the sermon.** If those who commit this fault could see the angels of God looking upon them and marking their doings, they would be filled with shame and abhorrence of themselves. **God wants attentive hearers.** It was while men slept, that the enemy sowed tares. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 6

**Nothing that is sacred, nothing that pertains to the worship of God, should be treated with carelessness and indifference.** When the word of life is spoken, you should remember that you are listening to the voice of God through His delegated servant. **Do not lose these words through inattention;** if heeded, they may keep your feet from straying into wrong paths. YI, October 8, 1896 pr. 7

? What are some of the things that people might do in church that are irreverent?

They think about things that are S\_\_\_\_\_, F\_\_\_\_\_, and U\_\_\_\_\_.

They are R\_\_\_\_\_ something.

They are W\_\_\_\_\_ and L\_\_\_\_\_.

They divert the A\_\_\_\_\_ of those around them.

They C\_\_\_\_\_ (talk) during the sermon.

They are c\_\_\_\_\_ and i\_\_\_\_\_ in the meeting.

They do not pay A\_\_\_\_\_ to what is being said.

? What does God want? He wants A\_\_\_\_\_ hearers.

? Should even children pay attention during church? YES NO

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? How can you become more reverent?

You P\_\_\_\_\_ reverence until it becomes a P\_\_\_\_\_ of yourself.

25. What do the Scriptures say about how we should approach God?

**Psalm 33:8** Let all the earth \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in \_\_\_\_\_ of him.

**Psalm 33:18** Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that \_\_\_\_\_ him, upon them that \_\_\_\_\_ in his mercy.

**Proverbs 22:4** By \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.

**Deuteronomy 10:12,13** And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to \_\_\_\_\_ **the LORD** thy God, to \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ **his ways**, and to \_\_\_\_\_ **him**, and to \_\_\_\_\_ **the LORD thy God with \_\_\_\_\_ thy heart and with all thy soul**, To \_\_\_\_\_ **the commandments of the LORD**, and his \_\_\_\_\_, which I command thee this day for thy \_\_\_\_\_?

**Hebrews 12:28** Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have \_\_\_\_\_, whereby we may serve God \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ **fear**.

F\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord      Stand in \_\_\_\_\_ of Him      H\_\_\_\_\_ in His mercy  
Walk in \_\_\_\_\_ His ways      L\_\_\_\_\_ Him      Serve Him with all thy \_\_\_\_\_ and soul  
K\_\_\_\_\_ His commandments      By H\_\_\_\_\_      With G\_\_\_\_\_  
R\_\_\_\_\_ and G\_\_\_\_\_ Fear

**Note:** There should be an intelligent knowledge of **how** to come to God in **reverence** and **godly fear** with **devotional love**. There is a **growing lack of reverence** for our Maker, a **growing disregard of His greatness and His majesty**. But God is speaking to us in these last days.

The fear here spoken of is not a servile fear, but a **godly** fear. LHU 160.4

26. What should we be prepared to do? **1 Peter 3:15** But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready \_\_\_\_\_ to give an \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ man that asketh you a \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ that is in you with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear." The fear here spoken of does not mean distrust or indecision, but **with due caution**, guarding every point, **lest an unwise word be spoken**, or **excitement of feeling** get the advantage, and thus leave **unfavorable impressions** upon minds, and balance them in the **wrong** direction. Godly fear, humility, and meekness are **greatly needed by all in order to correctly represent the truth of God**. 4T 258.3

In these perilous times, those who profess to be God's commandment-keeping people should **guard against the tendency to lose the spirit of reverence and godly fear**. The Scriptures teach men how to approach their Maker – with **humility** and **awe**, through **faith** in a divine Mediator. Let man come on **bended knee**, as a **subject of grace**, a **suppliant at the footstool of mercy**. Thus he is to testify that **the whole soul, body, and spirit are in subjection to his Creator**. AG 91.3

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In our speaking, our singing, and in all our spiritual exercises, we are to reveal that **calmness** and **dignity** and **godly fear** that actuates every **true** child of God. LDE 93.2

It is through the Word – not feeling, not excitement – that we want to influence the people to obey the truth. On the platform of God's Word we can stand with safety. LDE 93.3

**It makes every difference how we do service for God.** The boy who drudges through his lessons because he must learn will never become a real student. The man who claims to keep the commandments of God because he thinks he must do it will never enter into the **enjoyment** of obedience. OFC 123.6

The **essence** and flavor of all **obedience** is the outworking of a principle within—the **love of righteousness**, the **love of the law of God**. The **essence** of all righteousness is **loyalty** to our Redeemer, **doing right because it is right**. OFC 123.7

We hear His voice in the storm, in the rolling thunder. We hear of calamities He permits in the earthquakes, the breaking forth of waters, and the destructive elements sweeping all before them. ... 2SM 315.3

When the **still small voice** which succeeds the whirlwind and the tempest that moves the rocks out of position, is heard, **let all cover their face, for God is very near**. Let them **hide themselves in Jesus Christ**; for He is their hiding place. The **cleft in the rock** is hidden with His own pierced hand while the **humble seeker waits in bowed attitude to hear what saith the Lord unto His servant**. 2SM 316.1

If you have formed in any degree the **habit of inattention and indifference in the house of God**, exercise the powers you have to **correct it**, and show that you have self-respect. **Practice reverence until it becomes a part of yourself**. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 5

? To practice reverence what would you do?

You would listen and pay close A\_\_\_\_\_ during church.

You would S\_\_\_\_\_ with the people when they sing.

You would K\_\_\_\_\_ down and be Q\_\_\_\_\_ and listen to the prayer.

You would not W\_\_\_\_\_ or L\_\_\_\_\_ or R\_\_\_\_\_ something.

You would T\_\_\_\_\_ about God, His Word, and The Plan of Salvation.

You would not think about things that are S\_\_\_\_\_, F\_\_\_\_\_, and U\_\_\_\_\_.

You would not distract others Ar\_\_\_\_\_ you from paying attention.

? Would doing these things help you GAIN or LOSE reverence?

### **10) Trifling Regarding Religious Things**

27. How did God punish those who mocked Elisha by referring to Elijah's translation to heaven in a trifling way? **2 Kings 2:23,24**

And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little \_\_\_\_\_ out of the city, and \_\_\_\_\_ him, and said unto him, Go up, thou \_\_\_\_\_ head; go up, thou bald head. And he \_\_\_\_\_ back, and \_\_\_\_\_ on them, and \_\_\_\_\_ them in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD. And there came forth two she \_\_\_\_\_ out of the wood, and \_\_\_\_\_ forty and two children of them.

28. How serious is the disease of mocking at God's messengers and His message?

**2 Chronicles 36:14-16** Moreover all the \_\_\_\_\_ of the priests, and the \_\_\_\_\_,

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transgressed very \_\_\_\_\_ after all the \_\_\_\_\_ of the heathen; and \_\_\_\_\_ the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem. And the LORD God of their fathers \_\_\_\_\_ to them by his \_\_\_\_\_, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had \_\_\_\_\_ on his people, and on his dwelling place: But they \_\_\_\_\_ the messengers of God, and \_\_\_\_\_ his words, and \_\_\_\_\_ his prophets, until the \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no \_\_\_\_\_.

29. How did Herod's soldiers mock Jesus? **Matthew 27:29**

And when they had platted a crown of \_\_\_\_\_, they put it upon his head, and a \_\_\_\_\_ in his right hand: and they \_\_\_\_\_ the knee before him, and \_\_\_\_\_ him, \_\_\_\_\_, Hail, King of the Jews!

**Note:** I am sorry to see that many youth who **profess** religion do not have any knowledge of a **change of heart**. There is no **transformation of character**. They do not realize that it is a **solemn** thing to profess to be a Christian. Their **life is entirely inconsistent** with a religious frame of mind. If they were of that number who are indeed the sons and daughters of God, **they would not be filled with nonsense and pleasantry and trifling**; neither would the **foolish remarks and conduct** of others awaken the same in them. A **mind** that is **intent** upon having the **prize**, upon securing heaven, **will reject with firm, determined purpose every attempt at wit and jest concerning religious things**. YI, Oct. 8, 1896 pr 8

There is **great danger in indifference upon this subject**; no folly is so **subtle as thoughtlessness and levity**. On every hand we see youth of a **frivolous** character. All young people of this class should be avoided; for they are **dangerous**. If they profess to be Christians, they are the more to be dreaded. Their minds have been cast in an inferior mold; and **it will be far easier for them to bring you down to their level than for you to bring them up to elevated and ennobling thoughts and a correct course of action**. Let your companions be those who observe decorum in words and deportment. YI, 10-8-96 pr. 9

In order to do your best in showing forth the praises of God, **your associations must be such as to keep in your minds the sacred distinct from the common**. If you would have broad views, noble thoughts and aspirations, **choose associations that will strengthen right principles**. Let **every thought** and the **purpose of every action** bend to the securing of the future life, with eternal happiness. YI, October 8, 1896 par. 10

30. When you mock at sacred things you will reap the reward of your doings.

**Galatians 6:7,8** Be not \_\_\_\_\_; God is not \_\_\_\_\_: for whatsoever a man \_\_\_\_\_, that shall he also \_\_\_\_\_. For he that soweth to his \_\_\_\_\_ shall of the flesh reap \_\_\_\_\_; but he that soweth to the \_\_\_\_\_ shall of the Spirit reap life \_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** **Mocking and ridicule during religious service can be expressed by the eye and gesture**. The Lord's name is profaned in this way, and the ministration of his word is to such a savor of death unto death. Every **word**, every **act**, and every **thought** given up to flow in this **wrong** channel, is registered in the books of heaven. **A sneer will do much to efface religious impressions**; it is difficult to answer, and often causes great unpleasantness. **This is one of Satan's most successful weapons**; but **the only safe way to meet this class of opposition is to fix the eye on Jesus**, the author and finisher of our faith. Then your faith will remain untarnished. Jesus invites you to "Look and live." Behold your Redeemer; **think of him**; talk of his love. If you do this, you will be **safe**. You will do a good work in

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reflecting the light of Bible truth, and will bear much fruit to the glory of God. And in the day of Christ's appearing, you will gain the **overcomer's reward**, a crown of life. Y1, October 15, 1896 par. 2

? What are some of the ways that you can LOSE reverence for God in church?

By being filled with N\_\_\_\_\_ and P\_\_\_\_\_ and T\_\_\_\_\_.

By F\_\_\_\_\_ remarks and conduct

By W\_\_\_ and J\_\_\_\_\_ concerning R\_\_\_\_\_ things

By Th\_\_\_\_\_ and L\_\_\_\_\_

By M\_\_\_\_\_ and R\_\_\_\_\_ during R\_\_\_\_\_ services

By S\_\_\_\_\_ at religious things

By every W\_\_\_\_\_, A\_\_\_\_\_, and T\_\_\_\_\_ given up to flow in this wrong channel

By Ch\_\_\_\_\_ companions who do these things

? What are some of the ways you can GAIN reverence for God in church?

By keeping your M\_\_\_\_\_ intent upon having the P\_\_\_\_\_ and securing heaven.

By R\_\_\_\_\_ with firm, determined purpose every attempt at W\_\_\_ and

J\_\_\_\_\_ concerning R\_\_\_\_\_ things

By E\_\_\_\_\_ and E\_\_\_\_\_ thoughts

By choosing companions who observe D\_\_\_\_\_ in W\_\_\_\_\_ and deportment

By keeping S\_\_\_\_\_ things distinct from the C\_\_\_\_\_

By choosing A\_\_\_\_\_ that will strengthen right principles.

By having every T\_\_\_\_\_ and the P\_\_\_\_\_ of every action bend to the securing of the F\_\_\_\_\_ life, with eternal happiness.

By beholding your Redeemer; T\_\_\_\_\_ of him; T\_\_\_\_\_ of his love.

By R\_\_\_\_\_ the light of B\_\_\_\_\_ truth in your life

### **11) Outward Splendor, Pomp, and Ceremony**

30. How will people in the last days worship God?

**2 Timothy 3:1** This know also, that in the \_\_\_\_\_ days \_\_\_\_\_ times shall come.

**2 Timothy 3:4,5** Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of \_\_\_\_\_ more than lovers of \_\_\_\_\_; Having a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ thereof:

from such turn away.

They will love P\_\_\_\_\_ MORE than they love \_\_\_\_\_.

They will have a F\_\_\_\_\_ of G\_\_\_\_\_ without the P\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ in their hearts.

? Can God actually dwell in houses made with hands? **2 Chronicles 6:18**

But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold, \_\_\_\_\_ and the heaven of heavens cannot \_\_\_\_\_ thee; how much \_\_\_\_\_ this house which I have \_\_\_\_\_!

? How does He relate to those who worship Him on earth? **2 Chronicles 6:33**

Then \_\_\_\_\_ thou from the \_\_\_\_\_, even from thy dwelling place, and \_\_\_\_\_ according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that \_\_\_\_\_ people of the earth may

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\_\_\_\_\_ thy name, and \_\_\_\_\_ thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may \_\_\_\_\_ that this house which I have built is called by \_\_\_\_\_ name.

He \_\_\_\_\_ their prayers and answers them

Their \_\_\_\_\_ of worship is called by His \_\_\_\_\_

Others who do not K \_\_\_\_\_ Him will learn to know Him and \_\_\_\_\_ Him

**Acts 17:24,25** God that \_\_\_\_\_ the world and all things therein, seeing that he is \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven and earth, dwelleth \_\_\_\_\_ in temples made with \_\_\_\_\_;

Neither is \_\_\_\_\_ with men's \_\_\_\_\_, as though he \_\_\_\_\_ any thing, seeing he \_\_\_\_\_ to all \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ things.

God who \_\_\_\_\_ everything is \_\_\_\_\_, or Ruler, of heaven and earth

So He can not be confined to \_\_\_\_\_ made with \_\_\_\_\_

He is not \_\_\_\_\_ by anything we make with our \_\_\_\_\_

Since He gives us all things, He does not \_\_\_\_\_ anything from us

This is totally **different** from the worship of idols.

31. There is one thing only that we can give Him to show our appreciation for all His love.

**Proverbs 23:26** My son, give me thine \_\_\_\_\_, and let thine eyes observe my \_\_\_\_\_.

God tells us where He dwells and with whom: **Isaiah 57:15**

For thus saith the \_\_\_\_\_ and lofty One that inhabiteth \_\_\_\_\_, whose \_\_\_\_\_ is Holy; I \_\_\_\_\_ in the high and holy \_\_\_\_\_, with him \_\_\_\_\_ that is of a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit, to \_\_\_\_\_ the spirit of the humble, and to revive the \_\_\_\_\_ of the contrite ones.

God dwells in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ place

But He will dwell in the \_\_\_\_\_ of every one who is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

And then we have the promise which Jesus gave in **Matthew 18:20**:

For where \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ are gathered \_\_\_\_\_ in my \_\_\_\_\_, there am I in the \_\_\_\_\_ of them.

So can we see that it is not imposing churches, large congregations, and display in ceremony that recommends our worship to God, but it is the H \_\_\_\_\_ and C \_\_\_\_\_ ones even though there are only \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ gathered together to worship God.

**Note:** Many Protestants suppose that the Catholic religion is unattractive and that its worship is a dull, meaningless round of ceremony. Here they mistake. **While Romanism is based upon deception, it is not a coarse and clumsy imposture.** The religious service of the Roman Church is a **most impressive ceremonial**. Its **gorgeous display** and solemn rites **fascinate the senses** of the people and **silence the voice of reason and of conscience**. The eye is charmed. Magnificent churches, imposing processions, golden altars, jeweled shrines, choice paintings, and exquisite sculpture appeal to the love of beauty. The ear also is captivated. The music is unsurpassed. The rich notes of the deep-toned organ, blending with the melody of many voices as it swells through the lofty domes and pillared aisles of her grand cathedrals, cannot fail to **impress** the mind with awe and reverence. GC 566.2

? What is it about the worship of the Catholic religion that attracts people?

The impressive C \_\_\_\_\_

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The gorgeous D \_\_\_\_\_  
The M \_\_\_\_\_ churches  
The imposing \_\_\_\_\_,  
The G \_\_\_\_\_ altars,  
The J \_\_\_\_\_ shrines, choice \_\_\_\_\_, and exquisite \_\_\_\_\_  
The rich \_\_\_\_\_ of the deep-toned \_\_\_\_\_,  
The melody of \_\_\_\_\_ voices as it swells through the lofty \_\_\_\_\_  
and pillared aisles of her grand \_\_\_\_\_

? What does this do?

It F \_\_\_\_\_ the senses of the people

It S \_\_\_\_\_ the voice of reason and of C \_\_\_\_\_

? How does God want to be worshiped? **Psalm 96:2-10**

S \_\_\_\_\_ unto the LORD, \_\_\_\_\_ his name; \_\_\_\_\_ forth his salvation from day to day. Declare his \_\_\_\_\_ among the heathen, his \_\_\_\_\_ among all people. For the LORD is \_\_\_\_\_, and greatly to be \_\_\_\_\_: he is to be feared \_\_\_\_\_ all gods. For all the gods of the nations are \_\_\_\_\_: but the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ the heavens. Honour and \_\_\_\_\_ are before him: \_\_\_\_\_ and beauty are in his sanctuary. \_\_\_\_\_ unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Give unto the LORD the glory \_\_\_\_\_ unto his \_\_\_\_\_: bring an \_\_\_\_\_, and come into his courts. O \_\_\_\_\_ the LORD in the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_: fear before him, all the earth. Say among the heathen that the LORD \_\_\_\_\_: the world also shall be \_\_\_\_\_ that it shall not be moved: he shall \_\_\_\_\_ the people \_\_\_\_\_.

Our S \_\_\_\_\_ will bless His name and show His wondrous S \_\_\_\_\_

Our talk will be of His G \_\_\_\_\_ and His W \_\_\_\_\_

We ascribe glory and S \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord

We bring an O \_\_\_\_\_

We worship Him in the B \_\_\_\_\_ of H \_\_\_\_\_

We proclaim Him as the righteous J \_\_\_\_\_

32. What kind of ornaments are pleasing to God? **1 Peter 3:4**

But let it be the \_\_\_\_\_ man of the \_\_\_\_\_, in that which is not corruptible, even the \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit, which is in the sight of God of \_\_\_\_\_ price.

Our adorning will be in the \_\_\_\_\_ man of the \_\_\_\_\_

We worship Him with the ornament of a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit

God considers this of \_\_\_\_\_ price

33. The Jews had the same problem. Even though the service of the sanctuary was established by God himself, they lost the **real purpose and meaning** and **increased in impressive pomp and ceremony, formalism and tradition.**



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What did Jesus say to them? **John 7:37,38** In the last day, that \_\_\_\_\_ day of the feast, Jesus stood and \_\_\_\_\_, saying, If any man \_\_\_\_\_, let him \_\_\_\_\_ unto \_\_\_\_\_, and drink. He that \_\_\_\_\_ on me, as the \_\_\_\_\_ hath said, out of his belly shall \_\_\_\_\_ rivers of \_\_\_\_\_ water.

**Note:** "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." The condition of the people made this appeal very forcible. They had been engaged in a **continued scene of pomp and festivity**, their eyes had been **dazzled** with light and color, and their ears **regaled** with the richest music; **but there had been nothing in all this round of ceremonies to meet the wants of the spirit**, nothing to satisfy the thirst of the soul for that which perishes not. Jesus invited them to come and drink of the **fountain of life**, of that which would be in them a well of water, springing up unto **everlasting** life. DA 453.4

Jesus knew the wants of the soul. **Pomp, riches, and honor cannot satisfy the heart**. "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me." The rich, the poor, the high, the low, are alike welcome. **He promises to relieve the burdened mind, to comfort the sorrowing, and to give hope to the despondent**. Many of those who heard Jesus were mourners over disappointed hopes, many were nourishing a secret grief, many were seeking to satisfy their restless longing with the things of the world and the praise of men; but when all was gained, they found that they had toiled only to reach a broken cistern, from which they could not quench their thirst. Amid the glitter of the joyous scene they stood, **dissatisfied and sad**. That sudden cry, "If any man thirst," startled them from their sorrowful meditation, and as they listened to the words that followed, their minds kindled with a new hope. The Holy Spirit presented the symbol before them until they saw in it **the offer of the priceless gift of salvation**. DA 454.2

**? What was this living water that Jesus offered to them? John 7:39**

(But this spake he of the \_\_\_\_\_, which they that \_\_\_\_\_ on him should receive: for the \_\_\_\_\_ was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

**Note:** This **outward splendor, pomp, and ceremony**, that only **mocks** the longings of the sin-sick soul, is an **evidence** of inward corruption. The religion of Christ needs not such attractions to recommend it. In the light shining from the cross, **true Christianity** appears so pure and lovely that no external decorations can enhance its true worth. **It is the beauty of holiness, a meek and quiet spirit, which is of value with God**. GC 566.3

**The cry of Christ to the thirsty soul is still going forth**, and it appeals to us with even greater power than to those who heard it in the temple on that last day of the feast. The fountain is open for all. The **weary** and **exhausted** ones are offered the refreshing draught of **eternal life**. Jesus is still crying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink." DA 454.3

Revelation 22:17 "Let him that is \_\_\_\_\_ come. And whosoever \_\_\_\_\_, let him \_\_\_\_\_ the water of \_\_\_\_\_ freely."

John 4:14 "Whosoever \_\_\_\_\_ of the water that I shall \_\_\_\_\_ him shall never \_\_\_\_\_; but the \_\_\_\_\_ that I shall give him shall be in him a \_\_\_\_\_ of water springing up into \_\_\_\_\_ life."

### **12) The Way We Raise Money Affects Reverence**

34. How did God tell Moses to raise the needed means to build the sanctuary? **Exodus 35:4-9** And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This is the thing

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which the \_\_\_\_\_ commanded, saying, Take ye from among you an \_\_\_\_\_ unto the LORD: whosoever is of a \_\_\_\_\_, let him \_\_\_\_\_ it, an \_\_\_\_\_ of the LORD; \_\_\_\_\_, and silver, and brass, And \_\_\_\_\_, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, And rams' skins dyed \_\_\_\_\_, and badgers' skins, and \_\_\_\_\_ wood, And \_\_\_\_\_ for the light, and \_\_\_\_\_ for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense, And \_\_\_\_\_ stones, and \_\_\_\_\_ to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

### **? What was the result? Exodus 35:21-29**

And they \_\_\_\_\_, every one whose \_\_\_\_\_ him up, and every one whom his \_\_\_\_\_ made \_\_\_\_\_, and they brought the \_\_\_\_\_ offering to the work of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the congregation, and for all his \_\_\_\_\_, and for the holy \_\_\_\_\_. And they \_\_\_\_\_, both men and women, as many as were \_\_\_\_\_, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of \_\_\_\_\_: and every man that offered offered an offering of \_\_\_\_\_ unto the LORD. And every man, with whom was \_\_\_\_\_ blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought them. Every one that did offer an offering of \_\_\_\_\_ and brass brought the LORD'S offering: and every man, with whom was \_\_\_\_\_ shittim wood for any work of the service, \_\_\_\_\_ it. And all the women that were \_\_\_\_\_ hearted did \_\_\_\_\_ with their hands, and \_\_\_\_\_ that which they had \_\_\_\_\_, both of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen. And all the women whose \_\_\_\_\_ stirred them up in \_\_\_\_\_ spun goats' hair. And the \_\_\_\_\_ brought \_\_\_\_\_ stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate; And \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense. The children of Israel brought a \_\_\_\_\_ offering unto the LORD, \_\_\_\_\_ man and woman, whose \_\_\_\_\_ made them \_\_\_\_\_ to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had \_\_\_\_\_ to be made by the hand of Moses.

**Note:** For the building of the sanctuary great and expensive preparations were necessary; a large amount of the most precious and costly material was required; yet the Lord accepted only freewill offerings. "Of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take My offering" was the divine command repeated by Moses to the congregation. **Devotion to God and a spirit of sacrifice were the first requisites in preparing a dwelling place for the Most High.** PP 343.3

All the people responded with one accord. PP 344.1

### **35. How much did they bring? Exodus 36:3-7**

And they received of Moses all the \_\_\_\_\_, which the children of Israel had \_\_\_\_\_ for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every \_\_\_\_\_. And all the wise men, that \_\_\_\_\_ all the work of the sanctuary, came \_\_\_\_\_ man from his work which they made; And they \_\_\_\_\_ unto Moses, saying, The people bring \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_ for the service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make. And Moses gave \_\_\_\_\_, and they caused it to be \_\_\_\_\_

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throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make \_\_\_\_\_ work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were \_\_\_\_\_ from bringing. For the stuff they had was \_\_\_\_\_ for all the work to make it, and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** While the building of the sanctuary was in progress the people, old and young – men, women, and children – **continued to bring their offerings**, until those in charge of the work found that they had **enough**, and **even more than could be used**. And Moses caused to be proclaimed throughout the camp, "Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing." The **murmurings** of the Israelites and the visitations of God's judgments because of their sins are recorded as a **warning** to after-generations. And their **devotion**, their **zeal** and **liberality**, are **an example worthy of imitation**. All who love the worship of God and prize the blessing of His sacred presence will manifest the same spirit of sacrifice in preparing a house where He may meet with them. They will desire to bring to the Lord an offering of the very **best** that they possess. A house built for God **should not be left in debt**, for He is thereby dishonored. **An amount sufficient to accomplish the work should be freely given**, that the workmen may be able to say, as did the builders of the tabernacle, "Bring no more offerings." PP 344.5

36. When David was gathering materials for the temple which Solomon would build, what did he acknowledge? **1 Chronicles 29:14-17**

But \_\_\_\_\_ am I, and what is my \_\_\_\_\_, that we should be \_\_\_\_\_ to offer so \_\_\_\_\_ after this sort? for \_\_\_\_\_ things come of \_\_\_\_\_, and of thine \_\_\_\_\_ have we \_\_\_\_\_ thee. For we are \_\_\_\_\_ before thee, and \_\_\_\_\_, as were all our fathers: our days on the \_\_\_\_\_ are as a \_\_\_\_\_, and there is none \_\_\_\_\_. O LORD our God, \_\_\_\_\_ this store that we have prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ thee an \_\_\_\_\_ for thine holy \_\_\_\_\_ cometh of \_\_\_\_\_ hand, and is \_\_\_\_\_ thine \_\_\_\_\_. I know also, my God, that thou \_\_\_\_\_ the heart, and hast \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have \_\_\_\_\_ offered all these things: and now have I seen with \_\_\_\_\_ thy \_\_\_\_\_, which are present here, to offer \_\_\_\_\_ unto thee.

**Note:** Not only does God require the tithe, but he requires that **all** we have be used to his glory. There must be no spendthrift habits; **it is God's property that we are handling**. Not one dollar or one shilling is our own. The **squandering of money in luxuries** deprives the poor of the means **necessary** to supply them with food and clothing. That which is spent for the **gratification of pride** in dress, in buildings, in furniture, and in decorations, **would relieve the distress of many** wretched, suffering families. God's stewards are to **minister** to the needy. This is the **fruit** of pure and undefiled religion. The Lord condemns men for their selfish indulgence while their fellow beings are suffering for the want of food and clothing. RH, 12-8-96.11

**God's money is needed. It is hoarded and buried in the world**, while multitudes are starving for temporal food and spiritual knowledge. It is spent in **foolish amusements**, in **dissipating games** and **sports** and **idolatrous practices**. God says, "Shall I not visit for these things?" Already he is sending his judgments upon the earth. Terrible plagues are visiting our world, in famines, in floods, in calamities by sea and land, in earthquakes in divers places. **And because of men's wickedness the Lord does not restrain the destroying power.** RH, December 8, 1896 par. 12

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Professed Christians reject the Lord's plan of raising means for his work; and to what do they resort to supply the lack? God sees the wickedness of the methods they adopt. Places of worship are **defiled** by all manner of idolatrous dissipation, **that a little money may be won from selfish pleasure-lovers to pay church debts or to sustain the work of the church.** Many of these persons would not of their own accord pay one shilling for religious purposes. Where, in God's directions for the support of his work, do we find any mention of bazaars, concerts, fancy fairs, and similar entertainments? Must the Lord's cause be dependent upon the very things he has forbidden in his word – upon **those things that turn the mind away from God, from sobriety, from piety and holiness?** And what **impression** is made upon the minds of unbelievers? **The holy standard of the word of God is lowered into the dust.** **Contempt** is cast upon God and upon the Christian name. The most corrupt principles are strengthened by this **unscriptural way of raising means.** And this is **as Satan would have it.** Men are repeating the sin of Nadab and Abihu. **They are using common instead of sacred fire in the service of God.** The Lord accepts no such offerings. All these methods for bringing money into his treasury are an **abomination** to him. It is a **spurious devotion** that prompts all such devising. O what blindness, what infatuation, is upon many who claim to be Christians! Church members are doing as did the inhabitants of the world in the days of Noah, when the imagination of their hearts was only evil continually. All who fear God will abhor such practices as a **misrepresentation of the religion of Jesus Christ.**

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Often the place set apart for God's worship is **desecrated** by feasting and drinking, buying, selling, and merrymaking. Respect for the house of God and reverence for His worship are lessened in the minds of the youth. The **barriers of self-restraint are weakened.** Selfishness, appetite, the love of display, are appealed to, and they strengthen as they are indulged. 9T 91.3

We see the churches of our day encouraging feasting, gluttony, and dissipation, by the suppers, fairs, dances, and festivals gotten up **for the purpose of gathering means into the church treasury.** Here is a method invented by carnal minds to **secure means without sacrificing.** Such an example makes an impression upon the minds of youth. They notice that lotteries and fairs and games are **sanctioned by the church,** and they think there is something fascinating in this way of obtaining means. A youth is surrounded by temptations. He enters the bowling alley, the gaming saloon, to see the sport. He sees the money taken by the one who wins. **This looks enticing.** It seems an **easier** way of obtaining money than by earnest work, which requires persevering energy and strict economy. **He imagines there can be no harm in this;** for similar games have been resorted to in order to obtain means for the benefit of the church. Then why should he not help himself in this way? He has a little means, which he ventures to invest, thinking it may bring in quite a sum. RH, November 21, 1878 par. 13

**Whether he gains or loses, he is in the downward road to ruin.** But it was the example of the church that led him into the false path. RH, November 21, 1878 par. 14

Let us stand clear of all these church corruptions, dissipations, and festivals, which have a **demoralizing influence** upon young and old. **We have no right to throw over them the cloak of sanctity because the means is to be used for church purposes.** Such offerings are lame and diseased, and bear the curse of God. **They are the price of souls.** The pulpit may defend festivals, dancing, lotteries, fairs, and luxurious feasts, to obtain means for church purposes; but let us participate in none of these things; for if we do, God's displeasure will be upon us. We do not propose to appeal to the lust of appetite or resort to carnal amusements as an inducement to Christ's professed followers to give of the means which God has intrusted to them. **If they do not give willingly, for the love of Christ, the offering will in no case be acceptable to God.** RH, November 21, 1878 par. 15

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Death, clad in the livery of Heaven, lurks in the pathway of the young. **Sin is gilded over by church sanctity.** These various forms of **amusement** in the churches of our day have **ruined thousands** who, but for them, might have remained upright and become the followers of Christ. **Wrecks of character have been made by these fashionable church festivals and theatrical performances,** and thousands more will be destroyed; yet people will not be **aware of the danger,** nor of the **fearful influences exerted.** Many young men and women have lost their souls through these corrupting influences. RH, November 21, 1878 par. 16

37. What is God's plan of raising money for the church? **2 Corinthians 9:6-8**

But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.

E\_\_\_\_\_ one should purpose in his H\_\_\_\_\_ what he will give and he should give it C\_\_\_\_\_.

? Will this plan INCREASE or DECREASE Reverence for God?

Man's plan is to have food and entertainment and charge money to be used for the church.

? Does this plan INCREASE or DECREASE Reverence for God?

### **13) Worshipful Reverence is ONLY for God**

38.. Who is the only One that is God to be worshiped? **Exodus 20:2,3**

I am the \_\_\_\_\_ thy God, which have \_\_\_\_\_ thee out of the land of \_\_\_\_\_, out of the house of \_\_\_\_\_ . Thou shalt have \_\_\_\_\_ gods before me.

**Note:** Jehovah, the eternal, self-existent, uncreated One, Himself the Source and Sustainer of all, is **alone entitled to supreme reverence and worship.** Man is forbidden to give to any other object the **first place in his affections or his service.** Whatever we cherish that tends to lessen our love for God or to interfere with the service due Him, of that do we make a god. PP 305.4

39. What did God tell the Israelites about the gods of the Canaanites? **Exodus 23:24**

Thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ down to their gods, nor \_\_\_\_\_ them, nor \_\_\_\_\_ after their works: but thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ overthrow them, and quite \_\_\_\_\_ down their images.

**Deuteronomy 7:25** The graven \_\_\_\_\_ of their gods shall ye \_\_\_\_\_ with fire: thou shalt not \_\_\_\_\_ the silver or gold that is on them, nor \_\_\_\_\_ it unto thee, lest thou be \_\_\_\_\_ therein: for it is an \_\_\_\_\_ to the LORD thy God.

**Note:** **God would have his people understand that he alone should be the object of their worship;** and when they should overcome the idolatrous nations around them, they should not preserve any of the images of their worship, but **utterly destroy them.** Many of these heathen deities were very **costly,** and of beautiful workmanship, which **might tempt** those who had witnessed idol worship, so common in Egypt, to even **regard** these **senseless objects** with some degree of **reverence.** The Lord would have his people know that it was **because** of the idolatry of these nations, which had **led them to every degree of wickedness,** that he would use the Israelites as his instruments to **punish** them, and **destroy their gods.** 1SP 238.2

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40. Did Peter allow Cornelius to worship him? **Acts 10:25,26**

And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and \_\_\_\_\_ at his feet, and \_\_\_\_\_ him. But Peter \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_, saying, \_\_\_\_\_ up; I \_\_\_\_\_ also am a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Note:** As Peter entered the house of the Gentile, Cornelius did not salute him as an ordinary visitor, but as one honored of Heaven, and sent to him by God. It is an Eastern custom to bow before a prince or other high dignitary, and for children to bow before their parents who are honored with positions of trust. But Cornelius, overwhelmed with **reverence** for the apostle who had been delegated by God, fell at his feet and **worshiped** him. Peter shrank with **horror** from this act of the centurion, and **lifted him to his feet**, saying, "Stand up; I myself also am a man." He then commenced to **converse with him familiarly**, in order **to remove the sense of awe and extreme reverence with which the centurion regarded him**. 3SP 329.2

Had Peter been invested with the authority and position accorded to him by the Roman Catholic Church, he would have encouraged, rather than have checked, the veneration of Cornelius. The so-called successors of Peter **require** kings and emperors to bow at their feet; **but Peter himself claimed to be only an erring and fallible man**. 3SP 330.1

41. Even the angel would not receive worship from John: **Revelation 19:10**

And I \_\_\_\_\_ at his feet to \_\_\_\_\_ him. And he said unto me, See thou \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_: I am thy \_\_\_\_\_, and of thy brethren that have the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus: \_\_\_\_\_: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

**Note:** The angel from heaven came to John in majesty, his countenance beaming with the excellent glory of God. He revealed to John scenes of deep and thrilling interest in the history of the church of God and brought before him the perilous conflicts which Christ's followers were to endure. John saw them passing through fiery trials, made white and tried, and, **finally, victorious overcomers**, gloriously saved in the kingdom of God. The **countenance** of the angel grew **radiant with joy** and was exceeding glorious, as he showed John the **final triumph of the church of God**. As the apostle beheld the final deliverance of the church, he was carried away with the **glory** of the scene and **with deep reverence and awe fell at the feet of the angel to worship him**. The heavenly messenger **instantly** raised him up and **gently reproofed him**, saying, "See thou do it not: I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: **worship God**: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." The angel then showed John the heavenly city with all its splendor and dazzling glory, and he, enraptured and overwhelmed, and forgetful of the former reproof of the angel, **again fell to worship at his feet**. **Again the gentle reproof was given**, "See thou do it not for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God." EW 230.2

**Revelation 22:8,9** And I John \_\_\_\_\_ these things, and \_\_\_\_\_ them. And when I had heard and seen, I \_\_\_\_\_ down to \_\_\_\_\_ before the feet of the \_\_\_\_\_ which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_: for I am thy \_\_\_\_\_, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which \_\_\_\_\_ the sayings of this book: \_\_\_\_\_.

42. What was Jesus' answer to Satan who tried to get Jesus to worship him? **Matt. 4:10**

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee \_\_\_\_\_, Satan: for it is \_\_\_\_\_, Thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ thy God, and him \_\_\_\_\_ shalt thou \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Note:** It is one of the leading doctrines of Romanism that the pope is the visible head of the universal church of Christ, invested with supreme authority over bishops and pastors in all parts of the world. More than this, the pope has been given the very **titles of Deity**. He has been styled "Lord God the Pope", and has been declared infallible. **He demands the homage of all men**. The **same claim** urged by Satan in the wilderness of temptation is still urged by him through the Church of Rome, and vast numbers are ready to yield him homage. GC 50.3

**But those who fear and reverence God** meet this heaven-daring assumption **as Christ** met the solicitations of the wily foe: "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." Luke 4:8. God has **never** given a hint in His word that He has appointed **any man** to be the head of the church. The doctrine of papal supremacy is **directly opposed to the teachings of the Scriptures**. The pope can have no power over Christ's church except by **usurpation**. GC 51.1

? Should we ever give worshipful reverence or homage to anyone other than God?

YES NO

? If we did do that, would it INCREASE or DECREASE our reverence for God?

### **14) Reverence will Increase Throughout Eternity**

43. **Note:** And the years of eternity, as they roll, will bring **richer** and still **more glorious** revelations of God and of Christ. As knowledge is progressive, so will **love**, **reverence**, and **happiness increase**. The more men learn of God, **the greater will be their admiration of His character**. As Jesus opens before them the **riches of redemption** and the **amazing achievements in the great controversy with Satan**, the hearts of the ransomed thrill with **more fervent devotion**, and with **more rapturous joy** they sweep the harps of gold; and ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands of voices unite to swell the mighty chorus of praise. GC 678.1

**Revelation 5:13** And \_\_\_\_\_ creature which is in \_\_\_\_\_, and on the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ the earth, and such as are in the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ that are in them, heard I saying, \_\_\_\_\_, and honour, and \_\_\_\_\_, and power, be unto \_\_\_\_\_ that sitteth upon the \_\_\_\_\_, and unto the \_\_\_\_\_ for ever and \_\_\_\_\_.

? Will reverence for God INCREASE or DECREASE throughout eternity?

? Would it be a good idea for us to do those things that will INCREASE our reverence for God now? YES NO

Let us go back and review what it is that will INCREASE our reverence for God:

1) If the priests had great R\_\_\_\_\_ for God and followed His instructions and were very careful and particular when they came into His presence, the people would learn

That God was H\_\_\_\_\_

That His work was S\_\_\_\_\_,

That E\_\_\_\_\_ in connection with His work must be H\_\_\_\_\_;

That it must be free from all i\_\_\_\_\_ and U\_\_\_\_\_;

That all D\_\_\_\_\_ must be put A\_\_\_\_\_

from those who approach nigh to \_\_\_\_\_.

Remember that God said of us in **1 Peter 2:9** But ye are a chosen generation, a royal \_\_\_\_\_, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises

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of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

? If we are priests, then we must also have great R\_\_\_\_\_ for God and followed His i\_\_\_\_\_ and be very C\_\_\_\_\_ and P\_\_\_\_\_ when we come into His P\_\_\_\_\_.

2) God needs workers who are full of R\_\_\_\_\_ and Z\_\_\_\_\_ for God. He is calling each one of us to be such workers. How can we become these kind of workers?

Like the disciples, we will answer His call with prompt and willing O\_\_\_\_\_.

We will learn of Him in the school of Christ to put our whole T\_\_\_\_\_ in God

We will be His witnesses and give to the world T\_\_\_\_\_ unmingled with E\_\_\_\_\_.

We will practice His V\_\_\_\_\_, and walk and work with \_\_\_\_\_.

We will prepare like Ezra did (Ezra

By preparing our heart to S\_\_\_\_\_ the L\_\_\_\_\_ of God

By purposing to \_\_\_\_\_ what we learn from the L\_\_\_\_\_ of God

By determining to T\_\_\_\_\_ the S\_\_\_\_\_ and J\_\_\_\_\_ to the people.

We are coming to the final battle in the great controversy between truth and error.

It will be an overwhelming surprise to the world, but it should not be to the Christian.

? How should we prepare for this time?

By D\_\_\_\_\_ studying the W\_\_\_\_\_ of God

And by striving to C\_\_\_\_\_ their lives to its P\_\_\_\_\_.

3) We need to be able to know if someone is teaching truth or error.

We must be like the Bereans. What did they do? **Acts 17:11** These were more \_\_\_\_\_ than those in Thessalonica, in that they \_\_\_\_\_ the word with all \_\_\_\_\_ of mind, and \_\_\_\_\_ the scriptures \_\_\_\_\_, whether those things were \_\_\_\_\_.

? How can we know when a teacher is teaching truth? Matthew 7:21

It is the one who will \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

? What does the true teaching do in us?

It kills \_\_\_\_\_ in the heart,

It \_\_\_\_\_ the soul from defilement,

It bears fruit unto \_\_\_\_\_.

4) What kind of children will learn to reverence God more? a or b

a. those whose parents allow them to do as they please

b. those whose parents restrain them and teach them to obey

5) Does God want us to be LIKE the people around us

or does He want us to be DIFFERENT?

? Why does He want us to be different? **1 Peter 2:9**

But ye are a \_\_\_\_\_ generation, a royal \_\_\_\_\_, an \_\_\_\_\_ nation, a \_\_\_\_\_ people; that ye should \_\_\_\_\_ forth the \_\_\_\_\_ of him who hath \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ into his marvellous \_\_\_\_\_.



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If we are living very much like those around us, they will not **see** that our religion makes any **difference** in our life, so it must not be very important and they can ignore it.

6) How did Enoch keep his reverence for God while working for the irreverent and ungodly?

He S\_\_\_\_\_ maintained his C\_\_\_\_\_ with God.

The G\_\_\_\_\_ and more pressing his L\_\_\_\_\_,  
the more C\_\_\_\_\_ and E\_\_\_\_\_ were his prayers.

He continued to E\_\_\_\_\_ himself, at certain periods, from \_\_\_\_\_ society.

After remaining for a time among the P\_\_\_\_\_,

        Laboring to **benefit** them by i\_\_\_\_\_ and E\_\_\_\_\_,

He would W\_\_\_\_\_, to spend a season in S\_\_\_\_\_ because

He hungered and thirsted for that D\_\_\_\_\_ knowledge which \_\_\_\_\_  
        alone can impart.

Enoch spent much time alone with God on a regular basis. In this way he received power from God to work for the ungodly.

7) What does God say about our association with unbelievers? **2 Corinthians 6:17,18**

We must come \_\_\_\_\_ from among them

We must be distinct and S\_\_\_\_\_ from them

We not \_\_\_\_\_ the unclean thing – have nothing to do with sinful practices

**? Why are we given this instruction? Proverbs 22:24,25**

God does not want us to \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_ because it will be a \_\_\_\_\_ to our soul – the **influence** of an ungodly or irreverent person will affect us and be a trap from Satan to get us to be less reverent. But we are trying to learn how to **increase** reverence.

8) Why is it so important to choose someone who is walking on the narrow way to marry?

**Amos 3:3?** Can two walk \_\_\_\_\_, except they be \_\_\_\_\_?

When you marry, you will walk T\_\_\_\_\_ on one of these ways. If you don't

A\_\_\_\_\_, you cannot walk T\_\_\_\_\_.

If you want to reach eternal L\_\_\_\_\_, you must travel on the N\_\_\_\_\_ way and you must choose someone for your life companion who is also already traveling on the \_\_\_\_\_ way.

**? If you marry someone who is walking on the broad way, you will lose reverence for God.**

9) What kind of behavior in church will help us to increase our reverence for God?

You would listen and pay close A\_\_\_\_\_ during church.

You would S\_\_\_\_\_ with the people when they sing.

You would K\_\_\_\_\_ down and be Q\_\_\_\_\_ and listen to the prayer.

You would not W\_\_\_\_\_ or L\_\_\_\_\_ or R\_\_\_\_\_ something.

You would T\_\_\_\_\_ about God, His Word, and The Plan of Salvation.

You would not think about things that are S\_\_\_\_\_, F\_\_\_\_\_,  
        and U\_\_\_\_\_.

You would not distract others Ar\_\_\_\_\_ you from paying attention.

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10) What does mocking at religious things or at God's message or messenger do to your reverence for God? It will INCREASE / DECREASE reverence for God. (Circle)

? How should we respond to this kind of thing?

A mind that is **intent** upon having the **prize**, upon securing heaven, will **reject with firm, determined purpose every attempt at wit and jest concerning religious things**. YI, Oct. 8, 1896 pr 8

We will firmly R\_\_\_\_\_ all such things with a D\_\_\_\_\_ purpose. We will **not** have anything to do with it and we must **let our associates know where we stand**.

11) Will outward display, pomp or ceremony increase your reverence for God? YES NO

? How does God want to be worshiped? **Psalm 96:2-10**

Our S\_\_\_\_\_ will bless His name and show His wondrous S\_\_\_\_\_

Our talk will be of His G\_\_\_\_\_ and His W\_\_\_\_\_

We ascribe glory and S\_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord

We bring an O\_\_\_\_\_

We worship Him in the B\_\_\_\_\_ of H\_\_\_\_\_

We proclaim Him as the righteous J\_\_\_\_\_

? What kind of adornment will we have? **1 Peter 3:4**

Our adorning will be in the \_\_\_\_\_ man of the \_\_\_\_\_

We worship Him with the ornament of a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ spirit

God considers this of \_\_\_\_\_ price

12) Does the method we use to get money for the cause of God affect our reverence?

YES NO

? How does God want us to raise money? 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

E\_\_\_\_\_ one should purpose in his H\_\_\_\_\_ what he will give and he should give it

C\_\_\_\_\_.

13) Who is the only one that should receive worshipful reverence? \_\_\_\_\_

? Did Peter allow Cornelius to bow down and worship him? YES NO

? Did the angel Gabriel allow John to bow down and worship him? YES NO

? Did Satan ask Jesus to bow down and worship him? YES NO

? Did Jesus do it? YES NO

? What was Jesus' answer to Satan? Matthew 4:10

Thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ thy \_\_\_\_\_, and him \_\_\_\_\_ shalt thou \_\_\_\_\_.

? Should we worship any human being even if they claim to represent God? YES NO

14) Will **you** do what **you** can to increase **your** reverence for God to prepare for an eternity of increasing **your** reverence? YES NO