

New Testament Review

2 Corinthians 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.

1. Introduction to the New Testament (Galatians 3:25)
 - a. The New Testament writings cover merely 100 years of history following 400 silent years. The writings are divided into 27 Books.
 - b. The New Testament opens with 3 Angelic announcements:
 - i. The Angel Gabriel to Zacharias of John the Baptist (Luke 1:5-25)
 - ii. The Angel Gabriel to Mary of Jesus (Luke 1:26-38)
 - iii. The Angel of the Lord to Joseph of Jesus (Matthew 1:18-25)
2. The Birth of Jesus (Luke 1:14)
 - a. Jesus was born of a virgin, Mary, an honorable woman. (Luke 1:34-38)
 - b. More the 700 years earlier Isaiah recorded this prophesy (Isaiah 7:14)
 - c. Matthew quotes Isaiah, affirming the fulfillment of the virgin birth (Matthew 1:23)
 - d. Jesus was born in a stable in Bethlehem (Luke 2:4-7)
 - e. Micah, a contemporary of Isaiah, predicted it would happen in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2)
3. The Life of Christ (Acts 10:38)
 - a. Jesus was worshiped as a baby by Shepherds (Lk 2:15-17) & Wise Men (Mat 2:10-11)
 - b. Jesus learned at the temple and had a good reputation all his youth (Luke 2:46-52)
 - c. Jesus was Baptized by John (Mat 3:16), Jesus called and trained Disciples (Mat 4:18-24)
 - d. Jesus taught, preached, preformed miracles, & fulfilled 45 OT prophecies (Mat 4:23)
 - e. Jesus proclaimed many prophecies concerning his own life, death, resurrection, and his second coming. As well as the destruction of Jerusalem and the end times.
4. The Death of Jesus (John 19:30)
 - a. The death of Jesus was ordained by God (Gen 3:15, Zec 12:10, Isa 53:12, Jn 2:19-21, 3:14)
 - b. The death of Jesus was brutal (Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23, John 19)
 - c. The death of Jesus brought salvation to lost sinners (Luke 5:32, John 12:32 Rom 5:8)
 - d. The death of Jesus was temporary (John 2:19; Matthew 28:6)
5. The Resurrection of Jesus (Matthew 28:6)
 - a. Jesus spoke of it many times before he died (Mat 16:21, Mar 9:31-32, John 2:18-22)
 - b. He made several appearances after his death, in the flesh, 10 are recorded (Luke 24:39)
 - c. Believing in the resurrection of is a matter of believing the Scriptures (Lk 16:31, Jn 2:22)
 - d. Jesus spent considerable time with his disciples before his ascension (Acts 1:3)
 - e. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, so will the child of God (1 Cor. 15:12-22)
6. The Great Commission (Mark 16:15)
 - a. Jesus instructed his Apostles to preach the gospel, but what is the gospel? (1Cor. 15:1-4)
 - b. Jesus' Great Commission (Mt 28:18-20 Mk 16:15-16, Lk 24:46-48, Jn 20:21-22 Acts 1:8-9)
 - c. Christians have a duty to preach the gospel before Christ returns (Rom 10:13-14, Lk 18:8)

7. The Early Church Stage (Acts 2:1)

- a. After Jesus ascended his followers got busy assembling, praying, preaching, & baptizing
- b. Churches were planted and strengthened everywhere they preached the gospel (Acts 9:31)
- c. Some churches faced persecution which actually helped the spread of the gospel (Acts 8:1)

8. The Epistles - Part 1: Doctrinal Teachings of Christ and the Apostles (Acts 2:42)

- a. The Way of Salvation (Romans 3:23, 6:23, 5:8, 10:9-13, Colossians 1:14, 1 Peter 3:18)
- b. Eternal Security (Romans 8:1, Romans 8:38-39, 1 John 5:13)
- c. The Deity of Christ (Philippians 2:6, 1 Peter 2:7-8, Colossians 1:16-17)
- d. The Inerrancy of Scripture (2 Peter 1:20-21, 2 Timothy 3:16)
- e. The Rapture (1 Corinthians 15:52; 1 Thessalonians 5:2, 1 Th 4:16-18)
- f. Separation from the World (Romans 13:12, Ephesians 5:8, 1 Peter 2:9)

9. The Epistles - Part 2: Warnings of false teachers and their teachings (2 Peter 3:17)

- a. A False Gospel (Galatians 1:6-12; 2 Corinthians 11:1-4)
- b. False Doctrines (Hebrews 13:9)
- c. Fake Christians convincing real Christians to keep the Jewish law (Galatians 2:3-4)
- d. False Teachers (2 Peter 2:1-2)
- e. Salesmen of Religion & Commandments of Men (Titus 1:10-14)

10. The Epistles - Part 3: Encouragement Through Tough Circumstances (Philippians 4:13)

- a. God will be there for you through temptations (1 Cor 10:13)
- b. God will be there for you when you are broken over your sins (1 John 1:9)
- c. God will help you through stressful and emotionally taxing situations (Philippians 4:6-7)
- d. God will be there for you even when he does not heal us (2 Cor 12:8-10, Rom 8:26-28)
- e. God will not stop working on your life (Philippians 1:6)
- f. God will provide for all your needs (Philippians 4:19)

11. The Epistles - Part 4: The Moral Character and Conduct Expected of Christians (1 Cor 15:33)

- a. How to Think (Philip. 4:8, Col. 3:1-2, 1 Cor. 3:18, 2 Cor. 10:5, James 1:8, Eph. 4:22-24)
- b. How to Speak (James 1:19, 3:2-10, Eph 4:15, Eph 4:29, James 3:10)
- c. How to treat your family (Eph 5:22, 25, Eph 6:1-4)
- d. Having Moral Character is useful in reaching the lost (2 Cor. 4:1-4)
- e. Having Moral Character is the will of God and it glorifies God (1 Th 4:3, 5:23; 2 Cor 5:17; Rom 6:1-21, 12:1-2; Php 1:6, 2 Tim 2:21, 2 Peter 1:3)

12. The Revelation of Jesus Christ (Revelation 22:7)

- a. Revelation reveals Christ and the events surrounding his 2nd coming (Rev 1:1)
- b. It was written to churches to be read, understood, and called to action (Rev 1:3)
- c. Epic prophetic events foretold in Revelation
 - i. The Tribulation (Rev. 6-18)
 - ii. Christ's Marriage & Second Coming (Rev. 19)
 - iii. Christ's Millennial Reign (Rev. 20:1-10)
 - iv. Christ's Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:11-15)
 - v. New Heaven & Earth (Rev. 21-22)

13. Memory Verses: Last Week **Revelation 22:7**; This Week **2 Corinthians 3:6**