**MARK**
The life and ministry of Jesus

**BREAKDOWN & WRITERS TIPS - GOSPEL OF MARK**

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“A League” written by Seth Sundell:
I believe memorization and quoting are essential, along with knowing your references & chapter analysis. Earlier in the quiz year, I will use a lot of Section Headings to direct you, however as we move into district finals and beyond I will increase the difficulty level by reducing the usage of Section Headings and increasing the number of multiple-part questions. You’ll find all ten-pointers answers straight-forward and easy, normally 9 words or less, at all levels of competition, however, the questions may increase in complexity as you approach Nationals. League level questions will be very easy, most coming from one verse, and no change between league meets. There will also be two Application questions per set from League Meet # 1 to League Meet # 4. There will be no Application Questions in Meet # 5, District Finals, Regional Finals or National Finals.

District Final questions we will step up quotes and some questions requiring two or three verses, and we’ll introduce some basic in-chapter cross-reference material.

Regional Final questions we will start utilizing the more difficult question types. 20s will run the gamut, with some easy, medium and tough questions, while the 30s will see another step-up in difficulty, including some cross-reference material.

National Final questions will find most 20s and all 30s challenging – testing your mastery of the material. Basically, any section, long give a complete answer, chapter analysis list or cross-reference list that can be given in approximately 25 seconds or less is fair game.
“Middle School” written by Doug Black:

*Middle School Practice Questions* (found on CD available from My Healthy Church) are a direct reflection of the questions that will be seen at League Matches.

My goal is to make many of the questions readily answerable by anyone who studies. The ten-point questions are from the most basic material found in the Scripture and are simple one/two-part questions and/or answers. A quizzer who spends some time studying every day should easily be able to answer these. Thirty-point questions will be the most difficult—long complete answers, quotes/essence, and longer multiple-part questions/answers. Twenty-point questions are pretty much everything else—medium multiple-part questions/answers, smaller quotes and medium length complete answers. Certain question types just seem more difficult to me and carry higher point values than the answers might suggest. There will be ten Study Questions in League Meet #1 and five Study Questions in League Meets #2-4. Meets #2-4 will also have five questions in each set over review material. There will be one or two quotation or essence questions in each set and one or two-chapter analysis questions. Difficulty will increase from League to District to Regional levels, with a few very difficult questions at Regionals.

“Experience” written by Doug Black & Bernie Elliot:

Within the first 12 “Toss Up” Questions, 10 will be *Middle School Study Questions* (found on the Basic 5 CD or the Study Guide Plus CD) by Doug Black.

Each set will contain 2 Application Questions (Found on Study Guide CD) and they will always be asked between question number 13 and 20. The rest of the questions will almost always be asked by Section Titles and will include several chapter analysis answers. There will be very few quotes, but those that are asked are from Marked Verses. There will be several 1-word answers in each set.

**BQ MISSIONARY COACHES**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*Lern, Live, Lead*

*(Learn God’s Word, Live out God’s Word, Lead with God’s Word)*

In the Assemblies of God Bible Quiz ministry, every year we graduate many outstanding quizzers who have not only been quite successful as a quizzler, but also as an outstanding student, and true follower of Jesus Christ. The above mission statement is tri-fold. We have done a reasonably good job of Learning and Living the Word, but have lacked in the Leading area. Almost 100% of our graduating seniors go on to post high education. *What might it look like if we could get a large percentage of our college freshman to coach a Bible Quiz team?*

We started in the fall of 2015 with 2 former quizzers that fulfilled the following requirements:

1. Be a Bible quiz coach or assistant coach.
2. Go to an A/G church that does not have the Bible Ministry or has had it for no more than 1 year.
3. Be involved weekly for a minimum of 1 hour during the quiz season or college year.
4. Be held accountable to a seasoned coach on a regular basis.
5. Recruit adults from within that church to be involved in the Bible Quiz ministry.

In return, each student coach will receive $500.00 toward their education. The finances will come from the BQ Scholarship Fund. This does not negate any student from working a part time job. The Bible Quiz
leadership, in consultation with a District BQ Coordinator, will help you in identifying what churches need and want coaches.

To be considered for the missionary coach position each student will submit a 100-200-word paper sharing why you should be considered. Two members of the Steering Committee and I will select the Missionary Coaches over the Gospel of Mark.

Applications should be sent to Bernie Elliot, via E-Mail, and should include your full name, name and location of school, major if known, and why you would like to be selected as a missionary coach.

Looking forward to advancing the Kingdom of God through this wonderful ministry opportunity!

**ADVICE TO A NEW COACH**

1. Memorize in short and multiple time slots throughout the day. It’s better to start small, then to bite off more than you can chew and get discouraged. Experiment to find out when your most productive study time is.

2. Review, review, review. Can’t stress this enough. If you don’t review what you have learned, you lose it. One strategy is to review daily for one week all the new material learned. After that, review should be at least once a week. Quote, quote, quote as part of your review.

3. Ask lots of different types of questions. Get your quizzers used to the opening remarks.

Best BQ product - Study Pro for the computer or for IOS or Android. It allows you to have quote cards on your computer or phone or electronic device. Quote cards, electronic or paper form, are an absolute must to get references and to review.

- Maureen Harr, First Assembly, East Lansing, MI, Reprint from 2016

**NUTS & BOLTS**

- **Corrections needed for a Application questions:**
  
  Question number 11 for 20 points. Scripture text application question.
  
  What did John the Baptist mean when he said the, quote, “kingdom of God has come near”?
  
  M 1:15 That God’s power, purpose and way of life on earth were fully underway. FBSE, 1343

  Please change question to:
  
  What did Jesus mean when he said the, quote, “kingdom of God has come near”?

- **Master Memorization Award.** All of the Gospel of Mark must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting, within a 60-minute time limit, beginning with Mark Chapter one, verse one, and continuing through Mark 16 verse 20. The quizzers is permitted 7 mistakes for the entirety of the material.

- Both National Memorization names, Master Memorization names and Discipleship names must be submitted by the District Bible Quiz Coordinators (DBQC) to NYM by **MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018 2:00PM CST.** **Must be E-Mailed to BQ@Ag.org** (Forms do not need to be submitted-just the names, church names, city, state.) Check with your DBQC when your District Deadline is, as most have an earlier date to hand out trophies and plaques.
• National BQ Finals will be held at Calvary Church, Naperville, IL. July 1-6, 2018. Everyone will be at the same hotel and the cost will be $89.00 a night and includes a free hot breakfast, free parking and an indoor swimming pool. We also will have meeting rooms for the quizzers to fellowship in the evenings. Registration cost for National BQ Finals will remain the same again for 2018.

• Adult quizzing at National Finals. Veteran: Mark Chapters 1-5 for 192 verses. Novice: Mark Chapters 1-3 for 108 verses.

• Discipleship Book for the 2017-2018 BQ Season: Fearless by Dr. George Wood. (need to just 30 of the devotionals)

• We are updating the NYM BQ Website at https://youth.ag.org/participate/bible-quiz and will be an ongoing process over the next few months. One nice feature is now quizzers who would like to access their BQ Scholarship money can simply go to the “Invest Tab” and click on “Scholarships” and then “Click here to fill out the scholarship funds request form” Then simply submit online!

• Need a quiz set?
  2. Steve Kirkman www.quizequipment.com

• Need to find other BQ information?

• Need some BQ promo videos for church or Youth group?
  1. http://biblequiz.com/blog/

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**BQ TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Northern New England Bible Quiz Retreat**
September 8, 9, 2017
Milton A/G, Milton, NH
Nancy Lambert jlnl@myfairpoint.net
207-641-2481

**North Texas BQ Training Camp**
September 9, 2017
The Oaks Fellowship, Red Oak, TX
Michael Pearson michaelwpearson@gmail.com
Cell469-358-8067

**Georgia Bible Quiz Retreat**
September 15, 16, 2017
Camp Timberlake, Forsyth, Georgia
Doug Black dougbq@comcast.net
678-767-2249 Cell
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**TESTIMONIES FROM BQ CAMPS**

**Great Lakes BQ Camp:**
A quizzer who just heard about BQ 1 week before camp and she had chapter one memorized and quoted off by the time camp was over. She also learned how to interrupt and answer difficult regional level 30-point questions and thus won the individual tournament and quoting bee for the new quizzers. Overall all the youth walked away pumped and ready to go for the season with new, helpful tools in their belts.

**Northeast BQ Camp:**
A quizzer who repeatedly told his coach he couldn’t memorize anything and was consistently adamant about this. When they got to the goal setting session and it was his turn, she asked what his plan was since he had insisted before that he couldn’t memorize. The quizzer responded his goal was to memorize four chapters. She asked him how he came to that, again stressing how he insisted he couldn’t memorize and he replied that he had the first section memorized. She then asked him to quote that section, which he did!

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**BQ TOURNAMENTS**

**Empire Classic**
Sept 23, 2017
Bethany Church, Wyckoff, NJ
Dave Pizzolo
dave@pizzolo.com or
njbiblequiz@gmail.com

**Trinity Gold Cup**
October 20, 21, 2017
Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX
Lori Sullivan
safrkids@gmail.com
940-642-3714

**Windy City Classic**
October 28, 2017
Calvary Church, Naperville, IL
Katie Randolph
Kaitlyn.randolph@gmail.com
574-596-7959

**24th Gobblefest Bible Quiz Tournament**
November 17 & 18, 2017
University of Valley Forge, Phoenixville, PA
Bernie Elliot
412-999-9330 Cell
ElliotBQ@Aol.com

**Missouri Classic**
Dec 2, 2017
Central Assembly, Springfield, MO
Contact Marci Woodward
somojbq@gmail.com
417-425-0267

**Mid-Winter Classic**
January 12 & 13, 2018
Oshkosh, WI
Don Batty
debatty00@gmail.com
608-566-6255

**33rd Friendship Classic**
January 26, 27, 2018
Allison Park Church, Pittsburgh, PA
Bernie Elliot
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**River Classic**
March 2, 3, 2018
James River Church, Ozark Missouri
Mark Griffith
onegriff@gmail.com
For more information, visit RiverClassic.org
QUOTABLES
“If Serving is below you, Leadership is beyond you.” - Anonymous

“Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go.” - Anonymous

“More men fail through lack of purpose than through lack of talent.” - Billy Sunday

JUST FOR LAUGHS
This is a story about four people: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.
There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it.
Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.
Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.
Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn’t do it.
It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when actually Nobody asked Anybody.

LAST WORD
Giving to the Scholarship is extremely easy as of now. Go to: https://giving.ag.org/Give/Search?SearchFields. Ministry=Bible+Quiz

In the box type: Bible Quiz Scholarship. The account is 042001. You can give a onetime gift or set it up as a recurring gift. We are looking for as many people as possible, especially BQ Alumni, to give at least $52.00 a year (a dollar a week) by May 1, 2018. Yes, you may give any amount.

Sponsoring rooms at National Finals: We are looking to sponsor all 20 Quiz rooms at National Finals next years for $300.00. We are also looking at sponsoring the 4 One on One rooms, and getting additional activities sponsored as well. Please contact me for more information.

UPDATE: As of today, we have verbal commitments for 4 Diamond Sponsors and 3 Room sponsors.

We have a very generous Christian businessman, who is going to make a nice donation to the BQ Scholarship fund on every sale of kitchen cabinets and bathroom vanities. Myself, and others have already received their cabinets with this company and the prices will not be beat for quality cabinets anywhere in America. Check out http://www.creativekitchensdirect.com/ and please make sure you mention the “Bible Quiz Ministry”. This opportunity could bring us several thousand dollars each year for Scholarships!

UPDATE: We have received our first check with another on the way by Sept 1!! 100% of those checks are going into the Scholarship Fund. We have 5 different individuals in the Pittsburgh area alone that have made purchases. We will have pictures shortly of the new kitchens.

Blessings,

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