

BQ NEWSLETTER

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STOP PROCRASTINATING!!

by Rick Warren

“There is nothing I cannot master with the help of Christ who gives me strength.” (Philippians 4:13 JB)

The Bible gives us five actions we can take to stop procrastinating:

1. Stop making excuses. “The lazy man is full of excuses” (Proverbs 22:13 LB). What have you been saying you’re going to do “one of these days”? What do you make excuses about? The number one excuse I hear is, “When things settle down, then I’m going to ...” Things will never settle down. You must make a choice to prioritize what is important.
2. Start today. Not next month, next week, or tomorrow. “Never boast about tomorrow. You don’t know what will happen between now and then” (Proverbs 27:1 GNT). None of us is guaranteed a tomorrow.
3. Establish a planned schedule. Proverbs 13:16 says, “A wise man plans ahead. A fool doesn’t” (LB). If you fail to plan, you’re planning to fail. You need to designate some specific time slots each week for the things you need to do. Whatever it is, put it on your calendar. And if it’s a big task, break it down into small pieces. Break it into bite-size pieces.
4. Face your fears. We hate to admit we have fears, because we think they’re a sign of weakness. But fear is a sign of humanity. Only fools are not afraid. You’ve heard it said, “Courage is not the absence of fear; it’s moving ahead in spite of our fears.” The Bible says there is nothing you cannot master with the help of Christ who gives you strength.
5. Focus on what you gain, not the pain. There are very few things in life that are easy. You must push through the frustration and look at the gain beyond the pain. Concentrate on how good you’re going to feel once you’ve finished the task.

Galatians 6:9 says, “Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Jesus never said life would be easy. There will be sacrifice and commitment. But there is tremendous reward when we do the things he calls us to do. Reprint from Oct. 2016

BREAKDOWN & WRITERS TIPS - GOSPEL OF MARK

	“A”	“Middle School”	“Experience”
Meet # 1	M 1-5 192 vs	M 1-3 108 vs	M 1 45 vs
Meet # 2	M 6-9 178 vs	M 4-5 84 vs	M 5 43 vs
Meet # 3	M 10-12 128 vs	M 6-7 92 vs	M 6 56 vs
Meet # 4	M 13-16 175 vs	M 8-9 86 vs	M 8 38 vs
	Total 673 vs	Total 370 vs	Total 182 vs

"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 quizzier 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

Learn, 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 quizzer, 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!

NUTS & BOLTS

- Please download the **NEW RULES** at <https://youth.ag.org/participate/bible-quiz>

- **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 quizzer 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?
 1. Grass Lakes BQ Ministry <http://grasslakeassembly.org/589994.ihtml>
 2. Steve Kirkman www.quizequipment.com
- Need to find other BQ information?
 1. <http://www.biblequiz.ag.org>
 2. <http://www.biblequiz.com>
- Need some BQ promo videos for church or Youth group?
 1. <http://biblequiz.com/blog/>

BQ TOURNAMENTS

Trinity Gold Cup

October 20, 21, 2017

Trinity Church, Cedar Hill, TX

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Windy City Classic

October 28, 2017

Calvary Church, Naperville, IL

Katie Randolph

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574-596-7959

24th Gobblefest Bible Quiz Tournament

November 17 & 18, 2017

University of Valley Forge, Phoenixville, PA

Bernie Elliot

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Missouri Classic

Dec 2, 2017

Central Assembly, Springfield, MO

Contact Marci Woodward

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417-425-0267

Mid-Winter Classic

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

River Classic

March 2, 3, 2018
James River Church, Ozark Missouri
Mark Griffith
onegriff@gmail.com
For more information, visit RiverClassic.org

33rd Friendship Classic - 3 SPOTS LEFT

January 26, 27, 2018
Allison Park Church, Pittsburgh, PA
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EMPIRE CLASSIC RESULTS - SEPT 23, 2017

Bethlehem Church, Richmond Hill, NY

“A” BRACKET - 11 Teams

1. Redeemer Church #1, Utica, NY	10-0	224 Avg
2. Living Hope Worship Center, Swedesboro, NJ	7-3	186 Avg
3. Redeemer Church #2, Utica, NY	7-3	162 Avg

TOP QUIZZERS

1. Katrina Dowdy, Swedesboro, NJ	124 Avg	9 Quiz outs
2. Julia Martello, Greensboro, NC	105 Avg	8 Quiz outs
3. Julie Anna Chrednichenko, Binghamton, NY	103 Avg	9 Quiz outs
4. Christian Stevens, Utica, NY # 2	102 Avg	8 Quiz outs
5. Judah Stevens, Utica, NY # 1	99 Avg	8 Quiz outs

“MIDDLE SCHOOL” BRACKET - 8 Teams

1. Redeemer Church, Utica, NY	7-0	208 Avg
2. Living Hope Worship Center, Swedesboro, NJ	5-2	173 Avg
3. Calvary Temple International, Wayne, NJ	5-2	200 Avg

TOP QUIZZERS

1. Chenemei Oriaku, Wayne, NJ	115 Avg	7 Quiz outs
2. Toby Hill, Swedesboro, NJ	111 Avg	6 Quiz outs
3. Caleb Cook, Wayne, NJ	101 Avg	7 Quiz outs
4. Aaron Hoffmann, Utica, NY	100 Avg	7 Quiz outs
5. Joanna Paulrai, Wayne, NJ	99 Avg	7 Quiz Outs

QUOTABLES

“Learn from the mistakes of others. You can’t live long enough to make them all yourself.”

“The primary difference between a winner and a loser? The winner fights five minutes longer.”

-*Jeannie Mayo*

“The fact is that many people never accomplish their purpose because THEIR WISHBONE is where THEIR BACKBONE should be.” -*Jeannie Mayo*

JUST FOR LAUGHS

I’d been working on my business degree for about a year when I finally got to take a popular finance course. I went to the bookstore to buy the text and was shocked to find out that it would cost me \$96.00. I asked how much it was worth if I sold it back at the end of the semester.

“You’ll get 24.00,” said the clerk.

“This is insane,” I protested as I wrote out the check.

“I know,” replied the clerk sympathetically. “I’ve always thought that a person who buys a book for \$96.00 and then sells it back for \$24.00 should fail the course.”

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.

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!

Blessings,

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