1. Memory Verse: 1 Peter 1:7

"That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 1 Peter 1:7"

2. In 2 Timothy 2:15 we are told to "rightly divide the word of truth." When God makes a distinction, it is to be recognized and taught. There is a difference between the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven. Define each:
   a. Kingdom of God. It is from everlasting to everlasting.
   b. The Church (present). It is a phase of the Kingdom of God.
   c. Christ's Earthly Kingdom. Is a phase of the Kingdom of God.

3. Kingdom of the Heavens. List three characteristics:
   a. Found 32 times, only in Matthew, the Kingdom book.
   b. Always in reference to His Earthly Kingdom.
   c. A phase of the Kingdom of God.

4. There are two ordinances given for believers to partake of. What are they?
   a. Water Baptism
   b. The Lord's Supper

5. A basic principle in determining whether the Scripture and Context is speaking of water, or spiritual baptism, is what?
   a. Water baptism: When baptized unto his death.
   b. Spiritual baptism: When baptized unto; or, into, His body.


7. What is the blessed hope that every Christian should be looking for? The Rapture.

8. There are many false teachings by various groups concerning the Rapture, Tribulation, and Millennial Reign of Christ on earth. Explain what the following believe.
   a. Post-millennialism: They deny the Rapture and believe the Church will convert the world, and after 1,000 years, Christ will come.
b. Amillennialists: They deny the Rapture and a literal Millennium, and believe we are now living in a spiritual millennium. They believe Christ is coming back to judge the world, applying Matthew 25.

c. Praeterists: This group, very prevalent today, believes that the Book of Revelation was fulfilled in 70 A.D. with the fall of Jerusalem.

9. Much confusion is caused by the false teaching that the Rapture in 1 Thessalonians 4, and the Coming of the Lord in Matthew 24:30,31, is the same event. Disprove this false teaching

   a. At the Rapture, in 1 Thessalonians, those taken are the saved and those left are the lost.
   b. In Matthew, those taken are the lost, and those left are the saved.
   c. It cannot be the same, as the opposite takes place.

10. Another false teaching concerning the Rapture is that only the spiritual Christians will go at the Rapture; while the carnal Christians will go into the Tribulation. Disprove this.

   a. In 1 Corinthians 15:51, "all will be changed."
   b. In 1 Thessalonians 4:17, the "WE" used twice is all-inclusive.

11. In the following verses, you have the opportunity of giving the meaning of various words from 1 Thessalonians, Chapter 5.

   a. (v.6). "Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; But let us watch and be sober."
      (1). "not sleep." **Not be insensitive to spiritual things.**
      (2). "watch." **Spiritual alertness.**

   b. (v.9). "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ."
      (1). "wrath." **Wrath of the Tribulation. (Revelation 6:15-17) (Revelation 3:10).**
      (2). "salvation." **Means "deliverance" which it should be translated.**

   c. (v.10). "Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him."
      (1). "wake." **From the same Greek word as "watch" in Verse 6.**
      (2). "sleep." **"Lay down on the job," not physical death.**
      (3). "together." **"At the same time."**
      (4). "with him." **With Jesus Christ.**

12. Give a short statement which summarizes the meaning of the verses in 1 Thessalonians, Chapter 5.

   a. **These verses expose the false teaching of a partial Rapture; as those Christians who are spiritually alive and alert, and those who are lying down on the job, will all go together at the Rapture.**