# MATTHEW

(Answers)

## CHAPTER 1

1. The tribe of Judah.
2. Fourteen generations.
3. He was a just man. He knew she had done no sin. He did not want her to become a public example.
4. Savior.
5. He had turned his hand to help them once again through sending His son, Jesus.
6. After Jesus was born.

## CHAPTER 2

1. In a house.
2. In the city Bethlehem of Judah.
3. Herod would seek to destroy Jesus therefore take Him to Egypt.
4. He sought to kill Jesus by killing all the males 2 years old and younger.
5. Nazareth.
6. The women who cried for their children that were killed are the descendants of Rachel. From Rachel came all the tribes of Israel.

## CHAPTER 3

1. He was a cousin of Jesus but was the one chosen to prepare the hearts of the people for turning back to the Lord.
2. Locusts and wild honey.
3. Repent - be sorry for your sins. (Change your hearts and your ways).
4. The Pharisees and Sadducees.
5. a. They must live righteously to show that their repentance is real. b. Yes.
6. It is being obedient to God's will and principles. We are always doing, as much as depends on us, justness, righteousness, and holiness before God and man.
7. The word of God was coming forth and would denounce the ways of the leaders, priests, and people.
8. They will be cut down and destroyed.
9. a. Through the coming of Jesus, we receive the Holy Spirit and the truth of God. Those who follow and obey will grow to spiritual cleanness. b. As fire removes the impurities in gold, so will we be pruned and chastened through the word of God and through our trials and tests.
10. The wheat is the true believer who serves God. The chaff is the one who does not serve God; he is worthless like the husks of the wheat stalk and will be destroyed.
11. So John would know who was the Lamb and Son of God (see Jn. 1:33) and to show before the people that Jesus also would be obedient to God.

12. God.

## CHAPTER 4

1. 40 days and 40 nights.
2. He tempted Jesus to use His own power to provide for himself (instead of depending on God), to blatantly test God (pride), and to worship Satan for world glory and power.
3. We are not to live by our own wisdom and will but by the wisdom and will of God daily through His word and Spirit. His word has lasting benefits instead of temporary help.
4. We must not blatantly test God; this is dishonoring Him. God helps those He allows to go through trials but not those who purposely put themselves in danger.
5. Simon Peter and his brother Andrew.
6. To repent of their ways for the kingdom of God was at hand.

## CHAPTER 5

1. a. Having a submissive will to God. b. The brokenhearted and those who grieve over sin, death, affliction, pain or similar. c. Those with a patient and quiet spirit. d. Those who have a strong desire to be holy and who hate any unrighteousness. e. Those that are compassionate and forgiving. f. Those whose minds, motives, and principles are pure. g. Those who try to resolve problems, contentions, and strife rather than make them worse. h. Those that are ridiculed, reproached, persecuted, or oppressed for doing what is right by God.
2. Rejoice for it is evidence that we are Christians and we know our reward to come is great.
3. a. We are the influence of God to others. We keep the world from entire putrification b. We are no influence on the world are only fit to be thrown out. We will be "trampled" (or scorned) by people.
4. a. As a light eliminates darkness we lead the way to a pure and holy life. The word of God should always be close to our tongues. b. We are not to hide the word from others but live it so good works may follow and God may be glorified.
5. Yes, they are fulfilled by Christ through the Spirit now.
6. True righteousness and holiness in our heart and lives (not just external show) will enter us into heaven.
7. a. We should resolve our conflicts with our brother first, otherwise we will be "unclean" when we come before God. b. By showing or harboring hatred toward our brother we do not have love. This is not of God and will lead one to the eternal fire. There were different degrees of punishment – judgment, council, or destruction. The more reproach or evil you had against your brother the stronger the punishment.
8. We should have a chance to forgive and reconcile with each other rather than to make things worse with no chance for forgiveness.
9. To turn quickly and completely away from sin to avoid a lifestyle that will lead to death.

10. You cause them to commit adultery.
11. a. To swear by nothing except by your word. If your word is not true then it is of Satan. b. All is God's and is in His control. Our word is the only thing we can control or guarantee.
12. We are not to verbally or by actions seek vengeance on those who have done us wrong. (Let God take vengeance).
13. Those who hate us and spitefully use us.

## CHAPTER 6

1. Do them as secretly as possible. Do not look for the praise and recognition of others.
2. God will reward you even before men. Do not seek your own reward.
3. In private, between you and Him. Do not pray before men to seek their praise. Do not use vain repetitions. Talk simply and plainly from your heart to God.
4. This is a prayer of substance not form. We should include praise for God and His kingdom; ask for forgiveness of sins; ask to keep us from temptation; and provide for basic needs.
5. We must forgive others first.
6. Look normal. Do not try to let others know you are fasting.
7. Through our righteous acts and obeying the will of God we should seek eternal blessing from God in heaven rather than material things on earth.
8. What you look for will fill your soul. If you look for evil, you will become evil. If you look for good, you will be good. Your eye fills your body.
9. No, you will be loyal only to one. You will despise the one that takes away your liberties.
10. God will provide them for us. Trust in Him especially in hard times.

## CHAPTER 7

1. Our judgment should not be made in haste or harshly for by the judgment we use we will receive in return. Be merciful and understanding considering ourselves in our weaknesses and also how we would want to be treated in the same or similar circumstance.
2. First look at yourself to see your own sin or similar sin.
3. Once you remove the plank (sin) from your eye, you will be able to see and know how to help your brother.
4. An unbeliever or evil person will ridicule you and even persecute you about the word or anything holy.
5. We ask, seek, and knock. God will answer according to His will.
6. a. The way to heaven is a restricted entry. To enter one must have made an effort to walk in righteousness and obey the will of God b. Only a few here and there will strive to be on the narrow path and do the will of God.
7. They are people who appear to be Christians, but their hearts are far from God. They lead people astray through false teachings or prophecy. (One such doctrine

today is to preach liberty for a Christian instead of fearing God's judgment on sin and complacency in their lives.)

8. A person's actions and words will reveal what type of tree they are. A bad tree will cause hurt or suffering. A good tree will act in love and promote the will of God.
9. a. They have no real intimate relationship with God. Their goal was self-serving seeking power, status, and material gain. They did work only for their benefit and for the praises of men. They sinned often without fear of God. b. Some deceived people but if they did work wonders it came from God. God can use anyone's talents or even the wicked to carry forward His will and purpose and do miracles. It all comes from Him and has nothing to do with their moral character.
10. Those who know and obey Jesus' teachings (which came from God). This person is on the rock or solid foundation and will continue to hold fast to his relationship and walk in the Lord.

## CHAPTER 8

1. It was proper to perform the ceremonial act and gift before the priest as a witness before the people that the leper is now cleansed and now could be included in all of society.
2. a. The Gentiles who will know the Lord. b. The Israelites (Jews) who are cast out because of their unbelief.
3. Those spiritually dead who are uninterested in religion or the Kingdom of God and are dead in sin can bury the dead. Those interested need to let nothng keep them from the work of the kingdom.
4. They did not understand that the son of God was with them. They need not fear danger, disease, or death. God is always with those who love Him and are doing what they are supposed to be doing.
5. a. Yes. b. Yes. c. He allowed them to enter into the swine and perish in the sea.

## CHAPTER 9

1. Jesus showed He had power on earth to forgive sins. Since they believed He had blasphemed, if they saw Him heal the man then they would believe God gave Him power to forgive sins.
2. The righteous were in good standing with God. The sinners are the ones who need to get right with God.
3. He was showing that the old way of the law could not exist with the new way of the Spirit.
4. Her faith healed her as she touched Jesus' garment.
5. The faith of the two blind men in Jesus as the Messiah healed them.
6. To ask God to send more workers to the people for they were ready to accept the gospel and the words of life.

## CHAPTER 10

1. Jesus gave them the power over unclean spirits and to heal and kinds of sickness and disease.
2. The lost Jews were first to receive the message of the kingdom.
3. Leave the city and their fate in their own hands.
4. Sodom and Gomorrah will be able to bear their punishment because they had no one to tell them about God and to redirect their hearts. The Jews do have someone to tell them and will realize they turned down their opportunity for life.
5. The Holy Spirit of God who is in us will tells us what to speak.
6. The vindication of the disciples' truth, integrity, and innocence will be made known at some point and time whether here or at the judgment.
7. We should fear God who can destroy the soul rather than man who can only destroy the body. God allows nothing to happen to us that He does not know or is in His will.
8. We pray, are baptized, and attend church. Whether by our conversation or by our actions we show He lives in us and we rely on Him.
9. a. Our lives and our lips do not show we know Jesus. b. Jesus will deny us before God. We will not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.
10. a. The word of God. b. A person who is righteous will face adversity with the unrighteous even within families.
11. We live for Christ and God's will unto our death through oppression and persecution even if it seems burdensome or disgraceful according the world's view.
12. You accept Jesus and God. God sent the word through Jesus.

## CHAPTER 11

1. He was first to plant the doctrine to the people of repentance to God and changed hearts, the same message Jesus would bring.
2. If the Kingdom of God ('heaven' in Matthew 11) is on earth then the least one in the kingdom is one who is still able to preach the word and the gospel. John preached only the prelude to the gospel – the coming of the Messiah. He also did not witness any of the miracles of Jesus but was imprisoned by Herod. If the Kingdom of God or Heaven is the one above then the least ranked in heaven is still above one who is born of man on earth. This one is near the throne of God.
3. The kingdom of heaven was only prophesied by the prophets and therefore suffered nothing but now since John the Baptist it suffers with opposition and persecution.
4. He came in the spirit of Elijah, serving God fully and turning the hearts of the people to God.
5. They were not affected by the word of God or the gospel of Christ. They did not want to accept it finding fault with whoever preached it.
6. Sodom had no miracles performed in their time or they would have repented. The Jews will realize in the Day of Judgment the opportunity for repentance which they rejected. They won't be able to bear it.
7. Compared to the ceremonial law faith in Christ is easier and full of mercy, grace, and love. Jesus only requires us to follow His lead and by doing so we will walk

in righteousness resulting in peace within ourselves and able to bear the trials and pressures of life and from those around us.

## CHAPTER 12

1. They did the work of preparing the sacrifices and offerings on the Sabbath.
2. Any good work or merciful deed could be done on the Sabbath or any day.
3. A man with a withered hand.
4. Jesus would keep a meek spirit unto His death on the cross.
5. Knowingly and purposely speaking evil of the work of the Spirit. The priests accused Jesus of doing miracles by the power of Satan. They knowingly discredited and dishonored God and His Spirit in hopes of turning people away from Jesus and back to them. This is a sign of a heart that is far from God.
6. From your heart you will speak.
7. Since your words proceed from your heart they will either acquit you or condemn you in the Day of Judgment.
8. Jesus would be in a 'prison' as Jonah was in the whale. Jesus was taken on a Thursday night and raised by Sunday morning. Therefore, it is Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday days. (See chapter 28 #2 answers.)
9. You must be careful not to let the uncleanness back. Satan will bring a more complete work against you to make you worse than you were before. It is worse too because you know the way of righteousness but have fallen away.
10. Those who do the will of God. We are one family. We have one Father but we are brothers, sisters, and mothers to all in Christ.

## CHAPTER 13

1. Whoever has knowledge of God and seeks it, more will be given to Him.
2. Because their hearts are hard and dull; they do not want to change or be told they are living wrong.
3. a. These hearers won't accept the word. They hear the word but do not understand it, nor do they care to understand it. b. Those who gladly receive the word of God but they do not seek it further for spiritual growth and strength. They fall away after a short time and in tribulation. c. Those that receive the word and immediately start living for God (see vs. 5) but the cares of the world and the pursuit of worldly things become first in their lives instead of God. They once were fruitful but become unfruitful. d. Those who receive the word let it take root and grow spiritually mature and righteous. They produce fruit within themselves and outside themselves.
4. The tares are not pulled up early because God will judge all at the resurrection. He will know the true believer from the false.
5. God's kingdom starts small but will grow above all kingdoms (herbs). We will find rest and life there too.
6. The kingdom of heaven can change you. The kingdom of God will eventually affect our whole life and the world in the end.

7. You will give up your life for the life God has for you when you realize the value of God's kingdom.
8. People will quit searching for the things of the world once they find the Kingdom of Heaven. It is all that they need.
9. The angels will come with Jesus and separate the good from the bad.
10. This is the one who knows God's word both past and present and is able to share this with others. The old is the law the new is the gospel. The gospel is not to be hidden or kept secret.
11. Yes, at least four brothers and some sisters.

## CHAPTER 14

1. The daughter of Herodias (Philips' former wife now married to Herod the brother of Phillip) prompted by her mother's wishes.
2. a. 5000 men were fed besides women and children. b. 12 baskets of fragments.
3. a. Peter. b. He began to doubt the power of the Lord. He looked at the circumstances and the natural world around him instead of keeping his focus on the Lord and the power He was providing to him.

## CHAPTER 15

1. The Pharisees were teaching them to give to the temple even though parents were poor and in need of help.
2. Your mouth will speak what is in your heart. If evil or uncleanness is there you will speak those things and be defiled by them.
3. The dogs were the Gentiles at that time and were idol worshipers.
4. a. The woman wanted Jesus to heal her demon possessed daughter. b. She showed faith and submissiveness to the true Master, the God of Jesus though she was a Gentile.
5. a. 4000 men were feed besides women and children. b. 7 loaves and a few fish. c. 7 baskets full of fragments.

## CHAPTER 16

1. The teachings of the Pharisees at that time.
2. Knowing, believing, and confessing the Father and the Son through the Spirit is the rock. This relationship through the Spirit is how the church will be built.
3. Hades (the abode of the dead) will not be able to keep your soul. God will resurrect you to life.
4. The teachings and truths of God are the keys to heaven.
5. a. The teachings (keys) that you accept are already law in heaven. b. The teachings you reject are already rejected in heaven. [The Greek Interlinear Bible renders ‘bind’ and ‘loose’ with "has been done" in heaven already (not will be done). This is showing that what the Spirit leads you to bind or loose is from heaven and the will of God. Everything is bound or loosed through the backing of scripture.

6. He said Jesus would not have to die. This was the influence of Satan using the weakness of human nature and self-will over the will of God to weaken Jesus and abort His mission.
7. Life is not about us but about obedience to God. We submit our will and desires for the will and desires of God (just as Jesus did). Everything we do we should confer with God, His word, and be in His will. We live to please Him and are content with what He gives us.
8. There would be some who would not fully die to self (vs. 25) and take up their cross until they see the power of the gospel come. The power was shown in the death and resurrection of Jesus and also at the Day of Pentecost.

## CHAPTER 17

1. a. Peter, James, and John. b. Moses and Elijah. c. God. d. Moses and Elijah represent the law and the prophets. This was a sign to the disciples of Jesus' leadership and authority over the people. He was the one, the Messiah to come. It also symbolizes the transition of the old covenant to the new covenant.
2. John came in the spirit of Elijah trying to turn the hearts of the people to God.
3. The faith of the disciples was weak. They doubted because of the severity of the boy's problem. In Mark 9:29 it is recorded that they needed to pray first. This would involve God and show that the healing power comes from Him.
4. a. Jesus was the son of God who was the king of the temple. Jesus was of the royal family who was not to be taxed. b. Jesus sent him to catch a fish. In its mouth he would find money for the temple tax. c. God will provide the righteous whatever is needed. We will not have to worry where it will come from.

## CHAPTER 18

1. a. As children are submissive and dependent on the guidance and teaching of their parents we too should we be submissive and be lead and taught by our Father in heaven. b. Those that humble themselves by being dependent on and submissive to God will be great in the kingdom of heaven.
2. The children represent a new or fragile believer.
3. It is important to avoid sin to have eternal life. Whatever keeps causing us to sin we must stop doing it or our soul will be in danger of the "hell fire".
4. If a believer is to stray (whether by someone's influence - vs. 6) or on their own he must be restored. It is God's will that he be restored to the fold.
5. This teaching deals not only with a straying brother but with one who has sinned against us. First we should go to him and try to work it out. If he does not listen, you should take one or two more brothers with you. If he still does not listen, bring the matter before the church. If he still does not listen, stay away from Him and cease to acknowledge him as a brother.
6. Our decision about a brother is bound by the principles, teachings, and authority of the kingdom of heaven. A believer in sin is bound by the scripture. If we shun him we have loosed him according to the word.Whomever we correct, rebuke, or shun will be in harmony to the will of God.

7. We should always forgive those who ask us for forgiveness.
8. God will not forgive us.
9. God has freely forgiven us many sins. The sins by our brother are comparatively small. We too should forgive our brother as God forgave us.

## CHAPTER 19

1. a. People's hearts were hard. They refused to work things out. In the real world this would lead to sin and even hate through contentions and disrespecting one another. b. We should only be divorced for marital unfaithfulness. (We must always try to work things out.)
2. a. He knew the man's security and peace was in the law and his money (Mk. 10:24) rather than the gospel and God. b. No. In this state he had not been perfect in the law. Though he had followed the majority of the commandments he neglected the most important ones - loving God with all his heart and his neighbor as himself. Neglect of these would cost him his salvation. c. He needed to love God by serving Him and trusting Him with his wealth for God's kingdom.
3. Things that were first in your life will be last and the last will become first when you begin to live for God. Those who put themselves first will fail in salvation. Those who put the kingdom of God first will obtain eternal life.

## CHAPTER 20

1. All seem to receive the same reward. God blesses as He sees fit according to His will or purpose. Service in the kingdom is self sacrificing in all aspects of life. One can not be selfish or serve self. It can't be what you can get out of the kingdom for your benefit but how you can benefit the kingdom.
2. James and John the sons of Zebedee (Mark 10:35).
3. Those who put themselves last by becoming a servant to others.
4. He healed two blind men. (Mark and Luke record only one man.)

## CHAPTER 21

1. The colt (Matt. 21:5; Mark 11:2; Luke 19:30; John 12:14, 15).
2. The people selling in the temple were there to make a profit. They were taking advantage of the people. The temple was to be a place of sincere worship of God not a place to do business.
3. This shows that God expects us to produce fruit not just profess our faith. Faith without works is dead. We show our faith by our works. God doesn't want a people who are all leaves and no fruit.
4. Denying John's ministry they feared the wrath of the people who held John as a genuine prophet. Acknowledging his ministry was from heaven would give Jesus' ministry acknowledgment as coming from heaven too.
5. The two sons represented the Pharisees and sinners. The Pharisees who knew the scriptures and had seen and heard John the Baptist. Sinners believed and were

converted. The priests and scribes did not repent even when they saw sinners coming to the Lord.

6. The priest and elders rejected the prophets since the beginning even killing some. They rejected John the Baptist and Jesus. God looked for fruit from Israel's leadership, but found little. In the end they will be lost and the kingdom opened to the Gentiles whom He would use to advance His kingdom.
7. Jesus is the foundation of the church and the judge or smiting stone of the unbeliever. We can be broken in humble surrender before God or be completely broken in judgment.

## CHAPTER 22

1. It follows the parable of the vinedressers and seems to be a continuation of that – rejection of the Christ and the gospel by the Jewish leadership and acceptance by the Gentiles. The Pharisees wanted to maintain the law instead of being covered by the blood of Jesus.
2. a. All are invited but some will not be covered by the blood of Jesus. b. God's Spirit is in the ones who have done His will.
3. They wanted to trap Him into saying something that they could use against Him.
4. Those who are righteous before God are only asleep in His eyes. They are never dead and will be resurrected to a new life.
5. He not only humbled them concerning their knowledge of the scriptures but showed them a truth about the Messiah. The Jews understood only that the Messiah would be a man or king from the line of David. The passage from Psalm 110:1 reveals his existence with the Father many centuries ago. Jesus was both Divine and human.

## CHAPTER 23

1. They loved to look good on the outside to impress men but were rotten on the inside ("like dead men's' bones, full of uncleanness"). They taught the law but did not live according to what they taught. They appeared righteous to men but were full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
2. Only one - God in heaven is our spiritual father. God is our authority from whom we seek leadership, knowledge, and communication. We are not to put this honor on man.
3. The sons had not demonstrated any acceptance of Jesus or the gospel up to that time. They would measure up to the sins of their fathers who in the past had killed the prophets. They too would do the same to Jesus and future servants.
4. They would kill them, scourge them, and persecute them from city to city.

## CHAPTER 24

1. It would be destroyed.
2. There would be false Christ (those who claimed to be the Messiah or a messenger of God), wars, rumors of wars, famines, and earthquakes. Disciples will be killed,

iniquity will abound, and the Gospel of the kingdom will be preached into the entire world.

3. The *abating* of love; this is the consequence of abounding lawlessness. People will be self-centered due to not being able to trust others.
4. a. It is the destruction of Jerusalem and defilement of the temple (See Dan.9:27; 11:31; 12:11; Luke 21:20-24). God brought upon them an abomination that would be their *desolation,* thus spoken of by Daniel *the prophet* (9:27). b. They should flee quickly to safety not stopping to take anything with them. Only those who heed the warning about fleeing Judea will survive.
5. It would be more difficult to escape in the winter or if pregnant. They will be slowed in their efforts to escape. Under the law the Jews could not travel but short distances on the Sabbath. They would be unable to flee to the mountains and caves from the Romans for fear of breaking the law.
6. The return of Jesus will not be secret or private, but as lightning that flashes across the sky. His coming will be open, swift, and unexpected.
7. The body or carcass is the body of Christ (believer's carcass) and the eagles are the saints taken from wherever they dwell during the rapture.
8. Yes, true believers will understand His return and see it coming. As when we see a fig tree put forth leaves we know summer is coming.
9. The lost will be living normal lives totally oblivious to Christ's return. When the cosmic disturbance occurs then things will not be normal. Only those who serve God will be taken when God returns. They will be watching, waiting, and staying ready.
10. We must be found always doing what God would have us to be doing - living righteously and serving in the kingdom. Those sidetracked or in darkness will be left when Jesus returns.

## CHAPTER 25

1. a. The wise are the people who watch and stay ready for the return of Christ. b. The foolish are those who had God on their lips rather than in their hearts. c. The oil is the Spirit and the word of God. Both anoint us for a righteous walk and spiritual growth.
2. a. We are the servants - those who know God and His will. b. Each person is given knowledge and gifts by God according to their ability to serve Him. c. He is unprofitable to God. He will be cast out into darkness on the Last Day. The sins of *omission* may ultimately be more dangerous than the sins of *commission.*
3. Those who use their 'talents' of knowledge and gifts in the kingdom will be given more opportunity to serve God. Those who neglect service to God will not keep what they have and are in danger of the judgment. What they were entrusted with will be given to those who do produced fruit.
4. This passage (vs. 31-40) is an explanation or example of our 'talents' in action. We should be ministering to the needs of others in our service to God. We must have hearts willing to help.

5. Whenever we help someone in need, visit the sick, or feed the hungry we help the Lord.

## CHAPTER 26

1. Mary, the sister of Lazarus whom Jesus had raised from the dead (John 11:2; 12:3). She seems to be the same woman in Luke 7:37-38, Mark 14:3, and John 11:2. Luke records this happening in the city of Nain while Matthew, Mark, and John in Bethany. Matthew and Mark record this as anointing of Jesus' head. Luke and John as anointing His feet.
2. 30 pieces of silver.
3. a. Jesus' body given as the sacrifice (the body of the lamb). b. Jesus' blood which is shed for the forgiveness of sins (the blood of the lamb).
4. Peter would deny knowing Jesus three times.
5. This shows us that it is not unspiritual to make the same request to God several times. Some hyper-spiritual people believe that if we ask for something more than once, it shows we don't have faith. But Jesus shows us that repeated prayer is completely consistent with steadfast faith.
6. He had his ear cut off by Peter (John 18:10).
7. Peter began to curse and swear as he denied knowing the Lord.

## CHAPTER 27

1. Judas had worldly sorrow because of his guilty conscience. He was guilty before men instead of God. True repentance would have led him to the feet of Jesus instead of killing himself. More clues about his soul: In John 12:6 we find that he was a thief. John 17:12 confirms that he was the only one of the twelve to be lost as scripture foretold for he was the son of perdition. Jesus uttered how serious the consequences would be for Judas (Mt. 26:24).
2. Pontius Pilate the governor. Luke 23:6-12 records Jesus questioned also by Herod.
3. a. Have nothing to do with Him; do not be responsible for His blood. b. Pilate frees himself of the responsibility, of the decision of Jesus' death leaving the Jews to decide what to do with Jesus.
4. Simon of Cyrene.
5. The sour wine was used to diminish the senses of the crucified. This would ease their suffering but could also speed up their death as they would no longer lift themselves up to breath while on the cross.
6. Jesus was ready to die and go to the Father. He had suffered very much (See Ps. 22:1, 16-20).
7. The veil before the Holy of Holies was torn in two. Now we can approach God directly rather than going through a priest.
8. a. Some of the graves of saints were opened up and their bodies poured forth out of the grave and came to life being witnessed by many in the city. b. This was proof to all saints and a statement to others that the resurrection was real and Jesus was the Messiah and the Son of God.

9. He was questioned during the night before the dawn of the Preparation Day (the day before the Sabbath) and further abused and then crucified later that morning.
10. a. They wanted Pilate to post guards at Jesus' tomb. b. They wanted to prevent Jesus' body from being stolen so no report could be given that He had been resurrected.

## CHAPTER 28

1. They came to the tomb the day after the Sabbath, the first day of the week.
2. Three days and three nights just as He said would be His sign (as Jonah in the whale). (The night before Preparation Day, the night of Preparation Day and the night of the Sabbath. The day of Preparation Day, the day of the Sabbath, and the morning of the day after the Sabbath.)
3. An earthquake occurred, and an angel rolled the stone back.
4. They paid the guards off to say they had fallen asleep and the body of Jesus was stolen by His disciples.
5. This means to teach people the Father's will, the power of the Son's blood (the forgiveness of sins), and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. To believe and to live this doctrine would be the religious practice that would save the people. As Israel was once baptized unto Moses receiving him as the lawgiver and teacher now the world must receive the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost as lawgiver and teacher.