

GOD

I. Existence of God.

- A. Reason. World around us. Who made the world? ^{Psalm 19, Rom 1}
Illus with watch. 96% of US believe. and this ^{listed most}
Design. Illus with dress. Intelligent person put it
together. Prob of evil. He sees what is best and is
doing it.
Self. Who made you. Intelligent, moral person.
- B. Revelation. Bible says God exists. Gen 1:1.
They knew from experience with Him.
- C. Experience. We feel Him as a friend. All right with
jrs in civilized country but wouldn't apply
everywhere.

II. Personality of God.

- A. He is Spirit. ^{J 4:24} Not material therefore eternal.
No decay as with leaves. No visible body that is
localized tho can take form of body. Spirit doesn't
mean unreal. He is also a Person. Bible speaks in
metaphors--hands, eyes, ears. Spirit person.
- B. God is Goodness. ^{Rom 8:28} Benevolence, mercy, grace all
involved in goodness. He is the source of all
that is good in the world. Physical benefits.
Spiritual benefits. Opposite is evil and God hates.
Rom 8:28. We see only a part; God sees all. Trust.
^{e.g. J 9:4 - will then be taken to heaven}
- C. God is Great. Omnipotent. Creation. Taking
Israel out of Egypt. ^{18:1:16}
- D. Righteous. Holiness. Active not passive.
Ex 3:5; Isa 6:3; Rev 4:8; 6:10. Absence of evil
and active principle and presence of everything
positively good.
- E. Love. God is this. ^{1 J 4:8} He doesn't try to be it, nor
try to keep loving. He is and is the unfailing
source of love. Primary attribute. Jn 3:16; Rom 5:8.
God best revealed in X, Jn 1:17.

To kids. Spirit means spiritual things most imp. t.
Good means I ought to do good always. If doubt,
what is good? Great means He has plan, I should seek
it. Righteous means He has standards and I know them

in the Bible. Love shown in X, in me as teacher,
kids forgive a lot but not lack of love. I ought
to love someone else. Slow child, diff home or
impediment in speech.

God is in everyday experiences. Look at material things
esp and create attitude of dependence and thankfulness.

Add to attributes. Knows all. Heb 4:13.
Everywhere present.

Bible

I. Inspiration.

A. Biblical testimony.

2 Tm 3:16. OT and most of NT included of
1 Tm 5:18 quoting Deut 25:4; Lk 10:7. Actually
emphasizes only the outbreathing of God not an
insprirng.

2Pet 1:21. Borne along. Doesn't say holy men.
Actually the real "how" of inspiration not told us.
Sometimes God spoke as to Moses. Sometimes writers
had dreams, visions.

3. Natural testimony - over -

II. Theories of Inspiration.

A. Dictation. Zeal to emphasize authority of God.
No human element.

B. Partial. Only concepts not words. We're talking
about original mss not as p. 58. Gal 3:16,

C. Degrees. Men but ~~not~~ only more inspired than we.
Not men but record is inspired.

Leave room for human. Extends only to text and
original one. Doesn't mean everything in Bible
true but truly reported.

III. Canon.

A. Compare apocryphal documents. Read from.

B. Believe in power of God to preserve text.

IV. Illumination. By HS. Saved and sin confessed.

V. Purpose of Script.

All is profitable. Distinguish profit from all
being directly addressed to you or me.

Doctrine. Teaching. Acts 2.

Reproof. Convincing of sin. Word is our standard.

Question by child. What does Bible say. Sun
activities. Do you know how to ans from Word.

Correct. Not only know wrong but do something about
it. 1 Jn 1:9.

Child trainer in rtness. Means Bible will bring
curbing, sorrow, so we'll be rteous.

*purpose - fit for use ←
furnished completely to Lord.*

VII. Authority of Script.

Respect and absolute obedience. Kids quickly know if you really bel the Bible is your rule of life.

2Kg 22 2Ch 34

VII. Presentation.

Act 5

Act 19

Rev 2: 1-7

Diff ways to diff ages but not diff message.

1. Your own respect, authority, love for must show.
2. Know facts so can make stories fascinating and true.
3. Live it.

Natural testimony

1. Window of its formation 1600 yrs
2. unification. No contradiction. The book
3. age & still applicable.
4. sale. 12 mill/yr.
5. language. No errors & understandable by common man.
6. subject matter. Sin, ethics, unknown
7. preservation.

Christ

I. His Deity.

- A. Attributes. Isa 9:6. Eternity
Omniscience, Jn 2:25; Jn 1.
Omnipresence, Mt 28:20.
Life and truth, Jn 14:6.
- B. Works. Creator, Jn 1:3, 10. Heb 1:10.
Forgives sin, Lk 5:24.
Raise dead, Jn 5:21.
Judges, Jn 5:22.
- C. Names. Son of God, Lk 22:67-71. Jn 5:18

II. Humanity.

- A. Predicted, Rev 13:8. Isa 7:14
- B. Pictured, Any offering slain.
- C. Proved. Human parent.
Soul, Mt 26:38; body, Lk 2:52; spirit, Jn 13:21.
Thirsty, Jn 4. Tired.
Wept, Jn 11. Slept *Proved by temptation*
- D. Practical. For High Priestly work. Heb 2:18.
To counteract Roman emphasis on human Mary.

III. Incarnation.

Continues forever. Started with virgin birth.
Miraculous in that no human father.

IV. His life. pp 24-26. Facts. Example. Proof of sin-

- V. Death / lessness and ability to be
For sin / sin-bearer
Jn 10:11-18.
1 Cor 15.

VI. His resurrection. Diff bet Lazarus' and X's.

VII. Present ministry.

VIII. 2nd advent.

For kids. Emphasize reason for death. Friendship of living Lord. Promise we'll see Him.

Faith

3 elements in good gospel presentation.

1. Sin. Hate. Greedy, Covetous, (for attention), selfish, wanting own way. Selfishness. Not doing good when know, Jas 4;17. Rom 3:23. Anything opposed to God. Emphasize that kids of Xn parents in USA are lost. If die, hell.
2. Saviour. Jn 1:29. Died for sin. Not lived for it. Emphasize substitution. Sinless one for sinners.
3. Faith. p. 76 not steps but one act of faith. Explain by illus. Chair, peanut. Let me pick you up. Receiving X. Opening heart. Rom 3:23--taking a gift. Rev 3:20. Jn 1:12; 5:24. Not automatic but a definite act which converts.

3 errors to avoid. p. 81-2.

1. Don't slide over sin.
2. Don't mix up the issue in sal. Not church. Don't rush that as if some other ch will get or you won't get the credit for leading the child to X.
3. Don't leave them after conversion. Emphasize and help to grow. Food of Word. Exercise of prayer and testimony.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

- I. Personality of the HS.
- A. Intelligence. Attributes. 1 Cor 12:11.
 - B. Works. Creation, Gen 1:2. Empower, Zech 4:6. Teaching Jn 16:13.
 - C. Name. Mt 28:19. ekeinos, Jn 16:13-4. Assoc with X in unpardonable sin, Mt 12.
- II. The Promise of the HS
Jn 14:16. One called alongside. Pa raclete.
- III. Pentecost.
What happened. 11:15-6. 1 Cor 12:13.
- IV. Purpose of his coming.
- A. Convict, Jn 16.
 - B. Restrain, 2 Thess 2.
 - C. Seal, Eph 3:30.
 - D. Indwell, Rom 8:9; 1 Cor 6:19. Jn 14:16-7.
 - E. Baptizes, 1 Cor 12:13.
 - F. Regenerates, Jn 3:6; Tit 3:5. ~~impairing~~ of eternal life.
 - G. Fills. Eph 5:18.
 - H. Gifts, 1 Cor 12.
- V. The Purpose of Filling.
- A. ~~guide~~ Teach, Jn 16.
 - B. Direct, Rom 8:14.
 - C. Acts 16. p. 43
Acts 13:1-2
Problems, Acts 15, p. 45.
Uses conscience, Rom 9:1 but not safe.
 - C. Prays, Rom 8:26.
 - D. Promotes growth. Carnal vs spiritual Xn.
 - E. Assurance, Rom 8:16.
 - F. Service, Jn 7:38. Mk 13:11.
- VI. The Product of Filling, Gal 5:22-23. Xlikeness.
- VII. The Prerequisites for filling.
- A. Don't grieve, p. 48.
Sin is related to godliness, 1 Jn 1:5-7; 1 Pet 1:15-16.
It is related to genuineness on our part, Heb 4:13.
It is related to the grace of cleansing, 1 Jnl 9.

B. Don't resist or quench, p49. 1 Thess 5:19.

Basic policy of life, Jn 8:29.

Means initial act of dedication and continued direction. Fellowship is secret.

C. Walk by, Gal 5:16. Conscious dependence.

How to do? Confess, yield, walk.

In relation to children.

Show it.

Teach it.

Use wind as object lesson. Can't see but feel and know its presence. Esp in relatn to Bible reading. Author will explain. Emphasize HS in place of conscience. Child knows when consc speaks. Tell him it's God thru HS who lives within. Obey Him.

Trinity.

Tri unity. 3 in one. Each possesses all characteristics of God.

The Church

I. The Word.

- A. Non-technical use. Greek sense of an assembly of citizens, Acts 19:41. Assembly of Israel, Acts 7:38; Heb 2:12.
- B. Local use. Dana says 93 of 114 references in NT to this use. Ch in a place or region.
- C. Technical sense. General or universal sense.
"It is used in the sense of Xns generally conceived as an ideal spiritual body." Walter T. Conner, Gospel of Redemption, p. 269. Whole body of true believers in heaven and earth. Those baptized into body of X. It "includes all believers of all races and places." Cf to organized ch. "the NT knows nothing of any general organization called a church. The only organized body spoken of as a church in the NT is a local body, the ch located in a particular place." p.270.
Cf p 87 in text and correct the definition as above.

II. Membership in the local body.

- A. Believers. Conner 272--"A man cannot of right be a member of an organized local ch who is not first a member of the one universal spiritual body of X." That a person must first be regenerated "is their (Baptists) outstanding belief--not, as may think, their emphasis on baptism." Trent 88.
- B. Baptism. After pattern of HS baptism.
1. Mode. Proved by history not philology.
2. Meaning. Association with new. This means the picture of Rom 6. Of course this is a voluntary thing.

III. Ordinances.

- A. Baptism. Already discussed.
B. Lord's Supper. Memorial, preaching, looking.

IV. Organization. Government in Church

- A. Pastor. Elder, bishop, presbyter designate the same office. Strong 914. Elder 1 Tim 3; Tit 5.
Pastor, Eph 4:11 only ref to men. 2 to X, as pastor.
Plural in every ref to elder, Phil 1:1. Tit 1:5
Bishop sing, 1 Tim 3, Tit 1.
Pastor sing in Rev 2, 3--angle of church.

- B. Deacons, 1 Tim 3. "The position carries no authority." Trent 94. Helper, not ruler.
- C. Other gifts.
- D. Form of govt. Congregational, Acts 15:22, p. 93. Appointing, Tit 1:5. Acts 14:23. Pastor is by very nature a leader.

V. Purpose of ch.

- A. Sal. Mt 28:18ff.
- B. Establishing, Eph 4:12ff.

How to apply to children.

- A. Baptism, p. 95 good. It's a picture.
- B. Lord's Supper like a commemoration day.
- C. Emphasize that Bible is only authority for ch's life and teaching. Instill love for it.