



Bible Study Thought-Provoking Questions

The purpose of the questions is to facilitate a deeper understanding of the Bible, this Bible study topic, and ourselves. The questions may be answered by each reader, or used by a Bible study group leader, or church pastor. The questions should be answered or discussed after reading the lesson. In addition, the questions are designed to enhance learning via the determination of personal opinions and discovering how the lesson content relates to our personal lives. As such, no answers are provided.

Questions

- ⑩ The lesson states repentance is comprised of a sequential process that involves multiple “steps” of behavioral transition. In addition, these steps foundationally and synergistically support the other steps that follow.
 - Identify one step in each category that could be eliminated.
 - What is the relevance, purpose, and transitional outcome of this step?
 - What are the potential consequences upon the following steps if this step does not occur?
 - Is it possible to reorder the sequence of any step? Explain.
 - Can you identify another step (in any category) that may strengthen one’s determination to repent from their sin?
- ⑩ Consider the heart of someone who prays, “[Search me, O God...and see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.](#)” Psalm 139:23-24
 - What do you think may have occurred prior to the prayer?
 - What do you think is occurring within the heart, soul and mind of the person making the prayer?
 - Why does this prayer exemplify the latter steps of repentance?
- ⑩ To what degree does the Holy Spirit influence the various steps of repentance? Explain.
- ⑩ The lesson states a stiff-necked person will develop a hardened heart towards God via behavioral justifications for their sin (deceptional lies), and will repress guilt, remorse and shame.
 - Were you stiff-necked in the past? If yes, explain. Plus, what happened to cause the change?
 - In truth, every Christian experienced varying degrees of being stiff-necked prior to their acceptance of Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord—for it conveys the multiple consequences of being held captive by Satan’s influential and delusional lies. Therefore:
 - How may your personal experience help you in sharing truth with someone who is stiff-necked?
 - Identify at least 7 specific words in the following scripture that provides prudent spiritual guidance in how to assist a stiff-necked person. “[And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.](#)” 2 Timothy 2:24-26
- ⑩ Did you learn anything new from this lesson? Explain.