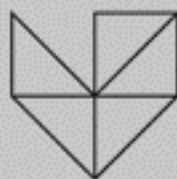




# Walking With God and His People

## Grade 8 Test Bank



Christian  
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International

## **Unit 1: The Early Church in the New Testament**

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# UNIT 1 STUDY GUIDE

## The Early Church in the New Testament

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### Lesson 1: Why a New Testament?

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### Lesson 3: The Gospels

5. List the four Gospels. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name the synoptic Gospels? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Which of the Gospels . . .

- was written to Gentiles? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. How can you overcome temptation? \_\_\_\_\_

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21. Give examples of miracles involving two of the areas listed in the previous answer. \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Lesson 9: The Kingdom of God**

22. What is the kingdom of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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23. What are the instruments of the kingdom of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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24. How is the kingdom of God like a mustard seed? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Lesson 10: The Kingdom of God . . . Not Yet**

25. What areas of life are encompassed by God's kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_

26. Which areas in your life are easy for you to give to God? \_\_\_\_\_

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27. Which areas in your life are difficult for you to give to God? Why do you think that is? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Lesson 11: The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross**

28. What were “The Seven Last Words of Jesus” on the cross? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Lesson 12: The Great Commission**

29. What mandate did Jesus give his disciples in the Great Commission? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Lesson 13: Acts

31. What happened on Pentecost? \_\_\_\_\_

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32. What six action items are we to accomplish after we have received the Holy Spirit? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Lesson 14: The Holy Spirit

33. What is the Trinity? \_\_\_\_\_

34. What role(s) does the Holy Spirit play in your life? \_\_\_\_\_

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### Lesson 15: The Powers

35. Name five Jewish sects that affected the life of the early Jewish church and the Gentile church.

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36. Are the kingdoms of the Earth and the kingdom of God the same? \_\_\_\_\_

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# UNIT 1 STUDY GUIDE

## Answer Key

### Lesson 1: Why a New Testament?

1. What is a covenant? A covenant is a pact between two parties that carries mutual obligations and expectations.
2. What do covenants teach us about God? He keeps his promises and expects us to do the same.

### Lesson 2: At Just the Right Time

3. Why did different empires, one after another, seek to conquer Israel? It was a strategic land bridge, which could bring great economic gain to whoever controlled it.
4. What were some of the empires that tried to control the Holy Land? Answers may include Egypt, Assyria, Babylonia, Persia, Greece, and Rome.

### Lesson 3: The Gospels

5. List the four Gospels. Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
6. Name the synoptic Gospels? Matthew, Mark, and Luke
7. Which of the Gospels . . .
  - was written to Gentiles? Luke
  - is full of action and was the first Gospel written? Mark
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  - is a spiritual Gospel that emphasizes the wisdom of Christ? John

### Lesson 4: The Law and the Prophets Fulfilled

8. How is the law like a mirror? It shows us our sinfulness.
9. How did Jesus relate to the law? He fulfilled it.

### Lesson 5: Preparation for Jesus' Ministry

10. What temptations of Satan did Jesus overcome? Satan tempted Jesus to turn stones into bread, to throw himself from the temple and let angels catch him, and to worship Satan in exchange for kingdoms and glory.
11. How did Jesus respond? He quoted Scripture and resisted the temptations.
12. How can you overcome temptation? A knowledge of Scripture helped Jesus and can help us, too. Prayer and the encouragement of friends can also help.

### Lesson 6: Who Is Jesus?

13. Which names of Jesus show that he is human? Answers may include Son of Man and Rabbi.
14. Which names of Jesus show that he is divine? Answers may include Son of God, Messiah, and Immanuel.
15. Why is the fish a symbol of Jesus Christ? The first letters of the Greek phrase "Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Savior" spell *ichthus*, the Greek word for "fish."



## Lesson 7: The Apostles

16. What was similar about the manner in which nearly all of Jesus' apostles died? They were martyred.
17. What does this tell you about their convictions? Their beliefs were strong enough for them to be willing to die for them.
18. List three comparisons between disciples and fisherman. Answers may include patience, perseverance, courage, having an eye for movement, using the right bait, and staying out of sight.

## Lesson 8: Jesus the Teacher

19. What kind of messiah were the Jews looking for? One who had political power
20. Over what five areas did Jesus' miracles exhibit power? Over nature, the demon world, the material world, physical diseases and infirmities, and death.
21. Give examples of miracles involving two of the areas listed in the previous answer. Answers will vary.

## Lesson 9: The Kingdom of God

22. What is the kingdom of God? It is God's reign over his universal realm.
23. What are the instruments of the kingdom of God? Covenants, prophets, priests, human kings, and the church
24. How is the kingdom of God like a mustard seed? It starts small but continues to grow, until it provides shelter and shade.

## Lesson 10: The Kingdom of God . . . Not Yet

25. What areas of life are encompassed by God's kingdom? All of them
26. Which areas in your life are easy for you to give to God? Answers will vary.
27. Which areas in your life are difficult for you to give to God? Why do you think that is? Answers will vary.

## Lesson 11: The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross

28. What were "The Seven Last Words of Jesus" on the cross? Luke 23:34: "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Luke 23:43: "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise." John 19:26-27: "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." Mark 15:34: "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"—Which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" John 19:28: "I am thirsty." John 19:30: "It is finished." Luke 23:46: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit."

## Lesson 12: The Great Commission

29. What mandate did Jesus give his disciples in the Great Commission? To make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
30. How easy or difficult is it for you to share the gospel with others? Why do you think that is? Answers will vary.

## Lesson 13: Acts

31. What happened on Pentecost? Believers received the promised Holy Spirit.
32. What six action items are we to accomplish after we have received the Holy Spirit? We are to study the Word of God, fellowship with other believers, celebrate the Lord's Supper, pray with other Christians, show practical expressions of love, and be joyful and praise God in everything.

## Lesson 14: The Holy Spirit

33. What is the Trinity? **The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—three in one**  
34. What role(s) does the Holy Spirit play in your life? **Answers will vary.**

## Lesson 15: The Powers

35. Name five Jewish sects that affected the life of the early Jewish church and the Gentile church. **Answers may include any five of the following: Hebrews, Hellenists, Pharisees, Sadducees, Samaritans, God-fearers, Proselytes, Zealots, Essenes, “Gentile” Romans, and “Gentile” Greeks.**  
36. Are the kingdoms of the Earth and the kingdom of God the same? **No; while governments are ordained by God and subjected to his will, they are not identical to the kingdom of God. In terms of space and time, the kingdom of God coexists with earthly kingdoms, continuously permeating and infiltrating them for good.**

# UNIT 1 EVALUATION BANK

## The Early Church in the New Testament

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### A. Matching

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| ___1. A pact between two parties that involves mutual obligations                      | A. Pharisees        |
| ___2. The area in which Jesus spent most of his life                                   | B. atonement        |
| ___3. The process by which Jesus put right what sin had made wrong                     | C. Luke             |
| ___4. A Greek physician who wrote the Book of Acts                                     | D. John the Baptist |
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| ___7. A group of Jewish leaders who rejected many Jewish traditions                    | G. Matthew          |
| ___8. This man called upon the people to repent.                                       | H. Great Commission |
| ___9. A non-Jewish person  | I. Galilee          |
| ___10. Jesus' directive to make disciples of all nations                               | J. Sadducees        |

### B. Short Answers

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4. How did Jesus show that he was fully human and fully divine? \_\_\_\_\_

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### C. Essay

1. The Gospels were written to different audiences and had differing emphases. Imagine that a similar letter were to be written today. “To what audience might it be addressed, and what facts about Jesus might it emphasize? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. How can you help fulfill the Great Commission today? \_\_\_\_\_

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## D. Memory Work

“Now when Jesus saw the \_\_\_\_\_, he went up on a \_\_\_\_\_ and sat down. His \_\_\_\_\_ came to him, and he began to \_\_\_\_\_ them. He said:

‘Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_ in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ are those who mourn,  
for they will be \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
for they will \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_ and thirst for \_\_\_\_\_,  
for they will be \_\_\_\_\_.

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for they will be shown \_\_\_\_\_.

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for they will see \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_,  
for they will be called \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

Blessed are those who are \_\_\_\_\_ because of \_\_\_\_\_,  
for theirs is the \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven.

Blessed are you when people \_\_\_\_\_ you, \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_ say all kinds of \_\_\_\_\_ against you because of \_\_\_\_\_” (Matthew 5:1–11).

“But you will receive \_\_\_\_\_ when the \_\_\_\_\_ comes on you; and you will be my \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, and in all \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, and to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_” (Acts 1:8).

### The Last Seven Words of Jesus

“Father, \_\_\_\_\_ them, for they do \_\_\_\_\_ know what they are \_\_\_\_\_” (Luke 23:34).

“\_\_\_\_\_ I tell you, today you will \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_” (Luke 23:43).

“‘\_\_\_\_\_, here is your \_\_\_\_\_,’ and to the \_\_\_\_\_, ‘Here is your \_\_\_\_\_’” (John 19:26–27).

“‘*Eloi, \_\_\_\_\_, lema sabachthani?*’ (which means, ‘My \_\_\_\_\_, my \_\_\_\_\_, why have you \_\_\_\_\_ me?’)” (Mark 15:34).

“I am \_\_\_\_\_” (John 19:28).

“It is \_\_\_\_\_” (John 19:30).

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### B. Short Answers

1. Why does God's story begin with creation? **This shows that God was in control from the very beginning and that, already then, he had a plan for the world.**
2. Make five comparisons between the old and new covenants. **Answers will vary but may include the following: old—many high priests; new—Jesus Christ as the only high priest; old—many sacrifices; new—one sacrifice; old—tabernacle/ temple as the center of worship; new—our hearts the center of worship; old—covenant between God and Abram/the Jews; new—covenant between God and all nations; old—dependent upon works; new—dependent only upon Christ's sacrifice.**
3. List the three temptations of Jesus. **To turn stones into bread, to jump from the temple pinnacle, and to bow down and worship Satan.**
4. How did Jesus show that he was fully human and fully divine? **He showed that he was human by becoming hungry and tired, being tempted, giving vent to emotions, and dying. He showed that he was divine by resisting all temptation and by rising from the dead.**

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2. How can you help fulfill the Great Commission today? **Answers will vary.**

### D. Memory Work

"Now when Jesus saw the **crowds**, he went up on a **mountainside** and sat down. His **disciples** came to him, and he began to **teach** them. He said:

'Blessed are the **poor** in spirit,  
for theirs is the kingdom of **heaven**.

**Blessed** are those who mourn,  
for they will be **comforted**.

Blessed are the **meek**,  
for they will **inherit** the **earth**.

Blessed are those who **hunger** and thirst for **righteousness**,  
for they will be **filled**.

Blessed are the **merciful**,  
for they will be shown **mercy**.

**Blessed** are the **pure** in **heart**,  
for they will see **God**.

Blessed are the **peacemakers**,  
for they will be called **children** of **God**.

Blessed are those who are **persecuted** because of **righteousness**,  
for theirs is the **kingdom** of heaven.

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me” (Matthew 5:1–11).

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8).

#### **The Last Seven Words of Jesus**

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