YES or NO

yes__ 1. Is there significance in Christ “was dead – is alive”? (1Peter 3:18-20)

yes__ 2. Could persecution contribute to the poverty of the church? (Hebrews 10:34)

yes__ 3. Does the devil use men and doctrine in opposing the church?

No __ 4. Does Christ entice people, telling them of an easy physical future?

Yes 5. Will a sword with two edges cut two ways? (2Cor. 2:14-16)

no __ 6. Is Christ ignorant of adverse conditions surrounding the church?

No __ 7. Do you know what the doctrine of the Nicolaitans was?

Yes 8. Does Christ give us both the choice of action and the result of it.

yes__ 9. Must one be faithful unto death to escape the second?

No __ 10. Is any good reward ever promised one who fails to overcome?

TRUE OR FALSE

___ 1. Christ condemned the church for being rich, praised it for being in poverty. (He said He knew)

T __ 2. The sword is a symbol of authority – of life and death. (Romans 13:1-5)

F__ 3. It is foolish for one to suffer and die for the church of Christ.

F__ 4. The name, faith, doctrine of Christ have no bearing on our salvation.

T__ 5. False doctrine and practice of a few hinders the whole church.

F__ 6. One who refuses to repent is for Christ and Christ is for him.

T__ 7. Only he who is a Christians knows what it means to be one.

(Suggestion: Put the verse number that provides the answer in the margin.)

Studies in Revelation 2:7-17

Church in Smyrna, Poor, Blameless: Pergamos suffered Balaam’s Doctrine

1. Tell what you know of the city of Smyrna: _ verses 8 - 11 __ __ __ __ Give the Lord’s introduction to the church? 1__ the first and the last 2_ who was dead and is alive __ __ __

2. In what things is Christ first? (John 1:1-3; Acts 26:23; Col. 1:18) __ In the beginning, the Creator, in preeminence over all __ __ __ Last? (1Cor. 15:24; Matt. 24:35) __ Coming at the end, judgment __

3. What terms suggest Smyrna was a suffering church? 1__ tribulation __ 2_ (poverty), or blasphemed__ How may a church be poor, yet rich? (Luke 12:13-21) __ rich in godliness __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

4. What was in Smyrna’s future? __ more suffering, some cast in prison, tribulation __ What is the church told to do? 1__ fear not, be faithful until death _ Be given what? _ a crown of life __ __ __ __ __

5. Give the Lord’s introduction to the church at Pergamos? __ the one having the sharp two-edged sword __ __ __ __ What is this sword? (Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12; Rev. 19:15) __ the Word of Truth __ __ __

6. List two things Jesus said, “I know” in Pergamos. 1 __ their works _ 2_ where you dwell __ __ Whose seat was there? _ Satan’s _ _ Who was Antipas? _ a faithful martyr __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

7. For what is the church in Pergamos commended? 1 __ holding fast His Name __ 2_ not denying the faith __ __ __ What did the Lord have against the church there? _ some holding the doctrine of Balaam __

8. What was the doctrine of Balaam? (Num. 25:1-10; 31:16) __ to eat things offered to idols __ 2__ to commit fornication __ __ __ Why did Balaam so teach Balak? (Jude 11) __ for reward __ __ __

9. What did Jesus say, “I hate”? __ the doctrine of the Nicolaitans __ _ What is the church commanded to do? __ repent __ __ __ Was the alternative? _ He would come quickly, fight against them with sword of His mouth __

10. List things promised to him that “overcomes”. 1 __ eat of hidden manna _ 2__ given a white stone _ 3_ a new name __ __ __ __ __ __ a name which no man knew except him receiving it __ __
SELECT THE CORRECT ANSWER(s)

3 _ _ 1. The fact that Jesus knows our works suggests: 1) He approves us; 2) He condemns us; 3) He knows true conditions, good and bad; 4) nothings.

2,5 _ 2. Jesus commends Smyrna for: 1) tribulation; 2) riches; 3) poverty; and Pergamos for: 4) location; 5) holding His name and faith; 6) fornication.

1,4 _ 3. The source of opposition to the church is: 1) Devil; 2) God; 3) Christ; working through: 4) evil men and doctrine; 5) God’s word; 6) the Holy Spirit.

1,3,4 4. The church in Smyrna is told to: 1) repent; 2) rely on her past; 3) expect no more trials; 4) fear not – be thou faithful unto death.

3 _ _ 5. Christ: 1) knows nothing of; 2) is unconcerned about; 3) approves; 4) condemns; those who hold fast His name and do not deny His faith.

1,5 _ 6. In Pergamos: 1) a minority; 2) a majority; 3) none; held Balaam’s doctrine; and the 4) angel and church; 5) guilty only; 6) are blamed.

1,2,3 7. Balaam taught Balak to: 1) cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel; 2) eat things sacrificed to idols; 3) commit fornication.

All 8. Christ knows conditions prevailing in: 1) individuals in the church; 2) within the church; 3) outside the church; 4) in the future of the church.

3 _ _ 9. Error: 1) encourages; 2) saves; 3) is a stumbling block to: Christians.

4 _ _ 10. Those in error who refuse to repent, Jesus will: 1) never notice; 2) cast into prison; 3) give a white stone; 4) fight against with the sword.

MATCH CORRECTLY (Group 1)

Verse:

_ _ 1. Dead 4___Church in Smyrna was
_ _ 2. Alive 6___Belonged to Satan
_ _ 3. Christ 8___Cast some into prison
_ _ 4. Rich 1___Jesus was
_ _ 5. Jews 7___We are not to fear it
_ _ 6. Synagogue 9___Second one hurts
_ _ 7. Suffer 3___Knows poverty, riches
_ _ 8. Devil 10___Sharp with two edges
_ _ 9. Death 2___Christ is
_ _ 10. Sword 5___Guilty of blasphemy

MATCH CORRECTLY (Group 2)

_ _ 1. Satan 6___Balaam taught him
_ _ 2. Antipas 10___Receive white stone
_ _ 3. Hold fast 5___Had a doctrine
_ _ 4. Faith 7___Hates, fights error
_ _ 5. Balaam 9___What the Spirit saith
_ _ 6. Balak 2___A faithfull martyr
_ _ 7. Christ 8___Or else
_ _ 8. Repent 3___Christ’s name
_ _ 9. Hear 1___Has a seat
_ _ 10. Overcome 4___Don’t deny Christ’s