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Midterm Exam
General Epistles – Course #634

Instructions: This is an open-note test. Students are at liberty to search their class notes or review the archived class videos to answer any questions on this exam.

The General Epistle of James

1. Supply the words that describe the theme of James as given in class: “Do the _____ & Live the _____.” (2 pts)

2. Fill the blanks below to describe the PURPOSE of James’ epistle, along with at least one corresponding passage as given in class. (8 pts)
 - A. _____ of Faith James _____
 - B. _____ of Faith James _____
 - C. _____ of Faith James _____
 - D. _____ of Faith James _____

3. List **AT LEAST 3** details from James’ epistle that suggest that the PLACE from which it was written was Palestine. **Include verse references.** (2 pts)

4. Which “James” from the New Testament is the PENMAN the epistle of James? Explain your answer, giving the reasons why this James is the best candidate to have authored this epistle. (2 pts)

5. To what PEOPLE was James’ epistle written? Include the verse reference. (2 pts)

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6. Circle the date range which best describes when James penned his epistle? (1 pt)

A. AD 22-24

B. AD 44-48

C. AD 71-73

D. AD 1611

7. James described himself as the _____ of Jesus Christ? (1 pt)

8. Complete the following outline of James. (13 pts)

JAMES 1 – REMEMBER GOD’S _____.

A. Remember God’s Gifts in the _____ of _____ (James 1:1-12).

B. Remember God’s Gifts in the _____ of _____ (James 1:13-20).

C. Remember God’s Gifts & _____ in _____ (James 1:21-27).

JAMES 2 – PRACTICE GENUINE _____.

A. The Faith of Christ _____ (James 2:1-13).

B. The Faith of Christ _____ (James 2:14-26).

JAMES 3 – SHOW GOD’S _____.

A. Godly Teachers _____ Their _____ (James 3:1-12).

B. Godly Wisdom _____ in _____ (James 3:13-18).

JAMES 4 – SEEK GOD’S _____.

A. Surrender to God in All _____ (James 4:1-10).

B. Surrender to God in All _____ (James 4:11-12).

C. Surrender to God in All _____ (James 4:13-17).

JAMES 5 – TRUST GOD’S _____.

A. Be _____: the Lord Is _____ (James 5:1-12).

B. Be _____: the Lord Will _____ (James 5:13-20).

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9. Based on the context of James 4:13-17...

- A. What had some in James' audience neglected to do? (2 pts)
- B. What was the "good" that they should have been doing? (2 pts)

BONUS:

What four Old Testament characters are specifically named in James' epistle? (4 pts)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

The Epistle of 1 Peter

10. Supply the words that describe the theme of 1 Peter as given in class: "_____ Under _____." (2 pts)

11. To what AUDIENCE was 1 Peter written? Include the verse reference. (2 pts)

12. What was the AIM of 1 Peter? (2 pts)

13. Circle the date range which best describes when Peter penned this epistle? (1 pt)

- A. 589 BC B. AD 27-30 C. AD 63-67 D. AD 606

14. From what PLACE was 1 Peter written? Give the verse reference. (2 pts)

15. List a verse FROM EACH CHAPTER that specifically encourages saints to endure suffering. (5 pts)

1 Peter 1:____ 1 Peter 2:____ 1 Peter 3:____ 1 Peter 4:____ 1 Peter 5:____

16. Briefly identify & explain the exhortation that the following passages have in common: 1 Peter 2:12; 1 Peter 3:16; 1 Peter 4:3-4. (3 pts)

17. List a verse FROM EACH CHAPTER that encourages Christians to love one another. (5 pts)

1 Peter 1:____ 1 Peter 2:____ 1 Peter 3:____ 1 Peter 4:____ 1 Peter 5:____

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18. Complete the following outline of 1 Peter. (18 pts)

1 PETER 1 – FAITH CAN FACE LIFE’S FIRES BECAUSE GOD GAVE US _____.

- A. Even in Suffering, Saints Have Reasons to Be _____ (1 Peter 1:1-12).
- B. Even in Suffering, Saints Have Reasons to Be _____ (1 Peter 1:13-25).

1 PETER 2:1-12 – FAITH CAN FACE LIFE’S FIRES BECAUSE GOD MADE US _____.

- A. As God’s _____, Be _____ (1 Peter 2:1-10).
- B. As God’s _____, Be _____ (1 Peter 2:11-12).

1 PETER 2:13-3:22 – FAITH CAN FACE LIFE’S FIRES BECAUSE GOD WANTS US _____.

- A. Be Humble _____, Willing to _____ (1 Peter 2:13-17).
- B. Be Humble _____, Willing to _____ (1 Peter 2:18-25).
- C. Be Humble _____, Willing to _____ (1 Peter 3:1-7).
- D. Be Humble _____, Willing to _____ (1 Peter 3:8-9).
- E. Be Humble & _____, Following the _____ (1 Peter 3:10-22).

1 PETER 4 – FAITH CAN FACE LIFE’S FIRES BECAUSE GOD LIFTS US _____.

- A. Live by a Higher _____: the _____ of God (1 Peter 4:1-6).
- B. Live in a Higher _____: the _____ of God (1 Peter 4:7-11).
- C. Live for a Higher _____: the _____ of God (1 Peter 4:12-19).

1 PETER 5 – FAITH CAN FACE LIFE’S FIRES BECAUSE GOD GIVES US _____.

- A. God Gives Help When His _____ Exercise _____ (1 Peter 5:1-4).
- B. God Gives Help When His _____ Exalts _____ (1 Peter 5:5-7).
- C. God Gives Help When His _____ Empowers _____ (1 Peter 5:9-11).
- D. God Gives Help When His _____ Exhibit _____ (1 Peter 5:12-14).

19. According to 1 Peter 3:18-21, Jesus went by the spirit “and preached unto the spirits in prison.” Who were these people to whom Christ’s spirit preached? When did His spirit preach to them? Where were they when He did? (3 pts)

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Bonus:

What evidence suggests that 1 Peter was written *after* Paul's letter to the Ephesians & *before* Paul's letter to Timothy? (2 pts)

The Epistle of 2 Peter

20. Supply the words that describe the theme of 2 Peter as given in class: "The _____ of Our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ." (1 pt)

21. Whereas the authorship of 1 Peter is practically undisputed, the authorship of 2 Peter is one of the most contested of all the New Testament writings. Give basic evidence, both INTERNAL & EXTERNAL for why the apostle Peter can be credited with writing the epistle of 2 Peter. (2 pts)

22. To what AUDIENCE was 2 Peter written? Include the verse reference. (2 pts)

23. What was the AIM of 2 Peter? Give AT LEAST ONE verse reference for each. (3 pts)

A. A _____ of _____ Doctrines 2 Peter _____

B. A _____ of _____ Doctrines 2 Peter _____

24. The epistle of 2 Peter refuted the false doctrinal beliefs of what ANTAGONISTS who claimed salvation through intellect & taught such concepts as dualism, demiurges, Docetism, & Cerinthianism? (1 pts)

A. Gymnastics B. Gnostics C. Agnostics D. Gnomes

25. Circle the date range which best describes when Peter penned this epistle? (1 pt)

A. 589 BC B. AD 27-30 C. AD 66-67 D. AD 71

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26. Complete the following outline of 2 Peter. (12 pts)

2 PETER 1 – REMEMBER THE _____.

- A. Greeting (2 Peter 1:1-2).
- B. _____ Has Given All We _____ (2 Peter 1:3-4).
- C. We _____ All _____ Has Given (2 Peter 1:5-11).
- D. Remember _____ God Has Given (2 Peter 1:12-15).
- E. Remember _____ God Gave It (2 Peter 1:16-21).

2 PETER – RECOGNIZE THE _____.

- A. False Teachers Are _____ (2 Peter 2:1-3).
- B. False Teachers Are _____ (2 Peter 2:3-10).
- C. False Teachers Are _____ (2 Peter 2:10-19).
- D. False Teachers Are _____ (2 Peter 2:19-22).

2 PETER 3 – REMEMBER THE _____.

- A. Be _____ of the _____ of Christ (3:1-2).
- B. Be _____ in the _____ of Christ (3:3-10).
- C. Be _____ for the _____ of Christ (3:11-17).
- D. Be _____ in the _____ of Christ (3:18).

Bonus:

Peter's second epistle warned that false teachers WERE GOING TO ARISE (2 Peter 2:1): what other New Testament epistle uses language UNDENIABLY similar to 2 Peter, declaring that the false teachers HAD ALREADY CREPT INTO THE CHURCH? (2 pts)