# CROSSROADS INTERNATIONAL BIBLE COLLEGE

## CHRISTIAN STUDIES SERIES THREE MODULE 1 STUDY 1 STUDY QUESTIONS THE FIVEFOLD MINISTRY

### THE FIVEFOLD MINISTRY Study Questions

The following questions have been designed to assess how much you have understood and retained from your studies.

We understand that not everyone doing the studies will agree with every single point contained therein. However, students are required to answer the questions in accordance with the study material contained in the study booklets.

Answer and number all questions, giving two or three scriptures with each answer wherever possible. Also give an explanation, whenever possible, of how you arrived at your answer.

For ease of correction write/type the actual question on your answer sheet before answering each question.

- 1 (a) What are the offices of the Five Fold Ministry?
  - (b) What is included in the ministry of helps, and what is the relationship between the Five Fold Ministry and the other ministries within the churches?
  - (c) What is the difference between an office and a ministry?
- 2. Explain what 1 Corinthians 12:28 is speaking about.
- 3. Who calls and equips people to stand in Five Fold Ministry offices, when is this call made, and what is the only choice a Christian has in relation to this call?
- 4. Describe the ministry and giftings of the Apostle.
- 5 (a) What is the difference between a Prophet and those who operate in the gift of prophecy?
  - (b) What are the giftings of the Prophetic office?

- 6. Describe the full operation of the ministry of the Evangelist.
- 7 (a) What qualities does the Word of God tell us should be evident in the lives of those called to the office of Pastor (or indeed any Five Fold office)?
  - (b) What attitude would act as a snare for the Pastor and how is he to guard against it?
- 8. What are the responsibilities of the Pastor, and what sign will demonstrate his effectiveness?
- 9. Describe the Five Fold office of the Teacher, distinguish it from the ministry of the lay teacher, and show how it connects to the office of the Pastor.
- 10. What does the Bible tell us are the three reasons Jesus gave the gift of the Five Fold Ministry to the Church? Give an explanation of each of these.
- 11. What does the phrase *"unity of the faith"* refer to:
  - (a) Regarding the Church as a corporate structure?
  - (b) Regarding the individual Christian?
- 12. What does "the knowledge of the Son of God" refer to?
- 13. What does *"unto a perfect man"* (Eph.4:13) refer to, who helps us in this process and how do we help or hinder this work?

- 14. What does the New Testament Church show us about correct Church Government (as opposed to what man often tries to institute), and what spiritual authority should therefore be retained by local churches?
- 15. What position does Jesus hold within the Church, and what should our response to this be?
- 16. Of what does God's Priesthood consist today?
- 17. Explain the term "kingdom of priests" as it related to Israel and also relates today to the Church.
- 18. What great privilege does our priestly position entail, and what is the added dimension which distinguishes our priestly role today from that of the Old Covenant priests?
- 19. What fourfold sacrifice is involved in our priestly office?
- 20. The functions of our priestly office can be condensed into two major tasks. What are these?
- 21. Spiritually, "we are all equal in Christ, but we are not all equal in ....." Complete the sentence and explain what it means.
- 22. What is our responsibility towards those who have authority over us in the Lord and why? What therefore should our attitude be?
- 23. What always accompanies a position of higher authority, and how does the principle of servanthood relate to those who have authority in the Body of Christ?
- 24. If our heavenly reward is not based on the level of our authority in the Body of Christ, on what <u>is</u> it based?

- 25 (a) How is the Body of Christ meant to function here on earth?
  - (b) What may be some of the results if we try to step into a position we are not called to?
- 26. Before we attempt to do any work for the Lord, major or minor, what is absolutely necessary and why?
- 27. Was the Church always God's plan for the proclamation of the Gospel? Why was the Church necessary?
- 28 (a) What does this statement mean: "We are all equal spiritually, but we are not all equal in levels of authority"? Give examples.
  - (b) What is our responsibility towards those who have been placed in authority over us in the church?
- 29. What is the responsibility of those in spiritual leadership (i.e. what is at stake), and why does greater authority carry with it greater accountability?
- 30. In what way should leaders in the Body of Christ execute their authority? How do we know this?
- 31. Draw a comparison between the Good Shepherd and the local shepherd (Pastor).
- 32. Who appointed Joshua to be Moses' successor, and what was given to Joshua to enable him to carry out his commission?

- 33. What must occur before a person is accounted worthy by God to be placed into a ministerial office, and how can the term "apprenticeship" be used in relation to the Five Fold Ministry offices?
- 34. What are the three stages involved in entering into a Five Fold Ministry office?
- 35. Give four examples of how Joshua is a type-pattern for today's leaders within the Body of Christ. Include in your answer how God conveys His vision for a particular corporate group of Believers, to that body.
- 36. If God's ordained structure for His Church is not democracy, what is it? Explain.
- 37. Will those who stand in offices of authority within the Body of Christ receive greater heavenly reward? Explain your answer.
- 38. If people either step into offices to which they have not been called, or else step into offices prematurely:
  - (a) How will this affect the Anointing in respect to their ministry, and therefore their performance in the office?
  - (b) How will this hinder the proper functioning of the Body of Christ?
- 39. Why should we seek to discover our call in the Lord and then to answer it?
- 40. In any call answered, what must be the source of our strength and why?

- 41. What is *"the ministry of reconciliation,"* what is its purpose, and what does it incorporate?
- 42. Why does God command us to study His Word and how does this relate to our ministry of reconciliation?

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