

Confirmation Class
September 27, 2009

Church History (Part I & II)
Bible Basics & The Beginning of the Christian Church

Discussion on pages 7 & 8 in Keeping the Faith.

Old Testament Timeline (pre-“Walk Through the Old Testament Quiz”)
(Place the correct number next to the description of the events below.)

1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___ 4 ___ 5 ___ 6 ___ 7 ___ 8 ___ 9 ___ 10 ___ 11 ___ 12 ___ 13 ___ 14 ___ 15 ___ 16 ___ 17 ___ 18 ___ 19 ___ 20 ___

- _____ God’s people anointed kings (like King Saul, David & Solomon) to help keep order.
- _____ Jacob’s favorite son, Joseph, was sold into slavery by his brothers.
- _____ Man was first separated from God through sin (Adam & Eve.)
- _____ Noah built an ark and he and his family were spared in the great flood.
- _____ God called Abraham to go to a land to which He would lead him.
- _____ Jacob wrestled with God in a dream and received the blessing of a new name, Israel.
- _____ Solomon’s son Rehoboam ruled the southern part of the kingdom (Judah.)
- _____ Joseph helped Egypt survive a famine and interpreted many dreams.
- _____ God created all that exists.
- _____ King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon destroyed Jerusalem & the temple.
- _____ God called Moses to lead His people out of Egypt and to a promised land (Passover.)
- _____ Joshua took over as leader of God’s people when Moses died.
- _____ God’s people (Israel) spent 40 years wandering and finally entered Canaan.
- _____ Cain took Abel’s life.
- _____ God allowed His people to have judges (like Gideon & Samuel) to help keep order.
- _____ Isaac, Abraham’s son had twins, Jacob & Esau.
- _____ God spared a remnant of Israelites from which the Messiah would come.
- _____ Solomon built the temple.
- _____ God sent prophets to tell his people to repent of their sins (like Elijah.)

Bible Basics (*Keeping the Faith, pp.9-12*)

1. Our reference book – where we get information about our faith is the _____.
2. “Bible” means _____.
3. “Holy” means _____, _____ or _____.
4. We believe the Bible is inerrant, or _____ (without error)
5. We believe the Bible is _____ (“breathed into”) by God.
6. The Bible is divided into two parts, the _____ and the _____.
7. There are a total of _____ books in the Bible: _____ OT & _____ NT

8. There are five main sections in the OT (5-12-5-5-12)
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
9. The Old Testament point God's people to _____. The era that we refer to when speaking of the Old Testament is B.C. or _____.
10. A.D. means _____ or "In the year of our Lord" and it refers to the time we are living in now – the time after Christ's birth.
11. The language the Old Testament was written in: _____
12. The language the New Testament was written in: _____
13. God gave us the Bible because we need a Savior and His word is for all people – so that they might believe and have the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation.

The Catechism (*see Keeping the Faith, p.12*)

1. A catechism is a guide to understanding the Bible. It means "_____ of _____." Martin Luther wrote his Small Catechism to help parents teach their children in the home about God's Word.
2. Luther's Small Catechism is written in question and answer form and is centered around six chief parts that we are studying in confirmation over these two years:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
 - f. _____

Christian Doctrine (*see Keeping the Faith, pp.13-15*)

1. Doctrine is what the church believes, teaches and confesses (say publicly what you believe.) Lutheran Christian doctrine is the teaching of Martin Luther and early Lutheran reformers. Martin Luther taught based on God's Word alone.
2. Two main "doctrines" in the Bible:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
3. S.O.S.
4. John 3:16
 - a. G
 - b. O
 - c. S
 - d. P
 - e. E
 - f. L