

Questions and Answers – Kenya

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I. Introduction.

II. Church fasting is a personal matter between a person and God.

A. The value has to do with a person's motive.

B. When we deny our bodies, sin can lose its power. (1 Peter 4:1; 1 John 2:15-16; 1 Corinthians 9:26-27)

III. Christians should not attend alcoholic parties or romance films because they make opportunity for the flesh. (Romans 13:14; 2 Corinthians 6:17-18; Romans 14:21)

IV. Pride causes divisions among Christians. (Proverbs 14:10)

V. Bad habits like bad dreams cannot be addressed except with changing the intake of thought patterns. Recognize that the bad habit is sin and ask for deliverance. God breaks them down one at a time. (Proverbs 4:23)

VI. We should not date non-Christians because we usually end up marrying the people we date.

VII. There is no basis for human pride. What we have is what God gave us. (1 Corinthians 1:29)

VIII. Everyone receives a spiritual gift when they are born again. (Hebrews 2:4; 1 Corinthians 12:7; Ephesians 4)

IX. It is not impossible for the poor to understand God as a providing Father. (Mark 7:20-21)

X. There are miracles, tongues and prophecy today, but these are generally given where and when they are needed for the verification of the gospel.

XI. There is no condemnation in the next life, but there are consequences in this one. (Romans 8:1; Galatians 6:7)

XII. Prepare yourself the best you can in the area he has gifted you, and he will reveal his will.

XIII. Do not be too Pharisaical about being around people who sin. (Isaiah 65:5)

XIV. One can know that the Spirit is within because God says so, the Spirit testifies to our spirit and the desires of our heart have changed. (Ephesians 1; Romans 8:17; 1 John 3:14)

XV. The best way to witness is by living the life in front of them.

XVI. We should expect Jesus' return even if we do not know how to expect his return. Believe what God says and press on. (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; 1 John 3:1-2)

XVII. A leader can help a runaway Christian by warning him of the consequences. (Ezekiel 3:20; Leviticus 19:17; Hebrews 10:24)

XVIII. Being responsible at work even pays off in a secular world.

XIX. The gifts of the spirit are not guarantee of spirituality. Maturity is measured by the fruit of the Spirit. (1 Corinthians 1:7; 3:1; Galatians 5:22-23; Acts 1:8; John 16:13)

XX. Engagement times depends on culture, but short engagements help with temptation. A separation from parents should occur, but parents should still be honored. (Genesis 2:24; 2 Corinthians 12:13-14)

XXI. A lack of love should be confessed as sin and then one should change by an act of the will. (John 13:34-35; Romans 5:5)

XXII. Jesus is God and a part of the Trinity.

XXIII. For those weak in their walk set the pace and pray. (John 16)

XXIV. Live the life to be a witness in your community.

XXV. If there is no desire toward marriage, leave the opposite sex alone.

XXVI. Adoration is critical in marriage.

XXVII. Let suitors down by being open if you are a man or by ignoring him if you are a girl.

XXVIII. Relate better to people by serving them. (Mark 10:45; 1 Corinthians 9:19)

XXIX. Test a matter by your enlightened conscience matched with the Bible.

A. Does the Bible say it is wrong? (John 14:21; 1 Samuel 15:22)

B. Will it hurt my body? (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

C. Will it hurt my mind? (Philippians 2:5)

D. Will it enslave me? (1 Corinthians 6:12)

E. Is it good stewardship? (1 Corinthians 4:2)

F. Will it glorify God? (1 Corinthians 10:31)

G. Will it profit and edify others? (1 Corinthians 10:23, 33; Romans 15:1-2)

H. Will it help you serve? (1 Corinthians 9:19; 13)

I. Is it worth imitating? (1 Corinthians 11:1; Philippians 4:9)

J. Could it cause others to stumble? (1 Corinthians 8:9; Romans 14:21)

K. Is it the best? (Philippians 1:9-10)

XXX. Share your faith whether you are in a good place spiritually or not. (Mark 1:37; Romans 1:16)

XXXI. Get yourself out of the picture to reach your potential. God is interested most in your availability.

XXXII. If someone is in sin in your group, share privately, bring in the church and then treat them like an outsider. (1 Corinthians 10:11-12; Galatians 6:1)

Application questions:

1. Which question and answer did you find most valuable?

2. Which question might you have answered differently?

3. What lingering questions do you have? What are some good resources you can use to find out more?
