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MELBOURNE CHURCH

Mr. & Mrs. Tony Hammer are very enthusiastic about the way God is blessing His Church in Melbourne. Not only are the people being encouraged by the sermons being delivered and the opportunity to fellowship each Sabbath with brethren of like understanding but they are witnessing the divine intervention of God to bless His people in other ways as well. He has informed me that Friday morning Mrs. Neil, in spite of an RH blood factor, gave birth naturally to a 6 lb. 14 oz. baby girl at about 4 a.m. Friday morning, experiencing short labor and no complications. The doctors were utterly astonished that things went so well! As you probably know, they always expect many complications -- death in some instances -- with the child who is born of parents with whom the RH factor exists. But in that the problem was committed to God, He intervened to see no trouble arose. Just how much, then does it mean to know God is our Healer? More than we can imagine!

BRISBANE BIBLE STUDY

by Mr. Waterhouse

I was deeply gratified by the way God blessed the initial Bible study in Brisbane. He truly placed His divine blessing on this first meeting -- beyond my expectation! Almost eighteen months ago, 12 Australians met in my flat for a Bible study from which a church of 100 has developed. On Sunday,

August 6th, God blessed us by granting 21 adults and 7 children, 28 Australians, the privilege of attending the first Bible study in Brisbane. As the people there strive to do their part in taking advantage of the opportunities God sets before us, I am confident there will eventually be a large congregation in that city. Let us rejoice for this additional growth God has granted to His Work in Australia and fervently pray for the continued success of God's Work here and throughout the entire world!

FIRST AMBASSADOR CO-EDS FROM AUSTRALIA

The good news was confirmed at a recent Bible Study that two of our young ladies, Miss Helen Burchill and Miss Janice Steele were accepted for Ambassador College in Bricket Wood, England. Only two things were lacking -- space on a ship and passage money.

The challenge of lacking funds was adequately met by members of the Sydney Church who generously responded as soon as the need was made known. The full fare was met with little to spare.

However space on a ship leaving soon enough for arrival by the feast of Tabernacles was an even more difficult obstacle -- as most ships were already completely booked. Mr. Waterhouse called to our minds examples of how Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong have been blessed many times with last minute openings. And as God is ever able to hear our prayers and supply our needs --

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CO-WORKERS WITH CHRIST --

What Does It Mean to You?

sermon by Mr. Waterhouse

The Work of God should mean more to you than anything else! But does it? How much of your time is devoted to praying for and meditating on the work Christ is carrying out through us, His Church? And how hard are you striving to help finance such an undertaking committed to us -- the commission of reaching the whole world with the Gospel? Or do we see much of what CHRIST is doing through His Church?

Jesus Christ -- the HEAD of God's Church -- is GREAT -- but do we realize just how great He really is? God has HIGHLY EXALTED and given Christ a name above every name IN THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE (Phil. 2:9-11)! There must be a definite reason for this. Yes, it is because of what He was willing to give up and do that we may enter the Family of God. Christ was DIVINE, ETERNAL -- yet He emptied Himself of this Diving Nature. Not only this but He also forfeited the UNIVERSE! Then He endured to the point of death on the stake, a very humiliating death! Just imagine the Creator of all things emptying Himself of such power and forfeiting such wealth and finally dying in such a manner at the hands of the very ones He created! It is no wonder then that God so respects Christ and has exalted Him to such a position (Phil. 2:5-8).

The Bible reveals that Jesus Christ created all things that exist (Jn. 1:1-3; Eph. 3:9). Isaiah was inspired to write about a few points of Christ's greatness (Isa. 40:15, 17, 25-28). Read it! Can your mind fathom the unselfishness, the unreserved willingness of One so great Who gave up such glory, power and might that we puny, weak, faulty human beings might someday experience such greatness ourselves?

After possessing all, He became POOR that WE might become rich! (II Cor. 8:9). Because of His willingness to give up all and as a result of the striving He did on this earth, even to the point of death, God has highly exalted Him and He now is heir of the entire universe (Heb. 1:2). And as a result of what He not only was willing to do

BUT DID DO, Christians are now joint-heirs with Him (Rom. 8:27). But just what does such a promise mean to you? Does it stimulate you to offer up thanksgivings to God and give you a burning desire to do just a little in serving others yourself -- serving them by having a part in bringing to them the ONLY message of hope, the GOOD NEWS of the soon-coming Kingdom of God to this earth! IT SHOULD! God wants us to be zealous of GOOD WORKS (Tit. 2:14).

God placed us on this earth for a definite purpose -- the purpose of learning how to RULE and shoulder responsibility in the same manner as Himself. Those of us in the Church are now carrying out responsibilities which are to qualify us to rule the world (I Cor. 6:2). And as a result of the experience we gain through the millennium and later through the general resurrection, we will finally be qualified to assume some of the responsibility of ruling the very thing of which we have been made heirs -- the UNIVERSE (I Cor. 6:3; Rom. 8:17; Heb. 1:2-3).

Mankind was placed on this earth to learn right direction which demands TEAM-WORK in carrying out the instructions of the Father. How did it all get started anyway? Long before the earth was created, the Father and Jesus Christ saw that they could finally create so much that required their attention they would eventually come to a point of no return unless something were done about it. To insure they never reached such a saturation point, a plan had to be devised whereby other responsible beings could assume certain of their responsibilities and carry them out just as they. This meant such individuals would have to have their Divine CHARACTER -- the ability to distinguish between right and wrong, always make the right choice, and have the will and strength to always force the right on oneself. But how could such be brought about. To learn wrong meant to go in such a way -- sin -- that God could not permit without, in turn, having to punish the wrong act. God will never let sin or opposition to His Government (His government is based on every right thing) go unpunished. A perplexing situation! What could they do? To

make us of a substance and of such a nature that we would naturally go the wrong way FIRST in order to learn what not to do meant that we would bring on the death penalty -- what good would it do to teach us what not to do if, in turn, we would have to be punished by death (if God ever let rebellion to His way go unpunished, eventually the whole universe would be in rebellion -- a situation He will never permit). The only solution was that payment could be rightly made AFTER we had experienced enough of the wrong way in opposition to God that we would turn from it and WILL never to go that way again. This could be done only through the sacrifice of Christ Who could properly make restitution for all. He by virtue of being Creator of all was naturally more valuable than all which had been created -- and man is just a part of that which has been created. Therefore, Christ volunteered to empty Himself of His Divinity, take on Himself human nature (not only so He could pay the penalty we incur as human beings but also to learn every possible way the human mind can be affected by temptation -- that He might qualify to act as High Priest and as our Savior and Head, (Heb. 2:14-18; Heb. 4:14-16; Rom. 8:26-27; Heb. 2:10) strive against sin unto death and give Himself in payment of our sins (Heb. 12:1-4). Christ made this decision long before Adam sinned, not after (I Pet. 1:20; Rev. 13:8). Both He and the Father looked to a perfected Family that will eventually exist and knew all of the striving and suffering on their part would be well worth it! They knew that mankind must first be taught by experience that every way contrary to God's laws and His Commandments is wrong and produces the wrong result. Consequently, He set aside 6000 years in which mankind would be permitted to go contrary to His laws in devising His own governments, societies and religions to the end that they will come to see EVERY WAY other than God's is WRONG! After mankind has had time in which to bring about and test every conceivable form of government, society and religion and has brought himself to the place of world suicide, THEN he is going to be at that place where he can be taught and comprehend why it is that he either conforms

to God's way of life, eventually qualifying for eternal life, or be destroyed.

When Christ intervenes in world affairs, man will be without excuse. (1) He will have proved by experience that no government apart from God's will work. (2) That no flesh would be alive to stand before Jesus Christ had He not intervened to save a few and (3) Man will have heard the warning message of where his way was leading him -- through The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast -- but will not have taken heed, consequently he will be guilty before God. FINALLY, man will have been brought to the place where he is teachable.

Christ has been training a few during this 6000-year period to have a part in teaching the world once mankind has been brought to such a teachable state. And in these latter days, God has raised up a work to carry out the commission of proclaiming the Gospel to the whole world. You and I are privileged to have a part in the most honorable and worthwhile commission ever committed to men. Christ promised that the Gospel would go to the whole world, to all nations, just before the END of this present age (Mat. 24:14; 28:18-20). It is just now that the uttermost parts of the earth are being reached with the same message Christ brought to this earth (Acts 1:8). For this reason, God has promised to open "doors" -- radio, and printing press -- through which the Gospel can be thundered to the entire earth (Rev. 3:7-8). Even though the precious Truth is met with opposition, God has promised that the deceived millions -- calling themselves Christians (a true Christian is a spiritual Jew, circumcised in the heart with God's Holy Spirit after repentance and baptism as explained in Romans 2:28-29) but who are really not -- will come to us to be taught the Truth AFTER Christ is here, we are changed to spirit and working from Jerusalem, disseminating true knowledge of God to all areas of the earth (Rev. 3:12; 2:26-27; Isa. 30:19-21; Isa. 11:9).

Through the millennium people will be given the chance to live by God's Truth and qualify to work under us as a TEAM -- enabling the Family or Kingdom of God to increase through the millennium -- so the

billions who come up in the general resurrection can be properly taught. It will take many millions in God's Family to adequately cope with and teach such a multitude who will come up together right after the 1000 years. Then for 100 years they will prove themselves worthy of entrance into God's Family. Eventually everyone will have had an opportunity to enter the glorious Family of God. By that time, God will have a tremendously large Family trained to work as a unit in carrying out His will. Not only will we be assuming many of the responsibilities of governing the Universe but we will also be qualified and willing to carry out the great projects God will devise and have His Family carry out. And as a result of the experience mankind had of learning how wrong it is to go contrary to God's way, he will then do just what the Father instructs, knowing that God never makes a mistake, can't be improved on, that there is no other way of working out a thing and, consequently, God will have a perfectly coordinated and absolutely obedient Family to help Him carry out great projects and work throughout eternity -- the increase of God's Kingdom and Family there will be NO END (Isa. 9:7). Now don't you think that if Christ thought such a plan were important enough for Him to empty Himself of His divinity, give up the Universe, and strive as He did for, it is so important you just can't afford not to put all you can into this great work and plan yourself? Let us show our appreciativeness by putting everything we can into the Work of God -- few years remain, let us work while it is day!!!

CO-EDS (continued)

two berths opened on the Canberra the newest and fastest vessel on the run, at a rate less than that possible on any of the older ships leaving then.

These two young ladies will join forces with Mr. Gunar Freibergs to increase the Australian representation at the Feast of Tabernacles in London to three.

The sailing date is set for the eleventh of August -- Bon Voyage!

PROPHECY FULFILLED AT SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR

by Don Abraham

Last week, over 200,000 Australians visited the Sydney International Trade Fair, and there had an opportunity of seeing, with their own eyes, prophecy being fulfilled! But I wonder how many of them realised this?

Represented at the Fair were a number of nations which, prophecy shows, will play a big part in future world events, amongst them being West Germany, France, Russia, and Japan.

The Russians were obviously out to influence people with propaganda, and no doubt were highly successful. Their display was centered around a helicopter, an old-fashioned car, some furs, a half-dozen poor quality T.V. sets, some agricultural machinery, and huge signs proclaiming their desire for peace!

Most of their machinery was outdated, however, and of dubious quality.

By contrast, the German exhibit was literally PACKED with modern equipment and manufactured items, including cars, radio-grams, T.V. sets, typewriters, motor-cycles, cameras and a host of other items -- including photographic representation of the vast Krupp Empire, all of which testified to Germany's remarkable economic recovery.

It was apparent Germany is out to capture trade -- not only here in Australia, but also in the many countries represented at the Trade Fair. And this, Brethren, is one of the contributing factors in Great Britains' present serious economic recession.

Another nation out to win world markets -- Japan -- is well represented at the Fair, with an array of machinery and manufactured goods which is evidence of the tremendous industrial growth that nation has experienced in post-war years.

Here we had an insight into Japan's capabilities, and they have shown that, given an opportunity, they can produce the goods.

Their display included refrigerators, motor-cycles, transistor radios, cameras,

telescopes, microscopes, textiles, a 36 ton bull-dozer, and a variety of light to heavy machinery. In fact, just about anything Australia can produce, so can Japan, only they can do it at a price that we cannot even begin to approach.

Just how, then, did Australia's exhibit compare to those from overseas, particularly Japan's?

On the surface it seemed to be favourable, because we did have a large and comprehensive display, but when you examine the facts, you can see it was NOT as good as it first appeared.

Firstly, Australia had the big advantage of being on the spot with the goods. We only had to ship them a few miles and unload them.

Secondly, Australia's products were, primarily, either manufactured overseas and then shipped here for sale, or else they were manufactured here under license from various overseas firms.

Australia is yet far from being an industrial nation in the true sense of the word. Just how, then, can she compete as one?

On the other hand, Australia's main export commodity, wool, has not even been given a showing at the Fair! Here Australia had a wonderful opportunity to really show the world what could be done with wool -- the various processes which have been perfected here, such as permanent creasing. Yet, it wasn't even given an appearance, the organisers choosing instead to concentrate on manufactured items, catering to a market destined to become increasingly difficult.

And these, Brethren, are only a few of the reasons why Australia's hopes for increased future trade with Asia will NOT be realised.

HELP WANTED

This issue of the Church News is different to be sure -- but by no means has the final goal been achieved. The editorial staff is in a constant search for ways in which this YOUR newspaper can be improved.

Now, this is where you, the reader comes in. Your contributions can add a great deal to the success of this publication. For instance, how can the editorial staff write up news items about the latest in your area if you don't send it in? How can we incorporate new ideas and suggestions if you don't offer them? What would you most like to see included?

If you want to have a part in making this newsletter a real aid to your fellow brethren in the Church of God in Australia, send your news items, ideas, suggestions and written contributions to:

NEWS
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North Sydney, NSW

OUR LOSS -- HER GAIN

Nellie Naylor 1961

Christians can view death much differently than the unconverted (I Ths. 4:13-18). Why? Because of the resurrection which gives them victory over death (I Cor. 15:53-55). For this reason the DEATH of saints is PRECIOUS in the eyes of the Eternal God (Ps. 115:15). After they have fulfilled the purpose for which they were called, they are removed through death from the terrifying things soon to befall this evil world (Isa. 57:1). With the Apostle Paul, they will be glorified and given a crown of righteousness by the RIGHTEOUS JUDGE at His second coming (II Tim. 4:7-8).

Miss Nellie Naylor died on July 24th after having fought a good fight.

We will certainly miss not having her with us during the coming Feast of Tabernacles. But let us realize the festival pictures the very time when all saints will be resurrected and serving under Christ through the coming millennium. Let us all strive that we might qualify to be found worthy to be glorified with them and have the great privilege of teaching mankind the WAY of God which leads to peacy, prosperity, happiness and ETERNAL LIFE!

"FAITH"
summary of Melbourne sermon
by Mr. Hammer

Most people do not realize that a lack of faith is simply a disbelief in God's power. God has made hundreds of promises that we can come boldly before His throne and claim; BUT -- we have to have FAITH!

James 1:5-7 shows we must have faith to receive an answer. Heb. 11:1 gives a definition of faith -- hope for something you already have is NOT faith.

George Mueller built a number of orphanages on simple, believing faith. He had his own definition of faith which can also be ours: "Faith is the assurance that things which God said in His Word are true and that God will act according to what He has said in His Word. This assurance, this reliance on God's Word, this confidence, is FAITH."

How do you receive more faith? Eph. 2:8 -- It is a GIFT -- something you have to ask God for. Heb. 13:8 -- Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. He performed MANY MIRACLES when on this earth, and can do the same things today.

Examples of those who had REAL, LIVING faith in God: Gen. 6:14-22 (Noah and the ark); Gen. 22:1-10 (Abraham and Isaac); I Kings 18:22, 31 - 39 (Elijah challenged priests of Baal); Dan. 6:10-14, 24 (Daniel in lion's den); Dan. 3:13-27 (Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego); Matt. 14:28-33 (Peter walked on water); Mark 9:17-19 (unclean spirit); Luke 7:9-10 (Christ healed the Centurion's servant).

All of us need more faith -- for healing, for solving personal problems. If our prayers seem unanswered, something is wrong with US. Faith is a personal thing -- your prayers aren't answered on someone else's faith. Ezek. 14:14 shows righteous men will only save themselves. I Cor. 7:15-16 -- wives cannot save husbands nor husbands wives.

What must we do to have our prayers answered? Eph. 5:17 -- God's Word reveals His will. STUDY His Word to understand His will, then claim the promises God has made to you. Go to God in BELIEVING

prayer, and He will keep His promises.

Matt. 6:33 could be the reason some are not having prayers answered. WE MUST NOT put temporary things (healing or anything else) before God's Kingdom!

Also, we must ask in Christ's name, or by His authority. A great deal depends on our hearts or attitudes. TRUE Christians can have a special confidence that God will answer their prayers IF they are obedient (I John 3:22). John 16:23-24 -- The very authority of Jesus Christ stands behind our prayers.

We must all come to know God more intimately through earnest prayer and fervent Bible study. The better you know your Father in heaven, the more faith you will have in His power.

SABBATH ATTENDANCE

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SYDNEY NEWS LETTER

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A LAST LOOK

by Frank Longuskie

Helen Burchill was down from Brisbane. Her teaching job over, she was eagerly waiting to start on her last trip in Australia to see the national capital, Canberra. With Mrs. Burchill's Zephyr having been packed to capacity, she, Helen, Miss Francis Warner and I made ready to pick up the fifth member of our party -- Mr. Harley Porter. All that was needed now was to eat, change to traveling clothes, and find Mr. Porter on the kerb waiting at Milson's Point.

The trip was most eventful. Helen Burchill since she was sailing to England to attend Ambassador College on the S.S. Canberra thought it educational to see Canberra, the Parliament House, the Museum there, the personality of the city, and the general atmosphere and impression it gives to visitors. None had been there except myself -- and that briefly -- and were eager to see where the big debates coming over the ABC originated. One remark was: "One can hardly believe such

childish and rude debates could come from such a cultural setting as the parliamentary halls. It just proves the wisdom of Matthew 12:34: '... for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.' "

On the way down we made coffee by fire on top of the Razor Back pass in full view of the Sydney lights. Our thoughts went to Abraham leaving Babylon. The weather was nearly piercing cold, but we endured it for the needed rest and food. After a few hours drive of frosted wind screen and fog, we camped at Lake George for the night. We had breakfast there and hiked in the bordering hills in the peace and quiet and beauty of the morning sunshine.

After viewing the museum containing some of the relics of the two recent World Wars, I & II, the countryside near Yass, a sheep centre, was by contrast most rewarding. We were grateful for the fellowship and opportunity to enjoy nature. Our food tasted great in the sun and fresh air.

We left for home with a colourful sunset in view, feeling rested and more ready for the weeks of work ahead.

THE COOK'S NOOK

Lemon Meringue Pie

Bake 2 - 7" pie crusts (cake pastry)

Filling:

1 tin condensed milk
juice of 3 lemons
2 egg yolks

Add lemon juice to milk, mix well. Then add well beaten egg yolks, juice must be added first.

Pour mixture evenly into pastries. Then beat until stiff, egg whites and use as topping to pies.

Bake to brown meringue and leave in the accumulated heat about 10 minutes to allow filling to become firm.

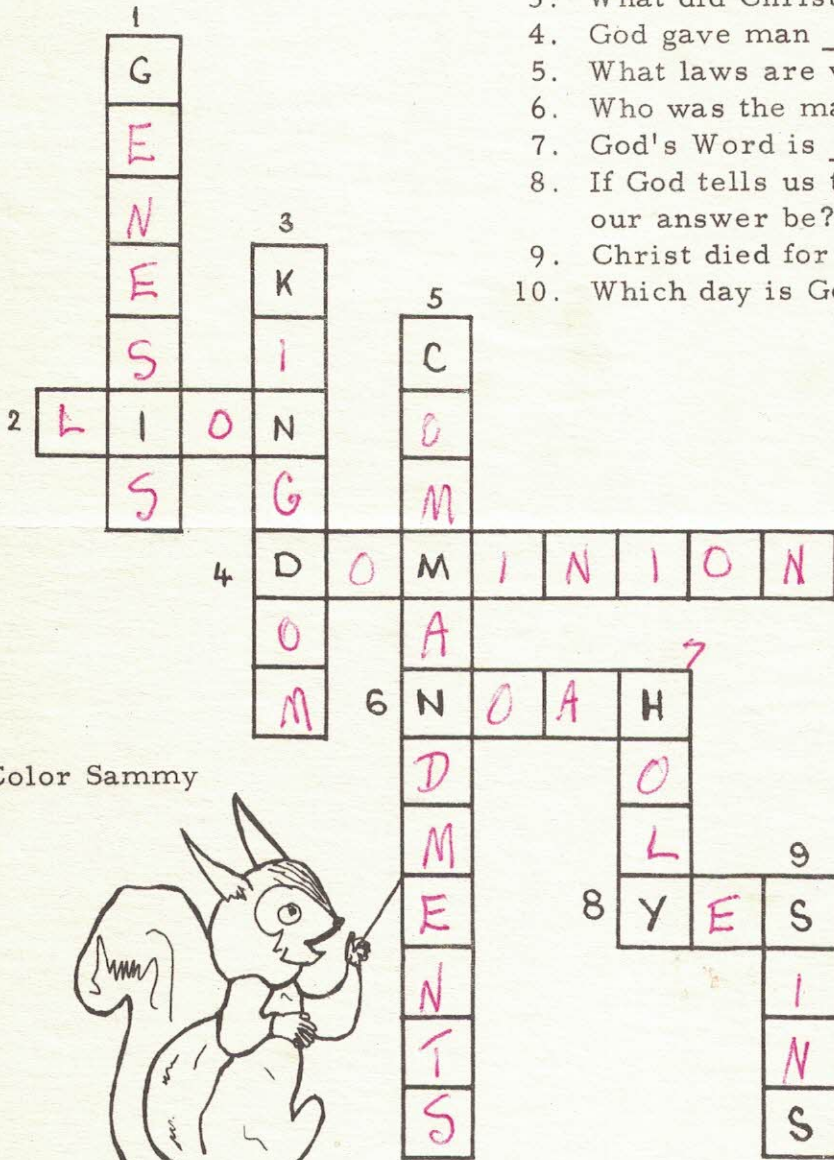
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Sammy Squirrel's Bible Ladder

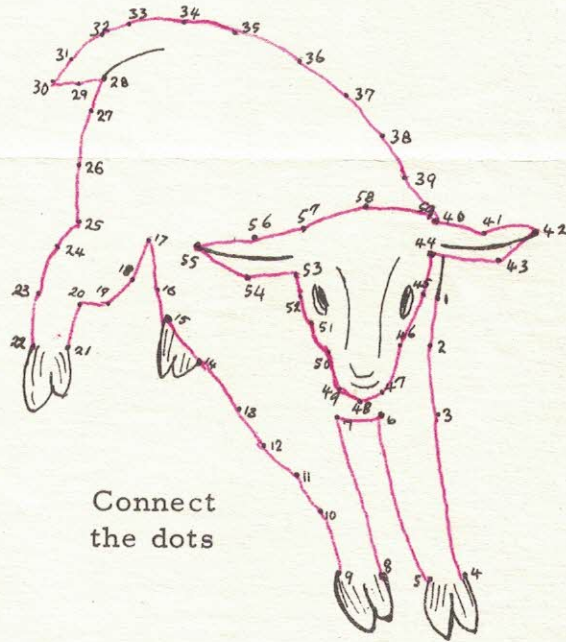
fill in the blank spaces using clues

Clues

1. Book -- first book in Old Testament.
2. Satan is as a roaring what?
3. What did Christ teach about?
4. God gave man _____ over the fish of the sea.
5. What laws are we to live by?
6. Who was the man who built the ark?
7. God's Word is _____ (II Tim. 3:15).
8. If God tells us to do something what should our answer be?
9. Christ died for our _____?
10. Which day is God's Sabbath?



Color Sammy



Connect the dots

Answers

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| 1. Genesis | 3. Kingdom | 5. Commandments | 7. Holy | 9. Sins |
| 2. Lion | 4. Dominion | 6. Noah | 8. Yes | 10. Seventh |

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