

PLEASE GIVE TO SCHOOL OVERSEER

THEOCRATIC MINISTRY SCHOOL REVIEW ANSWER SHEET COVERING ASSIGNMENTS FOR WEEKS OF SEPTEMBER 2 through OCTOBER 28, 2013.

SOURCE MATERIAL: *New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures* [bi12], *The Watchtower* [w], and *Awake!* [g].

INSTRUCTIONS: Each one should have the questions for the review as set out in *Our Kingdom Ministry*. The school overseer may ask auxiliary questions, as time permits, in order to clarify main points, to highlight the reasons for the answers, or to elicit comments on how the material can be applied. It is not always practical for the answer sheet to contain all possible answers; so any answer that the audience gives that is appropriate and in harmony with our present understanding is acceptable, even if the point is not found on the answer sheet. Until the congregation has taken this review, the answer sheet is not to be made available to the congregation to read, but it should be used by the school overseer during the preceding weeks as a guide to points that he wants to emphasize for the congregation. It is not necessary for the school overseer to read all the answers from the answer sheet if the points have already been covered. The review should not exceed 20 minutes.

NOTE TO SCHOOL OVERSEERS: Please select an approved *Watchtower* Study reader to read from the platform some of the scriptures cited in or after each question that appears in *Our Kingdom Ministry*. Cited texts should usually be read before you ask the printed question. In view of the limited time allotted for the review, you may use your discretion in determining whether certain Scripture citations should be read or be summarized briefly.

The date in brackets represents the week that the material was to be covered.

1. What does it mean to have “the mind of Christ”? (1 Cor. 2:16) [Sept. 2, w08 7/15 p. 27 par. 7] **To have “the mind of Christ” is to know the pattern of his thinking, to grasp the full range of his personality, and to imitate his example. (1 Pet. 2:21; 4:1) How important it is that we carefully study Jesus’ life and ministry!**
2. In what ways do we “flee from fornication”? (1 Cor. 6:18) [Sept. 2, w08 7/15 p. 27 par. 9; w04 2/15 p. 12 par. 9] **We run away from immoral conduct. We are determined to avoid not only acts of fornication but also pornography, moral uncleanness, sexual fantasizing, flirting—anything that can lead to fornication. (Matt. 5:28; Jas. 3:17)**
3. What did Paul mean when he wrote that women should “keep silent in the congregations”? (1 Cor. 14:34) [Sept. 9, w12 9/1 p. 9, box] **Paul advised not only women but all who had the gift of tongues and prophecy to “keep silent” when another believer was speaking. (1 Cor. 14:27-30, 33) Likely some Christian women were so enthusiastic about their newfound faith that they interrupted the speaker to ask questions, as was the custom in that part of the world. To avoid such disorder, Paul encouraged them to “question their own husbands at home.” (1 Cor. 14:35)**
4. How should Paul’s words recorded at 2 Corinthians 1:24 affect elders today? [Sept. 16, w13 1/15 p. 27 pars. 2-3] **Paul was confident that the brothers in Corinth loved God and wanted to do what was right. (2 Cor. 2:3) Today, elders imitate Paul by expressing confidence in their brothers’ faith and motives for serving God. (2 Thess. 3:4) Rather than making strict rules for the congregation, elders rely on Bible principles and direction from Jehovah’s organization. (1 Pet. 5:2, 3)**
5. How may we be guided by the statement found at 2 Corinthians 9:7? [Sept. 23, g 5/08 p. 21, box] **When we willingly give of our time, energy, and material possessions for the benefit of others, we are striving to “love, neither in word nor with the tongue, but in deed and truth.” (1 John 3:18) When the need arises, such as when natural disasters strike, we view it as a privilege to help those affected.**
6. How may we benefit from heeding Paul’s counsel found at Galatians 6:4? [Sept. 30, w12 12/15 p. 13 par. 18] **Instead of comparing what we do with what others do, we should focus on what we can do personally and try to do our best. This will protect us from either becoming proud or feeling discouraged. Because of various responsibilities or poor health, we may not be able to do all we once did. On**

the other hand, we might be able to do more now than we used to do.

7. What does it mean “to observe the oneness of the spirit”? (Eph. 4:3) [Oct. 7, w12 7/15 p. 28 par. 7] *Applying this counsel means allowing God’s spirit to change the way we act and to produce its fruitage in us. That fruitage promotes peace among God’s people and helps them to be peaceable and united with others. (Gal. 5: 22, 23)*
8. How did Paul feel about the things he had left behind? (Phil. 3:8) [Oct. 14, w12 3/15 p. 27 par. 12] *A person who throws away garbage does not later regret that he threw it away. In the same way, Paul did not regret losing any of the opportunities that he had left behind in the world. He no longer felt that they had value.*
9. What is the import of the counsel: “Let us not sleep on as the rest do”? (1 Thess. 5:6)

[Oct. 21, w12 3/15 p. 10 par. 4] *One way we could “sleep on” would be by not doing what Jehovah says is right. Another way would be by living as if Jehovah’s time to destroy the ungodly is yet far off. We must make sure that the wicked do not influence us to adopt their ways and attitudes.*

10. How was Jesus’ sacrificial death “a corresponding ransom”? (1 Tim. 2:6) [Oct. 28, w11 6/15 p. 13 par. 11] *Adam brought imperfection and death to billions. The Bible makes it clear that the death of just “one man” provided the release from sin and death. (Rom. 5:15-19) Jesus’ perfect life corresponded to, or was the exact equivalent of, Adam’s. Jesus’ “one act of justification”—his course of obedience and integrity even to death—made it possible for men of all sorts to receive eternal life. (2 Cor. 5:14, 15; 1 Pet. 3:18)*