Penn-Del Bible Quiz

What is Bible Quiz?

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Q. What is Bible Quiz?** A. Bible Quiz is a ministry of the Assemblies of God National Youth Department and is similar to quick-recall academic games (like Jeopardy or the old television show College Bowl). Two teams of quizzers each face a series of twenty questions with varying difficulty. The first quizzer to buzz in and answer the question correctly gains points for their team.
- Q. What book will be studied this year? A. Hebrews, Peter and Jude (See complete breakdown by division on Penn-Del BQ registration form)
- **Q. Why should I consider starting Bible Quiz in my church?** A. Bible Quiz is a mentorship ministry. An adult Christian, which is the coach, is meeting regularly with a group of students to teach what the Scripture means and how it applies to their life. In the end the coach is mentoring the young person to be more like Jesus. It is **not necessary to memorize everything** to participate, but it does help. God's Word did not come by a matter of convenience. Likewise, Bible Quiz takes a bit of time and effort. Teaching the quizzers and setting aside time can be challenging, but the rewards are eternal. Memorizing God's Word will change your life!
- Q. If the vision of Penn-Del Youth Ministries is "Every Teenager in a Disciple-making Environment" (Gospel Fluency ~ Spirit Dependency ~ Biblical Community), how does Bible Quiz fit into my youth ministry? A. Bible Quiz is fully aligned with this vision statement, especially Gospel Fluency-Scripture Engagement. Bible Quiz is all about Scriptural Engagement. An adult is leading teens through what the Scripture means and how to apply it to their lives. These adults are coaches/mentors/muses all wrapped into one, which creates a strong community of believers. Often these are trusted adults that teens go to first when they have a problem. Bible Quiz is a LOT more than just a competition. The competition just provides the external motivation to study.
- Q. If Bible Quiz is a game or competition, how is it a ministry? A. There are only four league competitions during a year and weekly practices. More time is spent studying what the Scripture means in a small group environment. From the outside, it looks like just competition and trophies. From the inside, it is all about friendships and mentoring. Most practices include a devotional or the quizzers to talk about the Word.
- Q. What are the age groups that can join and what will they study? A. There are many divisions:

XP5 Division – easy questions over one chapter per meet (6th – 12th grade)

Penn-Del Division – easy questions over half of the material (6th – 12th grade)

Middle School Division – easy questions over half the material (6th – 8th grade)

- "A" Division studies all the material and can compete all the way to National Finals. College Scholarship money available. (6th 12th grade)
- **Q.** What if I only have one student interested? Can they still quiz? A. Yes! While we like to encourage churches to have their own teams, if there are not enough quizzers for a team, that person is allowed to join another church quiz ministry to quiz with them.
- **Q. Does a church have to be an Assemblies of God church to participate?** A. No! While the majority of churches that participate are Assemblies of God churches, this ministry allows anyone to join. We will do anything we can to see another student learning God's Word. It's too important to just let slide.
- Q. Who can coach the team? A. Any adult can coach the team. Youth pastors are often thought to be the obvious person to get the team started and to coach the team. Most often, this is a bad idea. The Youth Pastor most often has a full-time job, works in the church part time, and has a family. Adding responsibilities for the Youth Pastor is usually not a good idea (although there is nothing to stop a youth pastor from being the coach if he/she desires.) Most often a parent of a quizzer or a Sunday School teacher is a good person to start with when considering who should start and coach a team.
- Q. Can a church have more than one team? A. Yes. There is no limit to the number of teams a church can have.
- Q. Is there a web site where I can learn more about Bible quiz? A. Yes. The official web site is biblequiz.ag.org. There is also a web site for many insights into this ministry at Biblequiz.com. Also, specifically for the Penn-Del District, penndelyouth.com/biblequiz You can also check us out on Facebook.
- Q. Who do I contact to find out more information or if I want to start a team? A. Bernie or Jean Elliot (ElliotBQ@gmail.com) or Jason Martin (jasonbradleymartin@gmail.com)
- **Q.** Is there someone local to me that can help me get started? A. Yes, there is a league coordinator who is highly qualified to help you start this ministry in your church. Please contact Bernie or Jean Elliot or Jason Martin to get contact information regarding your local league coordinator.