



Essentials

What does Ephesians 4:4-6 have to say about essentials?

Ephesians 4:4-6 - ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. (NIV)

What does Romans 14 have to say about non-essentials?

Romans 14:1, 4, 12, 22 - ¹Accept him whose faith is weak, without passing judgment on disputable matters... ⁴Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. And he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand... ¹²So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God... ²²So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the man who does not condemn himself by what he approves. (NIV)

How does 1 Corinthians 13:2 tell us we should handle disagreements of essentials?

1 Corinthians 13:2 - *If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.* (NIV)

1. What do the following verses tell us about God?

Genesis 1:1 - *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.* (NIV)

Matthew 28:19 - *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...* (NIV)

Isaiah 46:9-10 - *Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.* (NIV)

2. What do the following verses tell us about Jesus Christ?

Matthew 1:22-23 - *All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"—which means, "God with us."* (NIV)

Hebrews 4:14-15 - *Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin.* (NIV)

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 - *For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.* (NIV)

Acts 1:9-11 - ⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. ¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." (NIV)

3. What do the following verses tell us about The Holy Spirit?

2 Corinthians 3:17 - *Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.* (NIV)

John 16:7-13 - ⁷But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment... ¹³But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will

Speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. (NIV)

John 14:16-17 - And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. (NIV)

Ephesians 1:13 - And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit. (NIV)

Acts 1:8 – “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (NIV)

Galatians 5:25 - Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. (NIV)

4. What do the following verses tell us about the Bible?

2 Timothy 3:16 - All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. (NIV)

Psalms 119:160 - All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal. (NIV)

Isaiah 55:11 – “so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.” (NIV)

5. What do the following verses tell us about Humans?

Genesis 1:27 - So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. (NIV)

Isaiah 53:6 - We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. (NIV)

Isaiah 59:1-2 - Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear. But your

iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear. (NIV)

6. What do the following verses tell us about salvation?

Romans 6:23 - For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NIV)

Ephesians 2:8-9 - For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. (NIV)

John 14:6 - Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.” (NIV)

7. What do the following verses tell us about Eternal Security?

John 10:27-28 - My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. (NIV)

1 Peter 1:3-5 - ³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, ⁵who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. (NIV)

Hebrews 7:25 - Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them. (NIV)

8. What do the following verses tell us about eternity?

John 5:28-29 – “Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice and come out—those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.” (NIV)

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