Menu-Driven Bible Study – Version Number 5

01	**Churches:** Can Church A badmouth Church B? Example: A church, claiming to be in the Body of Christ recently came out with a full frontal attack against Garner Ted Armstrong and the ICG
02	**Lying in the Body of Christ**: How to eliminate it entirely using a prime Biblical example.
03	**Work of the ICG:** Did the Work and Message of Garner Ted Armstrong die with him?
04	**Apologetics:** What is Apologetics? What does it have to do with the Faith? Is there any room in the Church of God for Apologetics?
05	**Definition of "Independent Church":** What is an independent church? Is there such a thing?
06	**The only true church of God?** There are churches out there saying they are the only true church of God? Is it true that only one of the 350 groups from Worldwide is the true one? Problem is, several of them are saying it? Who are they saying it to? Must this be stated?
07	**Song service and prayer:** Why do we have the opening prayer AFTER the song service? Doesn't it sound more logical to enclose everything we do within prayer?
08	**Legalism:** ---what is it? Is the ICG legalistic? Is the entire Church of God legalistic?
09	**Growth in the church:** Is this proof of anything one-way or the other? Does the number of local churches, new churches or number of converts or baptisms have any bearing on God's true church? What can we do about growth or the lack there of?
10	**The perfect church:** Is it possible—probable that we could have a local ICG church or fellowship group in complete peace and harmony?

11	**New Church Starts:** How this is done (viewpoint of Web Site Office---present status and future plans).
12	**Meditation** --what is meditation? Why do we do it? What might be the best sequence with prayer and Bible Study?
13	**The 3 Basic and Essential rules for every Christian and every situation** ---every word, every thought, every action and every deed.
14	**Achieving Peace and Contentment:** 3 Rules for freeing up your life.
15	**Salvation:** What two spiritual elements will keep the most numbers of people out of the Kingdom of God?
16	**Second Chance:** Do humans ever get a second chance in the Plan of God? Is our calling to the Salvation Process, a second chance? Is the Second Resurrection a second chance? Is repentance a second chance?
17	**Can a firstfruit leave a church organization?** If so, how, for what reasons?
18	**Spiritual Maturity**: When does spiritual maturity come? How is it attained?
19	**The Spiritual Diary** Have you ever given thought to keeping a spiritual diary? How does it work?
20	**What is the difference between "free choice" and "Godly Calling"?**
21	**Self-Examination:** Before the Bread and Wine of Passover, just how do I examine myself?
22	**Spiritual Lesson about God:** What spiritual lesson do we learn from the biblical town of Ai that was encountered by Israel right after the fall of Jericho?

23	**Is voting a sin?** Can we vote? Should we vote? What is our doctrine on the subject?
24	**Women:** What will be the role of women in the spiritual Kingdom of God? (Note: question repeated in Kingdom Related Topics)
25	**Idea babies**, theories, prophesy ideas, doctrine AND the Book of Acts. How can we use the concept of the Book of Acts to try and test these things?
26	**What is a biblical twig?** Why do we get involved with them? What are the pitfalls?
27	**Godly Correction** How does God correct the church? By what means would He bring the correction? What is the essential element that must be present in one to give or receive the correction? Who would God use to bring the correction? Who would He not use?
28	**The 24 Elders**: Who or what are the 24 Elders of God?
29	**Root of Bitterness:** What is it? Confusion might exist because the phrase has been used two different ways in the church.
30	**Good overcoming Evil.** Many movies and television shows have a theme of good overcoming evil. Some justify the violence and other untoward elements [witchcraft, sorcery, gore, etc.] because of the good overcoming the evil. Is this a biblically or Godly justified theme?
31	**What is our doctrine? -discussion One** Is it our booklets or sermons or our doctrinal statements?

32	**Religious Debate:** Why do religious/spiritual arguments and debates not work? Does the Word of God encourage argument and debate? If someone is in 100% opposition to you on a religious, spiritual or Biblical subject, what can we conclude? What does Gal. 5:19-21 have to say about this.
33	**Matthew 7:15-20** What "fruit" means. (Note: question repeated in Scripture Related Topics)
34	**Standards:** Should ministers be held to a higher standard? What does our doctrine say? Is there a "higher standard"?
35	**Newly revealed knowledge:** What is it? How is it imparted? What is usually given? Has Chris Cumming ever received such knowledge?
36	**Infallibility of the minister:** Are ministers infallible? If the sermon is inspired does this mean the sermon will be perfect? Ditto Bible Studies and counseling.
37	**Minister & Member:** Disagreements between minister and member on non-salvation subjects and various speculations or opinions on various subjects.
38	**Complaint of a detractor-- Situation with question**: A person told me that in the past, a minister had led him astray. Is this possible? How would God evaluate the situation?
39	**Self Promotion - Self-Serving Attitudes.** What is this? How does it manifest itself? Does it work?
40	**Matthew 7:15-20** What "fruit" means. (Note: question repeated in Ministry Related Topics)

41	**Luke 15—The parable of the Lost Sheep:** Misused and misapplied scripture. Who are the lost sheep? Are they people who left the ICG? Can ministers and members be likened to the shepherd who goes after the lost sheep?
42	**Matthew 10:8:** "Freely thou has received, freely give" This verse has often been misapplied. What does it really mean? What does it have to do with the present-day Work of God and our giving out free booklets and tapes?
43	**Matthew 18 Process**. Detailed step-by-step procedure. Goals and Purposes of the Process. What are the pitfalls?
44	**Matthew 18:20 "Where two or three of you are gathered":** Misused and misapplied scripture. What is this verse actually referring to?
45	**Blessing on the meal in public places:** —when, where, how—especially in public places such as restaurants.
46	**Who can judge your humility?**
47	**Is there such thing as "a geographically isolated member?"**
48	**Accusers and Accusation:** Is there any room in the church for accusers? Is there ANY biblical foundation for one to accuse his or her brother in the faith? What does the Bible say about accusers and the end time?
49	**Is worry a sin?**
50	**Sermons/Sermonettes-- Situation/Attitude:** "Hey, you pointed that sermon/sermonette at ME!!"
51	**Sermons/Sermonettes:** Are they clubs with which to beat my brother over the head?
52	**"I'm just not being fed over there?"** Is this a valid complaint?

53	**Is someone telling you what to believe?** This is a charge brought from detractors and those fallen away from the faith. Is it a valid charge? Should it be?
54	**"All I Do is Pay and Pray":** Have you ever heard someone lament, "All I do in this church organization is pray and pay." Is this a legitimate complaint?
55	**Women:** What will be the role of women in the spiritual Kingdom of God? (Note: question repeated in Doctrinal Related Topics)
56	**Kingdom of God: Authority vs. Character:** How will God rule Earth for the 1,000 years? How will He rule the firstfruits? How will God rule the Kingdom of God after the 1,000 years and White Throne Judgment?
57	**What are Fear Religion and Headline Religion?**
58	**The Era of the Slick Argument:** How does it work? How does it manifest itself?
59	**Prophecy: What is the purpose of prophecy?** How do we interpret prophecy? What do we need to know now? How do we prove prophecy? Is knowledge of prophecy required for Salvation?
60	**Prophecy: Prophecy vs. The Salvation Process** The battle for your time and your mind.
61	**Prophet vs. Gospel-spreader:** What is the difference?
62	**Condemnation:** What is "condemnation?" What is "damnation?" Can firstfruits condemn others? Can one be condemned or damned by a firstfruit for leaving a physical church organization? Can firstfruits condemn things? What does the Bible say about judging and condemning others?

63	**Gambling:** Is gambling a sin? What is gambling? Why is this subject so volatile? Can a firstfruit buy a lottery ticket? What does this subject teach us about good and bad theology?
64	**What is our doctrine? -discussion Two** Just how many doctrines do we have? What are the subject headings for these doctrines? That is, what is our doctrine about? How are our doctrines constructed? Where do doctrines come from? That is, who is the author of each one?
65	**What is doctrine vs. a personal element of belief?** What is a personal element of belief? How does it differ from doctrine? Do we or can we have a personal element of belief within one of our doctrines? How do we deal with differing personal elements of belief
66	**1 Thessalonians 5:22: – "Abstain from all appearance of evil."** –Mistranslated, misapplied and often misunderstood scripture. –What is the more correct rendering of this verse? To whom is this scripture directed? –How is it misused? What is an "appearance of evil?"
67	**Matthew 7:1 –Judge not, that ye be not judged** What is this verse saying? Is ALL judging wrong? Is there a right kind of judging? If so, how is it done?
68	**How Churches are Scattered** Why it happens. How it happens. What to watch for. What you can do.
69	**What motivates a firstfruit to righteousness?** What motivates people in our church to start tithing and to keep the Sabbath, Holy days etc.?
70	Are you a member of a splinter group? What is a splinter group? Is the ICG a splinter group?
71	Bible Studies How are Bible studies conducted in the ICG? Can anyone in the ICG conduct a group Bible study in his or her home? If not, why not?
72	**It's All About Godly Calling** What is Godly Calling? How does it work? What decisions does the firstfruit get to make?

73	**Little White Lies:** Is telling little white lies okay? Isn't it a fact that God looks on the intent of the heart? Aren't these lies permissible if their intent is to make someone feel better about themselves?
74	**Are We Carrying on the Work of Herbert W. Armstrong?** Some churches are claiming to be carrying on the work of Herbert W. Armstrong. Is this a valid claim? What was the work of Herbert W. Armstrong?
75	**The Gnostic Movement is alive and well in the Body of Christ.** What is the Gnostic movement? What is the chief motivational factor that would draw one to this movement? What are their beliefs and doctrines?
76	**Is it the "Lord's Supper" or "Passover"?** Both terms are used. Which is correct? Is "Lord's Supper" a man-made term? Is there more than one definition of the word, "Passover"?
77	**"Final Place of Grooming"** Those who teach there is a place of safety often give the justification that it is a place of final spiritual grooming prior to the return of Christ. Is this idea an example of good theology? Is it spiritually logical?
78	**Literature and tapes from other church organizations** Is getting literature and tapes from other church organizations a good idea? What are the pitfalls? What biblical imperative comes into play for the member?
79	**Preparing for the Great Tribulation?** What should a firstfruit do in physical preparation for the Great Tribulation? Should firstfruits be storing food and water? How much? What is the difference between stewardship and hoarding? What role does faith play?
80	**Who is Our Mission Field?** Our doctrine and constitution says much to our mission of spreading the gospel. It says very little regarding to whom we are spreading it. Who is our mission field? What groups does God have us targeting? What is our intention for each group? What response are we hoping for with each group?