

Application Questions for XP5

The Gospel of Mark

For the 2026-2027 Bible Quiz season

Sources for Application Questions:

Fire Bible Student Edition (FBSE) in the New Living Translation, published in 2015 by Life Publishers, Springfield, MO.

Junior Bible Quiz (JBQ) questions, the number is that of the Fact-Pak questions.

The College Press NIV Commentary: Mark (Black) by Allen Black, published in 1995 by College Press, Joplin, MO.

Life Application New Testament Commentary (Barton) by Bruce Barton, Philip Comfort, et al., published in 2001 by Tyndale, Wheaton, IL.

NOTE: This file includes only the Application Questions that apply to the XP5 league. These questions are taken from the larger body of Application Questions designed for all Bible Quiz leagues.

Application Question Rules:

1. You cannot contest validity of application questions.
2. Application questions should be treated like a complete answer requiring all of the phrases, clauses, and key words. The exception would be if they are quotation questions or chapter analysis.
3. Application questions designated with chapter analysis answers follow the rules for chapter analysis answers.
4. Application quotation questions must be quoted perfectly like every other quote. However, they do not have to abide by the primary verse rules of Contender and XP5.
5. XP5, Contender, and Championship will only quiz over the application questions that match the new material for each league meet of their respective divisions with no review questions.
6. The finish of an interrupted question follows the standard rules for finishing an interrupted question.
7. Active quizzers are allowed to look at application questions during confers, contests, and timeouts if the coach brings it to the table.

League 1

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

When was the book of Mark written?

M 1 Between A.D. 55 and 65

FBSE 1493

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

Who wrote this gospel?

M 1 John Mark, the cousin of Barnabas

Black Intro

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

What does it mean to be baptized with the Holy Spirit?

M 1:8 To be immersed, cleansed and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

FBSE 1495

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why is it important that the Holy Spirit descended on Jesus?

M 1:10 Despite being fully God, Jesus willingly laid aside his rights and privileges as God and lived fully human. He was fully dependent on the Holy Spirit just like we have to be.

FBSE 1414

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

How does the baptism of Jesus show us the Trinity?

M 1:15 All three persons of the Trinity are present: God the Father spoke acknowledging Jesus as His Son, and the Holy Spirit came to empower Jesus for ministry.

FBSE 1495

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

What is a synagogue?

M 1:21 The synagogue was the local Jewish gathering place for prayer, teaching and worship on the Sabbath and education and community events throughout the week.

FBSE 1497

League 2

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

Where is the region of the Gerasenes?

M 5:1 It was part of the Ten Cities, a largely non-Jewish area east of the Sea of Galilee. Black

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

What is a legion?

M 5:9 A Roman military division which contained about 6000 soldiers and support troops. Black

Question number for 30 points. Application question. 4-Part answer.

Why did the demons beg to be sent into the pigs?

M 5:12 They knew they had to submit to Jesus
They did not want to be sent to some distant place
They knew Jesus would not let them go into the city where they could possess other people
There were enough unclean animals in the area to host all the demons Barton 163

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why was it significant that Jairus fell at the feet of Jesus?

M 5:22 As a synagogue ruler, Jairus held an important position in the town. To fall down before Jesus and plead for him to come heal his daughter was a significant and daring act of respect and worship. Barton 164

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why was the woman with the constant bleeding frightened when Jesus called her?

M 5:33 She was afraid of how Jesus would react, since according to Leviticus she had made him unclean by touching him while she had constant bleeding. Black

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

What is one lesson we learn from the death of Jairus' daughter?

M 5:36 We should place our trust in God even when it seems as if all is lost. FBSE 1507

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why does Mark record that Jesus held the dead girl's hand?

M 5:41 According to Leviticus, touching a dead body made a person unclean. Jesus was more concerned about compassion and raising the girl to life than remaining clean according to the Law. Barton 166

League 3

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Since Jesus was God and the Messiah, why would he refer to himself as a prophet?

M 6:4 Jesus was referencing his role that was prophesied by Moses in Deuteronomy 18:18-19 as the prophet like Moses who would speak the very words of God. FBSE 1693

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

Who was Herod Antipas?

M 6:14 The son of Herod the Great. He ruled Galilee for the Romans after his father's death. Black

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why was John the Baptist in prison?

M 6:17 Herod's sin was ignored by all the Jewish authorities, but not by John who stood with God, preached God's commandments fearlessly, and opposed sin, even though it cost him imprisonment and his life. FBSE 1439

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

Besides Jesus' resurrection, what is the only miracle told in all four Gospels?

M 6:30 Jesus Feeds Five Thousand Barton 171

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

What is compassion?

M 6:34 Compassion is a deep sincere emotion that involves feeling sorrow for another's suffering and misfortune as well as being willing to take action to help the person in need. FBSE 1508

Question number for 10 points. Scripture text application question.

What did Jesus mean by the phrase, quote, "sheep without a shepherd"?

M 6:34 Sheep are easily scattered and lost; without a shepherd they are in grave danger. Barton 171

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

What can we learn from Jesus using the five loaves and two fish?

M 6:41 No matter how little we have God can multiply the effects of what we surrender to him. FBSE 1509

Question number for 10 points. Application question.

Jesus walking on the water reflects back to what Old Testament verse?

M 6:48 Job 9:8 Black

League 4

Question number for 10 points. Scripture text application question.

What did Jesus mean when he said, quote, “I feel sorry for these people”?

M 8:2 Jesus has compassion for human needs and hurts, and he shows it by taking care of our needs. FBSE 1513

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

How was a sign different from miraculous healings?

M 8:11 Healings are when God makes a sick person well. A sign is when a prophet said something would happen, whether miraculous or not, and it came to pass, demonstrating that he was telling the truth from God.

Barton 179

Question number for 30 points. 2-Part application question.

What is the yeast of the Pharisees, and what is the yeast of Herod?

M 8:15 The yeast of the Pharisees refers to their extra religious traditions, which caused them to set aside God’s true commands, ignore portions of his Word, and disregard what God truly desires.
The yeast of Herod refers to a worldly mindset which caused him to resist God and demand a sign from Jesus to prove he was God. FBSE 1513

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Regarding the parable of the Yeast of the Pharisees and Herod, what does the disciples’ failure to understand reveal?

M 8:21 The disciples failed to let go of their expectations about the Messiah which caused them to not see who Jesus really was despite the amazing miracles he did. Black

Question number for 10 points. Statement and application question.

Jesus warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

When could they tell everyone?

M 8:30 After he was raised from the dead Black

Question number for 20 points. Scripture text application question.

Why did Jesus exclaim to Peter, quote, “Get away from me, Satan!”?

M 8:33 Peter’s attempt to deter Jesus from suffering and dying presented the same temptation and point of view that Satan confronted Jesus with during his temptation in the desert. FBSE 1514

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

What does it mean to take up your cross?

M 8:34 To make a deliberate choice to give up our own selfish desires in order to follow Christ knowing we will face ridicule, suffering, and maybe even death while living for him. FBSE 1514

Question number for 20 points. Application question.

Why should we not be ashamed of Jesus and his message?

M 8:38 All who are more concerned about how people view them rather than how God views them will be rejected by Christ when he returns. FBSE 1515