

The Beginnings of Religion - Questions

1. What are the two general kinds of religion?
2. What is meant by “revealed religion” ?
3. What is meant by “natural religion”?
4. Why do we speak of the heathen systems of religion as “natural religion”?
5. What is the fundamental difference between these pagan religions and the revealed religions?
6. What are the inadequacies of all pagan religions?
7. What are the revealed religions?
8. Where do we find the authentic record of the principles, laws and institutions of these revealed religions?

9. What is the only revealed religion that is in force today? (John 1:17; 2 Cor. 3:1-14; Gal. 3:23-28; Col. 2:13-15; Heb. 8, etc)

10. What was the first institution of revealed religion that God established?

11. What was the Altar? (Gen. 8:20, 12:7,8, 13:18, 22:9, 26:25, 33:20; Ex. 17:15, 20:24-26; Josh. 8:30, 22:10; Judg. 6:25-27, 21:4; 1 Sam. 7:17, 14:35; 2 Sam. 24:21, 25; 1 King. 18:30-32; 2 Chron. 4:1, etc.)

12. What purpose was the Altar designed to server?

13. What was the first positive ordinance of true religion that God ordained?

14. Where do we find the first mention of **sacrifice** in the Scriptures?

15. Why did God accept Abel's offering and reject Cain's?

16. What was the essential difference between Abel's offering and Cain's offering, that resulted in God's acceptance of the former and His rejection of the latter?

17. What important lesson, respecting divine ordinances, should we derive from this incident?