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Dear Friends,

Prayer Request: *For a decade we have had special permission to print the Navigator Salvation series for distribution to prisoners. Now with the sale of Navigator Press that kind option is in jeopardy. Please ask the Lord to keep the door open for publication with the new owners.*

"Doubting Thomas" has had a large following since his honest assertion in the Jerusalem upper room: "Unless I see...I will not believe." (Luke 20:25) It's difficult for those who reason to walk into the realm of faith. This month we want you to meet another Thomas. His comments to the "What Do You Say" questions of the first course, *Born To Win*, are representative of the doubter who is searching. I think you will appreciate his honesty and I hope you will pray for Thomas and his journey to faith. How would you counsel Thomas?

Rodger Turley, Director

Exam 1: Are you lost or are you saved? "Somewhere in between. My sins are confessed; I'm unafraid to die. I have spiritual faith in something, but unsure what it is. Hoping these courses will help me understand what I believe. God exists to me, but doesn't have a face or a name yet. I talk to him, but don't know who is listening."

Exam 2: What is your philosophy of life – to keep, to take, or to share? "I spent my life taking to please my own desires. Two years ago I discovered Narcotics Anonymous and the idea of God and faith. Today I 'do what's right for the right reasons.' I would please God in my actions today."

Exam 3: On what do you base your hope of salvation and heaven? "I struggle with the idea of heaven. I know God forgives my sins, but don't know what happens when we die. No one does. The people that die can't tell us the truth."

Exam 4: Which one best pictures you – the self-righteous older brother or the repentant prodigal? "Both, but I'm working on coming home and humbling myself to a God I don't yet understand."

Exam 5: Where do you expect to spend eternity? "No idea. If there is a hell, I should be there. I don't deserve heaven, if it exists."

Exam 6: In what way was Zaccheus better off when he became a believer in Christ and gave away so much of his money? "Money is the root of all evil. It can't buy happiness or love. Better to be happy than rich."

Exam 7: What do you think God thinks about you? "He would be pleased with the man I've become, but ashamed of what my past holds. I can't say I understand any religion of denomination enough to identify my God."

Exam 8: What meaning does Jesus' death on the cross have for you? Do you believe he died for you? Have you thanked Him? "None. No. No."

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Exam 9: On which side of the cross do you stand – with the repentant man or with the others? “I’m still one who would have crucified him. If he rose, then I would believe after seeing it for myself. Not yet convinced and not sure why.”

Exam 10: Have you said “I do” to the Lord Jesus Christ and committed yourself to Him to save you? “No. I have faith in a God, but struggle to identify one. All religions have ‘true stories,’ so how can I refuse one and accept another, not really knowing right from wrong.”

Exam 11: Have you learned a lesson from the Savior you want to tell others about? “I’ve relearned a lot of what I know in my heart to be true. Living the way I used to was against my own beliefs about life.”

Exam 12: God has promised to honor those who honor Him. How can you honor Him today? “I honor God by living in the present, and doing the right thing even when I don’t like the results.”

My Personal Answer: I am definitely interested in being saved, but would like to have additional information regarding the following subjects. “I am still lost in my journey. I understand, but have not yet accepted him as my savior. I would like to continue lessons in hopes of finding where my struggles lie.”

SO GRATEFUL FOR THIS STUDY

In contrast, another student made 100% on *Men Who Met The Master* and had so many wise and thoughtful answers. Here is his answer to: “What shall I do then with Jesus who is called the Christ?”

“Ask him if I am worthy to kiss his feet? Honestly, I am so grateful for this study. Tonight, for the first time in my life, I can say I feel a closeness with Jesus! God has softened my heart so I can build my personal relationship with Him! I owe you guys/girls many thanks. I love ya’ll. I just broke out in tears because this is the first time I’ve been able to feel this close to Him. I’ve been saved since 2005, before I went into Iraq. I fought near Babylon and have been trying to find peace ever since.

“I learned that He is preparing me a place, but while He prepares my place, He also prepares me for that place.”

Jeremy

MARCH	
Ministry Statistics *****	
Enrolled Students	6,651
New Enrollees (<i>Born To Win</i>)	821
Professions of Faith	27
Course Books Mailed	5,194
Course Exams Completed	3,434
Student Achievements *****	
Curriculum Completed	5
Operation Finances *****	
Funds Budgeted:	\$14,166.67
Funds Received:	\$10,133.14
Funds Expended:	\$19,509.41
Postage:	\$7,419.38
Courses:	\$5,388.98
Printing:	\$2,257.11
Funded Salary:	\$592.92
Other:	\$3,851.02 **
Net MTD:	(\$9,376.27)
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