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IS THIS ADAGE BIBLICAL?

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In the spirit of a little summertime fun and relaxation, here's a way to check your familiarity with Scripture and the origin of 47 well known adages. Circle 'Y' if the adage is a direct quote from the Bible, 'N' if it isn't. If the adage expresses a Biblical principle but is not an exact quote, circle 'N' and 'P' and cite a text(s) that documents your claim. Contact us for an answer key, or check our web site anytime after July 9. Have a great Summer!

1. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Y • N • P
2. Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves. Y • N • P
3. All good things come to an end. Y • N • P
4. An apple a day keeps the doctor away. Y • N • P
5. Cleanliness is next to godliness. Y • N • P
6. Where no counsel is, the people fall; but in a multitude of counselors there is safety. Y • N • P
7. God to Noah: "No rain, son? No rainbow, sonny." Y • N • P
8. Actions speak louder than words. Y • N • P
9. Red sky at night? Sailor's delight. Red in the morning? Sailor's warning. Y • N • P

10. Iron sharpens iron, So one man sharpens another.

Y • N • P

11. Play not with bad boys. Y • N • P

12. There's no time like the present.

Y • N • P

13. A soft answer turns away wrath.

Y • N • P

14. There's no such thing as a free lunch. Y • N • P

15. Only two things in life are certain — death and taxes. Y • N • P

16. Let he who is without sin among you cast the first stone. Y • N • P

17. The early bird gets the worm. Y • N • P

18. Crime pays. Y • N • P

19. All truth is God's truth. Y • N • P

20. Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another. Y • N • P

21. Seeing is believing. Y • N • P

22. God helps those who help themselves. Y • N • P

23. Better to live in a corner of the roof than in a house with a contentious woman. Y • N • P

24. Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you mad. Y • N • P

25. Never mix sleeping pills and laxatives. Y • N • P

26. Better is a dish of vegetables where love is than a fattened ox and hatred with it. Y • N • P

27. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. Y • N • P

28. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Y • N • P

29. Whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. Y • N • P

30. A watched pot never boils. Y • N • P

31. The proof is in the pudding. Y • N • P

32. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Y • N • P

33. Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape. Y • N • P

34. A man's work's from sun to sun, but a woman's work is never done. Y • N • P

35. If it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck...it's gotta be a duck. Y • N • P

36. There is nothing new under the sun. Y • N • P

37. All's well that ends well. Y • N • P



38. A merry heart doeth good like medicine. Y • N • P

39. A friend in need can sometimes be a real pest. Y • N • P

40. Character is what a man is in the dark. Y • N • P

41. Candy is dandy, but liquor is quicker. Y • N • P

42. Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler. Y • N • P

43. Cold hands, warm heart. Y • N • P

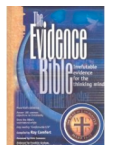
44. There are no atheists in foxholes. Y • N • P

45. Tell the truth, shame the devil. Y • N • P

46. All are divinely predestined to act of their own free will. Y • N • P

47. Thus the last shall be first, and the first last. Y • N • P

SOURCES: *The Way of the Master Evidence Bible*, p1484; Hardback, 1720 pages; ©2003 Bridge-Logos Publishers, Orlando FL 32822; <http://www.freeewebs.com/1001truism/1001truism.htm>; other web sites.



More Evidence in Defense and Confirmation of the Christian Faith

IS THIS ADAGE BIBLICAL? ANSWER KEY

1. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Y. Proverbs 9:10. NASB
2. Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves. Y. Romans 14:22b NASB
3. All good things come to an end. N. Heaven is one good thing that will last forever. Revelation 22:5
4. An apple a day keeps the doctor away. N
5. Cleanliness is next to godliness. N
6. Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety. Y. Proverbs 11:14 KJV
7. God to Noah: "No rain, son? No rainbow, sonny." N
8. Actions speak louder than words. N. P. 1 John 3:18. James 2:15-17.
9. Red sky at night? Sailor's delight. Red in the morning? sailor's warning. N. P. Matthew 16:2-3
10. Iron sharpens iron, So one man sharpens another. Y. Proverbs 27:17
11. Play not with bad boys. N. P. Psalm 1:1
12. There's no time like the present. N. P. 2 Corinthians 6:2. Are you saved? Are you 100% certain that you'll go to heaven when you die? Don't delay getting right with God.
13. A soft answer turneth away wrath. Y. Proverbs 15:1, KJV
14. There's no such thing as a free lunch. N. P. Won't work? Won't eat. 2 Thessalonians 3:10
15. Only two things in life are certain – death and taxes. N. But it's true that no one avoids death. Hebrews 9:27.
16. Let he who is without sin among you cast the first stone. Y. John 8:7
17. The early bird gets the worm. N.
18. Crime pays. N. P. Romans 6:23.
19. All truth is God's truth. N. John 17:17; John 14:6; James 2:19
20. Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another. Y. Romans 13:8
21. Seeing is believing. N. Hebrews 11:1; John 20:29; 2 Corinthians 5:7;
22. God helps those who help themselves. N. Romans 5:6
23. Better to live in a corner of a roof than in a house with a contentious woman. Y. Proverbs 21:9
24. Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you mad. N. This was stated by Aldous Huxley, thus distorting Jesus' words in John 8:32
25. Never mix sleeping pills and laxatives. N.
26. Better is a dish of vegetables where love is, than a fattened ox and hatred with it. Y. Proverbs 15:17.
27. All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. N.
28. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. N. James 5:20.
29. Whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. Y. Galatians 6:7.
30. A watched pot never boils. N. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F--YK3aGGXs>
31. The proof is in the pudding. N. Hebrews 11:1, KJV. Romans 10:17.
32. Blessed are the meek (gentle, NASB), for they shall inherit the earth. Y. Matthew 5:5.
33. Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape. N.
34. A man's work's from sun to sun, but a woman's work is never done. N. Proverbs 31:18 does not address the nature of a man's work.
35. If it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck ... it's gotta be a duck. N. P. Luke 6:43-44; Matthew 7:16
36. There is nothing new under the sun. Y. Ecclesiastes 1:9.
37. All's well that ends well. N. For the Christian, the end does not necessarily *ever* justify the means.
38. A merry heart doeth good like medicine. Y. Proverb 17:22. KJV
39. A friend in need can sometimes be a real pest. N. P. Luke 11:5ff
40. Character is what a man is in the dark. N. P. These words are attributed to evangelist D. L. Moody. Psalm 101:2-3.
41. Candy is dandy, but liquor is quicker. N.
42. Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler. Y. Proverbs 20:1.
43. Cold hands, warm heart. N.
44. There are no atheists in fox holes. N
45. Tell the truth, shame the devil. N.
46. All are divinely predestined to act of their own free will. N. Rom. 8:30
47. Thus the last shall be first, and the first last. Y. Matthew 20:16, NASB; the words of Jesus.