Bible Questions and Answers John MacArthur

- I. Introduction.
- II. If we have the same spirit, why is there so many differences in our doctrine? (John 16, 1 Corinthians 12)
 - A. We all possess the Spirit of God.
 - B. John 16:13 is a promise to inspiration—it is not a promise to all.
 - C. The reasons men differ in interpretation are because of sin, different presuppositions and people do not always study well.
 - D. Differences can be limited if we go to the Word of God in prayer and assess our own presuppositions.
- III. What makes the difference between a Christian who floats along and one that is dynamic?
 - A. Everybody is different—some are given more power and ability than others. (Romans 12:6, 1 Peter 4:11)
 - B. The Spirit gives ability and power as he chooses.
 - C. Commitment also plays a part of this. This is the only part we are responsible for.
 - (1 Corinthians 4, Colossians 3, Ephesians 5)
- IV. How much time before we are called home? No one knows the day or the hour.
- V. Should the US help other nations in war? God has given nations the right to execute judgment on others. (Romans 13)
- VI. Does divorce disqualify a man from serving as an elder? Divorce removes a man's ability to demonstrate his qualifications for eldership. (1 Timothy 3)
- VII. Why create Satan when God knew he would cause us to sin? No one can understand these eternal questions.
- VIII. Is it proper for a man to be able to rebuke a man if you are a woman? Yes. Perfect help mates need to tell their husbands where they need help. (Matthew 18)
- IX. Is a soul a soul at conception? Yes.
- X. How do you feel about a woman being a pastor? Scripture forbids women from being pastors. (1 Timothy 2:11)
- XI. God loves the whole world, but he has a special love for his elect. (John 14-17, Amos 3:2)
- XII. How do we know if being a missionary is against God's will? One will know by circumstances and one's heart's desire if one is living an obedient life before God.
- XIII. How would you respond to a Jehovah's witness? They should be confronted as false prophets.

Application Questions:

1. Which answer did you find most helpful? How did it help you?
2. What are some ways the speaker suggests finding answers to other questions not addressed here?
3. What is one question you have that was not addressed here? Research your question and write out the results below.