

The Gospel of **MARK**

NATIONAL MEMORIZATION AWARD GUIDELINES

The following guidelines are for the 2008-2009 Bible Quiz season over the Gospel of Mark:

1. The National Memorization Award is available to quizzers, grades 6-12, and to all Bible Quiz coaches and officials. The National Memorization Award rules and guidelines apply to **all participants** (quizzers, coaches and officials) who are working on their 2009 National Memorization Award.
2. The coach or official to whom the quizzer quotes must not be a parent or family member. If the coach or official is a parent or family member of the quizzer, the quizzer must quote to another coach or official in the church. In the event that the parent or family member is the only Bible Quiz coach or official in the church, the quizzer may quote to their youth pastor, youth sponsor, senior pastor, league coordinator, district coordinator or another adult who has a firm understanding of the quoting rules.
3. All quizzers must quote an entire chapter, **at one sitting**, to a Bible Quiz coach or official.
4. The quizzer is permitted four mistakes per chapter. Each word that is omitted, repeated, added or changed counts as one mistake. If a quizzer corrects himself or herself, the correction still counts as a mistake.
5. The quizzer may quote the entire chapter as many times as necessary by May 1, 2009, to quote within the four-mistake limit.
6. Each quizzer must quote at least one entire chapter during a Sunday morning, Sunday evening or Wednesday evening service in their local church. The chapter may have been previously quoted to a coach (youth pastor, etc.) so that the number of mistakes in the pulpit will not hinder their award. Coaches should set the service date with the senior pastor on the church calendar early in the 2008-2009 quiz season.
7. Quizzers in grades 6 through 12 who compete in the "A" league during the 2008-2009 season must quote the entirety of Mark. Quizzers in grades 6 through 8 who compete in the Novice league are only required to quote Mark chapters 1-10. Quizzers in grades 6-12 who are competing in the "B" league ("C" league, etc.) over the Novice material are also only required to quote Mark chapters 1-10. However, both Novice and "B" league ("C" league, etc.) may also quote the entire Gospel of Mark if they so desire. Quizzers competing in a "B" league ("C" league, etc.) covering the "A" league material must quote the entire Gospel of Mark to be eligible for this award.
8. **All "B" league ("C" league, etc.) and Novice quizzers who move up to the "A" division for official competition will be considered "A" league quizzers, and, therefore, must quote the Gospel of Mark in its entirety in order to receive their National Memorization Award.**
9. Only students who complete the "A" league National Memorization Award, covering all of Mark, will be eligible for Bible Quiz National Memorization Award scholarships offered through many Assemblies of God colleges and universities. Students who earn the Novice or "B" league Memorization Award will **not** be eligible for scholarships from the national office or from any Assembly of God college or university (unless specified by that college or university).
10. All National Memorization Award guidelines must be met in order to be eligible for the Master Memorization Award (MMA). Please see MMA guidelines for more information.
11. Only the official National & Master Memorization Award form will be accepted. These forms must be postmarked or faxed no later than May 1, 2009. There will be no exceptions for forms that are postmarked or faxed after the deadline. Any non-official forms and/or any forms received after the deadline will be returned to the church or coach and an award will not be issued.

If you have any questions concerning the 2008-2009 National Memorization Award, please contact the Bible Quiz office by phone at 417.862.2781, x4034 or by email at bq@ag.org.