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- Fewer than half of adults can name the four Gospel accounts.
- Many professed Christians cannot identify more than two or three of the Apostles.
- According to 82% of Americans, "*God helps those who help themselves,*" is a Bible verse.
- The majority of adults believe the Bible teaches that the most purpose in life is taking care of one's family.

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- At least 12% of adults believe Joan of Arc was Noah's wife.
- Over 50% of graduating senior believe that Sodom and Gomorrah were husband and wife.
- A considerable number of respondents to one particular poll believed the sermon on the mount was preached by Billy Graham.
- 60% of Americans can't name even five of the ten commandments.

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Why does it happen?

- apathy
- misplaced priorities
- postmodernism

What are its consequences?

- spiritual weakness
- misunderstanding
- misapplication

How can it be remedied?

- ✓ family devotional times
- ✓ Biblical emphasis in the church
- ✓ personal desire and responsibility