

# ASSEMBLIES OF GOD (AG) POLITY PRACTICE EXAM (SAMPLE)

## STUDY GUIDE



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# Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

# How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

## 1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

## 2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

## 3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

## 4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

## 5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

## 6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

## Questions

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- 1. What challenges did David Wilkerson face while ministering in New York City?**
  - A. Financial instability
  - B. Opposition from local authorities
  - C. Violence and threats to his safety
  - D. Isolation from other church leaders
- 2. What is a primary characteristic of leadership within the Assemblies of God?**
  - A. Leadership is based solely on seniority
  - B. Leadership involves collaboration and empowerment of others
  - C. Leadership is a position of authority without accountability
  - D. Leadership determines all doctrinal decisions
- 3. What is the Assemblies of God's view regarding faith and works?**
  - A. Salvation is achieved through good works alone
  - B. Good works are unnecessary after salvation
  - C. Salvation is by grace through faith, with good works as evidence
  - D. Faith and works are equally important for salvation
- 4. What is the Assemblies of God policy on church discipline?**
  - A. It seeks to expel unrepentant members immediately
  - B. It involves restoration and reconciliation based on biblical principles
  - C. It requires a vote from the congregation for any disciplinary action
  - D. It focuses on punishing wrongdoing rather than healing
- 5. What must accompany all resolutions presented to the Resolutions Committee?**
  - A. A list of supporters
  - B. A letter from the district council
  - C. The signature of the author or sponsor
  - D. A majority vote from the congregation

- 6. What overall impact did the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions have after its creation in 1919?**
- A. Decreased engagement in international missions
  - B. Increased focus on local community service
  - C. Growth in overseas mission work
  - D. Unity among different denominations
- 7. What is the Assemblies of God position on speaking in tongues?**
- A. Considered an obsolete practice
  - B. Solely for private prayer
  - C. The initial physical evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit
  - D. A secondary spiritual gift
- 8. Which of the following is required for a church to affiliate with the Assemblies of God?**
- A. Meet a minimum active voting membership of 50
  - B. Accept the tenets of faith of the Assemblies of God
  - C. Provide a yearly donation to the Assemblies of God
  - D. Conduct annual community service events
- 9. What is a primary focus of the Assemblies of God in missions?**
- A. Building local community centers
  - B. Supporting missionaries through funding and prayer
  - C. Encouraging self-sustainability of local congregations
  - D. Establishing businesses in foreign countries
- 10. What is the Assemblies of God stance on tithing?**
- A. It discourages tithing as a means of financial gain
  - B. It encourages tithing as an act of worship and obedience to God
  - C. It considers tithing optional for church members
  - D. It promotes tithing only during special church events

## **Answers**

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1. C
2. B
3. C
4. B
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## **Explanations**

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## 1. What challenges did David Wilkerson face while ministering in New York City?

- A. Financial instability
- B. Opposition from local authorities
- C. Violence and threats to his safety**
- D. Isolation from other church leaders

David Wilkerson faced significant challenges during his ministry in New York City, particularly concerning violence and threats to his safety. As a street preacher and founder of the Teen Challenge program, Wilkerson dedicated himself to working with gang members and individuals struggling with addiction. The environment in which he ministered was often volatile and dangerous, exposing him to potential violence from those involved in gang activities, as well as threats that could arise from opposing groups or individuals. His commitment to reach out to troubled youth put him in precarious situations, requiring strong conviction and faith to navigate the risks associated with his mission. This focus on addressing the issues related to violence and personal safety reflects the broader challenges many urban ministers face when they engage with marginalized communities, where social conditions can lead to conflict and danger. While financial instability, opposition from local authorities, and isolation from other church leaders are certainly issues that many ministers can encounter, the specific context of Wilkerson's work in a high-crime environment highlights why the challenge of violence and threats was particularly relevant to his ministry and mission in New York City.

## 2. What is a primary characteristic of leadership within the Assemblies of God?

- A. Leadership is based solely on seniority
- B. Leadership involves collaboration and empowerment of others**
- C. Leadership is a position of authority without accountability
- D. Leadership determines all doctrinal decisions

In the Assemblies of God, a primary characteristic of leadership is the emphasis on collaboration and the empowerment of others. This approach reflects the organization's commitment to fostering a spirit of teamwork, shared responsibility, and mutual support among church members and leaders alike. Leaders are seen as facilitators who inspire and equip others to utilize their spiritual gifts, creating an environment where collective ministry can flourish. This focus on empowerment contrasts with models that prioritize hierarchical authority or dictate that leadership is merely about commanding or making unilateral decisions. The Assemblies of God encourages leaders to work alongside others, promoting a culture where everyone's contributions are valued and where leadership is understood as a shared journey rather than a solitary one. This inclusive approach aligns with the organization's belief in the priesthood of all believers, supporting a participatory model of ministry that is integral to its mission and vision.

### 3. What is the Assemblies of God's view regarding faith and works?

- A. Salvation is achieved through good works alone
- B. Good works are unnecessary after salvation
- C. Salvation is by grace through faith, with good works as evidence**
- D. Faith and works are equally important for salvation

*The Assemblies of God teaches that salvation is a gracious gift from God received through faith, and this faith is evidenced by good works in the believer's life. This belief is grounded in the biblical principle that while salvation is not earned by human efforts or good deeds, true faith naturally produces a transformation that leads to good works. The idea is that these good works serve as a manifestation of a genuine faith and a changed heart, reflecting the believer's relationship with Christ. This doctrine emphasizes grace as the means of salvation while affirming that good works are an important aspect of the Christian life, serving as both a response to God's grace and an indicator of one's faith. It aligns with scriptures such as Ephesians 2:8-10, where Paul illustrates that while we are saved by grace through faith, we are also created for good works, which God has prepared in advance for us to do. In contrast, the other options misunderstand the relationship between faith, grace, and works, either by suggesting that works alone can save, denying the necessity of good works post-salvation, or implying that faith and works hold equal value in the context of salvation, which contradicts the core belief in salvation through grace alone.*

### 4. What is the Assemblies of God policy on church discipline?

- A. It seeks to expel unrepentant members immediately
- B. It involves restoration and reconciliation based on biblical principles**
- C. It requires a vote from the congregation for any disciplinary action
- D. It focuses on punishing wrongdoing rather than healing

*The Assemblies of God emphasizes a policy on church discipline that prioritizes restoration and reconciliation, aligning with biblical principles. This approach reflects a belief that the purpose of discipline is not punitive but rather aims to restore the relationship between the individual and the church community, as well as their relationship with God. By focusing on reconciliation, the church provides an opportunity for repentance and healing, fostering an environment where individuals can learn from their mistakes and grow in their faith. This approach is based on scriptural references, such as Galatians 6:1, which encourages members to restore those caught in sin gently. In the context of church discipline, this means that any actions taken are intended to guide and nurture those who have erred rather than simply remove or expel them. This restorative intent helps maintain a loving and supportive church environment. While discipline may involve correction, the overarching goal remains the spiritual health and wholeness of individuals and the church body as a whole.*

**5. What must accompany all resolutions presented to the Resolutions Committee?**

- A. A list of supporters
- B. A letter from the district council
- C. The signature of the author or sponsor**
- D. A majority vote from the congregation

*The correct answer highlights that all resolutions presented to the Resolutions Committee must be accompanied by the signature of the author or sponsor. This requirement serves several purposes within the Assemblies of God polity. Firstly, it establishes accountability by ensuring that there is a specific individual or group responsible for advocating for the resolution, which helps maintain integrity in the decision-making process. Secondly, having an identifiable sponsor allows the committee and the broader organization to engage directly with the author if there are questions or discussions regarding the resolution, ensuring clear communication. In the context of church governance and procedures, the signature signifies formal support and intent behind the resolution, indicating that it has genuine backing rather than being an arbitrary or anonymous proposal. This practice ensures that resolutions are taken seriously, reinforcing the orderly approach that characterizes the Assemblies of God polity. It distinguishes well-supported ideas from those that may not have undergone adequate reflection or consensus within the community.*

**6. What overall impact did the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions have after its creation in 1919?**

- A. Decreased engagement in international missions
- B. Increased focus on local community service
- C. Growth in overseas mission work**
- D. Unity among different denominations

*The Assemblies of God Foreign Missions had a significant impact after its establishment in 1919, primarily marked by a substantial growth in overseas mission work. This growth can be attributed to the organization's commitment to evangelism and outreach, which led to the establishment of numerous missionary efforts across various countries. By prioritizing international missions, the Assemblies of God was able to expand its influence and spread Pentecostal beliefs globally, marking a notable shift in how the denomination engaged with the world outside of the United States. The formation of the Foreign Missions Division allowed for better organization and funding of mission activities, which directly contributed to sending missionaries to diverse regions, addressing spiritual needs, and establishing churches. This expansion not only increased the number of congregations internationally but also fostered cultural exchange and engagement, allowing the denomination to grow significantly in membership and diversity. Other options, such as a decreased engagement in international missions or a shift toward local community service, do not align with the historical context of the Assemblies of God's mission strategy, which was decidedly outward-looking from its inception. While unity among different denominations is an important concept, the primary focus of the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions was about advancing its unique Pentecostal message rather than fostering denominational unity. Thus, the correct*

## 7. What is the Assemblies of God position on speaking in tongues?

- A. Considered an obsolete practice
- B. Solely for private prayer
- C. The initial physical evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit**
- D. A secondary spiritual gift

*The Assemblies of God holds that speaking in tongues is the initial physical evidence of the baptism in the Holy Spirit. This belief is rooted in the denomination's theological stance that upon receiving the baptism in the Holy Spirit, individuals will speak in tongues as a sign of this experience. This understanding is derived from several passages in the New Testament, particularly in the Book of Acts, where the apostles and other believers spoke in tongues as a manifestation of the Holy Spirit's presence. This position emphasizes the significance of speaking in tongues as not merely a secondary phenomenon or solely a personal devotional practice, but as an essential evidence of empowerment for ministry and service following the baptism in the Holy Spirit. In the context of Assemblies of God teachings, this practice is not viewed as obsolete or irrelevant; rather, it is actively encouraged as part of the ongoing experience of believers today. Conversely, the other perspectives presented fail to capture the core belief of the Assemblies of God regarding tongues, as they either minimize the role of tongues or describe it inaccurately within the framework of the Pentecostal experience.*

## 8. Which of the following is required for a church to affiliate with the Assemblies of God?

- A. Meet a minimum active voting membership of 50
- B. Accept the tenets of faith of the Assemblies of God**
- C. Provide a yearly donation to the Assemblies of God
- D. Conduct annual community service events

*To affiliate with the Assemblies of God, a church must accept the tenets of faith of the Assemblies of God. This requirement ensures that the church aligns with the foundational beliefs and doctrinal standards that characterize the Assemblies of God fellowship. These tenets encompass key theological beliefs, including the nature of Scripture, the essentials of salvation, the work of the Holy Spirit, and the significance of the Church. By affirming these tenets, a church demonstrates its commitment to the core values and doctrinal integrity of the Assemblies of God, fostering unity and shared purpose within the movement. The other options, while they may reflect practices that some churches engage in, are not prerequisites for affiliation. For instance, a minimum active voting membership or conducting community service may be part of a church's operational strategy, but they do not directly pertain to the essential theological alignment required for joining the fellowship. Similarly, the expectation to provide a yearly donation is not a foundational requirement for affiliation. Overall, the acceptance of the Assemblies of God tenets of faith serves as the primary basis for establishing a church's relationship with the fellowship, setting the doctrinal framework for its ministry and mission.*

## 9. What is a primary focus of the Assemblies of God in missions?

- A. Building local community centers
- B. Supporting missionaries through funding and prayer**
- C. Encouraging self-sustainability of local congregations
- D. Establishing businesses in foreign countries

*The primary focus of the Assemblies of God in missions is primarily on supporting missionaries through funding and prayer. This emphasis stems from a biblical mandate to spread the Gospel and reach the nations. The Assemblies of God believes in equipping and sending out missionaries to share the message of Jesus Christ, which requires financial resources and spiritual backing from the church community. Financial support enables missionaries to establish their presence in various parts of the world, allowing them to focus on evangelism, discipleship, and church planting without the burden of financial constraints. Prayer support is equally essential as it underpins the spiritual aspect of missions. The church encourages its members to pray for missionaries, acknowledging that spiritual warfare is a significant component of missionary work. Effective communication of the Gospel often involves overcoming cultural, linguistic, and spiritual barriers, making sustained prayer an invaluable asset in their mission efforts. While building local community centers, encouraging self-sustainability of local congregations, and establishing businesses in foreign countries may play roles in specific mission strategies or initiatives, the core mission of the Assemblies of God tends to prioritize the direct support and sustenance of missionaries to fulfill the Great Commission. Thus, the emphasis on financial and prayer support highlights a central aspect of how the Assemblies of God approaches its*

## 10. What is the Assemblies of God stance on tithing?

- A. It discourages tithing as a means of financial gain
- B. It encourages tithing as an act of worship and obedience to God**
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- D. It promotes tithing only during special church events

*The Assemblies of God emphasizes tithing as an important spiritual discipline and an expression of worship and obedience to God. This perspective is founded on biblical principles found in both the Old and New Testaments. Tithing, which traditionally refers to giving ten percent of one's income, is viewed as a way for believers to acknowledge God's sovereignty over their finances and to support the work of the church and its mission. In the teachings of the Assemblies of God, tithing is seen as more than just an obligation; it is a way to cultivate a generous spirit, reflect God's generosity, and participate in the advancement of His kingdom. This act of giving is encouraged as it fosters a deeper relationship with God and supports the church's ministry efforts, including outreach, missions, and community support. The other options suggest a less favorable or obligatory view of tithing, which does not align with the Assemblies of God's teachings that advocate for its practice as a vital aspect of faith and community life.*

## Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

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