

**Fifty Board Questions
for
N.C.C.A. Licensure Candidates**

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Candidate's signature

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Date

Signature of Clinical Supervisor/C.A.I. Director

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Sarasota, Florida

Name of Candidate (Please Print)

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Please provide your responses on separate paper and attach behind this questionnaire prior to returning it to the N.C.C.A. Your responses must be legible. Obviously, typewritten is preferred. Your answers are expected to be brief and to the point. When you are answering on a separate sheet of paper, please include the correlating question number you are responding to.

1. Under what circumstances and to whom would you disclose the substance of counseling?
2. What is your understanding of the place of the Lord Jesus Christ in your counseling format?
3. Would you, of your own free will, notify the authorities if your counselee told you that he/she committed a crime? Yes _____ No _____ Explain.
4. A client comes to you and firmly states "I do not believe in God." Do you: (circle best choice)
 - a. Affirm your faith and indicate that you cannot in conscience counsel with atheists.
 - b. Inform the client that you are a Christian counselor, but that you believe you can be of help to them without imposing your beliefs.
5. What do you do if you have a counselee who is:
 - a. of the opposite sex and becoming dependent upon you?
 - b. of the same sex and becoming dependent upon you?
6. Do you believe in and will you habitually practice ethical standards in all counseling situations? Yes _____ No _____
 What are some of the standards you intend to implement in your counseling practice?
7. Will you be able to wisely and prudently blend both scientific findings and religious data in your counseling? Yes _____ No _____
8. What functions do the Scriptures fulfill? (circle one)
 - a. Doctrine or systematic teaching.
 - b. Reproof or bringing conviction to those in error.
 - c. Instruction in righteousness.

- d. b and c
 - e. all of the above.
9. How do you plan to maintain personal career goals while striving to deny yourself and serve others?
 10. How can new life in Christ change a person's everyday life?
 11. What is the counselor's duty, in regards to helping the counselee with his/her growth and personal well-being?
 12. What does the counselor need in order to be successful at counseling? (List three things that the counselor needs)
 13. In a counseling situation would you: (circle one)
 - a. give your counselee options to which will help resolve his/her problems.
 - b. solve his/her problems.
 14. What procedures do you use for making referrals?
 15. How do you handle confidential material given to you during counseling sessions?
 16. Do you think you have a responsibility to keep your counselee's files in a secured place (locked file drawers, etc.)? Yes _____ No _____
 17. Do you think it is ethical to record sessions without the counselee's knowledge? Yes _____ No _____
 18. When working with persons other than members of your church (or outside of the church covering), do you plan to require your counselee to sign a contract which releases you from legal responsibility regarding decisions they may or may not make? Yes _____ No _____
 19. As a Licensed Pastoral Counselor, what will be your specific goals?
 20. If you feel that you are "in over your head" and not qualified to help the person you are counseling, what are you going to do?
 21. Should you make it a practice to pray with your counselee before ending a session?
 22. How do you end a session? (Please circle best response.)
 - a. By making a statement such as "Let me ask you one more question before we end for today."
 - b. Be honest and frank, look at your watch and say, "Well, I see our time is up."
 23. Why are you seeking to be Licensed as a Pastoral Counselor?

24. Do you feel that knowing all the proper techniques of counseling is sufficient to qualify you as a counselor? Yes _____ No _____
- If you answered no, other than spiritual gifts and insight, what is one of the most important factors necessary to be an effective counselor?
25. Do you feel your skills as a counselor are sufficient for the growing number of people needing help today? Yes _____ No _____
- If you answered no, how do you intend to keep up with the demands placed upon you as a counselor?
26. As a counselor, you know that you are to be one who listens, cares and can provide direction. Of these three, which one is the most important? Why?
27. Should you attempt to lead a counselee to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ?
28. Is the counselee's past important to the counselor? Yes _____ No _____ Why?
29. Will you share your counselee's needs, burdens, and problems with a prayer partner? Yes _____ No _____
30. Name three major things you can do to try to determine what is causing your counselee's problems.
31. Counseling and evangelism have a lot in common. Briefly explain how they differ and how they are the same.
32. What responsibility do you have to yourself as a counselor?
33. What responsibility do you have to your family as a counselor?
34. Are you responsible if one of your counselee's commits suicide? Yes _____ No _____ Explain
35. Did you fail as a counselor if a couple decides to get a divorce after several sessions with you? Yes _____ No _____ Explain.
36. What can you do to prevent burning yourself out?
37. What steps will you take if you find yourself becoming "attracted" to a counselee and desiring to see him/her more often?
38. Do you think it is ethical to charge for your services even though much of your counseling and guidance is based on God's Word? Yes _____ No _____
39. How does Matthew 10:8 line up with charging your counselee for your services?
40. In what ways can you use your own personal life experiences in your work as a counselor?

41. In a Biblical context, why did God create people with different temperaments?
42. Can you effectively counsel an individual who is of a different:
- a. denomination? Yes _____ No _____ Why?
 - b. religion? Yes _____ No _____ Why?
43. If you are counseling someone who is an active member of another church, is it ethical for you to encourage them to begin attending your church? Yes _____ No _____
44. The Procrustean method refers to the need of rigidly trying to make other people fit into a specific mold or pattern. Do you have a particular mold in which you would like your counselees to fit?
45. What is accidental suicide?
46. What would you say to a counselee who is thinking about committing suicide?
47. Can everyone who "wants to die" commit suicide? In other words, is everyone capable? Yes _____ No _____ Explain.
48. What will you do if a counselee is systematically late for every appointment?
49. Are you responsible to report to the authorities if you are told that a child is being sexually molested:
- a. by a neighbor? Yes _____ No _____
 - b. by the child? Yes _____ No _____
 - c. by someone living in the home? Yes _____ No _____
50. You are counseling a man and woman who are experiencing marital problems, one of them calls and tells you that although it is over now, he or she was involved in an extramarital affair, do you (circle best response)
- a. insist that he or she tells the spouse.
 - b. tell the spouse yourself.
 - c. encourage him or her to seek forgiveness from God, and "keep their mouth shut."