

4. What is the Church of the Nazarene's stance on Scripture and how would you explain it to a layperson?

5. John Wesley, in his sermon 'Original Sin', said, 'Know your disease, know your cure.' Using Scripture and our Manual as sources, share your definition of sin and then, using the same resources, explain how Jesus, through his work in the Cross, offers the cure for the disease of sin.

6. What kinds of pastoral experiences have you had (hospital visits, end of life scenarios, home visits, etc), and how have you sought to gain more pastoral care opportunities? Who is mentoring you as a pastor, and what are you reading or seeking to learn more about?

7. Are there lingering sin issues (pornography, viewing habits, pride, etc.) that have proven to be difficult for you in your preparation for ministry and your pursuit of Christlikeness? How are these issues being addressed?

8. The Church of the Nazarene asks her members to abstain from drinking alcoholic beverages. Why do you believe the Church has taken this stance – what are the theological and social reasons for doing so? Do you practice abstinence from alcoholic beverages?

9. Please read Manual Paragraph 31 on Human Sexuality.
(<http://2017.manual.nazarene.org/section/human-sexuality-and-marriage/>)

How do you feel about this statement and the Church's stance on all of these issues? Are there parts of it that are easier to accept and support? Are there parts that you disagree with or struggle to embrace? In your application, you are asked to answer the following question: "Are you in full sympathy and hearty accord with the standards, doctrines and government of the Church of the Nazarene?" and 'Will you wholeheartedly support the Church and its institutions?' Regarding Manual paragraph 31, are you able to answer Yes to both of these questions?

10. Why are you pursuing ordination in the Church of the Nazarene? What does ordination mean for you?