Questions about the Bible

True or False: The Bible is the most popular book ever written. (by copies sold)
A: True

Q: What is the first book in the Bible?
A: Genesis

Q: What is the last book in the Bible?
A: Revelation

Q: What four books tell about Jesus life on Earth?
A: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

Q: Which book did Jesus directly write?
A: None

Q: What is the longest book in the Bible?
A: Psalms

True or False: David wrote the entire book of Psalms.
False: The Psalms are a collection by many writers, but David contributed the most.

Q: What is the shortest book in the Bible?
A: 3 John

Q: How many books are in the Bible?
A: 66

Q: How many books in the Old Testament?
A: 39 books in the OT

Q: How many books in the New Testament?
A: 27 books in the NT

Q: Which NT book has Jesus' Sermon on the Mount?
A: Matthew

True or False: The Bible was first written in the English language?
A: False

Q: In what language was most of the Old Testament given?
A: Hebrew

Q: In what language was most of the New Testament given?
A: Greek

Q: Which human author wrote the most books?
A: Paul wrote 13 books.

Q: Which human author wrote the most words in the Bible?
A: Moses wrote 125,139 words. (source)

Q: What was most likely the first Gospel written?
A: Mark

Q: What was most likely the last Gospel written?
A: John

Q: What was most likely the first of Paul's letters written?
A: 1 Thessalonians

Q: What was most likely the last New Testament book written?
A: Revelation
Questions from Genesis

Q: How many days did God take to create the world?
A: 6

Q: What day did God create man?
A: 6th

Q: Who was the first man?
A: Adam

Q: Who was the first woman?
A: Eve

Q: Where did they live at the beginning of the world?
A: Garden of Eden

Q: Who were their three sons listed in the Bible?
A: Cain, Abel, Seth

Q: Who did God tell to build an ark?
A: Noah

Q: Who were Noah’s three sons?
A: Shem, Ham, Japheth

Q: How many days and nights did it rain when Noah was on the ark?
A: 40

Q: How many people were saved on the ark?
A: 8

Q: What was God’s sign to Noah that he would never destroy the earth again?
A: A rainbow

Q: What were men trying to do at the Tower of Babel?
A: Built a tower to reach to Heaven.

Q: How did God make them spread out across the earth?
A: Confused their languages.

Q: Who did God call out of Ur to move to Canaan?
A: Abram

Q: Who was Abram’s wife?
A: Sarai

Q: Even though Abram and Sarah were too old, what did God promise them?
A: A son

Q: When God showed Abram the stars in the sky, what did he promise?
A: That Abram would have more descendants than the number of stars.

Q: Who was Abram’s handmaid?
A: Hagar

Q: What was Sarah’s idea for Abram to have a child?
A: For Abram to have a child with Hagar.

Q: Who was the first son he had?
A: Ishmael

Q: What was Abram’s name changed to?
A: Abraham

Q: What was Sarai’s name changed to?
A: Sarah

Q: What was the second son Abraham had?
A: Isaac

Q: Who did Abraham have his second son with?
A: Sarah

Q: Where did Hagar and her son leave to?
A: Into the desert
Q: Who did Abraham send to find Isaac a wife?
A: His oldest servant

Q: Who did the servant choose?
A: Rebekah

Q: What were Isaac’s sons’ names?
A: Jacob and Esau

Q: Who was born first?
A: Esau came first, with Jacob grabbing his heel.

Q: How did Esau provide food for the family?
A: He hunted.

Q: Who did Isaac favor of his two sons?
A: Esau

Q: What did Jacob do most of the time?
A: Stayed in the home with his mother.

Q: What did Esau receive in exchange for his birthright?
A: Some stew.

Q: As Isaac was dying and blind, who suggested that Jacob should steal the blessing?
A: Rebekah.

Q: How did Esau respond when his birthright was taken?
A: Threatened to kill Jacob.

Q: When Jacob met Laban, which daughter did he want to marry?
A: Rachel.

Q: Who did Laban make Jacob do to finally marry Rachel?
A: Work another seven years.

Q: Who was the first son Jacob had with Rachel?
A: Joseph

Q: What did God change Jacob’s name to before his meeting with Esau?
A: Israel

Q: How many brothers did Joseph have?
A: 12

Q: What did Jacob give Joseph that sparked jealousy from his siblings?
A: A coat of many colors.

Q: What did Joseph tell his brothers about his dreams that upset them?
A: The dreams said he would become greater and rule over them.

Q: How did the brothers get rid of Joseph?
A: Sold him to slave traders.

Q: What did Joseph’s brothers tell their father had happened to him?
A: They said Joseph was killed by a wild animal.

Q: Where did the slave traders take Joseph?
A: Egypt

Q: Who bought Joseph?
A: Potiphar, captain of the Pharaoh’s guards

Q: Who got Joseph thrown into prison by lying about him?
A: Potiphar’s wife

Q: Who else was in prison with Joseph?
A: The Pharaoh’s cupbearer and chief baker.
Q: What did Joseph do for them?
A: Interrupted their dreams.

Q: Why was Joseph summoned out of prison by the Pharaoh?
A: To interrupt his dream.

Q: What position of power was Joseph given by the Pharaoh?
A: Second in command of Egypt.

Q: What catastrophe did Joseph predict by interpreting the Pharaoh’s dream?
A: A severe, seven-year famine.

Q: Who came to Egypt that Joseph recognized because of the famine?
A: His brothers.

Q: Who was Jacob’s second son with Rachel?
A: Benjamin

Q: What did Joseph tell the brothers to do next time they came back to Egypt?
A: To bring Benjamin with them.

Q: Which brother volunteered to stay in Egypt instead of Benjamin?
A: Judah

Q: What did Joseph tell his brothers to do when they returned to Canaan?
A: Bring their families and their father to Egypt.

Q: What did Moses do after he killed an Egyptian?
A: Ran away into the desert.

Q: Through what did God speak to Moses in the desert?
A: A burning bush

Q: When Moses confronted the Pharaoh, what did his staff turn into when he threw it on the ground?
A: A snake

Q: What did Moses say God commanded the Pharaoh to do?
A: Let the Israelite slaves go free.

Q: How many plagues did God send on Egypt?
A: 10

Q: What was the final plague that convinced Pharaoh to let the slaves go?
A: The firstborn son of all Egyptian families died.

Q: When Pharaoh changed his mind and sent his army after the slaves, where did they meet at?
A: By the Red Sea

Q: What did God through Moses to save the slaves?
A: Parted the Red Sea

Q: When the Egyptians tried to follow the Israelites through the Red Sea, what happened?
A: The water crashed on them and killed them all.

Q: What did God send to feed the Israelites in the desert?
A: Quail and manna
Q: Where did God give Moses the Ten Commandments?
A: Mt. Sinai

Q: What golden image did the Israelites make at Mt. Sinai?
A: A golden calf

Q: What did the spies sent into Canaan see that made them scared?
A: Giants in the land

Q: Who were the only two Israelites allowed to go into the Promised Land after many years?
A: Joshua and Caleb

Q: What city did God make the walls fall so Joshua and the Israelites could conquer it?
A: Jericho

Q: After they took over the Promised Land and Joshua died, who ruled Israel?
A: Judges

Q: Who was the woman judge who led Israel to victory?
A: Deborah

Q: Who was the judge who defeated the Midianites with only 300 men using torches and horns?
A: Gideon

Q: Who was the judge who took a Nazarite vow from birth and fought against the Philistines?
A: Samson

Q: With what did Samson kill 1,000 Philistines?
A: A donkey’s jawbone

Q: What Philistine woman asked Samson what his power came from?
A: Delilah

Q: How did Samson die?
A: Pushing over the temple pillars, killing himself and many Philistines.

Questions about the Early Kingdom

Q: Who was the first king of Israel?
A: Saul

Q: Who anointed him king?
A: Samuel

Q: Who was the enemy who took the Ark of the Covenant?
A: Philistines

Q: What happened the idol which was beside the Ark in the enemy’s temple?
A: The idol fell over and broke

Q: When the people demanded Saul make a sacrifice to God that only priests should make, what did he do?
A: Made the sacrifice anyways

Q: When Saul conquered the Amalekites, what person did he keep as a prisoner instead of killing like God said to?
A: The king, Agag

Q: What was Saul’s punishment for disobeying?
A: God took his kingdom away

Q: Who was the king of Israel anointed by Samuel after Saul?
A: David
Q: What did David work as for his father?  
A: A shepherd

Q: When the Philistines came to attack the Israelites, who mocked God and challenged them?  
A: Goliath the giant.

Q: When David wanted to fight Goliath, what did Saul try to give him?  
A: His armor

Q: What did David take from the brook to fight Goliath with?  
A: Five stones

Q: How many sling-throws did it take David to hit Goliath?  
A: One

Q: Who was Saul’s son that David befriended?  
A: Jonathan

Q: What did Saul throw to try to kill David?  
A: A javelin/spear

Q: What did Jonathan do to save David’s life from Saul?  
A: Warned him that Saul would try to kill him

Q: What foreign country did David run away to?  
A: Land of the Philistines/Philistia

Q: Did Saul give up on chasing David when David went into the wilderness?  
A: No

Q: How many times did David spare Saul’s life?  
A: Twice

Q: Where did David spare Saul’s life the first time?  
A: In a cave

Q: Where did David spare Saul’s life the second time?  
A: In the camp where Saul was sleeping

Q: What last judge of Israel died after Saul made a temporary peace with David?  
A: Samuel

Q: Where did David go after Saul continued to hunt him?  
A: The Land of the Philistines/Philistia

Q: Where did Saul turn to for advice when he couldn’t sense God’s will?  
A: A witch

Q: What prophet did he ask to speak to?  
A: Samuel

Q: How did Saul die?  
A: Fell on his own sword

Q: How many of his sons died in the same battle?  
A: All of them

**Questions about King David’s Reign**

Q: Did all of Israel immediately consider David their king?  
A: No

Q: Who was David’s captain of his army?  
A: Joab

Q: When David stayed in Jerusalem, what woman did he see and commit adultery with?  
A: Bathsheba
Q: Who was Bathsheba’s husband?  
A: Uriah

Q: When Bathsheba got pregnant, what did David make happen to Uriah?  
A: He was killed in battle

Q: What prophet came to rebuke David?  
A: Nathan

Q: What happened to Bathsheba’s child?  
A: The child died

Q: When Bathsheba had another child, what did they name him?  
A: Solomon

Q: Who was David’s son that started a rebellion against him?  
A: Absalom

Q: What capital city did David abandon as Absalom came towards it?  
A: Jerusalem

Q: When the two armies battled, what happened to Absalom’s hair?  
A: It got caught in a tree

Q: Who killed Absalom?  
A: Joab

Q: Because he killed Absalom, what was Joab’s punishment?  
A: He was not captain anymore

Q: What was David’s second sin recorded in the Bible?  
A: He took a census of the people in his nation

Q: During his time as king, who was David’s main enemy?  
A: Philistines

Q: Which books of the Bible record David’s time as king?  
A: 1st and 2nd Samuel

Q: Which book did David write most of?  
A: Psalms

Questions about the Later History of Israel

Q: Who was David’s son that became king?  
A: Solomon

Q: What trait did Solomon pray for from God?  
A: Wisdom

Q: What did Solomon build for the Lord?  
A: A temple

Q: What famous queen came to visit Solomon?  
A: Queen of Sheba

Q: How many wives did Solomon have?  
A: 700

Q: Did Solomon always follow the Lord?  
A: No. He turned from God.

Q: Who convinced Solomon to turn from God?  
A: His wives

Q: What happened to the kingdom after Solomon’s rule?  
A: It split in two

Q: Which books of the Bible record all the kings?  
A: 1st and 2nd Kings, 1st and 2nd Chronicles

Q: Which books of the Bible did Solomon write?
A: Song of Solomon and Proverbs and some Psalms
Q: How many kings of Judah were there?
A: 20
Q: How many kings of Israel were there?
A: 19
Q: Who conquered Judah and took Daniel to their country?
A: Babylonians
Q: Whose dream did Daniel interpret in Babylon?
A: King Nebuchadnezzar
Q: Who was the last king Daniel served under in the Bible?
A: Darius
Q: When Daniel prayed to God after it was not allowed, where was he thrown into?
A: The lion’s den
Q: What were Daniel’s three friends (Babylonian names)?
A: Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego
Q: When they refused to bow to an idol, where were they thrown?
A: Into a fiery furnace
Q: Who returned to Israel to build up the walls of Jerusalem?
A: Nehemiah
Q: What Israelite saved her people from being murdered and was a wife of the king?
A: Esther
Q: What daring thing did Esther do to talk with the king?
A: Went in to talk without being summoned first
Q: Who let the Israelites return to their homeland?
A: Cyrus
Q: Who eventually came from the lineage of David?
A: Jesus

Questions about the Life of Jesus
Q: Who was Jesus' human mother?
A: Mary
Q: Who was Jesus’ adoptive father on Earth?
A: Joseph
Q: Who was Jesus’ birth father?
A: God the Holy Spirit – see Matt 1:20
Q: Name the city where Jesus was born?
A: Bethlehem
Q: Where did Jesus’ family go when Herod wanted to harm him as baby?
A: Egypt
True or False: Because Jesus was God, he didn’t obey his parents’ rules.
A: False – Jesus obeyed his parents – see Luke 2:51
True or False: Jesus was an only child.
A: False - Jesus had brothers and sister - see Mark 6:3
Q: How many of Jesus’ brothers are named in the Bible?
A: Four
Q: How many of Jesus’ sisters are named in the Bible?
A: None

Q: Name one of Jesus’ brothers?
A: James, Joseph, Simon and Judas

Q: Who was Jesus’ most famous cousin?
A: John the Baptist

True or False: John the Baptist wore clothes made of goat hair?
A: False – it was camel hair

Q: Who baptized Jesus?
A: John the Baptist

Q: Who spoke from the sky when Jesus was baptized?
A: God

Q: What did God say?
A: That he was well-pleased with his son.

Q: What happened when Jesus went into the wilderness?
A: He was tempted by Satan

Q: Before Jesus starting preaching, what was his normal job?
A: Carpenter (construction worker) – See Mark 6:3

Q: Name Jesus’ hometown.
A: Nazareth

Q: True or False: Jesus turned water into Coca-Cola?
A: False, Jesus turned water into wine.

Q: Besides preaching, name an activity Jesus did while traveling in Galilee.
A: Healing the sick and casting out demons.

True or False: Jesus stayed away from people with bad reputations?
A: False – He often ate with “sinners.”

Q: Name the place where Jesus walked on water?
A: Sea of Galilee

True or False: At first, Jesus family tried to stop his ministry and said he was crazy.
A: True - See Mark 3:11

True or False: Jesus said his true family was anyone who obeys God.
A: True – See Mark 3:34-35

True or False: Everywhere he went, people loved Jesus and believed his message?
A: False – many times Jesus was rejected.

Q: Which member of the Jewish ruling counsel came to ask Jesus questions at night?
A: Nicodemus

True or False: Jesus didn’t like the people because they worshiped God the wrong way?
A: False – Jesus welcomed all to follow him

Q: How many disciples did Jesus choose?
A: 12

Q: What was Matthew before he followed Jesus?
A: A tax collector

True or False: Jesus would sometimes “spit” as part of his healing miracles.
A: True - Three times the Bible describes him spitting. – See Mark 7:33, Mark 8:23, John 9:6
Q: What is the shortest verse in the Bible?
A: John 11:35 Jesus wept.

Q: Why did Jesus weep in that verse?
A: Because his friend Lazarus died.

Q: How many days was Lazarus dead before Jesus came to visit?
A: Four days

Q: What 2 things did Jesus do to raise Lazarus back to life?
A: He prayed and then told Lazarus to come out.

Q: Who helped pay the bills for Jesus and the disciples ministry?
A: Several women who he had healed – see Luke 8:1-3

Q: Name the demon Jesus cast out in the region of the Gerasenes?
A: Legion

True or False: While on Earth, Jesus had the power to raise dead people back to life?
A: True – several examples

Q: How much bread and fish did Jesus use to feed over 5000 people?
A: Five loaves of bread — and two fish

True or False: Jesus’ said washing hands is never important.
A: False – he said dirty hands don’t make a person spiritually unclean. You can still get germs!

Q: What problem did Bartimaeus have that Jesus fixed?
A: He was blind

True or False: When Jesus went to the Temple, he always used his inside voice.
A: False – Jesus drove out the money changers

Q: How many people did Jesus feed with fish and bread?
A: 5,000 people

Q: How many lepers did Jesus heal when only 1 returned?
A: 10

Q: What did Jesus do at the Last Supper to his disciples?
A: Washed their feet

True or False: Jesus said only big money offerings were important to God.
False – See the Widow’s Offering

Q: What did the woman pour on Jesus’ feet at the home of Simon the Leeper?
A: Jar of expensive perfume

Q: Name the disciple who betrayed Jesus.
A: Judas Iscariot

Q: What garden did Jesus go to when he prayed after the Last Supper?
A: Garden of Gethsemane
True or False: The Jewish leaders tried to set Jesus free.
A: False – They lobbied for his crucifixion

Q: Who gave Jesus a crown made of thorns?
A: Roman soldier

Q: Name the Roman Governor who sat over Jesus trial?
A: Pilate

Q: What did Pilate do to “cleanse himself” of the crucifixion?
A: Washed his hands

Q: Who cut off a soldier’s ear when Jesus was being arrested?
A: Peter

True or False: Jesus didn’t know that he was going to be arrested and killed in Jerusalem.
A: False – He knew and told his disciples before it happened.

Q: Which disciple denied Jesus three times?
A: Peter

Q: What happened to the temple curtain when Jesus was killed?
A: It was ripped

Q: What happened after Jesus was buried in the tomb?
A: He rose again

Q: What was rolled away from the entrance of the tomb?
A: A large stone

Q: What day of the week did Jesus rise back to life?
A: Sunday – the first day of the week

Q: How many days before Jesus returned to Heaven?
A: 40 days

Q: How did Jesus leave Earth and go to Heaven?
A: He rose up into the clouds

Q: How many people saw Jesus after he came back from the dead?
A: More than 500 – see 1 Cor 15:3–8

**More New Testament Questions**

Q: What was another name for the Apostle Paul?
A: Saul of Tarsus

Q: Who was the first Christian to die for his faith?
A: Stephen

Q: How many books have the name John in them?
A: Four (John, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John)

Q: Who preached at Pentecost?
A: Peter

Q: What amazing miracle happened with languages?
A: Everybody heard the sermon in their own language.

Q: Who was Saul?
A: He persecuted Christians

Q: What happened when he was on the road to Damascus?
A: He had a changing experience with Jesus

Q: What was his name changed to?
A: Paul
Q: Who was exiled to an island?
A: John

Q: Who was crucified upside down?
A: Peter

Q: Who was the first martyr and was stoned?
A: Stephen

True or False: Ananias and Sapphira died after lying to the Apostles about their offering.
A: True

Q: How many deacons were chosen to help the apostles to distribute food to widows?
A: Seven

Q: Which Apostle took the Gospel to the city of Samaria?
A: Philip

Q: Which Apostle shared the Gospel with an Ethiopian official on the road to Gaza?
A: Philip

True or False: Peter raised a woman named Dorcas from the dead.
A: True – see Acts 9

Q: Where did Peter stay during his ministry in the city of Joppa?
A: In the house of Simon the tanner

Q: What did Peter’s vision about the unclean animals mean?
A: That all people can be made clean through Jesus – aka non-Jews can be saved.

Q: In what city were Jesus’ followers first called “Christians”?
A: Antioch

True or False: Peter was rescued from prison by an Angel.
A: True – see Acts 12

Q: Who went with Paul on his early mission trips?
A: Barnabas

True or False: Paul had a vision of a man calling him to come over to Carthage.
False – it was a man from Macedonia

True or False: God sent an earthquake to rescue Paul and Silas from prison in Philippi.
A: True – but they didn’t escape but stayed in jail to share the good news

Q: What did the Philippian jailer say to Paul after he heard the Gospel?
A: What must I do to be saved?

Q: How did Paul and Silas respond?
A: Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved.

Q: What was Paul’s goal in his missionary journey?
A: To take the gospel everywhere and finally to preach in the capitol Rome

Questions about the 10 Commandments

Q: Where can you find the 10 commandments in the Bible?
A: Exodus 20 and Deuteronomy 5

Q: Name the person who received the 10 Commandments from God?
A: Moses

Q: What is the preamble or introduction to the Commandments?
A: I am the LORD your God who brought you out of Egypt (slavery).

Q: What is the 1st commandment?
A: You shall have no other gods before me.

Q: What is the 2nd commandment?
A: You shall not make idols.

Q: What is the 3rd commandment?
A: You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.

Q: What is the 4th commandment?
A: Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Q: What is the 5th commandment?
A: Honor your father and mother.

Q: What is the 6th commandment?
A: You shall not murder.

Q: What is the 7th commandment?
A: You shall not commit adultery.

Q: What is the 8th commandment?
A: You shall not steal.

Q: What is the 9th commandment?
A: You shall not give false testimony.

Q: What is the 10th commandment?
A: You shall not covet.

True or False: Jesus said the OT rules don’t matter anymore.
A: False – See Matt 5:17

Q: How many rules does Jesus use to summarize all the OT rules?
A: Two

Q: What does Jesus say is the first and greatest commandment?

A: Love God with all your heart, minds, soul, and strength.

Q: What does Jesus says is the second commandment?
A: Love your neighbor as yourself.

Questions about the Fruit of the Spirit?

Q: Where is the Fruit of the Spirit found in the Bible?
A: Galatians 5

Q: Which human author wrote Galatians?
A: Paul

True or False: Bananas are a fruit of the Spirit? 🍌
A: False – Bananas are a gift from God but not considered spiritual fruit in Galatians 5.

Q: Name any of the 9 Fruit of the Spirit.
A: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (sometimes patience is translated forbearance or longsuffering – see Galatians 5:22)

True or False: The opposite of the Fruit of the Spirit are called “the works of the flesh.”
A: True – see Galatians 5:19-21
Questions about the Lord’s Prayer

Q: Where in the Bible can you find the Lord’s Prayer?
A: Matthew 6

Q: Who taught the Lord’s Prayer?
A: Jesus

Q: How many requests are in the Lord’s Prayer?
A: Seven

Q: What is the 1st petition?
A: Hallowed be your name

Q: What is the 2nd petition?
A: Your kingdom come

Q: What is the 3rd petition?
A: Your will be done on Earth

Q: What is the 4th petition?
A: Give us our daily bread

Q: What is the 5th petition?
A: Forgive our debts

Q: What is the 6th petition?
A: Don’t lead us into temptation

Q: What is the 7th petition?
A: Deliver us from evil

True or False: The more words we say makes our prayers better.
A: False – Jesus said God already knows what we need
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