Bible Geography Quiz: Places in the Bible

20 questions. Choose the best answer for each question. The answer key is on the last pages.

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1. Which city is traditionally considered the birthplace of Jesus Christ?

Ⓐ Jericho
Ⓑ Nazareth
Ⓒ Bethlehem
Ⓓ Capernaum

2. What does Golgotha mean?

Ⓐ Place of the Skull
Ⓑ City of David
Ⓒ House of Bread
Ⓓ Mount of Olives

3. In the New Testament, which city is known for the conversion of Saul (Paul) on the road there?

Ⓐ Jerusalem
Ⓑ Ephesus
Ⓒ Damascus
Ⓓ Antioch

4. Which city is famously known for the fall of its walls in the Book of Joshua?

Ⓐ Gibeon
Ⓑ Jericho
Ⓒ Ai
Ⓓ Jerusalem

5. Which region is promised to Abraham’s descendants and later entered under Joshua?

Ⓐ The Nile delta only
Ⓑ The island of Cyprus
Ⓒ The land west of the Jordan
Ⓓ The empire of Babylon

6. Where did Joseph take Mary and Jesus to escape Herod?

Ⓐ Nazareth
Ⓑ Egypt
Ⓒ Samaria
Ⓓ Jericho

7. What place name is associated with Jesus being crucified?

Ⓐ Capernaum by the sea
Ⓑ Mount Carmel
Ⓒ Bethlehem, the City of David
Ⓓ Golgotha, the Place of the Skull

8. On which island was John when he received the visions recorded in Revelation?

Ⓐ Lesbos
Ⓑ Patmos
Ⓒ Cyprus
Ⓓ Crete

9. Which biblical site is traditionally identified with the place where Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal?

Ⓐ Mount Carmel
Ⓑ Mount Sinai
Ⓒ Mount Zion
Ⓓ Mount Gilboa

10. What is the significance of Mount Carmel in the Bible?

Ⓐ The site of Elijah's confrontation with prophets
Ⓑ The mountain of David's coronation
Ⓒ Where Jesus was baptized
Ⓓ Where Moses received the Law

11. Which ancient city was destroyed by fire and is often associated with the story of Lot's wife turning into a pillar of salt?

Ⓐ Sodom
Ⓑ Gomorrah
Ⓒ Babylon
Ⓓ Nineveh

12. Which biblical site is considered the location of Jesus' ascension into heaven?

Ⓐ Mount Tabor
Ⓑ Mount Sinai
Ⓒ Mount of Olives
Ⓓ Mount Carmel

13. Which city was the site of Paul's shipwreck as described in Acts 27?

Ⓐ Crete
Ⓑ Cyprus
Ⓒ Myra
Ⓓ Malta

14. Which site is associated with David capturing the Jebusite stronghold in Jerusalem?

Ⓐ The stronghold of Zion
Ⓑ The valley of Elah
Ⓒ The plain of Moab
Ⓓ The hill of Samaria

15. In which city did Paul spend two years under house arrest according to the Book of Acts?

Ⓐ Ephesus
Ⓑ Cæsarea
Ⓒ Rome
Ⓓ Jerusalem

16. Where was the Apostle Paul's first missionary journey primarily focused?

Ⓐ Corinth
Ⓑ Cyprus and Galatia
Ⓒ Antioch
Ⓓ Ephesus

17. What is the name of the ancient land where the Tower of Babel was built?

Ⓐ Shinar
Ⓑ Egypt
Ⓒ Canaan
Ⓓ Assyria

18. In which modern country is the ancient city of Nineveh located?

Ⓐ Iraq
Ⓑ Turkey
Ⓒ Syria
Ⓓ Iran

19. Which archaeological site is often identified with the biblical city of Ai, where the Israelites fought a battle?

Ⓐ Megiddo
Ⓑ Jericho
Ⓒ Et-Tell
Ⓓ Hazor

20. Which ancient city served as the capital of the Assyrian Empire and is a significant archaeological site today?

Ⓐ Susa
Ⓑ Babylon
Ⓒ Nineveh
Ⓓ Ur

Answer key: Bible Geography Quiz: Places in the Bible

Each answer has a short explanation and the Bible passage to read.

1. **C. Bethlehem**

Bethlehem, located in Judea, is recognized as the birthplace of Jesus according to the New Testament, fulfilling prophecy from Micah 5:2.

2. **A. Place of the Skull**

Matthew 27:33 identifies Golgotha as the Place of the Skull.

3. **C. Damascus**

Damascus, in modern Syria, is where Saul was converted to Paul after an encounter with Jesus on the road, as described in Acts 9.

4. **B. Jericho**

The walls of Jericho fell after the Israelites marched around the city and blew their trumpets, as narrated in Joshua 6.

5. **C. The land west of the Jordan**

Canaan is the land promised to Abraham’s descendants and entered by Israel under Joshua. (Genesis 12:5-7; Exodus 3:8; Joshua 1:2-6)

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6. **B. Egypt**

An angel warned Joseph to flee, so he took the child and His mother to Egypt until Herod died.

Matthew 2:13-15

7. **D. Golgotha, the Place of the Skull**

John says Jesus went out to the Place of the Skull, called Golgotha in Aramaic.

John 19:17

8. **B. Patmos**

Revelation 1:9 – John was on Patmos because of the word of God.

9. **A. Mount Carmel**

Mount Carmel in northern Israel is the site of Elijah's confrontation with the prophets of Baal, as described in 1 Kings 18.

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11. **A. Sodom**

Sodom, along with Gomorrah, was destroyed due to its wickedness, as described in Genesis 19. The city is believed to be near the Dead Sea.

12. **C. Mount of Olives**

According to Acts 1:9-12, Jesus ascended into heaven from the Mount of Olives outside Jerusalem.

13. **D. Malta**

Paul was shipwrecked on the island of Malta during his journey to Rome, as detailed in Acts 27-28.

14. **A. The stronghold of Zion**

David captured the stronghold of Zion, which became known as the City of David. (2 Samuel 5:6-9; 1 Chronicles 11:4-7)

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15. **C. Rome**

Paul was imprisoned in Rome and spent approximately two years under house arrest while awaiting trial, as described in Acts 28.

16. **B. Cyprus and Galatia**

Paul's first missionary journey, recorded in Acts 13–14, mainly took him through Cyprus and the regions of Galatia in Asia Minor.

17. **A. Shinar**

Shinar, often associated with Babylonia, is the region where the Tower of Babel was constructed according to Genesis 11.

18. **A. Iraq**

Nineveh was the capital of the Assyrian Empire and is located near modern-day Mosul in Iraq.

19. **C. Et-Tell**

Et-Tell is the key archaeological site associated with the biblical city of Ai, captured during Joshua’s conquest.

20. **C. Nineveh**

Nineveh, near modern-day Mosul in Iraq, was the capital of the Assyrian Empire and is famous for its ancient ruins and the story of Jonah.

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