KINGDOM BIBLE QUIZ

Esther Bible Quiz

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

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1. What was the original punishment decreed for Queen Vashti?

Ⓐ She would never again come before King Ahasuerus
Ⓑ Exile from the kingdom
Ⓒ Loss of all property
Ⓓ Death

2. Who was the Persian king that Esther married?

Ⓐ Artaxerxes
Ⓑ Cyrus
Ⓒ Darius
Ⓓ Ahasuerus

3. What emotion characterized the Jewish people after receiving the new decree?

Ⓐ Fear
Ⓑ Confusion
Ⓒ Anger
Ⓓ Joy and gladness

4. Who suggested hanging Haman on his own gallows?

Ⓐ Harbona the eunuch
Ⓑ The king
Ⓒ Esther
Ⓓ Mordecai

5. Who was the king of Persia during the events of the book of Esther?

Ⓐ King Cyrus
Ⓑ King Xerxes (Ahasuerus)
Ⓒ King Artaxerxes
Ⓓ King Darius

6. What was written in the letters sent throughout the empire about the Jews?

Ⓐ They must pay tribute
Ⓑ They must convert
Ⓒ They could defend themselves
Ⓓ They must leave

7. What was Esther's Hebrew name?

Ⓐ Hagar
Ⓑ Huldah
Ⓒ Hannah
Ⓓ Hadassah

8. What happened to Haman's ten sons?

Ⓐ They became servants
Ⓑ They fled the country
Ⓒ They were spared
Ⓓ They were hanged

9. What was the amount of silver Haman offered to pay for the destruction of the Jews?

Ⓐ 10,000 talents
Ⓑ 20,000 talents
Ⓒ 15,000 talents
Ⓓ 5,000 talents

10. What event led to Esther becoming queen?

Ⓐ She was selected in a beauty contest in the king's palace
Ⓑ She was chosen by lot among the maidens
Ⓒ She was the daughter of the previous queen
Ⓓ She was appointed after a political election

11. What was the total number of enemies killed throughout the empire?

Ⓐ 100,000
Ⓑ 50,000
Ⓒ 75,000
Ⓓ 125,000

12. How did the timing of Mordecai's unrewarded service create the perfect moment for his vindication?

Ⓐ It was immediately rewarded
Ⓑ It was forgotten
Ⓒ The delayed recognition coincided with Haman's plot, leading to a dramatic reversal
Ⓓ It caused problems

13. What did Mordecai and Esther establish regarding Purim celebrations?

Ⓐ Two days annually with specific observances
Ⓑ Monthly observances
Ⓒ One day only
Ⓓ A one-time celebration

14. What was the legal problem with revoking Haman's decree?

Ⓐ It was too expensive
Ⓑ No one could read
Ⓒ Persian law stated that royal decrees could not be revoked
Ⓓ The king was too busy

15. How many people did the Jews kill on the first day in Shushan?

Ⓐ 1000
Ⓑ 300
Ⓒ 800
Ⓓ 500

16. What was the name of the eunuch who was in charge of the women?

Ⓐ Harbona
Ⓑ Hasdai
Ⓒ Hathach
Ⓓ Hegai

17. How does Mordecai's statement in Esther 4:14 demonstrate faith in divine sovereignty?

Ⓐ He threatens Esther
Ⓑ He denies God's involvement
Ⓒ He demands immediate action
Ⓓ He suggests deliverance will come from another place if Esther refuses to act

18. What theological theme is most prominent in Esther despite God never being explicitly mentioned?

Ⓐ Divine forgiveness
Ⓑ Divine wrath
Ⓒ Divine judgment
Ⓓ Divine providence and hidden protection of His people

Answer key: Esther Bible Quiz

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

1. **A. She would never again come before King Ahasuerus**

Esther 1:19 records the decree: 'that Vashti shall come no more before King Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal position to another who is better than she.'

2. **D. Ahasuerus**

Esther was crowned queen to King Ahasuerus, traditionally identified as Xerxes I (Esther 1:1-2).

3. **D. Joy and gladness**

Esther 8:16-17 describes: 'The Jews had light and gladness, joy and honor. And in every province and city, wherever the king's command and decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness.'

4. **A. Harbona the eunuch**

Esther 7:9 records: 'Now Harbona, one of the eunuchs, said to the king, Look! The gallows, fifty cubits high, which Haman made for Mordecai... Then the king said, Hang him on it!'

5. **B. King Xerxes (Ahasuerus)**

King Xerxes, also known as Ahasuerus, is the ruler during Esther's story (Esther 1:1).

6. **C. They could defend themselves**

Esther 8:11 explains that the letters granted Jews the right 'to gather together and protect their lives—to destroy, kill, and annihilate all the forces of any people or province that would assault them.'

7. **D. Hadassah**

Esther 2:7 states that Mordecai 'brought up Hadassah, that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter, for she had neither father nor mother.'

8. **D. They were hanged**

Esther 9:13-14 records that Esther requested 'let Haman's ten sons be hanged on the gallows,' and 'they hanged Haman's ten sons.'

9. **A. 10,000 talents**

Esther 3:9 records Haman's offer: 'If it pleases the king, let a decree be written that they be destroyed, and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver.'

10. **A. She was selected in a beauty contest in the king's palace**

Esther was chosen as queen after the king's officials gathered beautiful young women for his harem (Esther 2:2-4).

11. **C. 75,000**

Esther 9:16 states: 'The remainder of the Jews in the king's provinces gathered together and protected their lives, had rest from their enemies, and killed seventy-five thousand of their enemies.'

12. **C. The delayed recognition coincided with Haman's plot, leading to a dramatic reversal**

Mordecai's service was recorded but unrewarded (Esther 2:23), then providentially remembered exactly when Haman was plotting against him (Esther 6:1-3), creating perfect divine timing.

13. **A. Two days annually with specific observances**

Esther 9:21-22 establishes annual celebration of 'the fourteenth and fifteenth days of the month of Adar' with 'feasting and joy, of sending presents to one another and gifts to the poor.'

14. **C. Persian law stated that royal decrees could not be revoked**

Esther 8:8 explains: 'for whatever is written in the king's name and sealed with the king's signet ring no one can revoke,' necessitating a new decree allowing Jewish self-defense.

15. **D. 500**

Esther 9:6 records: 'And in Shushan the citadel the Jews killed and destroyed five hundred men.'

16. **D. Hegai**

Esther 2:3 mentions 'Hegai the king's eunuch, custodian of the women,' who was in charge of the harem and beauty preparations.

17. **D. He suggests deliverance will come from another place if Esther refuses to act**

Esther 4:14 shows Mordecai's faith: 'For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place,' indicating his confidence in God's ultimate protection.

18. **D. Divine providence and hidden protection of His people**

Though God is never explicitly named in Esther, His providential care is evident throughout - in timing, circumstances, and the preservation of the Jewish people through seemingly coincidental events.

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