Bible Trivia for Youth Groups

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

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1. What bird did Noah first send out from the ark?

Ⓐ A sparrow
Ⓑ An eagle
Ⓒ A dove
Ⓓ A raven

2. Who were Isaac and Rebekah's twin sons?

Ⓐ Shem and Ham
Ⓑ Cain and Abel
Ⓒ Jacob and Esau
Ⓓ Joseph and Benjamin

3. Where did Moses' mother hide him as a baby?

Ⓐ In the desert
Ⓑ A papyrus basket among the reeds
Ⓒ Underground
Ⓓ A cave

4. What was Saul doing when Samuel came to anoint him as king?

Ⓐ Looking for his father's lost donkeys
Ⓑ Fighting battles
Ⓒ Studying scriptures
Ⓓ Ruling his people

5. What did God provide for Elijah by the brook Cherith?

Ⓐ Ravens brought him bread and meat
Ⓑ Fish from the brook
Ⓒ Fruit from trees
Ⓓ Manna

6. What guided the Magi to Jesus?

Ⓐ A star
Ⓑ An angel
Ⓒ A map
Ⓓ A dream

7. Who were the first to receive the announcement of Jesus' birth?

Ⓐ Kings
Ⓑ Priests
Ⓒ Shepherds
Ⓓ Merchants

8. What was Levi's occupation before Jesus called him?

Ⓐ Carpenter
Ⓑ Tax collector
Ⓒ Fisherman
Ⓓ Farmer

9. Who fell asleep during Paul's long sermon and fell from a window?

Ⓐ Epaphroditus
Ⓑ Eutychus
Ⓒ Timothy
Ⓓ Tychicus

10. What destroyed the plant that gave Jonah shade?

Ⓐ Strong wind
Ⓑ Lightning
Ⓒ Drought
Ⓓ A worm

11. What injury did Jacob receive from wrestling all night?

Ⓐ His hip was wrenched
Ⓑ No injury
Ⓒ Broken leg
Ⓓ Broken arm

12. What did God provide as a substitute for Isaac?

Ⓐ A dove
Ⓑ A bull
Ⓒ A lamb
Ⓓ A ram caught in a thicket

13. In which land did Moses find refuge and marry?

Ⓐ Assyria
Ⓑ Moab
Ⓒ Midian
Ⓓ Canaan

14. What did Hannah promise to God if He gave her a son?

Ⓐ To serve in the temple herself
Ⓑ To keep him at home
Ⓒ To give him to the Lord for all his life
Ⓓ To make him wealthy

15. What did David do when he heard about Saul and Jonathan's deaths?

Ⓐ Mourned and fasted until evening
Ⓑ Immediately claimed the throne
Ⓒ Celebrated
Ⓓ Fled the country

16. Why did the kingdom split after Solomon's death?

Ⓐ Natural disasters
Ⓑ Economic collapse
Ⓒ Rehoboam refused to lighten the people's burden
Ⓓ Foreign invasion

17. Where did Elijah hide when he fled from Queen Jezebel's threats?

Ⓐ Mount Horeb
Ⓑ Gideon's Well
Ⓒ Egypt
Ⓓ Mount Carmel

18. What miracle did Elisha perform for a poor widow?

Ⓐ Multiplied her oil to pay her debts
Ⓑ Gave her gold
Ⓒ Built her a house
Ⓓ Healed her son

19. What happened when King Hezekiah prayed about Sennacherib's threat?

Ⓐ They negotiated peace
Ⓑ 185,000 Assyrian soldiers died in one night
Ⓒ Hezekiah fled
Ⓓ Jerusalem was captured

20. What was Esther's Hebrew name?

Ⓐ Hagar
Ⓑ Huldah
Ⓒ Hannah
Ⓓ Hadassah

21. At what age did Jesus visit the temple and discuss with teachers?

Ⓐ 12
Ⓑ 15
Ⓒ 10
Ⓓ 20

22. How did Jesus respond to Satan's temptation to turn stones to bread?

Ⓐ He walked away
Ⓑ He ignored Satan
Ⓒ It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone"
Ⓓ He was too weak

23. What payment did Jesus make for the temple tax?

Ⓐ A coin from a fish's mouth
Ⓑ Gold coins
Ⓒ Money from the disciples
Ⓓ He refused to pay

24. How many baskets of leftover bread were collected after feeding the 4,000?

Ⓐ Seven
Ⓑ Five
Ⓒ Ten
Ⓓ Twelve

25. What did the people want to do to Jesus after the feeding miracle?

Ⓐ Build him a house
Ⓑ Give him money
Ⓒ Follow him
Ⓓ Make him king by force

26. What did Jesus use to heal the deaf and mute man?

Ⓐ Just his words
Ⓑ Put his fingers in the man's ears and touched his tongue with saliva
Ⓒ Laid hands on him
Ⓓ Gave him medicine

27. Who complained about the expensive perfume being wasted?

Ⓐ Thomas
Ⓑ Judas Iscariot
Ⓒ Andrew
Ⓓ Peter

28. What miraculous thing happened while Jesus prayed in the garden?

Ⓐ Lightning appeared
Ⓑ An angel appeared to strengthen him
Ⓒ The disciples were awakened
Ⓓ His voice changed

29. What was the charge written above Jesus on the cross?

Ⓐ The Son of God
Ⓑ The King of the Jews
Ⓒ The Teacher
Ⓓ Jesus of Nazareth

30. When did the Emmaus disciples recognize Jesus?

Ⓐ When he broke bread
Ⓑ Never
Ⓒ Immediately
Ⓓ When he spoke

31. Who suggested hanging Haman on his own gallows?

Ⓐ Harbona the eunuch
Ⓑ The king
Ⓒ Esther
Ⓓ Mordecai

32. What did the writing on the wall say during Belshazzar's feast?

Ⓐ Mene, Mene, Tekel, Parsin
Ⓑ Mene, Tekel, Peres
Ⓒ Babylon, Medes, Persians
Ⓓ Tekel, Tekel, Parsin

33. What was Jonah doing during the storm?

Ⓐ Trying to swim away
Ⓑ Sleeping in the lowest parts of the ship
Ⓒ Helping the sailors
Ⓓ Praying loudly on deck

34. How long was the test period for Daniel and his friends' diet?

Ⓐ Seven days
Ⓑ One year
Ⓒ Thirty days
Ⓓ Ten days

35. Which foreign king allied with Solomon to build the temple?

Ⓐ Nebuchadnezzar
Ⓑ Hiram of Tyre
Ⓒ Tiglath-Pileser
Ⓓ Pharaoh of Egypt

36. How did Barnabas help Saul in Jerusalem?

Ⓐ Hid him
Ⓑ Gave him money
Ⓒ Brought him to the apostles and vouched for him
Ⓓ Found him lodging

37. What caused the split between Paul and Barnabas?

Ⓐ Theological disagreement
Ⓑ Disagreement over taking John Mark on the second journey
Ⓒ Money issues
Ⓓ Leadership disputes

38. What happened to the magic books in Ephesus?

Ⓐ Publicly burned after many believed
Ⓑ Given to the poor
Ⓒ Sold cheaply
Ⓓ Hidden away

39. What was Simon the Sorcerer's mistake?

Ⓐ Offering money for the power to give the Holy Spirit
Ⓑ Being jealous
Ⓒ Not believing
Ⓓ Practicing magic

40. In Acts, who was chosen to replace Judas as an apostle?

Ⓐ Timothy
Ⓑ Matthias
Ⓒ Barnabas
Ⓓ Silas

Answer key: Bible Trivia for Youth Groups

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

1. **D. A raven**

Genesis 8:7: Noah sent out a raven, which went back and forth until the waters had dried up. The dove comes next, in verse 8.

2. **C. Jacob and Esau**

Genesis 25:24-26: Esau came out first, red and hairy; Jacob came out holding Esau's heel. Isaac was sixty years old.

3. **B. A papyrus basket among the reeds**

Exodus 2:3: when she could no longer hide him, she coated a papyrus basket with tar and pitch, put the child in it and laid it in the reeds by the river bank.

4. **A. Looking for his father's lost donkeys**

1 Samuel 9:3: Kish's donkeys were lost and he sent Saul with a servant to look for them. Samuel tells Saul in 9:20 that they have been found.

1 Samuel 9:3; 9:20

5. **A. Ravens brought him bread and meat**

1 Kings 17:6: the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

1 Kings 17:4-6

6. **A. A star**

Matthew 2:9-10: the star they had seen in the east went before them until it stood over where the young child was, and they rejoiced. A dream comes later (2:12), warning them not to return to Herod.

7. **C. Shepherds**

Luke 2:8-11: shepherds keeping watch over their flock by night; an angel of the Lord stood by them with good news of great joy.

8. **B. Tax collector**

Mark 2:14: Jesus saw Levi, the son of Alphaeus, sitting at the tax office, said "Follow me", and he got up and followed.

9. **B. Eutychus**

Acts 20:9: a young man named Eutychus, sitting in the window, sank into a deep sleep as Paul kept talking and fell from the third floor. Paul went down and he was brought back alive (20:10-12).

10. **D. A worm**

Jonah 4:7: God prepared a worm at dawn the next day, and it chewed on the vine so that it withered.

11. **A. His hip was wrenched**

Genesis 32:25: when the man saw he could not prevail, he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh, and it was strained as he wrestled.

12. **D. A ram caught in a thicket**

Genesis 22:13: Abraham looked up and saw behind him a ram caught in the thicket by its horns, and offered it as a burnt offering instead of his son.

13. **C. Midian**

Exodus 2:15: Moses fled from Pharaoh and lived in the land of Midian, sitting down by a well. In 2:21 the priest of Midian gave him his daughter Zipporah.

Exodus 2:15; 2:21

14. **C. To give him to the Lord for all his life**

1 Samuel 1:11: she vowed that if God gave her a boy she would give him to the Lord all the days of his life, and no razor would come on his head.

15. **A. Mourned and fasted until evening**

2 Samuel 1:11-12: David and all his men tore their clothes, and mourned, wept and fasted until evening for Saul, for Jonathan and for the people who had fallen by the sword.

16. **C. Rehoboam refused to lighten the people's burden**

1 Kings 12:13-16: Rehoboam answered the people roughly, abandoned the old men's advice and promised a heavier yoke; all Israel answered "What portion have we in David?" and went home.

17. **A. Mount Horeb**

1 Kings 19:8: strengthened by the food the angel brought, he went forty days and forty nights to Horeb, God's Mountain. Mount Carmel was the contest with the prophets of Baal in the chapter before.

18. **A. Multiplied her oil to pay her debts**

2 Kings 4:1-7: a creditor was coming for her two sons; Elisha told her to borrow empty containers and pour from her one pot of oil. It stopped only when every container was full, and she sold the oil to pay the debt.

19. **B. 185,000 Assyrian soldiers died in one night**

2 Kings 19:35: that night the angel of the Lord struck one hundred eighty-five thousand in the Assyrian camp; in the morning they were all dead bodies.

20. **D. Hadassah**

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

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21. **A. 12**

Luke 2:42-47: when he was twelve, after the feast, he stayed behind in Jerusalem; after three days his parents found him in the temple among the teachers, listening and asking questions.

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22. **C. It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone"**

Matthew 4:4: "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.'" He is quoting Deuteronomy 8:3.

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23. **A. A coin from a fish's mouth**

Matthew 17:27: Jesus told Peter to cast a hook, open the mouth of the first fish, and find a stater coin to pay for them both.

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24. **A. Seven**

Matthew 15:37: they all ate and were filled, and took up seven baskets of broken pieces. Twelve baskets is the other feeding, of the five thousand (Matthew 14:20).

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25. **D. Make him king by force**

John 6:15: perceiving that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

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26. **B. Put his fingers in the man's ears and touched his tongue with saliva**

Mark 7:33: he took him aside from the crowd, put his fingers into his ears, spat, and touched his tongue; then said "Ephphatha", be opened (7:34).

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27. **B. Judas Iscariot**

John 12:4-5: Judas Iscariot asked why the ointment was not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor; verse 6 adds that he kept the money box and stole from it.

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28. **B. An angel appeared to strengthen him**

Luke 22:43: an angel from heaven appeared to him, strengthening him. Only Luke records it.

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29. **B. The King of the Jews**

Mark 15:26: the superscription of his accusation, written over him, was "THE KING OF THE JEWS". John 19:19 gives the fuller wording Pilate wrote.

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30. **A. When he broke bread**

Luke 24:30-31: at the table he took the bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it to them; their eyes were opened, they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.

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31. **A. Harbona the eunuch**

Esther 7:9: Harbonah, one of the eunuchs with the king, pointed out the fifty-cubit gallows Haman had made for Mordecai, and the king said “Hang him on it!” Some Bibles spell him Harbona.

32. **A. Mene, Mene, Tekel, Parsin**

Daniel 5:25: the inscription was MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN, as the King James and World English Bibles print it; the “u” means “and”, so newer translations print PARSIN. Daniel reads the last word as Peres in his explanation (5:28).

33. **B. Sleeping in the lowest parts of the ship**

Jonah 1:5: while the sailors cried each to his god and threw the cargo overboard, Jonah had gone down into the innermost part of the ship and was fast asleep.

34. **D. Ten days**

Daniel 1:12-15: Daniel asked for ten days of vegetables and water; at the end of them the four looked healthier than the youths who ate the king’s food.

35. **B. Hiram of Tyre**

1 Kings 5:1-10: Hiram king of Tyre, who had always loved David, sent his servants to Solomon, and supplied cedar and cypress timber for the house Solomon intended to build.

36. **C. Brought him to the apostles and vouched for him**

Acts 9:27: the disciples were afraid of Saul, but Barnabas took him to the apostles and told them how he had seen the Lord on the road and preached boldly in Damascus.

37. **B. Disagreement over taking John Mark on the second journey**

Acts 15:37-39: Barnabas wanted to take John Mark, who had left them in Pamphylia; Paul did not. The contention grew so sharp that they separated, and Barnabas sailed to Cyprus with Mark.

38. **A. Publicly burned after many believed**

Acts 19:19: many who had practised magical arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all; the price came to fifty thousand pieces of silver.

39. **A. Offering money for the power to give the Holy Spirit**

Acts 8:18-19: when Simon saw that the Holy Spirit was given through the laying on of the apostles’ hands, he offered them money for the same power. Peter’s answer is in 8:20-23.

40. **B. Matthias**

Acts 1:26: they drew lots between Joseph called Barsabbas and Matthias, and the lot fell on Matthias, who was counted with the eleven.

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