

Bible Trivia: Kings and Prophets

From Saul to Solomon, from Elijah to Jeremiah. Twenty questions about the kings who ruled Israel ...

Name / Team:

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1 Who was the first king of Israel?

- A. David
B. Solomon
C. Saul
D. Samuel

2 Which king is described as 'a man after God's own heart'?

- A. Solomon
B. David
C. Josiah
D. Hezekiah

3 What did Solomon ask God for when God offered him anything he wanted?

- A. Long life
B. Wealth
C. Wisdom
D. Victory over enemies

4 Which prophet challenged the priests of Baal to a contest on Mount Carmel?

- A. Isaiah
B. Elijah
C. Elisha
D. Jeremiah

5 After Solomon's death, the kingdom split into two. What was the northern kingdom called?

- A. Judah
B. Israel
C. Samaria
D. Canaan

6 Which wicked queen tried to kill the prophet Elijah and promoted Baal worship in Israel?

- A. Bathsheba
B. Athaliah
C. Jezebel
D. Herodias

7 Which prophet succeeded Elijah and received a double portion of his spirit?

- A. Isaiah
B. Jeremiah
C. Elisha
D. Amos

8 Which young king found the Book of the Law in the temple and launched a national revival?

- A. Hezekiah
B. Josiah
C. Asa
D. Jehoshaphat

9 Which prophet wrote about a suffering servant who would bear the sins of many?

- A. Jeremiah
B. Ezekiel
C. Isaiah
D. Daniel

10 Which king of Judah was healed by God and given fifteen more years of life after praying?

- A. Josiah
B. Manasseh
C. Hezekiah
D. Asa

11 What prophet was called to preach to Nineveh but initially ran the other way?

- A. Amos
B. Micah
C. Jonah
D. Habakkuk

12 Which prophet was known as the 'weeping prophet' because of his sorrow over Judah's coming destruction?

- A. Isaiah
B. Jeremiah
C. Ezekiel
D. Hosea

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13 Which prophet saw a vision of a valley of dry bones that came back to life?

- A. Isaiah
- B. Daniel
- C. Ezekiel
- D. Zechariah

14 Which king of Israel built a palace of ivory and did evil in the sight of the Lord?

- A. Jeroboam
- B. Ahab
- C. Omri
- D. Jehu

15 What empire conquered the northern kingdom of Israel in 722 BC?

- A. Babylon
- B. Persia
- C. Assyria
- D. Egypt

16 What empire conquered the southern kingdom of Judah and destroyed the temple in 586 BC?

- A. Assyria
- B. Persia
- C. Babylon
- D. Greece

17 Which prophet interpreted King Nebuchadnezzar's dreams in Babylon?

- A. Ezekiel
- B. Jeremiah
- C. Daniel
- D. Isaiah

18 Who was the Persian king who allowed the Jews to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple?

- A. Darius
- B. Xerxes
- C. Cyrus
- D. Artaxerxes

19 Which prophet married an unfaithful wife as a living illustration of God's relationship with Israel?

- A. Amos
- B. Hosea
- C. Micah
- D. Joel

20 Which minor prophet prophesied that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem?

- A. Malachi
- B. Habakkuk
- C. Micah
- D. Zephaniah

Bible Trivia: Kings and Prophets — Answer Key

1. C Saul

Saul, from the tribe of Benjamin, was anointed by the prophet Samuel as Israel's first king (1 Samuel 10:1).

2. B David

God described David as 'a man after my own heart' (Acts 13:22, 1 Samuel 13:14). Despite his failures, David's heart was oriented toward God.

3. C Wisdom

Solomon asked for wisdom to govern the people. God was pleased and gave him wisdom, plus wealth and honor he did not ask for (1 Kings 3:5-14).

4. B Elijah

Elijah challenged 450 prophets of Baal to a sacrifice contest. God sent fire from heaven to consume Elijah's offering (1 Kings 18:20-40).

5. B Israel

The northern kingdom kept the name Israel (10 tribes), while the southern kingdom was called Judah (tribes of Judah and Benjamin). The split happened under Rehoboam (1 Kings 12).

6. C Jezebel

Jezebel, wife of King Ahab, promoted Baal worship, killed the Lord's prophets, and threatened Elijah's life (1 Kings 19:1-2).

7. C Elisha

Elisha asked for a double portion of Elijah's spirit before Elijah was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind (2 Kings 2:9-14).

8. B Josiah

Josiah became king at age 8 and during temple repairs, the Book of the Law was discovered. He tore his robes and led the most thorough reform in Judah's history (2 Kings 22-23).

9. C Isaiah

Isaiah 53 describes the suffering servant who was 'pierced for our transgressions' and 'by his wounds we are healed.' Christians understand this as a prophecy of Jesus.

10. C Hezekiah

When Hezekiah was sick and near death, he prayed and wept. God sent Isaiah to tell him he would recover and live fifteen more years (2 Kings 20:1-6).

11. C Jonah

Jonah fled toward Tarshish instead of going to Nineveh. After being swallowed by a great fish, he finally delivered God's message (Jonah 1-3).

12. B Jeremiah

Jeremiah wept over the coming destruction of Jerusalem and wrote the book of Lamentations after it fell. He prophesied for over 40 years.

13. C Ezekiel

God showed Ezekiel a valley full of dry bones and brought them back to life, symbolizing the restoration of Israel (Ezekiel 37:1-14).

14. B Ahab

Ahab was one of the most wicked kings of Israel. He married Jezebel, worshiped Baal, and built an ivory palace in Samaria (1 Kings 22:39, 16:30-33).

15. C Assyria

The Assyrian Empire conquered the northern kingdom of Israel and deported its people. The ten northern tribes were scattered and became the 'lost tribes of Israel' (2 Kings 17:6).

16. C Babylon

King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon conquered Jerusalem, destroyed Solomon's temple, and took the people of Judah into exile (2 Kings 25:1-21).

17. C Daniel

Daniel interpreted Nebuchadnezzar's dream of a great statue, revealing the rise and fall of future empires (Daniel 2). He rose to prominence in the Babylonian court.

18. C Cyrus

Cyrus the Great of Persia issued a decree allowing the Jews to return to Jerusalem. Isaiah had prophesied Cyrus by name over a century before he was born (Ezra 1:1-4, Isaiah 44:28).

19. B Hosea

God told Hosea to marry Gomer, who was unfaithful, as a picture of how Israel had been unfaithful to God. Despite her unfaithfulness, Hosea took her back (Hosea 1-3).

20. C Micah

Micah 5:2 prophesied that a ruler would come from Bethlehem Ephrathah. This prophecy was quoted by the chief priests when Herod asked where the Christ would be born (Matthew 2:4-6).