

Bible Trivia: Psalms and Proverbs

The poetry and wisdom books of the Bible. Twenty questions on the Psalms of David and the Proverb...

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1 How many psalms are in the Book of Psalms?

- A. 100
- B. 120
- C. 150
- D. 175

2 Which psalm begins with 'The Lord is my shepherd'?

- A. Psalm 1
- B. Psalm 19
- C. Psalm 23
- D. Psalm 51

3 Who is traditionally credited as the primary author of the Psalms?

- A. Moses
- B. Solomon
- C. David
- D. Asaph

4 Which psalm is the longest chapter in the entire Bible?

- A. Psalm 23
- B. Psalm 51
- C. Psalm 119
- D. Psalm 150

5 Proverbs is primarily attributed to which king of Israel?

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

6 What does Proverbs say is the beginning of wisdom?

- A. Reading Scripture
- B. Seeking knowledge
- C. The fear of the Lord
- D. Listening to your elders

7 Psalm 51 is David's prayer of repentance after which sin?

- A. Numbering the people of Israel
- B. His adultery with Bathsheba
- C. Fleeing from Saul
- D. Bringing the Ark to Jerusalem

8 Which psalm declares 'The heavens declare the glory of God'?

- A. Psalm 8
- B. Psalm 19
- C. Psalm 24
- D. Psalm 104

9 In Proverbs 31, what is the subject of the famous passage about a virtuous woman?

- A. A queen
- B. A wife of noble character
- C. A prophetess
- D. A temple servant

10 What musical term appears frequently in the Psalms as a pause or interlude?

- A. Amen
- B. Hallelujah
- C. Selah
- D. Hosanna

11 Which psalm is quoted by Jesus on the cross: 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me'?

- A. Psalm 2
- B. Psalm 22
- C. Psalm 42
- D. Psalm 69

12 Proverbs compares a beautiful woman without discretion to what?

- A. A broken vessel
- B. A gold ring in a pig's snout
- C. A lamp without oil
- D. A house built on sand

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13 Which psalm says 'Be still, and know that I am God'?

- A. Psalm 23
- B. Psalm 37
- C. Psalm 46
- D. Psalm 91

14 According to Proverbs, what does 'a soft answer' turn away?

- A. Evil
- B. Enemies
- C. Wrath
- D. Foolishness

15 Psalm 139 says God knew you where?

- A. In the garden
- B. In your mother's womb
- C. Before the foundation of the world
- D. In the wilderness

16 What does Proverbs 22:6 say to do with a child?

- A. Discipline them with the rod
- B. Teach them the law of Moses
- C. Train them in the way they should go
- D. Send them to the temple

17 Which psalm is the shortest in the Bible?

- A. Psalm 100
- B. Psalm 117
- C. Psalm 131
- D. Psalm 150

18 Proverbs says to trust in the Lord with all your heart and do what?

- A. Seek wisdom above all things
- B. Lean not on your own understanding
- C. Follow the path of the righteous
- D. Guard your tongue from evil

19 Psalm 100 instructs worshippers to enter God's gates with what?

- A. Sacrifice
- B. Humility
- C. Thanksgiving
- D. Silence

20 According to Proverbs 27:17, what sharpens what?

- A. The word sharpens the mind
- B. Iron sharpens iron
- C. Wisdom sharpens understanding
- D. Prayer sharpens faith

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- 1. C 150**
The Book of Psalms contains 150 individual psalms.
- 2. C Psalm 23**
Psalm 23 is the beloved shepherd psalm, attributed to David.
- 3. C David**
David is credited with writing roughly half of the psalms, including many of the most famous ones.
- 4. C Psalm 119**
Psalm 119 has 176 verses, making it the longest chapter in the Bible. It is an acrostic poem celebrating God's law.
- 5. B Solomon**
Proverbs 1:1 identifies the book as 'the proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel.'
- 6. C The fear of the Lord**
'The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom' (Proverbs 9:10).
- 7. B His adultery with Bathsheba**
The superscription of Psalm 51 connects it to David's sin with Bathsheba after Nathan the prophet confronted him.
- 8. B Psalm 19**
Psalm 19:1 opens with this declaration about creation revealing God's handiwork.
- 9. B A wife of noble character**
Proverbs 31:10-31 describes the 'wife of noble character' in an acrostic poem.
- 10. C Selah**
Selah appears 71 times in the Psalms and is believed to indicate a musical pause or moment of reflection.
- 11. B Psalm 22**
Jesus quoted Psalm 22:1 from the cross (Matthew 27:46). The entire psalm contains remarkable parallels to the crucifixion.
- 12. B A gold ring in a pig's snout**
'Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman who shows no discretion' (Proverbs 11:22).
- 13. C Psalm 46**
Psalm 46:10 contains this well-known call to trust and stillness.
- 14. C Wrath**
'A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger' (Proverbs 15:1).
- 15. B In your mother's womb**
Psalm 139:13-16 describes God forming and knowing the psalmist in the womb.
- 16. C Train them in the way they should go**
'Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it' (Proverbs 22:6).
- 17. B Psalm 117**
Psalm 117 has only two verses, making it the shortest psalm and the shortest chapter in the Bible.
- 18. B Lean not on your own understanding**
'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding' (Proverbs 3:5).
- 19. C Thanksgiving**
'Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise' (Psalm 100:4).
- 20. B Iron sharpens iron**
'As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another' (Proverbs 27:17).