

Survey of the Old Testament Pre-Test

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone #: _____

1. How many books are in the Bible?

- (A) 10
- (B) 66
- (C) 45
- (D) 27

2. Over how many years was the Bible written?

- (A) 100 - 250
- (B) 500 - 900
- (C) 1000 - 1700
- (D) 2000 – 2500

3. Which of the following sayings is/are based on something found in the Bible?

- (A) The powers that be
- (B) A prophet is not without honor save in his own country
- (C) Do unto others as you would have them do unto you
- (D) All of the above

4. Which of the following books has the most manuscript copies for comparing authenticity and accuracy (it isn't even close)?

- (A) Homer's Illiad
- (B) Caesar's Galic Wars
- (C) Plato's Tetralogies
- (D) The Bible

5. Why does Cain kill his brother Abel?

- (A) Because the serpent tells him to
- (B) Because Abel teases Cain
- (C) Because Adam loves Abel more
- (D) Because God is more pleased by Abel's sacrifice than by Cain's

6. How does Jacob steal his brother Esau's inheritance rights?

- (A) By killing his brother
- (B) By tricking his father with the help of his mother
- (C) By sleeping with his mother
- (D) By exposing Esau's plan to murder his father

7. How many sons does Jacob have?

- (A) Thirteen
- (B) Twelve
- (C) Ten
- (D) Two

8. What is Jacob's other name?

- (A) Israel
- (B) Isaac
- (C) Ichabod
- (D) Ishmael

9. From which catastrophe does Joseph save Egypt?

- (A) Famine
- (B) A Plague
- (C) Military invasion
- (D) A flood

10. How does God first appear to Moses?

- (A) As a bright light on the road to Damascus
- (B) As an angel of light
- (C) As a flaming sword in a cherub's hand
- (D) As a burning bush that is not consumed

11. What object does God give to Moses which is used in the performance of signs and wonders?

- (A) The stone tablets with 10 commandments
- (B) A wooden staff
- (C) A colorful robe of many colors
- (D) A golden censer

12. Why does God curse the Israelites to wander the desert for forty years before entering the Promised Land?

- (A) Because a group of 10 Israelite spies incite an uprising to return to Egypt
- (B) Because the Israelites incorrectly perform the ritual sacrifice of atonement
- (C) Because the Israelites turn to Korah as their new leader (rejecting Moses)
- (D) Because the Israelite's worship of the golden calf

13. Who betrays Samson to the Philistines?

- (A) Manoah
- (B) Delilah
- (C) Dagon
- (D) Deborah

14. Why does the prophet Nathan rebuke David?

- (A) David's failure to build the Temple to God
- (B) David acting like a madman in Philistia
- (C) David commits adultery with Bathsheba
- (D) David's son rape his stepsister

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15. Which of these is the longest book in the OT?

- (A) Jeremiah
- (B) Psalms
- (C) Genesis
- (D) Obadiah

16. What event triggers the division of Israel into two kingdoms?

- (A) Jeroboam setting up idols at Dan and Beersheeba
- (B) Jeroboam leads a rebellion against King Rehoboam
- (C) King Solomon's sons fight over the throne
- (D) Rehoboam wants the tribe of Judah to secede from the twelve tribes

17. Who is Elisha?

- (A) A thirteenth king of Judah
- (B) Elijah's son by the widow of Zarephath
- (C) Elijah's apprentice and successor
- (D) The last good king of Israel

18. Which Jewish festival results from the events recorded in Esther?

- (A) Passover
- (B) Hanukkah
- (C) Purim
- (D) Rosh Hashanah

19. What does Nehemiah lead in re-building?

- (A) The walls of Jerusalem
- (B) The Army of Israel
- (C) The rituals associated with Temple Worship
- (D) The Palace of Solomon

20. What is one of the main criteria in Leviticus for living in the Israelite camp?

- (A) To be ceremonially clean
- (B) To abstain from marital relations
- (C) To be a religious priest (Levite)
- (D) Not to shave

24. Who is known as the "weeping prophet"?

- (A) Isaiah
- (B) Jeremiah
- (C) Ezekiel
- (D) Daniel

1. What does "TANAK" mean within the context of the study of the Old Testament?

(Circle the correct answer)

2. This book is a collection of songs and prayers; the 23rd begins, "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Job Psalms Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Solomon

3. Circle the title of the book which addresses the problem of pain (why good people suffer).

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4. Circle the titles of the three books which may have been written, at least in part, by King Solomon.

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5. This book speaks of "life under the sun"; it concludes that life is meaningless without God.

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6. This book is not about "promises" but "principles of life"; it was written to help young people

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7. This book addresses issues related to marital love; it is a series of love "poems" or "songs"

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Fill in the Blanks

1. With whom did God make a covenant saying that “through your seed all the nations of the world will be blessed”? _____
2. Who was the great “Law Giver”, leader of the Exodus, and primary author of the Torah? _____
3. For how many years did the children of Israel wander in the wilderness? _____
4. What theologically significant word is not found in the book of Esther? _____
5. To whom do Christians believe Isaiah was referring when he writes of one who was “pierced for our transgressions” and “crushed for our iniquities”? _____

True/False

- ___ 1. The Feast of Passover celebrates Israel’s deliverance from Egypt
- ___ 2. After his donkey sat down, Balaam beat and then had a conversation with his loyal donkey
- ___ 3. The Sinai (Mosaic) Covenant was made with all people throughout all generations
- ___ 4. If a person accidentally killed another they could flee and seek safety in a City of Refuge
- ___ 5. Blood is the element mentioned in the Torah as the means of forgiveness and salvation
- ___ 6. After his sin with Bathsheba, David’s sons were obedient, kind, and loving to him and one another
- ___ 7. Josiah was one of the “boy Kings” of Judah (he became a King when only a child)
- ___ 8. Athaliah was a beautiful woman who became Queen and tried to save her grandchildren