

# Questions To Build Your Knowledge

## What The Bible Is (fill in the blank)

1. The Bible is God's \_\_\_\_\_.
2. In the Bible, God \_\_\_\_\_ Himself. It also reveals the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of mankind.
3. The theme throughout the Bible is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Bible is actually a library of \_\_\_\_\_ books, \_\_\_\_\_ in the Old Testament and \_\_\_\_\_ in the New Testament.

## Inspiration – God's Method of Writing(fill in the blank)

1. The method by which the bible was written is called \_\_\_\_\_, which means God - \_\_\_\_\_.
2. In this process, God instructed human \_\_\_\_\_ in what He wanted them to write.
3. "And the Lord said unto Moses \_\_\_\_\_ for a memorial in a book..." Ex. 17:14  
"Thus speaketh the Lord God of Israel, saying, \_\_\_\_\_ all the \_\_\_\_\_ that I \_\_\_\_\_ unto thee in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
Jeremiah 30:2  
"All \_\_\_\_\_ is given by the inspiration of \_\_\_\_\_ and is \_\_\_\_\_..."  
II Timothy 3:16  
  
"For the prophecy came \_\_\_\_\_ in old times by the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_: but holy \_\_\_\_\_ of God \_\_\_\_\_ as they were \_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Ghost."  
II Peter 1:21

These verses tell us that God was the Mind that gave all of the Scriptures to be written in the Bible!

## When The Writing Started (circle the correct answer or fill in the blank)

1. The time span over which the Bible was written was:
  - a. A few weeks
  - b. One year
  - c. Many years
  - d. Many centuries

2. The first writings of the Bible are probably traceable to:
  - a. Moses
  - b. Adam
  - c. David
  - d. Jesus
3. Any Scripture written before the world wide flood would have been preserved by \_\_\_\_\_.

### Roll The Presses! (fill in the blank)

1. Moses lived about \_\_\_\_\_ years before Jesus Christ or about \_\_\_\_\_ years before our time.
2. God used Moses to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His Word.
3. Bible critics have said that writing wasn't even invented in \_\_\_\_\_ time, but we now know that the \_\_\_\_\_ and Egyptians used writing as early \_\_\_\_\_ B. C.

### The Old Testament (fill in the blank)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ wrote Genesis, \_\_\_\_\_, Leviticus, \_\_\_\_\_ and Deuteronomy. These five books are called the \_\_\_\_\_ and together comprise the \_\_\_\_\_ writing of Scripture.
2. When we say that Moses and other men wrote the Bible we mean that they were the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_, but God was the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ written.
3. The communication from God to the human writers was by supernatural means, which is mysterious, but the important thing to know is that God \_\_\_\_\_ what He \_\_\_\_\_!
4. As God directed, Moses chose some things that \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and others had written, and then God gave Moses some entirely \_\_\_\_\_ things to write.
5. Over the next \_\_\_\_\_ hundred years God directed others to write more of His \_\_\_\_\_ in other \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Some other writers included \_\_\_\_\_, Samuel, David, \_\_\_\_\_, Jeremiah, \_\_\_\_\_ Ezekiel and \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The Old Testament writings ended about \_\_\_\_\_ years before \_\_\_\_\_ when the book of \_\_\_\_\_ was completed.
8. The marvel of the Old Testament writing is that over \_\_\_\_\_ men who were

vastly separated by \_\_\_\_\_ and further \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, these men wrote 39 books that possess  
 \_\_\_\_\_ common \_\_\_\_\_ theme.

9. Thinking question. Suppose you were to read a book that combined the writings of a farmer from the first century A.D., with those of a priest from the tenth century A.D., with those of an atheist professor of the twentieth century, and then add those of a Baptist fundamentalist preacher of the 21st century - would you find a message that is:
- highly unified in purpose and theme
  - highly contradictory in purpose and theme
10. The Old Testament is a perfectly \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ picture of \_\_\_\_\_ and His \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

### **The New Testament (fill in the blank)**

- The life of Jesus Christ (according to our present calendar) began about \_\_\_\_\_ B.C., and ended about \_\_\_\_\_ A.D.
- When Jesus Christ spoke, He was speaking the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- The words of the Lord Jesus were recorded by His \_\_\_\_\_, then later the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ directed \_\_\_\_\_ men to write the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The actual writing of the New Testament probably began about \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. with the book of \_\_\_\_\_. The New Testament was completed about \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. with the completion of the book of \_\_\_\_\_.
- In Revelation 22: 18-19, we are warned to neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor \_\_\_\_\_ from what God had written in the Scriptures.
- Any writings claiming to be from God that came after 96 A.D. are not \_\_\_\_\_ and are to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- The New Testament \_\_\_\_\_ record the ministry of \_\_\_\_\_; \_\_\_\_\_ contains history of the early \_\_\_\_\_; the \_\_\_\_\_ are letters that outline more events and \_\_\_\_\_ principles; and \_\_\_\_\_ which is \_\_\_\_\_ concerning end time \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Preservation of God's Word (circle the correct answer or fill in the blank)**

- It is illogical to think that God wrote the Scriptures perfectly but then He allowed those same Scriptures to acquire \_\_\_\_\_ as they were copied.

2. True or False? “Some original books that God has inspired have been lost over the centuries”.
3. The Scriptures actually say that God has \_\_\_\_\_ His Word.  
“The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord are \_\_\_\_\_ words... \_\_\_\_\_ shalt \_\_\_\_\_ them, O Lord, Thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ them from this \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_. Psalm 12: 6-7  
In this verse, the Bible says that God will preserve it forever!
4. Look up the word “preserve” in a dictionary if you need. Which of the following would best define it?
  - a. To keep
  - b. To degrade
  - c. To destroy
5. According to Psalm 119:160, how much of the Bible is true?
  - a. All
  - b. Some
  - c. None
6. According to II Timothy 3:16, how much of the Scripture is inspired by God?
  - a. All
  - b. Some
  - c. None
7. The “scholars” who say that the Bible contains errors have actually set them selves up as \_\_\_\_\_ who can decide what is \_\_\_\_\_ and what is \_\_\_\_\_.

### Copying (fill in the blank)

1. The Old and New Testaments were preserved by ancient \_\_\_\_\_. In the Old Testament these were the Jewish \_\_\_\_\_ while the \_\_\_\_\_ of the New Testament era served as \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Preservation of the Scriptures was achieved by the copyists by \_\_\_\_\_ and unrelenting devotion to \_\_\_\_\_ preservation of the inspired \_\_\_\_\_.
3. True or False? “The copyists were keenly aware that they were copying the Word of God rather than mere words of men.”
4. The copyists were \_\_\_\_\_ careful in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ process and so they developed special \_\_\_\_\_ to catch \_\_\_\_\_.

The Jewish scribes counted \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ on the original to see if they were matched on the \_\_\_\_\_.

The result was \_\_\_\_\_ copies for century after century.

5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Scriptures show that the copyists were honest. We know this because they faithfully copied things that would be \_\_\_\_\_ to the copyists.
6. The consequences of the copyist's writings refer to the fact that they would personally pay a great \_\_\_\_\_ for what they copied.
7. The copyists were aided by the Spirit of God as He placed an inexhaustible \_\_\_\_\_ in their hearts and \_\_\_\_\_ for their work so that they \_\_\_\_\_ to accept anything \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in their work. The copyists were not \_\_\_\_\_ like the original writers but they were \_\_\_\_\_ by the Spirit of God to possess \_\_\_\_\_, wisdom and \_\_\_\_\_ as they worked to produce perfect copies of Scripture.

### **Who Decided the Books of the Bible? (circle correct answer or fill in the blank)**

1. Who decided which books would be in the Bible?
  - a. Scholars
  - b. Catholic Church
  - c. God
  - d. Baptists
2. God showed the ancient people which books were His choice by \_\_\_\_\_ upon their minds. We call this the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
 "The \_\_\_\_\_ is in the hand of the Lord..." Proverbs 21:1
3. The books of the Old Testament were uniformly accepted by the Jews \_\_\_\_\_ of years before Christ and about \_\_\_\_\_ years before the Roman Catholic Church was fully formed.
4. The books of the New Testament were uniformly accepted by the Christian churches by \_\_\_\_\_ A.D., which as about \_\_\_\_\_ years before the Catholic Church was fully formed.

### **Languages and Translations of the Bible (circle answer or fill in the blank)**

1. The original language of the Old Testament was:
  - a. Hebrew/Aramaic
  - b. Greek

- c. English
  - d. Latin
2. The original language of the New Testament was:
  - a. Hebrew/Aramaic
  - b. Formal Greek
  - c. Common Greek
  - d. Latin
3. The conversion of Scripture from one language into another is called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. True or False? “Any translation of Scripture will always cause some corruption of the original in the translated form”.
5. Accurate \_\_\_\_\_ requires linguistic \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Spirit.
6. True or False? “The Lord Jesus believed that accurate translation of Scripture into new languages is possible”  
Give the Scripture citation wherein His own statements confirm or deny the above question. Explain the reasoning given in the lesson.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Bible accurately translates the Word of God from Greek into the English language.
8. The ancient copy of Isaiah found in a cave near the Dead Sea was:
  - a. exactly the same as copies that were later used to translate our King James Bible.
  - b. much different from the copies from which our King James Bible is translated.
9. The answer to #8 above demonstrates that:
  - a. process of Scripture preservation works to perpetuate perfect copies of earlier copies, all of which traces back to an original given by God.
  - b. process of Scripture copying produces flawed copies which modern scholars must fix to try to resemble what the original Scriptures really once said.