

## WEEK 1: A General Survey of the Bible

*Before we begin a general study of how to read and understand your Bible, it could be helpful to test your current knowledge of the Bible. At the end of this course, you will retake this test and see where you are.*

### QUIZ:

**1) How many books are in the Old Testament?**

A) 51   B) 45   C) 39   D) 27

**2) How many books are in the New Testament?**

A) 51   B) 45   C) 39   D) 27

**3) Which book describes the creation of the world?**

A) Exodus   B) Genesis   C) Nahum   D) Matthew

**4) Which book contains the story of Balaam's donkey?**

A) Leviticus   B) 1 Kings   C) Numbers   D) 2 Chronicles

**5) Before defeating the Midianites, God whittled down \_\_\_\_\_'s army to 300.**

A) Samson   B) Baruch   C) Gideon   D) Joshua

**6) There are \_\_\_\_\_ Gospels in the New Testament**

- A) Two   B) Three   C) Four   D) Five

**7) Who wrote the book of Revelation?**

- A) Peter   B) Paul   C) John   D) Luke

**8) “Be Strong and Courageous” is God’s repeated encouragement to which Israelite Leader?**

- A) Moses   B) Joshua   C) Jehu   D) Elijah

**9) Where did Peter preach the sermon at Pentecost?**

- A) Jericho   B) Capernaum   C) Caesarea   D) Jerusalem

**10) When God kicked Israel out of the land, what was that event referred to as?**

- A) Exile   B) Banishment   C) Deportation   D) Expulsion

**11) Which book describes the beginning of the early church?**

- A) Galatians   B) 1 Corinthians  
C) The Birth of the Church of Jesus Christ  
D) The Acts of the Apostles

**12) What New Testament book was written to a slave owner concerning the recent conversion of his runaway slave, and the need for him to receive him no longer as a slave, but as a brother in the Lord?**

A) Ephesians    B) Hebrews    C) Philemon    D) 3 John

**13) Why was Moses forced to leave the house of Pharaoh?**

A) He called Pharaoh a dummy    B) He insulted Pharaoh's mother  
C) He was bored    D) He murdered an Egyptian after observing him beating a Hebrew slave

**14) In what book do we read about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego?**

A) Ezekiel    B) Daniel    C) Malachi    D) Nehemiah

**15) What is the final book of the Old Testament?**

A) Zephaniah    B) Haggai    C) Nahum    D) Malachi

**16) BONUS: What was Amos' two occupations before he was called to be a prophet?**

A) A servant of the Temple/Priestly Scribe  
B) Tender of Olive Trees/Farmer of Barley  
C) Shepherd/Sycamore Farmer  
D) King of Israel/Commander of David's Army

## OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE

1) The Bible is one, long story

2) Summary of Biblical Story: Creation, Fall Redemption, Restoration

*Creation (Genesis 1-2):*

*Fall (Genesis 3):*

*Redemption: (Genesis 4 – Gospels)*

*Restoration: Acts – Jude*

*Consummation: Revelation*

What do we mean that the Bible was inspired by God?

*“By Inspiration of Scripture we mean that supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit on the Scripture writers which rendered their writings an accurate record of the revelation... which resulted in what they wrote actually being the word of God”*

*– Millard Erickson, Christian Theology, pg. 225*