

# Bible Christmas Quiz



(Answers are at the end.)

1. Which New Testament books describe the birth of Jesus?

- A. All four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John)
- B. Matthew and Luke
- C. John and Mark
- D. Mark, John, and Acts

2. Who was king of Judea when Jesus was born?

- A. Herod
- B. Pontius Pilate
- C. Quirinius
- D. Julius Caesar

3. An angel predicted Jesus birth to:

- A. Only Mary
- B. Only Joseph
- C. Both Mary and Joseph
- D. Mary, Joseph, and Herod

4. An angel said "Do not be afraid" or similar words to:

- A. Mary
- B. Joseph
- C. Zechariah
- D. Mary, Joseph, Zechariah, and some shepherds

5. Who were Elizabeth and Zechariah?

- A. Relatives of Mary; the parents of John the Baptist
- B. Mary's parents
- C. Joseph's parents
- D. The innkeeper and his wife

6. Where was Jesus born?

- A. Nazareth in Galilee
- B. Bethlehem in Judea
- C. Egypt
- D. Mount Zion

7. In what sort of building was Jesus born?

- A. A stable
- B. A manger
- C. An Inn
- D. The Bible doesn't say

8. In Luke's account, what did the innkeeper say to Mary and Joseph?

- A. "There is no room for you in the inn."
- B. "You may stay in the stable."
- C. Both 'A' and 'B'
- D. None of the above

9. What animals does the Bible say were present at the place Jesus was born?

- A. An ox and a donkey
- B. Sheep and goats
- C. Various animals are mentioned
- D. The Bible doesn't say

10. What was the name of the angel who spoke to the shepherds?

- A. Gabriel
- B. Balthazar
- C. Lemuel
- D. The Bible doesn't say

11. How did the angel tell the shepherds they would recognize Jesus?

- A. They would find him in a manger
- B. There would be a star above the place he was born
- C. They would see wise men and camels
- D. The Bible doesn't say

12. How many wise men were there?

- A. 3
- B. 7
- C. A "great host"
- D. The Bible doesn't say

13. In what sort of building did the wise men find Jesus?"

- A. An inn
- B. A stable
- C. A house
- D. The Bible doesn't say

14. After Jesus' birth whom did Mary, Joseph, and Jesus meet in the Temple

- A. The wise men
- B. Zechariah and Elizabeth
- C. Simeon and the prophet Anna
- D. The Bible doesn't say

15. What did Herod do when he realized that the wise men had tricked him?

- A. Sent chariots to bring the wise men back to Jerusalem
- B. Ordered all boys under the age of 2 in and around Bethlehem to be killed
- C. Asked the chief priests and teachers of the law where the wise men had gone
- D. The Bible doesn't say

16. Where did Mary, Joseph, and Jesus go to flee from Herod?

- A. Egypt
- B. Mount Zion
- C. The hill country in Judea
- D. The Bible doesn't say

**Answers are on next page.**

### Bible Christmas Quiz – Answers

1. B: Chapters 1 and 2 of Matthew and Luke describe Jesus birth.
2. A: Herod was king of Judea when Jesus was born (Matthew 2:1 etc. and Luke 1:5).
3. C: An angel predicted Jesus birth to Mary (Luke 1:26-38) and Joseph (Matthew 1:18-25).
4. D: Angels said “Do not be afraid” to Zechariah, (Luke 1:13), Mary (Luke 1:30), Joseph (Matt. 1:20), & shepherds (Luke 2:10).
5. A: Elizabeth was Mary’s relative; she and Zechariah were the parents of John the Baptist (Luke 1:5, 13, 17, 36).
6. B: Jesus was born in Bethlehem (Luke 2:4-7 and Matthew 2:1).
7. D: After he was born Mary laid Jesus in a manger but the type of building isn’t mentioned (Luke 2:6-7).
8. D: No “innkeeper” is mentioned in the Nativity story (Luke 2:4-7).
9. D: No animals are mentioned at the place of Jesus birth (Luke 2:4-7). Shepherds were tending their sheep nearby, but it doesn’t say whether they took them into Bethlehem with them (Luke 2:8-16).
10. D: Gabriel is named as the angel who spoke to Mary but no name is given for the “angel of the Lord” who appeared to the shepherds (Luke 2:9).
11. A: The shepherds would find Jesus wrapped in cloths, lying in a manger (Luke 2:12).
12. D: There were 3 gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh (Matthew 2:11) but the number of wise men (magi) is not mentioned.
13. C: The wise men found Jesus in a house (Matthew 2:10-11).
14. C: Mary, Joseph, and Jesus met Simeon and Anna in the temple (Luke 2:22-40).
15. B: Herod ordered the boys around Bethlehem under 2 years old killed (Matthew 2:16-18).
16. A: Mary, Joseph, and Jesus fled from Herod to Egypt (Matthew 2:13-15).