

# 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).