

Swordsman Teen Newsletter







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David quiz: Some of the answers are not found in the Bible written exactly like in the answer. You may use your Bible if needed. Enjoy!

1) Who was David's father?	12) Why did David NOT use Saul's armor?
A - Joseph	A - It was too big for him.
B - Jesse	B - It was too small for him.
C - Nebat	C - Saul was trying to kill him.
D - Jehoram	D - He had not proved them.
2) Where did David live (in his youth)?	
A - Jerusalem	13) What was Goliath's reaction to David's appearance?
B - Samaria	
C - Ziklag	A - Indignation
D - Bethlehem	B - Scorn
2) Wiltish of the fellowing periods have been	C - Fear
3) Which of the following was David's brother?	D - Admiration
A - Shammah	14) How many stones did David pick up?
B - Jesse	, ,
C - Gath	A - 1
D - Bethlehem	B - 3
	C - 5
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6) What was Goliath's notable characteristic?	D - 7
A - Tall	15) How many stones did David use?
B - Fast	
C - Fat	A - 1
D - Ugly	В-3
57	C - 5
7) How long did Goliath parade in front of the Israelites?	D - 7
A - 3 Days	16) Who was the commander of Saul's army?
	10) who was the commander of Saul's army:
B - 7 Days	A Jack
C - 12 Days	A - Joab
D - 40 Days	B - David
	C - Jonathan
8) How many of David's brothers were at the battle?	D - Abner
A - 2	17) How many Philistines did David kill in order to marry Michal?
В-3	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
C - 4	A - 100
D - 5	B - 200
5 5	C - 300
9) Why did David come out to the battle?	D - 400
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A - To kill Goliath	18) Who was Michal's father?
B - To watch the action	
C - To bring provisions	
D - For fun	A - Jesse
	B - Saul
10) What was David's reaction to Goliath's threat?	C - Samuel
To y what was bavia s reaction to condition an eac.	D - Abner
A - Indignation	
B - Fear	19) Who was David's best friend?
C - Laughter	-,
D - Admiration	
	A - Joab
	B - Abner
11) What was Eliab's reaction to David's reaction?	C - Jonathan
11) What was Liad Stedclion to David Stedclion?	D - Samuel
A - Anger	
B - Fear	20) David obtained help from the priests of which city?
C - Laughter	
D - Admiration	
	A - Nob
	B - Bethel
	C - Jerusalem
	D - Shiloh

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For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Hebrews 4:12

How's Your Heart?

Have you ever wondered why God wants the adoration of humans, especially since He knows our hearts. According to *Jeremiah 17: 9,* "*The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?*" It's His way of connecting. God knows that His presence can soften our hearts and remove sin. In *1 John 1:9* "*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*"

The Bible says that David was a man after God's own heart. If you have ever been after someone's heart, you know what it takes to get it. You think about that person day and night. You're consumed with what they think and remember the words they speak. You are kind and loving to that person and want to spend time with them more than you want anything else. When you have hope that love will result, you will do whatever makes that person happy and you will make sure that you touch their heart. David deliberately put God first. He kept his heart pure and devoted to God. That doesn't mean David never made mistakes or sinned; we know he did. The Bible tells the story of David's lust for Bathsheba, and the sin that followed, and the consequences of his poor choice and his sins. David didn't let his past mistakes keep him from connecting with God. In fact, he was more devoted afterward and more inclined to visit the throne of God because he knew how much he'd grieved God, and better understood the mercy of God.

Psalms 51:1-6 To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. **2** Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. **3** For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. **4** Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. **5** Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. **6** Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

The verses above provide insight into how David's sin and suffering allowed him to fully experience God's redeeming love. (Note) This scripture is in the message because it totally reveals David's heart.

God's love is generous- nothing can separate you from God's love. He gives grace! *Romans 8:38-39* For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

David's prayer was "Dear God wipe out my bad record; Scrub away my guilt; and soak out my sins in your laundry. I know how bad I've been; my sins are staring me down. You're the one I've violated, and you've seen it all, you have seen the full extent of my sins. You have all the facts before you; whatever you decide about me is fair. I've been out of step with You for a long time. I have been in the wrong since before I was born. What you're after is **truth from the inside out**. Enter me, then; conceive a new, true life." *2 Corinthians 5:17*

At this point, David didn't blame anyone else for his mistakes. He wasn't rationalizing or justifying his behavior. Instead, he acknowledged his sins and gave God the right to change him. That's why in *Acts 13:22* the Apostle Paul refers to David as a man after God's own heart. "*And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will."*

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The Potter

There was a couple who used to go to England to shop in the beautiful stores. They both liked antiques and pottery and especially teacups. This was their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

One day in this shop they saw a beautiful teacup. They said, "May we see that? We've never seen one quite so beautiful." As the lady handed it to them, suddenly the teacup spoke. "You don't understand," it said. "I haven't always been a teacup. There was a time when I was red and I was clay. My master took me and rolled me and patted me over and over and I yelled out, "let me alone," but he only smiled, "not yet".

"Then I was placed on a spinning wheel," the teacup said, "and suddenly I was spun around and around and around. Stop it! I'm getting dizzy!" I screamed. But the master only nodded and said, "not yet."

Then he put me in the oven. I never felt such heat. I wondered why he wanted to burn me, and I yelled and knocked at the door. I could see him through the opening and I could read his lips as he shook his head, "not yet."

Finally the door opened, he put me on the shelf, and I began to cool.

"There, that's better," I said. And he brushed and painted me all over. The fumes were horrible. I thought I would gag. "Stop it, stop it!" I cried. He only nodded, "Not yet." Then suddenly be put me back into the over not like the

Then suddenly he put me back into the oven, not like the first one.

This was twice as hot and I knew I would suffocate. I begged. I pleaded. I screamed. I cried. All the time I could see him through the opening nodding his head saying, "Not yet."

Then I knew there wasn't any hope. I would never make it. I was ready to give up. But the door opened and he took me out and placed me on the shelf. One hour later he handed me a mirror and said, "Look at yourself." And I did. I said, "That's not me; that couldn't be me. It's beautiful. I'm beautiful!"

"I want you to remember, then," he said. "I know it hurts to be rolled and patted, but if I had left you alone, you'd have dried up. I know it made you dizzy to spin around on the wheel, but if I had stopped, you would have crumbled. I knew it hurt and was hot and disagreeable in the oven, but if I hadn't put you there, you would have cracked." "I know the fumes were bad when I brushed and painted you all over, but if I hadn't done that, you never would have hardened; you would not have had any color in your life. And if I hadn't put you back in that second oven, you wouldn't survive for very long because the hardness would not have held. Now you are a finished product. You are what I had in mind when I first began with you

Memory Verse

Jeremiah 17:9 (KJV) The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Redhead Jokes

- **Q.** What do you call a redhead with an attitude?
- A. Normal
- Q. What do redheads make for dinner?
- A. Reservations.
- **Q.** Why do guys date blondes?
- A. All the redheads are taken.

Joke Section

Proverbs 17:22 A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

Dan: Hey, does your dog smell? Fred: No!! I just bathed him. I don't think he smells. Dan: Then what's his nose for?

Once upon a time, there were two brothers named Quiet and Trouble. One day, Trouble was missing. Quiet went to look for him. Later, a policeman saw him and asked him what his name was. He said, "Quiet!" The policeman asked again, "Boy, what is your name?" He **said angrily, "Quiet!"** The policeman said, "Are you looking for TROUBLE?" Quiet **said, "Yes!"** Policeman,"???"

The teacher asks **Bobby**, **"What do you get if I tear this piece of paper into 2?"** Bobby answered, "Halves." The teacher continued, "What if I tear it into 4 pieces?" Bobby said, "Quarters." The teacher asked again, "What if I tear it into 8 pieces?" Bobby replied, "Eights!" The Teacher looked at smart-aleck Bobby and asked, "What if it is torn into 100 pieces?" Bobby calmly replied, "Confetti!"

Woman: Waiter, why are there some coins in my bowl Waiter: Well, the last time you came here, you said that you would not come back to the restaurant unless there is some change in it! Woman: !?!

FIRST MAN: I HAD A QUARREL WITH MY WIFE. SECOND MAN: SO WHO WON? FIRST MAN: SHE CAME CRAWLING TO ME ON HER HANDS AND KNEES SAYING, "GET OUT FROM UNDER THE BED, YOU COWARD!"

During dinner at a restaurant, Simón was furious when his steak arrived being rare. Simon: Waiter, didn't you hear me "Well done"? Waiter: I can't thank you enough, sir. I hardly ever get a compliment! Simon: !?!

How's Your Heart?

You desperately need the heart of David. And you need to get the truth from the inside out. Go ahead and read the entire book of Psalms out loud, day after day. No matter what other Scriptures you read, add Psalms to your devotions.

Don't recite David's words, pray for forgiveness of your sins. God will exchange your hard heart for a God-loving, faithful heart like David's. Ezekiel 36:26 makes you such a promise, "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh." We just read the verses above which teach us nothing can separate us from God's love. BUT! We can reject the love God gives us and end up in Hell. What a shame, God offers His love to everyone but not everyone will go to Heaven. Just like if I was at your house knocking on your front door YOU CAN SAY COME IN or get out of here I don't know you. You can do the same to JESUS! You can ask Him to come into your life and heart and forgive you of all your sins or get out of here I don't want what you offer. It's your Choice. How do you ask Him to come in Romans 10:9-13 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed, 12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. 13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Don't delay. Call today!

1 Thessalonians 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the Q: Why did the magician have to cancel his show? clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **Meet you there!**

How do You pronounce Natchitoches

A husband and wife were driving through Louisiana. As they approached Natchitoches, they started arguing about the pronunciation of the town. They argued back and forth, then they stopped for lunch. At the counter, the husband asked the blonde waitress, "Before we order, could you please settle an argument for us? Would you please pronounce where we are very slowly?" She leaned over the counter and said, "Burrr-gerrr Kiiing."

Driving Through The Desert

There are three blondes who are on a road trip. As they are driving through the desert, their car breaks down. They have no phone to call anyone, so they decide to walk to the nearest city, several miles away. They each decide to take one thing to make the journey better. The first blonde takes the

radio and says, "If we get bored, we can put the radio on and listen to music." The second blonde decides to take a wheel, "In case one of us gets really tired, we can go inside the wheel and be rolled." The third blonde takes the car door, "In case it gets too hot, we can roll down the window!"

Copying Machine

A woman had been doing temp work at various offices. At one place, she became the resident expert on the photocopy machine. One day there was a big backup. She went over to help and found that no one knew how to stop the copier from "punching" three holes down the side of each copy. She opened the paper tray, removed the three-hole paper and solved the problem.

One Liner Riddles & Answers

- Q: What do you call ten rabbits marching backwards?
- **A:** A receding hareline.
- **O:** What do ducks have for lunch?
- A: Soup and guackers!
- **Q:** Why did the rabbit cross the road?
- A: Because it was the chicken's day off.
- **O:** What do you call a bunny with a dictionary in his pants? A: A smarty pants.
- **Q:** What do you call a bunny with a large brain?
- **A:** An egghead.
- Q: What would you call the Easter Bunny if he married a chicken?
- A: The very first rabbit to lay an egg!
- Q: Why are people always tired in April?
- **A:** Because they just finished a march.
- A: He'd just washed his hare and couldn't do a thing with it.

A Brunette

Eleven people were clinging precariously to a wildly swinging rope suspended from a crumbling outcrop on Mount Everest. Ten were blonde, one was a brunette. As a group they decided that one of the party should let go. If that didn't happen, the rope would break and everyone would perish. For an agonizing few moments no one volunteered. Finally the brunette gave a truly touching speech saying she would sacrifice herself to save the lives of the others. The ten blondes started clapping.

She Finally Caught Him

This blonde guy was really dumb. In school, he sat next to a really smart student and the teacher knew he was cheating on tests, but she could never prove it, until one day. As she corrected the tests, the teacher saw that the really smart kid had answered a question, "I don't know." The dumb blonde had answered that question. "I don't either."

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Answers to David Quiz: (in 1 Samuel)

1) B - Jesse <i>16:1</i>	11) A - Anger <i>17:28</i>
2) D - Bethlehem <i>16:1</i>	12) D - He had not
3) A - Shammah <i>16:9</i>	proved them. 17:39
4) D - Musician <i>16:18,19</i>	13) B - Scorn <i>17:43</i>
5) C - Gath <i>17:4</i>	14) C - 5 <i>17:40</i>
6) A - Tall <i>17:4</i>	15) A - 1 <i>17:49,50</i>
7) D - 40 Days <i>17:16</i>	16) D - Abner <i>17:55</i>
8) B - 3 <i>17:13</i>	17) B - 200 <i>18:27</i>
9) C - To bring provisions	18) B - Saul <i>18:20</i>
17:17	19) C - Jonathan <i>18:1</i>
10) A - Indignation <i>17:44 - 46</i>	20) A - Nob <i>21:1</i>

"God Speaks" Billboards

Some new billboards are getting attention in Cleveland. Some reported seeing one or two messages, but the newspaper listed all of them. Here's a list of all variations of the "God Speaks" billboards.

Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game. - God

C'mon over and bring the kids. - God

What part of "Thou Shalt Not..." didn't you understand? - God

We need to talk. - God

Keep using my name in vain, I'll make rush hour longer. - God

Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage. - God

That "Love Thy Neighbor" thing... I meant it. - God

I love you and you and you and you and... - God

Will the road you're on get you to my place? - God Follow me, - God

Big bang theory, you've got to be kidding. - God

My way is the highway. - God

Need directions? - God

You think it's hot here? - God

Have you read my #1 best seller? There will be a test. - God

Do you have any idea where you're going? - God

Don't make me come down there. - God

Plane Ride

A nun is waiting for her flight. She looked over in the corner and saw one of those weight machines that tells your fortune. So, she thought to herself "I'll give it a try just to see what it tells me." She went over to the machine and put her nickel in, and out came a card that said, "You're a nun you weigh 128 lbs and you are going to Chicago."

She sat back down and thought about it. She told herself it probably tells the same thing to everyone, but decided to try it again. She went back to the machine and put her nickel in. Out came a card that read, "You're a nun, you weigh 128 lbs., you're going to Chicago, and you're going to play a fiddle." The nun said to herself, "I know that's wrong, I have never played a musical instrument a day in my life." She sat back down. From out of nowhere, a cowboy came over and set his fiddle case down next to her. The nun picked up the

| fiddle and just started playing beautiful music.

Startled, she looked back at the machine and said, "This is incredible. I've got to try it again." Back to the machine. In goes her nickel, out comes the card which said, "You're a nun, you weigh 128lbs., you're going to Chicago and you're going to break wind." Now, the nun knows the machine is wrong; "I've never broke wind in public a day in my life!" Well, she tripped, fell off the scales and broke wind.

Stunned, she sat back down and looked at the machine. She said to herself, "This is truly unbelievable, I've got to try it one more time." She goes back to the machine, puts in a nickel and collected the card. This time the card says, "You're a nun, you weigh 128lbs., you have fiddled and broke wind and now you have missed your flight to Chicago."

Ice Cream is Good for the Soul

ast week I took my children to a restaurant. My six-yearold son asked if he could say grace. As we bowed our heads he said, "God is good. God is great. Thank you for the food, and I would even thank you more if Mom gets us ice cream for dessert. And Liberty and justice for all! Amen!"

Along with the laughter from the other customers nearby I heard a woman remark, "That's what's wrong with this country. Kids today don't even know how to pray. Asking God for ice-cream! Why, I never!"

Hearing this, my son burst into tears and asked me, "Did I do it wrong? Is God mad at me?" As I held him and assured him that he had done a terrific job and God was certainly not mad at him, an elderly gentle man approached the table. He winked at my son and said, "I happen to know that God thought that was a great prayer." "Really?" my son asked "Cross my heart." Then in theatrical whisper he added (indicating the woman whose remark had started this whole thing), "Too bad she never asks God for ice cream. A little ice cream is good for the soul sometimes." Naturally, I bought my kid's ice cream at the end of the meal. My son stared at his for a moment and then did something I will remember the rest of my life. He picked up his sundae and without a word walked over and placed it in front of the woman. With a big smile he told her, "Here, this is for you. Ice cream is good for the soul sometimes and my soul is good already."

Three Blondes

Kay, there were these 3 blondes, and they died and went to Heaven, and when they got there, God said, "All right, I will let you into Heaven if you can tell me what the true meaning of Easter is." So the first blonde said, "That's easy. That's when Santa Claus comes and gives you presents. It's really neat!!" God said, "Sorry, you're outta here." Then the second one said, "It's when the Easter Bunny comes and gives you candy. It's really neat!!" God said, "You're outta here." Then the third one said, "That's when Jesus died and rose from the dead three days later." God said, "Wow, very good, welcome." Then the blonde said, "Yeah, and when He walked out of the tomb, He saw a shadow so there were 6 more weeks of winter!!"