

2026

Houston Area City Wide Bible Bowl

Study Material



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Greetings Youth Leaders and Youth Bible Bowlers!

This year's Bible Bowl will be held on November 14, 2026, from 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM.

The competition study is Old Testament Review, (Books: Genesis – Song of Solomon). Our host congregation is the **Trinity Gardens Church of Christ**.

We will use the English Standard Version (ESV) translation of Bible for this competition.

Bible Bowlers will be challenged in a written exam and honored with individual trophies/medals!

The individual competition will include:

- Scripture Search (open bible search of scriptures throughout the Bible to fill in blanks)
- Multiple Choice
- Matching (include questions from the standard memorization list)

We also host a team competition for youth ages 10–18 and ADULTS.

Teams will be honored with team trophies/medals!

The Team competition will include:

- True/False
- Multiple Choice
- Comprehension
- Scripture Quotation
- Speed Round

Enclosed in this study packet, you will find all the study materials for the individual and team competition.

Also, be sure to download a copy of the competition rules (in a separate packet).

2026 Study Material:

- Study Questions – Individual & Team Multiple Choice, Comprehension & Speed Rounds
- True/False – Team True/False Round
- Memory Verses – Individual Tiebreaker, Team Scripture Quotation & Speed Rounds
- Standard Memorization List – Individual Tiebreaker & Speed Rounds

Make sure to download sample tests, for examples of the written competition. Stay tuned to the competition website for information and updates (<https://houstonareacitywidebiblebowl.com>).

Thank you for your participation in the Annual Citywide Bible Bowl! May we all have fun studying and learning God's Word!

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or for further information.

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2026 Bible Bowl Study Packet

General Knowledge (8 Questions)

1. How many total books are in the Bible?

66

2. How many books are in the Old Testament?

39

3. How many books are in the New Testament?

27

4. What does the word “testament” mean?

Agreement

5. About how many men wrote the Bible?

40

6. Which five books of the Bible comprise the Torah (or Pentateuch)?

Genesis

Exodus

Leviticus

Numbers

Deuteronomy

7. Which book of the Old Testament is quoted the most in the New Testament?

Psalms

8. In what three languages was the Bible originally written?

Hebrew

Aramaic

Greek

Genesis (10 Questions)

9. Who was the son of Abraham and Sarah? (Gen. 21:1-7)

Isaac

10. Upon what mountain did Abraham take his son to offer him up as a sacrifice? (Gen. 22:2)

Mount Moriah

11. What twin brothers were born to Isaac and Rebekah? (Gen. 25:23-26)

Esau

Jacob

12. What did Jacob trick his brother into giving him? (Gen. 25:29-34)

His birthright

13. Who was the favorite wife of Jacob? (Gen. 29:15-30)

Rachel

14. What new name did God give to Jacob? (Gen. 35:10)

Israel

15. Who was the favorite son of Jacob? (Gen. 37:3-4)

Joseph

16. Joseph was sold into slavery into what country? (Gen. 37:36)

Egypt

17. Whose house did Joseph live in as a slave? (Gen. 39:1)

Potiphar's

18. Who were the two sons of Joseph? (Gen. 41:50-52)

Ephraim

Manasseh

Exodus (10 Questions)

19. Exodus 1:8 says that there arose a new king of Egypt, who did not know who? (Ex. 1:8)

Joseph

20. Who found Moses in an ark among the reeds of the river? (Ex. 2:5-6)

Pharoah's daughter

21. What does the name "Moses" mean? (Ex. 2:10)

"Because I drew him out of the water."

22. How does God identify himself to Moses when Moses asks His name? (Ex. 3:14)

"I AM WHO I AM"

23. Who was to be Moses' spokesman to the people? (Ex. 4:14-16)

Aaron, his brother

24. For how long had the children of Israel lived in Egypt before the Exodus? (Ex. 12:40)

430 years

25. What did Moses take with him out of Egypt in fulfillment of an oath taken by Joseph? (Gen.50:25, Ex. 13:19, Heb. 11:22)

The bones of Joseph

26. How did the Lord appear in leading the Israelites out of Egypt by day and night? (Ex. 13:21)

A pillar of cloud by day

A pillar of fire by night

27. At Mount Sanai, God gave detailed blueprints for the construction of what? (Ex. 25:9)

The tabernacle and all its furniture

28. While Moses delayed in coming down from Mount Sinai, what did Aaron make for the people? (Ex. 32:1-4)

A golden calf

Leviticus (10 Questions)

29. What are the five ritual offerings/sacrifices Israel was to perform? (Lev. 1-5)

Burnt Offering

Grain Offering

Peace Offering

Sin Offering

Guilt Offering

30. Every grain offering brought before the Lord was to be made without what? (Lev. 2:11)

Leaven

31. What two parts of animals were the Israelites forbidden to eat? (7:22-27)

The fat

The blood

32. What two sons of Aaron are consumed by fire for violating God's command? (Lev. 10:1-2)

Nadab

Abihu

33. What is the name of the annual holy day in which the sins of Israel would be completely covered? (Lev. 16)

Day of Atonement

34. The nation of Israel was called to live differently than which two groups of people in what lands? (Lev. 18:3)

Egypt

Canaan

35. To what pagan God did many Canaanites sacrifice their children? (Lev. 18:21)

Molech

36. God promised the Israelites a land flowing with what two things? (Lev. 20:24)

Milk

Honey

37. What are the seven annual feasts of Israel? (Lev. 23)

The Lord's Passover

The Feast of Unleaven Bread

The Feast of Firstfruits

The Feast of Weeks

The Feast of Trumpets

The Day of Atonement

The Feast of Booths

38. What is the name of the 50th year that was to be consecrated and in which liberty (freedom) would be proclaimed throughout the land to all its inhabitants? (Lev. 25:10)

The Year of Jubilee

Numbers (10 Questions)

39. What event occurs in the opening chapter of Numbers? (Num. 1:2)

The first census of Israel

40. How many Israelites were counted in the first census? (Num. 1:44-46)

603,550

41. Which tribe was NOT to be numbered among the children of Israel? (Num. 1:47)

Levi

42. What was to be placed in the middle of the Israelite camps while in the wilderness? (Num. 2:17)

The tent of meeting

43. As Israel was led into the wilderness, which tribe was to march in front of the rest?
(Num. 10:14)

Judah

44. What meat did God send to the Israelites after they complained in the wilderness?
(Num. 11:31)

Quail

45. How many spies were sent by Moses to spy out the land of Canaan? (Num. 13:1-2)

Twelve, one from each tribe

46. What three fruits did the spies bring back from the land of Canaan? (Num. 13:23)

Grapes

Pomegranates

Figs

47. Which two spies brought back a good report? (Num. 14:6-7)

Joshua

Caleb

48. How long were the Israelites sentenced to wander in the wilderness before they would be allowed by God to enter Canaan? (Num. 14:33)

40 years

Deuteronomy (10 Questions)

49. What does “deuteronomy” mean?

Second law

50. Why did God choose Israel to be a people for Himself? (Deut. 7:8)

Because He loved to them

51. Why did God give the land of Canaan to the Israelites? (Deut. 9:4)

Because of the wickedness of the Canaanites

52. How long did Moses fast after the Israelites made the golden calf? (Deut. 9:18)

40 days and 40 nights

53. When the Israelites entered Canaan, what was to be the mountain of blessing?
(Deut. 11:29)

Mount Gerizim

54. Which of the commandments did Moses instruct the Israelites to keep? (Deut. 27:1)

All of them (the whole commandment)

55. What does the Lord tell the Israelites He will do to their hearts and the hearts of their descendants? (Deut. 30:6)

Circumcise them

56. Where did Moses die? (Deut. 34:5)

Land of Moab

57. How old was Moses when he died? (Deut. 34:7)

120

58. According to Deuteronomy 34:10, how well did the Lord know the prophet, Moses?

He knew him face to face

Joshua (10 Questions)

59. Who was chosen to lead the people of Israel after the death of Moses? (Josh. 1:1-2)

Joshua, the son of Nun

60. When two spies from Shittim were sent to Jericho, to whose house did they go?
(Josh. 2:1)

Rahab's

61. What was Rahab told to do in order to be protected when the Israelites came to take Jericho? (Josh. 2:18)

Hang a scarlet cord in her window

62. What river did the Israelites cross before entering Canaan? (Josh. 3:1)

Jordan River

63. At what point did the waters of the river stop flowing so Israel could pass into the land of Canaan on dry ground? (Josh. 3:14-17)

When the priests stepped foot into the river

64. How many times were the Israelites commanded to march around the city of Jericho? (Josh.6:3-4)

Once per day for six days, then seven times on the seventh day (13 times in total)

65. What man took of the accursed things, causing the anger of the Lord to burn against Israel? (Josh. 7:1)

Achan

66. What miraculous event occurred when the five kings of the Amorites marched against Gibeon? (Josh. 10:13-14)

The sun stood still and did not set for about a whole day

67. How old was Joshua when he died? (Josh. 24:29)

110

68. What did the children of Israel bury at Shechem? (Josh. 24:32)

The bones of Joseph

Judges (10 Questions)

69. After the death of Joshua, which tribe of Israel was the first to go up against the Canaanites? (Judg. 1:1-2)

Judah

70. Who did the Lord raise up to deliver His people out of the hand of those who plundered them? (Judg. 2:16)

Judges

71. Who was the first judge of Israel? (Judg. 3:9)

Othniel

72. What judge of Israel killed King Eglon who was described as a very fat man? (Judg. 3:17, 21-23)

Ehud

73. Which judge sat under a palm tree to provide judgment to the children of Israel? (Judg. 4:5)

Deborah

74. Of what tribe was Gideon? (Judg. 6:15)

Manasseh

75. After a series of tests from God, how many men did Gideon end up with to defeat the Midianites? (Judg. 7:7-8)

300

76. What deliverer of Israel was to be a Nazirite from the womb to the day of his death? (Judg. 13:7, 24)

Samson

77. Who was the woman that betrayed Samson into the hands of the Philistines? (Judg. 16)

Delilah

78. What phrase is repeated four times in the final chapters of Judges? (Judg. 17:6, 18:1, 19:1, 21:25)

“In those days, there was no king in Israel”

Ruth (10 Questions)

79. During what period of Israelite history does the story of Ruth take place? (Ruth 1:1)

In the days when the judges ruled

80. The family of Elimelech and Naomi were from what town in Judah? (Ruth 1:2)

Bethlehem

81. What were the names of the two Moabite women who were taken as wives by the sons of Elimelech and Naomi? (Ruth 1:3-4)

Orpah

Ruth

82. What did Naomi tell the women of Bethlehem to call her? (Ruth 1:20)

“Mara, for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me.”

83. What relative of Elimelech owned the part of the field where Ruth happened to come to? (Ruth 2:3)

Boaz

84. Where do we find the Old Testament command to leave sheaves in the field for strangers, the fatherless and the widows?

Deuteronomy 24:19

85. What was Ruth's reputation among Boaz and the people of his town? (Ruth 3:11)

She was considered a virtuous woman

86. What two things does Boaz do to redeem the family of Naomi? (Ruth 4:9-10)

He bought all of the land belonging to Elimelech

He took Ruth as his wife

87. Who is the son of Boaz and Ruth? (Ruth 4:17)

Obed

88. Who is the great-grandson of Boaz and Ruth? (Ruth 4:17)

David

1 Samuel (10 Questions)

89. Who was the Israelite woman that was described as "miserable, because the Lord had closed her womb"? (1 Sam. 1:5-6)

Hannah

90. Who judged Israel at the time of Samuel's birth? (1 Sam. 4:18)

Eli

91. When Samuel was old, what did the elders of Israel demand he give them? (1 Sam. 8:5)

A King

92. Who is chosen to be Israel's first king? (1 Sam. 9-10)

Saul

93. Who did Samuel anoint as king of Israel after the Lord rejected Saul? (1 Sam. 16:11-13)

David, son of Jesse

94. How tall was Goliath, the champion of the Philistines? (1 Sam. 17:4)

Six cubits (About 9' 6")

95. How did David defeat the champion of the Philistines? (1 Sam. 17:49-50)

He struck him in the forehead with a smooth stone from his sling, and he killed him

96. Who sought to protect David from being killed by Saul by advocating for David before Saul? (1 Sam. 19:1-7)

Jonathan

97. Who is the daughter of Saul that is given to David as a wife in exchange for 100 Philistine foreskins? (1 Sam. 18:27)

Michal

98. Who became David's wife after her wicked husband Nabal was struck dead by the Lord? (1 Sam. 25:38-40)

Abigail

2 Samuel (10 Questions)

99. How old was David when he began to reign as king? (2 Sam. 5:4)

30

100. How long did David reign as king? (2 Sam. 5:4-5)

40 years

101. Who was struck dead for putting his hand on the Ark of God when the oxen stumbled? (2 Sam. 6:6-7)

Uzzah

102. How many children did David have with his first wife, Michal? (2 Sam. 6:23)

None

103. Who did the Lord send to David to instruct him to build a temple? (2 Sam. 7:4-5)

Nathan, the prophet

104. Of whom is the Lord speaking when he says, "He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever"? (2 Sam. 7:13)

Jesus, the seed of David

105. Who did David see bathing one evening from his rooftop? (2 Sam. 11:2-3)

Bathsheba

106. Who did David send to the forefront of the hottest battle so that he would be killed? (2 Sam. 11:14-17)

Uriah the Hittite (the husband of Bathsheba)

107. What happened to the firstborn son of David and Bathsheba? (2 Sam. 12:15-18)

The Lord struck him so that he became ill and died

108. Who was the second child born unto David and Bathsheba? (2 Sam. 12:24)

Solomon

1 Kings (10 Questions)

109. Who did David declare would be king after him? (1 Kgs. 1:28-31)

Solomon

110. How long did it take for Solomon to build the temple? (1 Kgs. 6:38)

7 years

111. When the Ark of the Covenant was brought to the temple, what was the ONLY thing placed inside of it? (1 Kgs. 8:9)

Two stone tablets containing the Ten Commandments

112. Who came to test Solomon with many questions and ended up praising the Lord? (1 Kgs. 10:1-9)

The Queen of Sheba

113. How many wives did Solomon have? (1 Kgs. 11:3)

700

114. What happened to Solomon when he grew old? (1 Kgs. 11:4)

His heart turned to other gods

115. Who succeeded Solomon as king? (1 Kgs. 11:43)

Rehoboam (Solomon's son)

116. Who was made king over Israel in rebellion against the house of David? (1 Kgs. 12:18-20)

Jeroboam

117. Why did Elijah hide in a cave? (1 Kgs. 19:1-10)

Jezebel was trying to kill him

118. Who became the servant of Elijah? (1 Kgs. 19:21)

Elisha

2 Kings (10 Questions)

119. What happened after a chariot of fire appeared and separated Elijah from Elisha? (2 Kgs. 2:11)

Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven

120. What did Elisha instruct Naaman to do to be cured of his leprosy? (2 Kgs. 5:9-10)

Wash in the Jordan seven times

121. What object did Elisha make to float after it fell into the water? (2 Kgs. 6:1-7)

Iron ax head

122. When the Lord opened the eyes of Elisha's servant, what did he see on the mountain all around Elisha? (2 Kgs. 6:15-17)

Horses and chariots of fire

123. How old was Jehoash when he was crowned king of Judah? (2 Kgs. 11:21)

7 years old

124. What did Jehoash repair during his reign? (2 Kgs. 12:4-14)

The temple

125. In 2 Kings 13, what caused a dead man to come to life? (2 Kgs. 13:20-21)

His body touched the bones of Elisha

126. The northern kingdom of Israel was taken into captivity by what country? (2 Kgs. 17)

Assyria

127. What did Hilkiah discover in the temple during the reign of Josiah? (22:8)

The Book of the Law

128. Which Babylonian king took Judah into captivity? (24-25)

Nebuchadnezzar

1 Chronicles (10 Questions)

129. The first nine chapters of 1 Chronicles contain genealogies of Israel beginning with whom? (1 Chron. 1:1)

Adam

130. The line of David can be traced through which of the sons of Jacob? (1 Chron. 2:3-15)

Judah

131. Who is said to be more honorable than his brothers and prayed to God for blessings? (1 Chron. 4:9-10)

Jabez

132. The line of Saul can be traced through which of the sons of Jacob? (1 Chron. 8)

Benjamin

133. According to 1 Chronicles 9:1, why was Judah carried away into captivity? (1 Chron. 9:1)

Unfaithfulness

134. On what day did David deliver a psalm to Asaph to thank the Lord, a psalm that is recorded in Psalms 105, 96 and 106? (1 Chron. 16:1-7)

The day the Ark was brought back to Jerusalem and placed in the tent

135. Into what four categories did David divide the Levites? (1 Chron. 23:4-5)

Those to look after the work of house of the Lord

Officers and judges

Gatekeepers

Musicians (offer praise with instruments)

136. The majority of 1 Chronicles (1 Chron. 11-29) is a retelling of the reign of which king?

David

137. Asaph, Heman and Jeduthun were assigned by King David to serve as what? (1 Chron. 25)

Musicians (prophesied with lyres, harps, and cymbals)

138. The final chapters of 1 Chronicles deal specifically with preparations concerning what? (1 Chron. 22-29)

The building of the temple

2 Chronicles (10 Questions)

139. The first nine chapters of 2 Chronicles retell the reign of which king?

Solomon

140. According to 2 Chronicles 3:1, Solomon built the temple upon what mountain? (2 Chron. 3:1)

Mount Moriah

141. 2 Chronicles 10-36 almost exclusively focuses on the leaders of what kingdom?

Judah (the southern kingdom)

142. In the 39th year of his reign, King Asa became diseased in which part of his body? (2 Chron. 16:12)

His feet

143. When King Jehoshaphat was being attacked by the people of Moab and Ammon, what did he proclaim throughout Judah? (2 Chron. 20:1-3)

A fast

144. What wicked act did King Jehoram do to strengthen his position? (2 Chron. 21:4)

Killed all his brothers

145. What messenger of God was stoned to death at the command of King Joash? (2 Chron. 24:20-21)

Zechariah

146. Why did the Lord strike Uzziah with leprosy? (2 Chron. 26:18-19)

For burning incense to the Lord

147. Which wicked king of Judah shut up the doors of the temple and made altars in every corner of Jerusalem? (2 Chron. 28:24)

King Ahaz

148. Which king prayed and cried out to God when he was threatened by King Sennacherib of Assyria? (2 Chron. 32:20-23)

Hezekiah

Ezra (10 Questions)

149. Which king issued a proclamation that the temple in Jerusalem would be rebuilt? (Ezra 1:1-4)

Cyrus, king of Persia

150. According to Ezra 3:1-2, what was built during the seventh month? (Ezra 3:1-2)

The altar of the God of Israel

151. Who led the Israelites in their return from the Babylonian captivity and in laying the foundation for the second temple? (Ezra 2-6)

Zerubbabel

152. What did many of the old priests and Levites (those who had seen the first temple) do when they saw the foundation for the second temple? (Ezra 3:12)

Wept with a loud voice

153. Which two prophets prophesied to the Jews during the events of the Book of Ezra? (Ezra 5:1, 6:14)

Haggai and Zechariah

154. What did the Persian king decree was to be done to anyone who tried to interfere with the building of the temple? (Ezra 6:11)

He was to be impaled on a beam from his house

155. The temple was finally completed in the sixth year of whose reign? (Ezra 6:15)

King Darius

156. What was the profession of Ezra? (Ezra 7:6)

Scribe

157. What sin had the people of Israel committed that caused Ezra to tear his garment and robe, fall on his knees, and pray to God? (Ezra 9:1-5)

They had intermarried with pagans

158. What did Ezra say the Israelites, who had married pagans, were to do? (Ezra 10:2-5)

Send their wives and children away

Nehemiah (10 Questions)

159. What caused Nehemiah to weep and mourn for many days? (Neh. 1:3-4)

He heard that the wall of Jerusalem had been broken down

160. What was Nehemiah's profession during his captivity? (Neh. 1:11)

The king's cupbearer

161. What request did Nehemiah make to King Artaxerxes? (Neh. 2:4-5)

That he be allowed to return to Judah to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem

162. What did Nehemiah do in secret when he first arrived in Jerusalem? (Neh. 2:11-16)

He inspected the walls and the gates

163. What did each builder wear on his belt as he built the wall? (Neh. 4:18)

A sword

164. In the story of Nehemiah, who are Sanballat, Tobiah and Geshem? (Neh. 2:19, 4:7-8, 6:1-9)

Enemies of Nehemiah who oppose the rebuilding of the wall

165. When Nehemiah returned to Judah, what position was he given by the King? (Neh. 5:14)

Governor of Judah

166. Why were the enemies of Israel disheartened when the wall of Jerusalem was completed? (Neh. 6:16)

They perceived that this work was done with the help of God

167. Who did Nehemiah put in charge of Jerusalem? (Neh. 7:2)

Hanani, his brother and Hananiah the governor of the castle

168. What did Ezra read to the people as they gathered in front of the Water Gate of Jerusalem? (Neh. 8:1-3)

The Book of the Law of Moses

Esther (10 Questions)

169. Who was the queen who refused to appear before King Ahasuerus? (Est. 1:12)

Queen Vashti

170. Of what nationality were Mordecai and Esther? (Est. 2:5)

Jewish

171. What happened to Esther when she appeared before the king in Esther 2:17? (Est. 2:17)

She was made queen instead of Vashti

172. Who found out about a plot to assassinate the king and was able to save his life? (Est. 2:21-23)

Mordecai

173. How did Mordecai anger Haman? (Est. 3:2)

He refused to bow before him

174. How did Haman seek to punish Mordecai? (Est. 3:5-6)

By plotting to destroy all of the Jews

175. What did King Ahasuerus hold out to Queen Esther as she approached his throne? (Est. 5:2)

His golden scepter

176. Who was Haman commanded to parade through the city square on horseback? (Est. 6:10-11)

Mordecai

177. In the story of Esther, who gets hanged on the gallows? (Est. 7:10)

Haman

178. Who was able to convince King Ahasuerus to reverse Haman's decrees and save the Jews? (Est. 8)

Esther

Job (10 Questions)

179. In what land does the book of Job take place? (Job 1:1)

Uz

180. Job is described as a man who was blameless and upright, and did what two things? (Job 1:1)

Feared God

Turned away from evil

181. Who came with the sons of God to present himself before the Lord? (Job 1:6)

Satan

182. How did Job's sons and daughters die? (Job 1:19)

A great wind struck the four corners of the house, and it fell on them

183. With what physical ailment did Satan strike Job? (Job 2:7)

Painful boils from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head

184. What did Job's wife say that Job should do? (Job 2:9)

"Curse God and die!"

185. What were the names of Job's three friends who came to speak to him? (Job 2:11)

Eliphaz

Bildad

Zophar

186. What did Job say he put on as his clothing? (Job 29:14)

Righteousness

187. From where did the Lord speak to Job? (Job 38:1)

Out of the whirlwind

188. When the Lord restored Job's losses, how much did he give Job? (Job 42:10)

Twice as much as he had before

Psalms (10 Questions)

189. The Hebrew title for Psalms is Tehillim, which means what?

"Songs of praise"

190. Which book of the Old Testament is quoted by Jesus more than any other?

Psalms

191. Who wrote at least 73 of the Psalms?

David

192. The Lord made man a little lower than what, according to Psalm 8:5?

Angels (Heavenly beings)

193. According to Psalm 14, who says in his heart that there is no God? (Psa. 14:1)

The fool

194. What is the first line of Psalm 23?

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

195. In Psalm 46, we are encouraged to "Be _____ and know that I am God." (Psa. 46:10)

Still

196. What does David ask God to create within him? (Psa. 51:10)

A clean heart

197. What city is called "the city of God"? (Psa. 87:2-3)

Zion

198. What is particularly noteworthy about Psalm 119?

It is the longest chapter in the Bible

Proverbs (10 Questions)

199. What is the beginning of knowledge? (Prov. 1:7)

The fear of the Lord

200. Who despises wisdom and instruction? (Prov. 1:7)

Fools

201. We are advised to trust in the Lord with all our heart rather than leaning on what? (Prov. 3:5)

Our own understanding

202. What seven things are listed as an abomination to the Lord? (Prov. 6:16-19)

Haughty eyes

Lying tongue

Hands that shed innocent blood

A heart that devises wicked plans

Feet that make haste to run to evil

A false witness who breathes out lies

One who sows discord among brothers

203. What makes a father glad according to Proverbs 10:1?

A wise son

204. What body part has the potential to use knowledge rightly, promote health, and hold the power of death and life? (Prov. 15:2, 12:18, 18:21)

The tongue

205. While a man's heart plans his way, what does the Lord do? (Prov. 16:9)

The Lord directs his steps

206. What is the name of the Lord compared to, which the righteous run to and are safe? (Prov. 18:10)

A strong tower

207. What will happen if you train up a child in the way he should go? (Prov. 22:6)

When he is old, he will not depart from it

208. What type of person is described in the final 22 verses of Proverbs? (Prov. 31:10-31)

An excellent (virtuous) wife

Ecclesiastes (10 Questions)

209. According to Ecclesiastes 1:2, "...all is _____."

Vanity

210. Ecclesiastes 1:9 tells us that there is nothing new under what? (Eccl. 1:9)

The sun

211. According to Ecclesiastes 1:18, what increases with knowledge?

Sorrow

212. In what does the fool walk? (Eccl. 2:14)

Darkness

213. According to Ecclesiastes 3:1, to everything, there is a what? (Eccl. 3:1)

Season/time

214. As a metaphor about the value of friendship, what is said to be not quickly broken? (Eccl. 4:12)

A threefold cord

215. What does Ecclesiastes say about days of prosperity and days of adversity? (Eccl. 7:14)

God has made one as well as the other

216. Just as you do not know how your bones grow in your mother's womb, what else do you not know? (Eccl. 11:5)

The work of God who makes everything

217. Who are we told to remember "in the days of your youth" and "before the silver cord is loosed"? (Eccl. 12:1, 6)

Your Creator

218. What is the “conclusion of the whole matter” in Ecclesiastes? (Eccl. 12:13)

Fear God and keep His commandments

Song of Solomon (10 Questions)

219. Who is the likely author of Song of Solomon?

Solomon

220. Who are the two lovers in Song of Solomon?

The Shulamite

The Beloved

221. In Song of Solomon 2:2, the Beloved describes his love as what? (Song of Sol. 2:2)

A lily among thorns (brambles)

222. What creatures have the potential to “spoil the vines”? (Song of Sol. 2:15)

The little foxes

223. Who is charged to not stir up nor awaken love until it pleases? (Song of Sol. 3:5, 8:4)

Daughters of Jerusalem

224. What seven-part description does the Beloved give of his lover? (Song of Sol. 4:1-5)

Eyes are doves

Hair like flock of goats

Teeth like flock of sheep (ewes)

Lips like a scarlet thread

Cheeks like halves of a pomegranate

Neck like the tower of David

Two breasts like two fawns

225. To what does The Beloved compare the roof of his lover’s mouth? (Song of Sol. 7:9)

The best wine

226. What metaphor does the woman in Song of Solomon use to describe her body?
(Song of Sol. 1:6, 8:11-12)

A vineyard

227. According to Song of Solomon 8:6, what is as strong as love?

Death

228. Many scholars throughout church history have viewed the love story in Song of Solomon as an allegory of what?

The relationship between Christ and the church

TRUE or FALSE

Genesis

1. God created the world in six days. (Gen. 1)

TRUE

2. Enoch walked with God and did not die because he was taken by God. (Gen. 5:21-24)

TRUE

3. **Esau** tricked his brother Jacob into giving him his birthright. (Gen. 25:29-34)

FALSE

Exodus

4. Jethro is the priest of Midian that becomes Moses' father-in-law. (Ex. 3:1)

TRUE

5. **Miriam** was Moses' spokesman to the people. (Ex. 4:14-16)

FALSE

6. The first plague that the magicians of Egypt were unable to duplicate was the **water turning to blood**. (Ex 8:18-19)

FALSE

Leviticus

7. The nation of Israel was **encouraged** to live like the Canaanites. (Lev. 18:3)

FALSE

8. A scapegoat was an animal that was let go into the wilderness. (Lev. 16:10)

TRUE

9. The year of Jubilee was held in the **60th** year. (Lev. 25:10)

FALSE

Numbers

10. The **Levi** tribe was to march in front of the rest of the Israelites in the wilderness. (Num. 10:14)

FALSE

11. **Ten** spies were sent by Moses to spy out the land of Canaan. (Num. 13:1-2)

FALSE

12. The Israelites wandered in the wilderness for 40 years. (Num 14:33)

TRUE

Deuteronomy

13. Mount Ebal was to be the mountain of cursing. (Deut. 11:29)

TRUE

14. Two or three witnesses are required to convict someone of a crime. (Deut. 19:15)

TRUE

15. Moses died in the Land of **Canaan**. (Deut. 34:5)

FALSE

Joshua

16. **Caleb** was chosen to lead the people of Israel after the death of Moses. (Josh. 1:1-2)

FALSE

17. The Israelites crossed the **Red Sea** before entering Canaan. (Josh. 3:1)

FALSE

18. Twelve stones were taken out of the Jordan River and set up as a monument. (Josh. 4:19-22)

TRUE

Judges

19. The Israelites were **successful** in driving out completely all the Canaanites. (Judg. 1:28)

FALSE

20. Judge Ehud was a very fat man. (Judg. 3:17)

TRUE

21. Samson used the jawbone of a **lion** to kill 1,000 Philistines. (Judg. 15:15-16)

FALSE

Ruth

22. Elimelech and Naomi were from the town of Bethlehem. (Ruth 1:2)

TRUE

23. Ruth was a Moabite woman. (Ruth 1:3-4)

TRUE

24. Boaz and Ruth's son is **David**. (Ruth 4:17)

FALSE

1 Samuel

25. Hannah prayed so hard for a son that people thought she was drunk. (1 Sam. 1:12-13)

TRUE

26. Hannah made a **coat of many colors** for her son year after year as he ministered before the Lord. (1 Sam. 2:19)

FALSE

27. **Samuel** was chosen to be Israel's first king. (1 Sam. 9-10)

FALSE

2 Samuel

28. Abner was the commander of Saul's army. (2 Sam 2:8-9)

TRUE

29. David had **two children** with his first wife, Michal. (2 Sam. 6:23)

FALSE

30. Absalom had long hair that he cut once a year. (2 Sam 14:26)

TRUE

1 Kings

31. Under Solomon's reign, Judah and Israel were as numerous as the sand by the sea. (1 Kgs 4:20)

TRUE

32. Hiram was commissioned to make furnishing of the temple out of **gold**. (1 Kgs. 7:13-45)

FALSE

33. Elijah raised the widow of Zarephath son from the dead. (1 Kgs. 17:17-24)

TRUE

2 Kings

34. God struck the Syrian army with blindness as they surrounded Elisha. (2 Kgs. 6:18)

TRUE

35. Isaiah used a cake of figs to heal Hezekiah and extend his life. (2 Kgs. 20:7)

TRUE

36. The Babylonians left behind the **richest** people in the land to be vinedressers and plowmen. (2 Kgs. 25:12)

FALSE

1 Chronicles

37. The line of David can be traced through **Levi**, one of Jacob's sons. (1 Chron. 2:3-15)

FALSE

38. Jabez was more honorable than his brothers and prayed to God for blessings. (1 Chron. 4:9-10)

TRUE

39. Judah was carried away into captivity because of their **unwavering faithfulness**. (1 Chron. 9:1)

FALSE

2 Chronicles

40. King Jehoram killed all his brothers to strengthen his position. (2 Chron. 21:4)

TRUE

41. Athaliah was the only queen to rule over Judah. (2 Chron. 22:10-12)

TRUE

42. King **Manasseh** was a wicked king of Judah who shut up the doors of the temple and made altars in every corner of Jerusalem. (2 Chron. 28:24)

FALSE

Ezra

43. **Cyrus** led the Israelites in their return from Babylonian captivity and in laying the foundation for the second temple. (Ezra 2-6)

FALSE

44. Ezra was a scribe. (Ezra 7:6)

TRUE

45. The temple was finally completed in the sixth year of King **Cyrus** reign. (Ezra 6:15)

FALSE

Nehemiah

46. Sanballat, Tobiah, and Geshem **supported** the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem. (Neh. 2:19, 4:7-8, 6:1-9)

FALSE

47. Ezra read to the people the Book of the Law of Moses as they gathered in front of the Water Gate of Jerusalem. (Neh. 8:1-3)

TRUE

48. The Israelites vowed to cancel their debts every seven years. (Neh. 10:31)

TRUE

Esther

49. Esther was made queen instead of Vashti. (Est. 2:17)

TRUE

50. **Mordecai** was hung on the gallows because he angered Haman. (Est. 7:10)

FALSE

51. Esther convinced King Ahasuerus to reverse Haman's decrees and save the Jews. (Est. 8)

TRUE

Job

52. Job was considered the **least** of all the people of the East. (Job 1:3)

FALSE

53. Satan came with the sons of God to present himself before the Lord. (Job 1:6)

TRUE

54. Job described his friends as **great** comforters to him. (Job 16:2)

FALSE

Psalms

55. The Lord's Anointed will use a **hammer** to break the nations. (Psa. 2:9)

FALSE

56. The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul. (Psa. 19:7)

TRUE

57. The Lord knows the thoughts of man. (Psa. 94:11)

TRUE

Proverbs

58. The person who hates reproof (correction) is stupid. (Prov. 12:1)

TRUE

59. A **soft** word stirs up anger. (Prov. 15:1)

FALSE

60. Before destruction, a man's heart is haughty. (Prov. 18:12)

TRUE

Ecclesiastes

61. There is nothing new **on earth**. (Eccl. 1:9)

FALSE

62. The fool walks in **light** with his eyes in his head. (Eccl. 2:14)

FALSE

63. Remember your Creator in the days of your youth. (Eccl. 12:1)

TRUE

Song of Solomon

64. The little **birds** spoil the vineyards. (Song of Sol. 2:15)

FALSE

65. Love is strong as death. (Song of Sol. 8:6)

TRUE

66. Solomon had a vineyard at Baalhamon. (Song of Sol. 8:11)

TRUE

MEMORY VERSES

1. **Genesis 1:27** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.
2. **Exodus 3:14** God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM."
3. **Leviticus 20:26** You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine.
4. **Numbers 20:12** "Because you did not believe in me, to uphold me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land that I have given them."
5. **Deuteronomy 31:6** "Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."
6. **Joshua 1:9** "Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."
7. **Judges 21:25** In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.
8. **Ruth 3:11** And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman.
9. **1 Samuel 16:7** "For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."
10. **2 Samuel 22:21** "The Lord dealt with me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands he rewarded me."
11. **1 Kings 8:23** "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart;"
12. **2 Kings 17:22** The people of Israel walked in all the sins that Jeroboam did. They did not depart from them,
13. **1 Chronicles 17:14** "I will confirm him in my house and in my kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever."

14. **2 Chronicles 7:14** “if my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”
15. **Ezra 7:10** For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.
16. **Nehemiah 6:15** “The wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day in the month Elul, in fifty-two days.”
17. **Esther 4:14** “And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this?”
18. **Job 13:15** “Though he slay me, I will hope in him;”
19. **Psalms 27:1** “The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?”
20. **Proverbs 18:10** The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.
21. **Ecclesiastes 12:1** Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near of which you will say, “I have no pleasure in them”;
22. **Song of Solomon 7:10** I am my beloved's and his desire is for me.

MEMORY LIST FOR BIBLE BOWL

- A. Old Testament Books
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- C. Days of Creation
- D. Sons of Jacob
- E . Ten Plagues
- F. Ten Commandments
- G. Judges of Israel
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- I. Twelve Apostles
- J. Beatitudes
- K. Lord's Prayer
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- M. Steps of Salvation
- N. Seven “I Am” Statements

This is the standard memorization list. All Youth are encouraged to learn this information. For Bible Bowl and putting together tests, the following lists should be memorized for the Matching and Speed Round. (Reference scriptures are from ESV for the memorization list. Study packet answers will rule for the competition.

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A. BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Old Testament Book	Author	Classification
Genesis	Moses	Pentateuch (Law)
Exodus	Moses	Pentateuch (Law)
Leviticus	Moses	Pentateuch (Law)
Numbers	Moses	Pentateuch (Law)
Deuteronomy	Moses	Pentateuch (Law)
Joshua	Joshua	History
Judges	Samuel	History
Ruth	Unknown (David)	History
I Samuel	Samuel (Nathan & Gad)	History
II Samuel	Samuel (Nathan & Gad)	History
I Kings	Jeremiah	History
II Kings	Jeremiah	History
I Chronicles	Ezra	History
II Chronicles	Ezra	History
Ezra	Ezra	History
Nehemiah	Nehemiah	History
Esther	Unknown (Mordecai)	History
Job	Unknown (Job)	Poetry
Psalms	David (Asaph & Ezra)	Poetry
Proverbs	Solomon	Poetry
Ecclesiastes	Solomon	Poetry
Song of Solomon	Solomon	Poetry
Isaiah	Isaiah	Prophecy (Major)
Jeremiah	Jeremiah	Prophecy (Major)
Lamentations	Jeremiah	Prophecy (Major)
Ezekiel	Ezekiel	Prophecy (Major)
Daniel	Daniel	Prophecy (Major)
Hosea	Hosea	Prophecy (Minor)
Joel	Joel	Prophecy (Minor)
Amos	Amos	Prophecy (Minor)
Obadiah	Obadiah	Prophecy (Minor)
Jonah	Jonah	Prophecy (Minor)
Micah	Micah	Prophecy (Minor)
Nahum	Nahum	Prophecy (Minor)
Habakkuk	Habakkuk	Prophecy (Minor)
Zephaniah	Zephaniah	Prophecy (Minor)
Haggai	Haggai	Prophecy (Minor)
Zechariah	Zechariah	Prophecy (Minor)
Malachi	Malachi	Prophecy (Minor)

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B. BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

New Testament Book	Author	Classification
Matthew	Matthew	Gospel
Mark	Mark	Gospel
Luke	Luke	Gospel
John	John	Gospel
Acts	Luke	History
Romas	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
I Corinthians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
II Corinthians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
Galatians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
Ephesians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
Philippians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
Colossians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
I Thessalonians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
II Thessalonians	Paul	Letter (to Churches)
I Timothy	Paul	Letter (to Friends)
II Timothy	Paul	Letter (to Friends)
Titus	Paul	Letter (to Friends)
Philemon	Paul	Letter (to Friends)
Hebrews	Unknown (Paul)	Letter (General)
James	James	Letter (General)
I Peter	Peter	Letter (General)
II Peter	Peter	Letter (General)
I John	John	Letter (General)
II John	John	Letter (General)
III John	John	Letter (General)
Jude	Jude	Letter (General)
Revelation	John	Apocalyptic

C. DAYS OF CREATION

1. Day one: God made light when there was none.
2. Day two: God made clouds and skies of blue.
3. Day three: God made flowers and plants and trees.
4. Day four: sun and moon and stars galore.
5. Day five: God made birds and fish alive.
6. Sixth day: God made animals and man that day.
7. Day seven: God rested in his heaven.

D. SONS OF JACOB (Tune: 'Sing A Song of Sixpence')

Jacob lived in Canaan, there he had twelve sons,

**Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Zebulon, Issachar and Asher, Naphtali,
and Dan, Joseph, Gad, and Benjamin.**

E. TEN PLAGUES (Exodus 7-12)

1. Water turning to blood
2. Frogs
3. Lice
4. Flies
5. Sickness of cattle
6. Boils on men and animals
7. Hail
8. Locusts
9. Darkness
10. Death of the firstborn

F. TEN COMMANDMENTS (Exodus 20)

1. You shall have no other gods before Me
2. You shall not make for yourself any carved image
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain
4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy
5. Honor your father and your mother
6. You shall not murder
7. You shall not commit adultery
8. You shall not steal
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor
10. You shall not covet

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G. JUDGES OF ISRAEL

God sent Judges over Israel, One brave woman, fourteen men.

They helped Israel fight their battles, led them back to God from sin.

Othniel, Ehud, Shamgar, Deborah, Gideon, Abimelech, Tola,

Jair, Jephthah, Ibzan, Elon, Abdon, Samson, Eli, Samuel.

H. 23RD PSALM

¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He makes me to lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside the still waters.

³ He restores my soul; he leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

I. APOSTLES

1. Peter
2. Andrew
3. James
4. John
5. Philip
6. Bartholomew
7. Thomas
8. Matthew
9. James
10. Simon
11. Thaddeus
12. Judas
13. Matthias
14. Paul

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J. BEATITUDES (Matthew 5)

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
2. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
3. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
4. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.
5. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.
6. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
7. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
8. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
9. Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

K. THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

- ⁹ "In this manner, therefore, pray: our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
- ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread.
- ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
- ¹³ And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

L. THE GREAT COMMISSION (Matthew 28:19-20)

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen."

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M. STEPS OF SALVATION

(Know the “step,” verse and where it is found; while there are other passages that are appropriate for each “step,” these will be the scriptures you must know for Bible Bowl)

ESV

- HEAR: “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.” (Romans 10:17)
- BELIEVE: “I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins.” (John 8:24)
- REPENT: “No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” (Luke 13:3)
- CONFESS: “For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.” (Romans 10:10)
- BE BAPTIZED: “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned” (Mark 16:16)
- BE FAITHFUL: “. . . Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.” (Revelation 2:10)

N. SEVEN SELECTED “I AM” STATEMENTS FROM THE GOSPEL OF

JOHN

1. Bread of life (6:35,48,51)
2. Light of the world (8:12; 9:5)
3. Door (10:7,9)
4. Good shepherd (10:11-15)
5. Resurrection and the life (11:25)
6. Way, the truth, and the life (14:6)
7. Vine (15:1-5)