

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

- Joseph was originally from ...(Luke 2:3)
 - Bethlehem
 - Nazareth
 - Hebron
 - Jerusalem
 - None of the above
- What does the Bible say that the Innkeeper said to Mary and Joseph? (Luke 2:7)
 - "There is no room in the inn."
 - "I have a stable you can use."
 - "Come back later and I should have some vacancies."
 - Both A and B
 - None of the above
- A manger is a ...
 - Stable for domestic animals
 - Wooden hay storage bin
 - Feeding trough
 - Barn
- Which animals does the Bible say were present at Jesus' birth?
 - Cows, sheep, goats
 - Sheep and goats only
 - Miscellaneous barnyard animals
 - None of the above
- Who saw the star in the east?
 - Shepherds
 - Mary and Joseph
 - Three kings
 - Both A and C
 - None of the above
- According to the Bible, how did Mary and Joseph get to Bethlehem?
 - Camel
 - Donkey
 - Walked
 - Joseph walked, Mary rode a donkey
 - Horse-drawn chariot
 - Who knows?
- How many angels spoke to the shepherds? (Luke 2:10)
 - One
 - Three
 - Multitude
 - None of the above
- What did the angels say/sing? (Luke 2:14)
 - "Glory to God in the highest, etc."
 - "Alleluia"
 - "Unto us a child is born, Unto us a son is given?"
 - "Joy to the world, the Lord is come"
 - "Glory to the newborn King"

9. What is a heavenly host?
- a. The angel at the gate of heaven
 - b. An angel choir
 - c. An angel army
 - d. None of the above
10. There was snow that first Christmas...
- a. Only in Bethlehem
 - b. All over Israel
 - c. Nowhere in Israel
 - d. Somewhere in Israel
11. What is Frankincense?
- a. A precious metal
 - b. A precious fabric
 - c. A precious perfume
 - d. None of the above
12. In Matthew, what does "wise men" or "Magi" refer to?
- a. Men of the educated class
 - b. Eastern Kings
 - c. Men who studied the stars
 - d. Sages
13. What is Myrrh?
- a. Middle Eastern Money
 - b. A drink
 - c. An easily shaped metal
 - d. A spice used for burying people
 - e. None of the above
14. How many wise men came to see Jesus?
- a. 3
 - b. 6
 - c. 9
 - d. 12
 - e. We don't know
15. Where did the wise men find Jesus? (Matthew 2:11)
- a. In a manger
 - b. In a stable
 - c. In Nazareth
 - d. In Saudi Arabia
 - e. In a house
 - f. None of the above
16. When the wise men found Jesus he was...(Matthew 2:11)
- a. A babe wrapped in swaddling clothes
 - b. A young child
 - c. A boy in the temple
 - d. A grown man
17. The "star in the east" that the wise men followed...(Matthew 2:9)
- a. Stayed in the same place their entire journey
 - b. Disappeared and reappeared
 - c. Moved ahead of them and stopped over the place where Jesus was
 - d. Was just a mirage
 - e. None of the above

18. The wise men stopped in Jerusalem...(Matthew 2:2)
- a. To inform Herod about Jesus
 - b. To find out where Jesus was
 - c. To ask about the star
 - d. To buy presents
 - e. None of the above
19. Where do we find the Christmas story?
- a. Matthew
 - b. Mark
 - c. Luke
 - d. John
 - e. All of the above
 - f. Only A and B
 - g. Only A and C
 - h. Only A, B and C
20. When Joseph found Mary was pregnant, what happened?
- a. They got married
 - b. Joseph wanted to break the engagement
 - c. Mary left town for three months
 - d. A and B
 - e. B and C
21. Who told (made) Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem? (Luke 2:1-5)
- a. The angel chorus
 - b. Mary's mother
 - c. Herod
 - d. The shepherds
 - e. Caesar Augustus

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Scripture below might be of assistance

LUKE 2: 1-20 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

THE BIRTH OF JESUS

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

The Shepherds and the Angels

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: "to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. "When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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The Genealogy of Jesus the Messiah

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Ragab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, to whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

MATTHEW 2 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The Visit of the Wise Men

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage. When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.