

Adonijah Bible Quiz

10 King James Version trivia questions • Difficulty: Medium

Ten KJV questions on Adonijah — the self-exalting prince whose premature claim to the throne was overturned by God's chosen king.

Questions

Q1. Who was Adonijah's father?

- A. David
- B. Saul
- C. Solomon
- D. Absalom

Q2. What did Adonijah do without David's knowledge?

- A. Exalted himself, saying, I will be king, and prepared chariots and horsemen
- B. Built the temple
- C. Fought the Philistines
- D. Wrote the Psalms

Q3. Who had not displeased Adonijah at any time?

- A. His father David
- B. The prophet Nathan
- C. The priest Zadok
- D. The commander Benaiah

Q4. Whom did Adonijah invite to his sacrificial feast?

- A. All his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants
- B. The priests and Levites
- C. The prophets
- D. The Philistines

Q5. Who did Adonijah NOT invite to his feast?

- A. Nathan the prophet, Benaiah, Zadok the priest, and Solomon his brother
- B. Joab
- C. Abiathar
- D. His other brothers

Q6. Who told Bathsheba about Adonijah's claim?

- A. Nathan the prophet
- B. Zadok the priest
- C. Benaiah
- D. Abiathar

Q7. What did David command concerning Solomon?

- A. That he should reign after him and sit upon his throne
- B. That he should be a priest
- C. That he should be a prophet
- D. That he should go to war

Q8. How was Solomon made king?

- A. Anointed by Zadok the priest at Gihon, riding on David's mule
- B. Crowned by Adonijah
- C. Elected by the people
- D. Chose by lot

Q9. What did Adonijah do when he heard Solomon was made king?

- A. Feared, rose up, and caught hold on the horns of the altar
- B. Fought against him
- C. Fled the country
- D. Celebrated

Q10. What condition did Solomon set for Adonijah's life?

- A. If he shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth; but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die
- B. He must leave Israel
- C. He must become a priest
- D. He must pay tribute

Answer Key & Explanations

Q1. Who was Adonijah's father?

Answer: A. David

Now Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will be king. (1 Kings 1:5) (1 Kings 1:5, KJV)

Q2. What did Adonijah do without David's knowledge?

Answer: A. Exalted himself, saying, I will be king, and prepared chariots and horsemen

Now Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him. (1 Kings 1:5) (1 Kings 1:5, KJV)

Q3. Who had not displeased Adonijah at any time?

Answer: A. His father David

And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? (1 Kings 1:6) (1 Kings 1:6, KJV)

Q4. Whom did Adonijah invite to his sacrificial feast?

Answer: A. All his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants

And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him. But he slew not... Zadok the priest, and Benaiah... and Nathan the prophet... And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zohemoth... and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants. (1 Kings 1:7-9) (1 Kings 1:7, KJV)

Q5. Who did Adonijah NOT invite to his feast?

Answer: A. Nathan the prophet, Benaiah, Zadok the priest, and Solomon his brother

But Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not. (1 Kings 1:10) (1 Kings 1:10, KJV)

Q6. Who told Bathsheba about Adonijah's claim?

Answer: A. Nathan the prophet

Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bathsheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth it not? (1 Kings 1:11) (1 Kings 1:11, KJV)

Q7. What did David command concerning Solomon?

Answer: A. That he should reign after him and sit upon his throne

And David said... Even as I swore unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day. (1 Kings 1:30) (1 Kings 1:30, KJV)

Q8. How was Solomon made king?

Answer: A. Anointed by Zadok the priest at Gihon, riding on David's mule

And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle, and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, God save king Solomon. (1 Kings 1:39) (1 Kings 1:39, KJV)

Q9. What did Adonijah do when he heard Solomon was made king?

Answer: A. Feared, rose up, and caught hold on the horns of the altar

And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar. (1 Kings 1:50) (1 Kings 1:50, KJV)

Q10. What condition did Solomon set for Adonijah's life?

Answer: A. If he shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth; but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die

And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die. (1 Kings 1:52) (1 Kings 1:52, KJV)

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