

Jonathan Bible Quiz

10 King James Version trivia questions • Difficulty: Medium

Ten KJV questions on Jonathan — his faith, his friendship with David, and his noble character.

Questions

Q1. Whose son was Jonathan?

- A. David's
- B. Saul's
- C. Samuel's
- D. Jesse's

Q2. What did Jonathan and his armourbearer do at the garrison of the Philistines?

- A. They fled
- B. They surrendered
- C. They climbed up on their hands and knees, and the LORD wrought a great victory
- D. They negotiated peace

Q3. What was the sign Jonathan proposed to know if God would deliver the Philistines?

- A. If the Philistines invited them up
- B. If the sun shone
- C. If a bird appeared
- D. If Saul approved

Q4. What did Jonathan give to David as a token of their covenant?

- A. His sword, his bow, and his girdle
- B. His crown
- C. His horse
- D. His house

Q5. What did Jonathan covenant with David?

- A. That David would be king and Jonathan would be next to him
- B. That they would be brothers in love
- C. Both of the above
- D. Neither

Q6. Why did Jonathan defend David to Saul?

- A. Because Jonathan loved David as his own soul
- B. Because David paid him
- C. Because David was his servant
- D. Because he feared David

Q7. What did Jonathan eat unknowingly, breaking his father's oath?

- A. Bread
- B. Water
- C. Honey
- D. Meat

Q8. How did Jonathan die?

- A. In battle against the Philistines on mount Gilboa
- B. By Saul's hand
- C. Of old age
- D. By accident

Q9. What did David call Jonathan after his death?

- A. A mighty warrior
- B. A foolish son
- C. A weak man
- D. A traitor

Q10. What trait of Jonathan shines throughout his story?

- A. Self-seeking ambition
- B. Loyal love that prefers his friend above himself
- C. Fear of his father
- D. Desire for the throne

Answer Key & Explanations

Q1. Whose son was Jonathan?

Answer: B. Saul's

Now the son of Saul was Jonathan. (1 Samuel 14:49, KJV)

Q2. What did Jonathan and his armourbearer do at the garrison of the Philistines?

Answer: C. They climbed up on their hands and knees, and the LORD wrought a great victory

And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armourbearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him. (1 Samuel 14:13, KJV)

Q3. What was the sign Jonathan proposed to know if God would deliver the Philistines?

Answer: A. If the Philistines invited them up

If they say thus unto us, Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them. But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for the LORD hath delivered them into our hand. (1 Samuel 14:10, KJV)

Q4. What did Jonathan give to David as a token of their covenant?

Answer: A. His sword, his bow, and his girdle

And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle. (1 Samuel 18:4, KJV)

Q5. What did Jonathan covenant with David?

Answer: C. Both of the above

And Jonathan caused David to swear again, because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own soul. Then Saul said to Jonathan... wherefore shall he be slain? And Jonathan shewed him all these things. (1 Samuel 20, KJV)

Q6. Why did Jonathan defend David to Saul?

Answer: A. Because Jonathan loved David as his own soul

And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done?... for he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great salvation for all Israel. (1 Samuel 19:4, KJV)

Q7. What did Jonathan eat unknowingly, breaking his father's oath?

Answer: C. Honey

But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: wherefore he put forth the end of the rod that was in his hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth; and his eyes were enlightened. (1 Samuel 14:27, KJV)

Q8. How did Jonathan die?

Answer: A. In battle against the Philistines on mount Gilboa

So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all his men, that same day together. (1 Samuel 31:6, KJV)

Q9. What did David call Jonathan after his death?

Answer: A. A mighty warrior

I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women. (2 Samuel 1:26, KJV)

Q10. What trait of Jonathan shines throughout his story?

Answer: B. Loyal love that prefers his friend above himself

Jonathan knew David was God's chosen king, yet he loved him, protected him, and laid aside his own claim to the throne. (1 Samuel 23:17, KJV)

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