

# Tamar Bible Quiz

10 King James Version trivia questions • Difficulty: Medium

Ten KJV questions on Tamar — the woman who, though wronged, became an ancestress of the Messiah through righteous persistence.

## Questions

**Q1.** Who was Tamar's father-in-law?

- A. Judah
- B. Jacob
- C. Isaac
- D. Joseph

**Q2.** Who was Tamar's first husband?

- A. Er, Judah's firstborn
- B. Onan
- C. Shelah
- D. Pharez

**Q3.** Why did the LORD slay Er?

- A. He was wicked in the sight of the LORD
- B. He refused to work
- C. He lied to Judah
- D. He stole from his brothers

**Q4.** What was Onan commanded to do for Tamar?

- A. Go in unto his brother's wife and raise up seed to his brother
- B. Give her money
- C. Send her home
- D. Find her another husband

**Q5.** Why did the LORD slay Onan?

- A. Because he spilled his seed on the ground to avoid giving offspring to his brother
- B. Because he fought with Judah
- C. Because he worshipped idols
- D. Because he stole

**Q6.** Where did Judah tell Tamar to wait?

- A. In her father's house as a widow until Shelah grew up
- B. In Bethlehem
- C. In Egypt
- D. In Jericho

**Q7.** How did Tamar disguise herself when Judah went to Timnath?

- A. She covered herself with a veil and sat in an open place by the way to Timnath
- B. She dressed as a man
- C. She hid in a cave
- D. She covered herself with sackcloth

**Q8.** What pledge did Judah give the disguised Tamar?

- A. His signet, bracelets, and staff
- B. His ring and robe
- C. His camel and tent
- D. His house and field

**Q9.** How did Tamar prove Judah was the father?

- A. She produced his signet, bracelets, and staff
- B. She called witnesses
- C. She showed a letter
- D. She told his father

**Q10.** What did Judah confess when confronted with the pledge?

- A. She hath been more righteous than I
- B. She is guilty
- C. She must be punished
- D. She was deceived

## Answer Key & Explanations

**Q1. Who was Tamar's father-in-law?**

**Answer:** A. Judah

And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar. (Genesis 38:6) (Genesis 38:6, KJV)

**Q2. Who was Tamar's first husband?**

**Answer:** A. Er, Judah's firstborn

And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar. (Genesis 38:6) (Genesis 38:6, KJV)

**Q3. Why did the LORD slay Er?**

**Answer:** A. He was wicked in the sight of the LORD

And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him. (Genesis 38:7) (Genesis 38:7, KJV)

**Q4. What was Onan commanded to do for Tamar?**

**Answer:** A. Go in unto his brother's wife and raise up seed to his brother

And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother. (Genesis 38:8) (Genesis 38:8, KJV)

**Q5. Why did the LORD slay Onan?**

**Answer:** A. Because he spilled his seed on the ground to avoid giving offspring to his brother

And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother. And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also. (Genesis 38:9-10) (Genesis 38:9, KJV)

**Q6. Where did Judah tell Tamar to wait?**

**Answer:** A. In her father's house as a widow until Shelah grew up

Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown. (Genesis 38:11) (Genesis 38:11, KJV)

**Q7. How did Tamar disguise herself when Judah went to Timnath?**

**Answer:** A. She covered herself with a veil and sat in an open place by the way to Timnath

When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she had covered her face. (Genesis 38:15) (Genesis 38:15, KJV)

**Q8. What pledge did Judah give the disguised Tamar?**

**Answer:** A. His signet, bracelets, and staff

And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me? And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it? And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. (Genesis 38:16-18) (Genesis 38:17, KJV)

**Q9. How did Tamar prove Judah was the father?**

**Answer:** A. She produced his signet, bracelets, and staff

And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. (Genesis 38:26) (Genesis 38:26, KJV)

**Q10.** What did Judah confess when confronted with the pledge?

**Answer:** A. She hath been more righteous than I

And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. (Genesis 38:26) (Genesis 38:26, KJV)

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