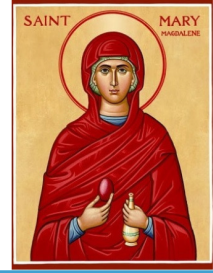


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Great Lent Competition 2026
Study in the Books of Samuel I and II
Sixth Week (Samuel II, Chapters 9-16)

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Answer Submission Date: _____

Note: Please take this quiz as a golden opportunity to study the Bible and do not use the easy way to solve by Google search and the son of obedience will be

Part One: Put a check mark (✓) for True or False

1. David cared for the house of Saul and showed kindness to Ziba and his household. ()
2. David walked on the roof of his house and saw Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite. He sent messengers, took her, lay with her, and she bore him Solomon his son. ()
3. The Lord punished David for his sin with Uriah the Hittite and Bathsheba his wife by stirring up his enemies against him. ()
4. Nathan the prophet rebuked David for his sin and said to him, “Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do evil in His sight?” ()
5. Amnon loved Tamar, but her brother Absalom refused to give her to him as a wife... so Amnon lay with Tamar by force to humiliate her. ()
6. David intended to punish his son Amnon for what he had done to his sister Tamar... so Amnon fled from his father and went to Geshur, and he was there for three years. ()
7. Absalom avenged his sister Tamar by killing his brother Amnon two years after returning from Geshur. ()
8. David did not see his son Absalom for five years after he killed his brother Amnon. ()
9. Joab son of Zeruiah, commander of the army, devised a plan to incline David’s heart toward his son Absalom. ()
10. Absalom made himself king in Hebron, and many people went with him against David. ()

Part Two: Complete the following statements with the appropriate person

1. _____ was described as wise, like the wisdom of an angel of God.
2. It was said about _____ that he was handsome and ruddy, with beautiful eyes.
3. It was said about _____ that he was very handsome and highly praised; from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.
4. It was said about _____ that he was a handsome young man, and there was not among the children of Israel a better-looking man than he.

Part Three: Choose the correct answer

1. David fasted, wept, and humbled himself before the Lord:
 - a) So that the Lord might have mercy on him for killing Uriah and taking his wife.
 - b) So that the Lord would not deliver him to his enemies.
 - c) So that the Lord would heal his son.
 - d) Because of what Amnon did to his sister Tamar.
 - e) a & b
 - f) a & c
2. Amnon did not listen to his sister Tamar's pleas not to lie with her:
 - a) Because he wanted to marry her.
 - b) Because he loved her faithfully.
 - c) To humiliate her.
 - d) Because his lust overpowered him.
 - e) a & b
 - f) a, b & d
3. David did not want to take Hushai the Archite with him when he fled from his son Absalom:
 - a) So as not to burden him.
 - b) So he would remain to assist Joab.
 - c) To protect the Ark of the Covenant.
 - d) To frustrate the counsel of Ahithophel.
 - e) a & d
 - f) a, b & d
 - g) All of the above
4. How many of King David's sons were killed by Absalom?
 - a) 1
 - b) 4
 - c) 5
 - d) 6
 - e) 7
 - f) 8
 - g) None of the above

5. Shimei son of Gera cursed David and called him “a man of Belial.” What does “man of Belial” mean?
- a) Man of wars
 - b) Man of fighting
 - c) Hypocrite
 - d) Man of the city of Belial
 - e) Wicked man
 - f) a & b
 - g) a, b & d
 - h) None of the above
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Part Four: Who said this statement, and to whom?

- 1. “Do not fear” — _____ to _____
 - 2. “Behold, I will raise up evil against you” — _____ to _____
 - 3. “Bring food” — _____ to _____
 - 4. “Why is this?” — _____ to _____
 - 5. “Why have your servants burned my field with fire?” — _____ to _____
 - 6. “O Lord, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness” — _____ to _____
 - 7. “What have I to do with you?” — _____ to _____
 - 8. “Whom shall I serve?” — _____ to _____
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Part Five: To which of the following characters does this verse apply? (More than one answer may apply)

David the King – Absalom – Amnon – Nathan the Prophet – Uriah the Hittite – Ahithophel – Tamar – Bathsheba – Shimei son of Gera

- 1. “Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you may fulfill it.” (Colossians 4:17)
- 2. “There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death.” (Proverbs 14:12)
- 3. “The good man obtains favor from the Lord, but a man of wicked devices He will condemn.” (Proverbs 12:2)
- 4. “The lamp of the body is the eye...” (Luke 12:34)
- 5. “Listen to Me, you who know righteousness...” (Isaiah 51:7–8)
- 6. “For a righteous man may fall seven times and rise again, but the wicked shall fall by calamity.” (Proverbs 24:16)
- 7. “As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten.” (Revelation 3:19)
- 8. “There is no peace,” says the Lord, “for the wicked.” (Isaiah 48:22)

Part Six: Answer the following

1. David was punished with an earthly punishment by the Lord for his sin. Mention another person in the Bible who received an earthly punishment, with the reference.
2. David was punished twice. Mention the two punishments with references.
3. The first collective punishment in the Bible was the Flood in Genesis 11. What were the second and third collective punishments? Give references.
4. Absalom avenged his sister Tamar by killing Amnon. What is the first mention of revenge in the Bible? Give the reference.
5. Amnon desired Tamar and devised a wicked plan, which led to his death. Mention a similar incident in the Bible with reference.
6. Zadok son of Ahitub was a priest in the days of King David. Mention the first person in the Bible said to be a priest, with reference.
7. When David realized his sin with Uriah's wife and the Lord's anger, he fasted and wept. Mention two books in which the people fasted collectively so that the Lord might have mercy on them.
8. Bathsheba was very beautiful. Mention two women in the Bible: one who became a queen because of her beauty, and another whose beauty was a reason for the salvation of her people.
9. The Psalms were an essential part of David's life. Mention the psalm he sang when fleeing from Absalom, and the psalm he prayed after his sin with Bathsheba and killing her husband.

Part Seven: Explain briefly

1. Why did Shimei son of Gera curse David? What was the reaction of David's followers and David himself? What is the spiritual lesson for our lives?
 2. According to the Law, an adulterer and a murderer should be put to death. Why was David not judged according to the Law but instead Nathan the prophet told him, "The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die"?
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