

Everyday Life in Bible Times

Answer Key

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Lesson 1.03

How did God describe the land?

The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land. It has streams and pools of water. Springs flow in its valleys and hills. It has wheat, barley, vines, fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey. There is plenty of food in that land. You will have everything you need. Its rocks have iron in them. And you can dig copper out of its hills.
(Deuteronomy 8:7-9)

What did God want the people to do?

Obey the commands of the Lord your God. Live as he wants you to live. Have respect for him... Praise him for the good land he has given you. (Deuteronomy 8:6,10)

Lesson 1.04

Esau hunted what animal?

He went to hunt for a wild animal. (Genesis 27:5)

Esau hunted using what?

Bow and arrows (Genesis 27:3)

Lesson 1.05

How many stones did David take to his battle against Goliath?

Five (1 Samuel 17:40)

David found those stones where?

Near or in a stream (1 Samuel 17:40)

How many stones did David use?

One (1 Samuel 17:49)

Lesson 1.06

This verse uses the picture of a bird caught in a net, compared to what?

Enemies attacking Israel (see Psalm 124:2)

Lesson 1.07

God permitted Jews to eat what kind of fish?

All of the ones that have fins and scales (Deuteronomy 14:9)

Lesson 1.08

Matthew 13:47-50 is story about a fish net. What does the story mean?

This is how it will be on judgment day. The angels will come. They will separate the people who did what is wrong from those who did what is right. 50 They will throw the evil people into the blazing furnace. There the evil ones will sob and grind their teeth.
(Matthew 13:49-50)

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Lesson 1.09

What were the Disciples doing when Jesus met them?

Simon Peter and Andrew were throwing a net into the lake (Matthew 4:18)

James and John were preparing [or mending] their nets (Matthew 4:21)

What Jesus want them to do?

Follow Jesus (Matthew 4:19 & 22)

Lesson 1.10

In the Bible, sheep and goats were important for what?

Food (milk and meat)

Cloth (wool and goat hair)

The people of Israel also offered sheep and goats as sacrifices to God.

Lesson 1.11

Who is the shepherd?

The Lord (Psalm 23:1)

Who is the sheep?

David (the Psalm writer), and all of us (Psalm 23:1)

Lesson 1.12

Describe things Jesus does that are like a Good Shepherd.

Jesus calls His own sheep by name and leads them out. When He has brought all of His own sheep out, He goes on ahead of them (John 10:3-4)

Jesus is the gate for the sheep (John 10:9)

Jesus lays down His life (dies) for the sheep (John 10:11)

Jesus fights against "the wolf" (devil) to protect us (John 10:11-12)

Jesus knows His sheep (John 10:14)

Lesson 1.13

Jesus compares the lost sheep to whom?

A sinner who turns away from his sin (repents) (Luke 15:7)

Lesson 1.14

In what ways is the Lord like a Shepherd for us?

The Lord gives us everything we need (Psalm 1:1-2)

He guides us on the right path (Psalm 1:3)

He gives us new strength (Psalm 1:4)

He stays with us and He takes away our fears (Psalm 1:5)

[For John 10, see answers to Lesson 1:12]

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Lesson 2.01

Look in your Bible and see if it has maps in the back.
Find the map of Israel.
Measure how large Israel is.
From north to south, how many miles or km.
From east to west, how many miles or km.

From north to south,

Israel was about 150 miles (240 km).

From east to west:

at the north end,

Israel was about 28 miles (45 km) wide;

at the south end,

Israel was about 60 miles (97 km) wide.



Lesson 2.02

Look at your Bible map. Find the highest place and the lowest place in Israel.

Highest place: Mount Hermon (7,297 feet or 2,224 meters above sea level)

The Sea of Galilee is about 700 feet above sea level.

Lowest place: The Dead Sea (1,368 feet or 417 below sea level)

Lesson 2.03

God compares rain to what?

His words (Isaiah 55:11)

Why?

"They will not return to me without producing results.

They will accomplish what I want them to.

They will do exactly what I sent them to do." (Isaiah 33:11)

Lesson 2.04

The king saw some land that he wanted. But he couldn't buy it. Why?

Naboth refused to sell his vineyard because it was his family inheritance -- land that his family handed down to him. (1 Kings 21:3)

Lesson 2.05

God promised to make the land of Israel like what?

The Garden of Eden (Isaiah 51:3)

Lesson 2.06 has no study questions.

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Lesson 2.07

A water wheel is compared to what?

A broken water wheel is like death. (See Ecclesiastes 12:7)

Lesson 2.08

Matthew 11:28-30

Jesus invites us to do what?

“Come to me, all of you who are tired and are carrying heavy loads. I will give you rest. Become my servants and learn from me. I am gentle and free of pride. You will find rest for your souls. Serving me is easy, and my load is light.” (Matthew 11:28-30)

Lesson 2.09

Jesus compares plowing to what?

Jesus replied, “If you start to plow and then look back, you are not fit for service in God’s kingdom.” (Luke 9:62)

Lesson 2.10

Jesus compared sowing seed to what?

Telling people the Word of God, the message about the kingdom of God (See Matthew 3:18-23)

Lesson 2.11

Jesus compares harvesting to what?

Leading people to Jesus (Matthew 9:37-38)

Lesson 2.12

Jesus compares wheat and weeds (tares) to what?

*The good seed stands for the people who belong to the kingdom.
The weeds are the people who belong to the evil one. (Matthew 13:38)*

Lesson 2.13

Paul says that animals eating the grain it threshes is the same as what?

*People who preach the good news should receive their living from their work.
(see 1 Corinthians 9:14)*

Lesson 2.14 has no study questions.

Lesson 2.15

Chaff is compared to what?

Sinners (Psalm 1:4)

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Lesson 3.01

What kind of “fruit” do Christians grow?

The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is

lov,

joy

peace.

It is being

patient

kind

good

faithful

gentle

and having control of oneself. (Galatians 5:22-23)

Lesson 3.02

Jesus compares the grape vine to what?

"I am the vine. You are the branches." (John 15:5)

Lesson 3.03

Read Matthew 21:33-41. The son in the story is compared to whom?

Jesus

Lesson 3.04 *has no study question.*

Lesson 3.05

What does Matthew 9:17 mean for us?

The wine means faith in Christ. The wineskin means our attitudes and our way of life.

When we trust Christ, He gives us new attitudes and a new way of life.

Lesson 3.06

Ephesians 5:18 says, “Do not become drunk with wine.” Instead, we should be filled with what?

The Holy Spirit

Lesson 3.07

These verses compare grafting olive trees to what?

God accepts non-Jews (Gentiles) with Jews. (See Romans 11:13, 17-19)

Lesson 3.08 *has no study questions.*

Lesson 3.09

Why is an olive branch a symbol of peace?

A dove carried an olive branch back to Noah's ark. That way Noah knew that the water had gone down. (Genesis 8:11).

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Lesson 3.10

Jesus compared the fig tree to what?

Jesus described things that will happen before He comes again (Matthew 24:6-31). " In the same way, when you see all those things happening, you know that the end is near." (Matthew 24:33)

Lesson 4.01

God compares a broken cistern to what?

The people of Israel traded away their glorious God for worthless statues of gods (idols of false gods). (See Jeremiah 2:11)

Lesson 4.02

"The Bread of Life" is what?

Jesus (John 6:35)

Lesson 4.03

What special law did God command about mill stones?

A money lender may not take a person's millstone to get money back for a debt. (Deuteronomy 24:6)

Lesson 4.04

Leaven is compared to what?

Sin in the church. (Compare 1 Corinthians 5:5-6 with 1 Corinthians 5:11.)

Lesson 4.05

Jesus fed 5,000 people with what kind of bread?

Barley (John 6:9)

Lesson 4.06

Sweet food is compared to what?

God's Word (Psalm 119:103)

Lesson 4.07

Esau wanted a bowl of red lentil stew. He paid what for the stew?

Esau sold Jacob all of the rights that belonged to him as the oldest son. (Genesis 25:33)

Lesson 4.08

Jesus and a friend dipped bread into the stew together. Who was that friend?

Judas (John 13:26)

Lesson 4.09

The Lost Son came home. How did the father celebrate?

The father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattest calf and kill it. Let's have a big

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dinner and celebrate." (Luke 15:22)

Lesson 4.10

Jesus talked about the cost of two small birds. Why?

"Don't be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows." (Matthew 10:30)

Lesson 4.11

What food did David bring to his brothers and their army officers?

Cooked grain, bread, and cheese (1 Samuel 17:17-18)

Lesson 4.12

Making butter is like what?

Stirring up anger (Proverbs 30:33)

Lesson 5.01

God commanded that every year for one week Jewish people should live where?

In booths (Leviticus 23:42)

Lesson 5.02

A tent is compared to what?

Our bodies (See 2 Corinthians 5:1 & 6)

Lesson 5.03

A lamp is compared to what?

God's Word (Psalm 119:105)

Lesson 5.04

These verse compare building stones to what?

Christ and His people (1 Peter 2:4-5)

Lesson 5.05

Revelation 3:20 compares a door to a heart. Who is knocking?

Jesus

Lesson 5.06

Some men used a roof to help their friend. How?

They made a hole in the roof above Jesus. Then they lowered the man through it on a mat down to Jesus. (Mark 2:4)

Lesson 5.07

Rahab used her roof for what?

She piled flax on her roof (Joshua 2:6).

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Lesson 5.08

How did Christians in Joppa use their upper room?

They lay the body of Dorcas and displayed things she made. (Acts 9:39-40)

Lesson 5.09

Jesus compares cups and dishes to what?

People (Matthew 23:25-26)

Lesson 5.10

What did the woman do to find her lost coin?

She lit a lamp and swept the house. (Luke 15:8)

Lesson 5.11

What happened at the High Priest's house?

The priests had Jesus' trial and Peter denied Jesus. (John 18:12 -27)

Lesson 5.12

Acts 9: 11

What was the name of that street?

"Straight Street" (Acts 9:11)

Who lived there?

Judas [This is NOT Jesus' betrayer, Judas Iscariot]

Who was his visitor?

Saul

Lesson 5.13

What was near the sheep market?

The Pool of Bethesda (John 5:2)

Lesson 6.01

The Christian woman, Dorcas, had what profession?

She sewed clothes. (Acts 9:39)

Lesson 6.02

Saul (Paul) used a basket for what?

Escape from Damascus over the wall. (Acts 9:25)

Lesson 6.03

Find the verses that talk about spinning, wool, flax, the distaff, making clothes, and business profit.

Proverbs 31

13 She chooses wool and flax...

16 She considers a field and buys it.

She uses some of the money she earns to plant a vineyard...

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18 She sees that her trading earns a lot of money...

19 With one hand she holds the wool.

With the other she spins the thread...

21 When it snows, she's not afraid for her family.

All of them are dressed in the finest clothes.

22 She makes her own bed coverings...

24 She makes linen clothes and sells them.

She supplies belts to the traders.

Lesson 6.04

What was Lydia's profession?

Selling purple cloth (Acts 16:14)

Lesson 6.05

Who was the carpenter's son?

Jesus

Who were his brothers?

James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas (Matthew 13:53-55)

Lesson 6.06

Who was the most famous carpenter in the Old Testament?

Noah (Genesis 6:13-16)

Lesson 6.07

The wood in the temple came from where?

Lebanon (1 Kings 5:6)

Lesson 6.08

What happened in the potter's field?

*Judas hanged himself. The priests bought the field and made it into a cemetery.
(Matthew 27:5-8; also see Acts 1:18-19)*

Lesson 6.09

The potter and the clay are compared to what?

God is the potter, and we are the clay. (Isaiah 64:8)

Lesson 6.10

Psalm 31:12 talks about a broken heart like broken pottery.

When you feel this way, what should you do?

Trust in the Lord (Psalm 31:14)

Cry out to Him (Psalm 31:17)

Praise Him (Psalm 31:21)

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Lesson 6.11

The brick makers had a bad problem. What?

Pharaoh stopped supplying the Israelite slaves with straw for making bricks, so they must find straw themselves and still make the same number of bricks. They couldn't do it, so the slave drivers whipped them. (Exodus 5:6-14)

Lesson 6.12

Gold in the fire is compared to what?

Faith (1 Peter 1:7)

Lesson 6.13

Moses made a metal what?

Snake (Numbers 21:9)

Lesson 6.14

What is more valuable than silver and gold?

The blood of Christ (1 Peter 1:18-19)

Lesson 6.15

Who in the Bible did tanning?

Simon in Joppa (Acts 9:43)

Lesson 6.16

Who wore leather belts?

Elijah (2 Kings 1:8)

John the Baptist (Matthew 3:4)

Lesson 6.17 has no study questions.

Lesson 6.18

Jesus told a story about day laborers (Matthew 20:1-16).

What does that story mean?

“So those who are last will be first. And those who are first will be last.” (Matt 20:16)

Our salvation does not depend on our works but only on God's grace (love-gift)

Lesson 7.01

What happened to the bronze snake that Moses had made?

God told Moses to make the snake so that all who looked at it would be healed from their snake bites. (Numbers 21:8-9). But many years later, people worshipped the bronze snake like an idol. So King Hezekiah broke it into pieces. (2 Kings 18:4)

Lesson 7.02

Paul asked Timothy to bring what?

Paul's coat and scrolls (2 Timothy 4:13)

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Lesson 7.03

Read Jeremiah 36:4. Who was Jeremiah's scribe? Baruch

Read Romans 16:22. Who was Paul's scribe? Tertius

Read 1 Peter 5:12. Who was Peter's scribe? Silas

Lesson 7.04

The Bible was written for what reason?

The Bible teaches us how to be saved by believing in Christ Jesus. (2 Tim. 3:15)

The Bible is useful for:

teaching us what is true

correcting our mistake

making our lives whole again

training us to do what is right.

preparing us to do every good thing. (2 Tim 3:16-17)

Lesson 7.05

After the Israelites left Egypt through the Red Sea, the women celebrated how?

They played tambourines, danced, and sang (Exodus 15:20-21)

Lesson 7.06

What kind of medical help did the Samaritan give to the man that was hurt?

The Samaritan poured olive oil and wine on the man's wounds and bandaged them. (Luke 10:34)

Lesson 7.07

What time was Jesus crucified?

9:00 am (Mark 15:25)

What time did He die?

About 3:00 pm (Mark 15:25-34)

Lesson 7.08

Why was the 7th day of the week (Saturday) the day for Jewish worship?

When God made the world, He rested on the 7th day. (Exodus 20:11 and Exodus 31:17)

Lesson 7.09 has a map question: Find the names of the places where Abram lived and traveled.

Lesson 7.10

The Disciples had a problem in their boat. What happened?

The wind was blowing against them. (Mark 6:45-52)

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Lesson 7.11

How many people were in that ship?

276 (Acts 27:37)

How many of those people died in the shipwreck?

No one died (Acts 27:44)

Lesson 7.12

Traders buy Joseph as a slave.

They were from where?

Gilead

They were going to where?

Egypt

They carrying what?

Spices, balm (lotion), and myrrh (Genesis 37:25)

Lesson 7.13

What do Amos 8:4-6 and Proverbs 11:1 say about measurements?

The Lord hates it when people use scales to cheat others.

But he is delighted when people use honest weights. (Proverbs 11:1)

Lesson 8.01

What special gift did Mary give to Jesus?

She poured expensive perfume on Jesus' feet. (John 12:3)

Lesson 8.02

What did Jesus teach us about clothing?

"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the wild flowers grow. They don't work or make clothing. But here is what I tell you. Not even Solomon in all of his glory was dressed like one of those flowers. If that is how God dresses the wild grass, won't he dress you even better? After all, the grass is here only today. Tomorrow it is thrown into the fire. Your faith is so small!" (Matthew 6:28-30)

Lesson 8.03

Genesis 24

Abraham's servant gave Rebecca what?

A gold nose ring and two gold bracelets. (Genesis 24:22)

He brought out gold and silver jewelry. He brought out articles of clothing. He gave all of it to Rebekah. He also gave expensive gifts to her brother and her mother. (Gen 24:53)

Why?

He wanted to Rebekah to go back with him to be Isaac's wife.

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Lesson 8.04

Mary became pregnant. Why was that a problem?

She was not married yet. (Matthew 1:18-19)

Lesson 8.05

We must keep watching for what?

Jesus coming again (Matthew 25:13)

Lesson 8.06

What did Hannah pray?

"Please give me a son!" (1 Samuel 1:11)

How did God answer her prayer?

She became pregnant and gave birth to Samuel. (1 Samuel 1:20)

Lesson 8.07

Exodus 1:15 – 2:10

1. Midwives protected Hebrew children, how?

Pharaoh (the king) commanded the midwives to kill Hebrew baby boys, but the midwives let the boys live. (Exodus 1:17)

2. God blessed the midwives, how?

God gave the midwives families of their own. (Exodus 1:21)

3. The king's daughter chose whom to breastfeed her adopted baby?

The baby's mother (Exodus 2:7-9)

Lesson 8.08 *has no study questions.*

Lesson 8.09

Fathers are responsible for doing what?

Teach their children the ways of the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4)

Lesson 8.10

Abraham welcomed his visitors how?

Abraham met the visitors.

He bowed to the ground.

He washed their feet.

He offered them a place to rest.

He offered them something to eat. (Genesis 18:2-5)

Lesson 8.11

The people celebrated. Why?

David killed Goliath and he helped Israel win the battle. (1 Samuel 18:6)

How?

They danced and sang joyful songs. They played lutes and tambourines. (1 Sam. 18:6)

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Lesson 8.12

The banquet host forgot to do what for Jesus?

He did not give Jesus any water to wash His feet.

He did not give Jesus a welcome "kiss" (hug).

He did not put any olive oil on Jesus head. (Luke 7:44-46)

Later, who did it?

The woman who had lived a sinful life. (Luke 7:37-38)

Lesson 8.13

Who died?

A widow's only son. (Luke 7:12)

How did Jesus help his family?

Jesus raised the widow's son back to life (Luke 7:14-15)

Lesson 8.14

Your resurrected body will be like what?

It will be a spiritual body that has glory, power, and will live forever.

(1 Corinthians 15:42-44)