

# The Next Seven

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## Great Chapters from the Old Testament

### 1 The Abrahamic Covenant

*Reading: Genesis 15:1-21; Cf. Genesis 12:1-3*

### 2 The Ten Commandments

*Reading: Exodus 20:1-26; Cf. Galatians 5:13-26*

### 3 The Davidic Covenant

*Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-29*

### 4 The Shepherd's Psalm

*Reading: Psalm 23:1-6; Cf. John 10:1-42*

### 5 Seek Wisdom

*Reading: Proverbs 1:1-33; Additional reading: Proverbs 2:1-3:35*

### 6 The Suffering of the Savior

*Reading: Isaiah 53:1-12; Cf. Psalm 22:1-31*

### 7 Valley of Dry Bones

*Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-28; Additional reading: Ezekiel 38 and 39*

# General Knowledge of Bible Books, Chapters, Verses

## Lesson 7

### Overview

Thus far in our review we have covered basic knowledge of both the Old Testament and the New Testament.

As we continue this review our focus turns now to general knowledge of Bible books, chapters, and verses. This part of our review focuses on where in the Bible important events and doctrine are set forth.

I should point out it is most helpful for any student of Scripture to memorize the books of the Bible. A good working knowledge of the 66 books of the Bible makes it easy to find passages at church or whenever one is interacting with the Bible. I encourage you to memorize the general order of the books as found in most English translations of Scripture.

Following the early earth history recorded in Genesis 1-11 the Bible turns our attention to a man first known as Abram. The reason the record of Holy Scripture focuses upon this man becomes evident as we read the text.

God established a covenant with Abraham that in time blessed the entire world. Jesus is a physical descendent of Abraham and is the promised seed through whom the nations of the world would be blessed.

The Word of God goes on to document the formation of a specific nation from Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob through whom the Savior would come. Of course, that nation is Israel.

Israel's long history in Egypt and the land of promise forms the substance of the entire Old Testament from the book of Exodus through Malachi. Moses led the nation out of Egyptian bondage and later Joshua led them into the promise land.

Following the period of the Judges the nation desired a king. After the Lord rejected the house of Saul, Samuel was instructed to anoint David the youngest son of Jesse as the next king of Israel. In time David proceeded to rise to a place of leadership over the entire nation and the Lord established a covenant with his house.

The Davidic Covenant is one of the centerpieces of Scripture and establishes the promise of a future reign of Messiah over Israel and the world.

David's son Solomon reigned after his death and is known for the great wisdom God imparted to him. In fact, the book of Proverbs contains eternal wisdom that applies to both the saved and the lost. Book of Proverbs wisdom is foundational to general prosperity in life for all men everywhere.

During the remaining history of Israel in the land before the days of her captivity the Lord raised the prophets to call the nation to repentance. As well, some prophesied during the days of the remnant that returned to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. They encouraged them to establish proper worship under the Old Covenant once again.

The words of the prophets are powerful and remain important to us in several ways. First, they clearly identified the Messiah for Israel and the whole world. Second, they thunder with the message of Messiah's Second Coming! And finally, they contain rich application for our spiritual journey right now.

Every believer will profit by digging into the messages of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and all the rest. The message of faithful obedience to our Lord and fidelity to him in a world steeped in rebellion is one we should embrace as Spirit filled believers today.

**Key Passage this Week**

- *Psalm 23:1-6*

**Key Verse**

- *Psalm 23:3*

How do the following New Testament verses connect with the first part of Psalm 23:3, “*he restoreth my soul?*” **1 John 1:7-10; 1 John 2:1-2**

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**Activity**

List passages from the New Testament that repeat the Ten Commandments; in other words passages that teach us not to steal, murder, etc. Which of the Ten Commandments is not repeated for New Testament believers?

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## Digging Deeper

For those students who desire to explore some of the content of this section of review a bit further here are a few links to interesting articles available online:

Root Out of a Dry Ground by C.H. Spurgeon

<https://answersingenesis.org/education/spurgeon-sermons/1075-a-root-out-of-a-dry-ground/>

The Life is in the Blood by the late Dr. W.A. Criswell

<https://www.wacriswell.com/sermons/1957/the-life-is-in-the-blood/?keywords=+the+blood>

Matthew Henry on Ezekiel 37

[https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/mhc/Eze/Eze\\_037.cfm](https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/mhc/Eze/Eze_037.cfm)

Family Discussion/Devotion

# General Knowledge of Bible Books, Chapters, Verses

Which of the following books is not a part of the Pentateuch?

- A. Genesis
- B. Leviticus
- C. Habakkuk
- D. Deuteronomy

Which book of the Bible details the covenant God established with Abraham?

- A. Psalms
- B. Exodus
- C. Matthew
- D. Genesis

Which book of the Bible documents the conquest of Canaan by Israel?

- A. Numbers
- B. Judges
- C. Joshua
- D. Amos

In what great chapter of the Bible do we learn that God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses upon Mount Sinai?

- A. Genesis 12
- B. Deuteronomy 5
- C. Exodus 20
- D. Numbers 10

In what book of the Bible does this famous verse appear: *“For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.”*

- A. Exodus
- B. Jeremiah
- C. Leviticus
- D. Deuteronomy

Which of the following books documents the Davidic covenant?

- A. 1 Kings
- B. 2 Samuel
- C. Psalms
- D. Zechariah

In which book of the bible does the following verse appear: *“Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will maintain mine own ways before him.”*

- A. Proverbs
- B. Job
- C. Zephaniah
- D. Haggai

What famous chapter in Scripture begins with the words: *“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.”*

- A. Isaiah 14
- B. Psalm 23
- C. Proverbs 3
- D. Psalm 1

In which book of the Bible do we find this stern warning: *“Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.”*

- A. Ezekiel
- B. Nehemiah
- C. Proverbs
- D. Psalms

Which of the following books *was not* written by Solomon:

- A. Ecclesiastes
- B. Lamentations
- C. Song of Solomon
- D. Proverbs

Why is Isaiah 53 such an important chapter in God's word?

- A. Because it predicts the regathering of Israel in the last days
- B. Because it predicted in detail the sufferings of Jesus
- C. Because it predicted the fall of Israel in Isaiah's day
- D. Because it predicted the rise of several world empires in history

The same human author gave us what pair of the following books?

- A. Zechariah and Malachi
- B. Daniel and Hosea
- C. Amos and Obadiah
- D. Jeremiah and Lamentations

Which chapter in the Bible speaks of a valley of dry bones coming to life?

- A. Isaiah 7
- B. Jeremiah 20
- C. Ezekiel 37
- D. Daniel 6

In which book of the Bible does the following verse appear: *“Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.”*

- A. Micah
- B. Jeremiah
- C. Psalms
- D. Isaiah

In which book of the Bible does the following verse appear: *“But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.”*

- A. Obadiah
- B. Malachi
- C. Micah
- D. Zechariah