

JOURNEY OF ISRAEL

TEXTBOOK READING SUMMARY

Instructions:

Answers to the Reading Summary Questions should be a paragraph.

1. What does the journey of the children of Israel depict for New Testament believers?
2. Discuss the truth of the fact that we produce like kind, balancing that with the fact that, by the grace of God, we can be different from our family relations.
3. Many people believe that a bad environment corrupts a person's character. Discuss from a biblical perspective (providing examples) how this is not always the case.
4. During our wilderness experiences and times of affliction what is it that determines whether or not we are chosen by God?
5. Discuss Moses' experience at the burning bush and relate that experience to the first step in our Christian life and the process that follows.
6. Moses was the minister of the covenant. What was the condition for dwelling in the Promised Land under that covenant?
7. Discuss why Israel rejected Moses' leadership when Pharaoh increased the peoples' burdens.
8. Explain the balance between the sovereignty of God and the free will of man using Pharaoh as an example.
9. Israel was tested in the area of their hunger and we will be tested in this area as well. What does the Lord desire to produce in us through these trials? Discuss what we must do in order to triumph over economic trials.
10. What is the new covenant? In your answer, explain where the new covenant is written, as opposed to the old covenant, which was written on two tables of stone.
11. What people does the Lord need in His Church to care for others and help bring them into maturity?
12. In Numbers 13-14, ten of the twelve spies who went into Canaan were afraid of the giants in the land. They were afraid but it was not the fear of the Lord. Give a good definition of

the fear of the Lord as well as two Old Testament Scripture references concerning the fear of the Lord.

13. There are two reasons why Moses did not get into the Promised Land. One was because he allowed his spirit to be provoked by the Israelites. What is another deeper reason mentioned in your textbook? Who eventually led the children of Israel into the promised land and what does he represent?
14. The first time Israel needed water Moses was commanded to strike the rock. Why was God so angry when Moses struck the rock again the second time when He told Him only to speak to it? Explain your answer.
15. When Moses laid his hands on his successor, Joshua, what three important transformations took place in this ceremony?
16. Relate and compare the act of physical circumcision to the act of spiritual circumcision.
17. From the 31 Kings, discuss two (2) kings that you have experienced the most problems with in your own life. How have you seen the Lord's hand in your life to help you deal with these areas of difficulty?
18. Wrong alliances (even with people in the Church) can have devastating consequences for future generations, just as right ones can bring forth untold blessings. What are the three degrees of fellowship, according to Psalm 1? Give a brief definition of each.
19. Discuss the truth that regular church attendance, faithfulness to pay our tithes, and worshipping the Lord are not accepted by God as substitutes for a relationship with Him and complete obedience to His Word.
20. Explain from Psalm 87 how we are born in spiritual Zion.
21. What is the main reason that we should pursue spiritual Mt. Zion?
22. When does the Lord pour out His Spirit in abundance upon His people and what is the Lord's desire for his people? Discuss these truths.
23. Describe at what point the Israelites entered into rest and also state exactly what it means spiritually to enter into the rest of God. Quote Scripture.
24. Citing Scripture, discuss why Zion is the place of spiritual kings and priests.
25. Take a moment to pray to yourself and ask the Lord where you are on your spiritual journey. Then write on where you feel you are at in your spiritual journey as a Christian and where you want to do. Describe your spiritual vision.