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To all those seeking a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ,
the one true God

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Before You Begin

It is time to become brilliant in the knowledge of God's Word, the richness of the biblical past and the prophetic future. To get the true benefits of this book, you may have to go through it more than once. The goal is to challenge you in multiple ways, using multiple strategies and a wide array of exercises, puzzles, and quizzes, to get you to the highest level of Bible knowledge, a level I call Bible brilliant.

Joshua 1:8 states, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." Although this book uses clever games, word play, and trivia to increase your overall Bible knowledge, its goal is no trivial matter. It behooves every believer to know as much about the Lord and his Word as humanly possible. *Bible Brilliant* will be overwhelmingly helpful in that endeavor.

There are at least two unique features of this book. One is a score card in the back of the book on which you can mark your scores for each exercise. A perfect score is 12,909 points, but there are also 2,475 bonus points available. A final score of 11,529 points

or better qualifies you as Bible brilliant, a level achieved only by the finest Bible scholars. You can reach that level.

The second unique feature is this: there is no penalty for doing the same exercise repeatedly until you feel comfortable and competent with it. This is not a race given to the swift; the victory will come to those who endure to the end. Feel free to do any exercise any amount of times and record only your highest score.

It is far more important for you to learn and know the information in the exercises than to complete the exercises quickly. In fact, I strongly recommend that you never time yourself in any challenge presented but take your time and focus on retaining correct answers.

This is an open-book book. That means you may use your own Bible to find answers. It is always a good thing to have the Good Book open, and you are never penalized in any way for referencing your own Bible as you seek answers to the thousands of questions presented.

Some of the exercises are easy, and some are maddeningly difficult. However, they all have one purpose, and that is to teach the Word of God and bring you to the highest levels of Bible understanding and true knowledge.

SECTION 1

THE MUST- KNOW SECTION

This section deals with Bible information, facts, and questions and answers that you absolutely must know to become Bible brilliant. (Answers begin on page 560.)

All human discoveries seem to be made only for the purpose of confirming more and more strongly the truths contained in the sacred Scriptures.

Sir William Herschel



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Do Not Be Fooled

This is a simple true or false test to get things started. Award yourself 10 points on the score card in the back of this book for each correct true or false answer. Complete the entire test before checking your answers.

1. ____ The phrase “This too shall pass” is in the Bible.
2. ____ Eve bit into the forbidden apple in the Garden of Eden.
3. ____ “Spare the rod, spoil the child” is a biblical teaching on child raising.
4. ____ “God works in mysterious ways” is from the book of Proverbs.
5. ____ One of the most-quoted Bible verses is “Cleanliness is next to godliness.”
6. ____ Three wise men visited Jesus on the day of his birth.
7. ____ “The Little Drummer Boy” Christmas song is based on the boy drummer in Micah.
8. ____ According to the book that bears his name, Jonah was in the belly of a whale for three days and three nights.
9. ____ Satan took the form of a serpent when he tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden.

10. _____ “God helps those who help themselves” is in the book of Psalms.
11. _____ “Money is the root of all evil” is a classic Bible verse concerning placing money above God.
12. _____ Jesus Christ himself said, “To thine own self be true.”
13. _____ The apostle Paul said, “Love the sinner, hate the sin.”
14. _____ The wise men visited the baby Jesus in the manger.
15. _____ There was one set of the Ten Commandments given to Moses.



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The Essentials

To be truly Bible brilliant, you must have a strong, fundamental knowledge of the basics of the Bible. You may retake the following quiz as often as necessary and record only your highest score on the score card. You earn 2 points per correct answer.

1. What is the Bible's very first verse?
2. Who was the mother of Jesus?
3. What garden was the home of Adam and Eve?
4. What type of creature tricked Eve into eating forbidden fruit?
5. What was the method of execution the Romans used to kill Jesus?
6. What are the wages of sin, according to the Bible?
7. What was the name of Moses's brother?
8. What crime did Cain commit?
9. Who was thrown into a den of lions?
10. Man was made in whose image?
11. How does the Lord's Prayer start?
12. What did Jesus use to feed five thousand people?
13. What part of Adam's body did God use to create Eve?
14. What is the only sin that cannot be forgiven?

15. From what substance did God create man?
16. The ark was built to save humankind from what disaster?
17. When accused of knowing Jesus, who denied him three times?
18. What was placed on the head of Jesus Christ before his crucifixion?
19. Who lied to God when questioned about the whereabouts of his brother?
20. The Ten Commandments were written on what material?
21. How many apostles followed Jesus?
22. Who was directed by an angel to go see the baby Jesus?
23. What is the second book of the Bible?
24. Before David became king, what was his occupation?
25. What is the first book of the Bible?
26. What is the first book of the New Testament?
27. How did David kill Goliath?
28. Where was the “wilderness” in which John the Baptist preached?
29. What was written at the top of Jesus’s cross?
30. In what did Jesus sleep after his birth?
31. Who was willing to offer his son as a sacrifice to the Lord?
32. What was miraculous about Jesus’s mother?
33. After Noah built the ark, for how many days and nights did it rain?
34. Who was placed in an ark of bulrushes and placed in a river by his mother?
35. What curious thing happened to Jonah?
36. How was Ruth related to Naomi?
37. To whom was Mary engaged when she became pregnant with Jesus?
38. What book of the Bible contains hymns written by David?

39. What animals drowned themselves in the sea when demons cast out by Jesus entered them?
40. What psalm begins, “The LORD is my shepherd”?
41. Who wrote the majority of the letters that form a large part of the New Testament?
42. What wicked things did Joseph’s brothers do to him and to get rid of him?
43. Who was the father of King David?
44. Who was the father of Solomon?
45. What is the final book of the Bible?
46. What is the last word of the Bible?
47. How many individual books are in the Bible?
48. What humble act did Jesus do for his disciples at the Last Supper?
49. What was the name of Adam and Eve’s first son?
50. How long did it take the Lord to make the heaven and the earth?