

Review Questions

1. How many years passed between the end of the Old Testament and arrival of Jesus recorded in the New Testament? *400.*
 2. Who had a vision of a ram and a goat? *Daniel.*
 3. What happened in Daniel's vision? Which animal defeated the other? *The goat trampled the ram.*
 4. Whom did God send to explain the meaning of the vision to Daniel? *The angel Gabriel.*
 5. The two horns on the ram stood for the kings of the Medes and the ____? *Persians.*
 6. The goat defeating the ram stood for which nation defeating the Medo-Persian Empire? *Greece.*
 7. The great horn on the goat stood for which Greek king? *Alexander the Great.*
 8. What did the four horns on the goat represent? *The division of Alexander's kingdom into four smaller kingdoms ruled by his generals.*
 9. What ruler caused great destruction at the temple in Jerusalem just like the one horn that grew on the goat: Alexander the Great, Antiochus Epiphanes, or Herod the Great? *Antiochus Epiphanes.*
 10. What did Antiochus Epiphanes do to defile the temple? *He set up an altar to Zeus and made the Jews offer improper sacrifices (like pigs).*
 11. Who refused to offer pagan sacrifices as Antiochus Epiphanes demanded: Pharisees, Mattathias, or Sadducees? *Mattathias.*
 12. The revolt against the Greeks led by the priest Mattathias and his sons became known as the Maccabean what? *Revolt.*
 13. What Jewish festival is celebrated today in remembrance of the Maccabee's cleansing and rededication of the temple: Day of Atonement, Hanukkah, or Passover? *Hanukkah.*
 14. Why is it significant that Greek became the common language during the 400 years before Jesus' birth? *It was the language the New Testament was written in to reach the most people with the gospel.*
 15. What two Jewish groups formed when some wanted to be like the Greeks and some did not? *Pharisees and Sadducees.*
 16. Why did the Pharisees make up so many laws for the people to obey? *They wanted to stay as far away from disobedience to God's law as possible.*
 17. What problems resulted from the Pharisees man-made laws? *They made their own laws as important as God's. They focused on outward rules rather than proper heart attitudes. They made obedience to rules and good works more important than faith.*
 18. What Roman general conquered Israel: Julius Caesar, Herod the Great, or Pompey? *Pompey.*
 19. Who was ruling Judea (Israel) when Jesus was born? *Herod the Great.*
 20. How did God use the Romans to prepare for the spread of the gospel? *The Romans improved travel (roads and ports and ships) and trade, which allowed for early Christians to reach many people and nations with the gospel.*
 21. What attributes of God do we see in the events of the 400 years of waiting, or "silent years"? *Sovereignty, omniscience.*
 22. What main way does God speak to us today? *Through his Word, the Bible.*
- Bonus: What does Judas' nickname of Maccabee mean: fist, hammer, or mountain? *Hammer.*