

Theological Milestones and Firsts

Theology · Answer Key · 12 Questions

1. What is considered the first printed book in the world, produced by Johannes Gutenberg in the 1450s?

- A) The Quran
- B) The Gutenberg Bible**
- C) The Dead Sea Scrolls
- D) The Book of Mormon

2. Who is traditionally credited with writing the first five books of the Hebrew Bible, known as the Torah?

- A) Moses**
- B) Abraham
- C) David
- D) Solomon

3. In which century were the Dead Sea Scrolls discovered, which contain some of the oldest known biblical manuscripts?

- A) 18th century
- B) 19th century
- C) 20th century**
- D) 21st century

4. Which council, held in 325 AD, was the first ecumenical council of the Christian Church?

- A) Council of Trent
- B) Council of Chalcedon
- C) Council of Nicaea**
- D) Council of Vatican I

5. What language was the New Testament originally written in?

- A) Latin
- B) Hebrew
- C) Aramaic
- D) Koine Greek**

6. The 'Peshitta' is the first major translation of the Bible into which language?

- A) Syriac**
- B) Arabic
- C) Coptic
- D) Ge'ez

7. Who is often cited as the first person to use the term 'theology' in the modern sense of 'rational discourse about God'?

- A) Thomas Aquinas
- B) Augustine of Hippo
- C) Plato**
- D) Origen

8. Which invention significantly accelerated the spread of religious texts and theological ideas across Europe during the Reformation?

- A) The telegraph
- B) The printing press**
- C) The typewriter
- D) The steam engine

9. What is the name of the oldest known religious text, dating back to ancient Egypt?

- A) The Epic of Gilgamesh
- B) The Pyramid Texts**
- C) The Vedas
- D) The Analects

10. Which theologian is credited with writing the 'Summa Theologica', one of the most influential works in Western theology?

- A) Martin Luther
- B) John Calvin
- C) Thomas Aquinas**
- D) Francis of Assisi

11. The Rigveda, one of the oldest sacred texts in the world, belongs to which religious tradition?

- A) Buddhism
- B) Hinduism**
- C) Jainism
- D) Sikhism

12. What was the first language into which the entire Bible was translated by Wycliffe in the 14th century?

- A) French
- B) German
- C) English**
- D) Spanish