

- 1 **Review 1**
- 2 **Who dominated the Mediterranean region politically in the time of Christ?**
The Romans
- 3 **Who dominated the Mediterranean region culturally in the time of Christ?**
The Greeks
- 4 **What characterized the Pharisees?**
 - Strict obedience to the Law of Moses
 - Observation of many traditions derived from the Law
 - Separation from Greek culture
- 5 **What characterized the Sadducees?**
 - A narrow interpretation of the Law, without traditions
 - Toleration for Roman rule and Greek culture
 - Positions of power in the government and priesthood
- 6 **What characterized the Zealots?**
Armed rebellion against Rome
- 7 **What characterized the Essenes?**
Life in isolated religious communities
- 8 **What did all Jews wait for?**
The coming of the Messiah
- 9 **About what year did Jesus become God incarnate?**
4 BC
- 10 **At what event was Jesus revealed to be God's Son?**
At His baptism
- 11 **What was Jesus' message?**
 - A new covenant between God and man, fulfilling the old covenant of the Law
 - The kingdom of God
 - The absolute lordship of God over all
 - A spiritual kingdom
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- 12 **How did each Jewish faction respond to Jesus' message?**
 - Pharisees saw their traditions and self-righteousness threatened
 - Sadducees saw their comfortable position in society threatened
 - Zealots hoped Jesus would become a revolutionary leader
- 13 **What did Jesus tell His disciples before He ascended to heaven?**

- They would receive power from the Holy Spirit.
 - They would witness for Him throughout the world, starting in Jerusalem.
- 14 **What were the church's characteristics for the first few years of its existence?**
- Made up of Jews
 - Centered in Jerusalem
- 15 **What caused the church to spread beyond Jerusalem?**
- Persecution from Jewish leaders
- 16 **How did Christianity first spread to Africa?**
- An Ethiopian official was converted during a visit to Jerusalem.
- 17 **What apostle first shared the gospel with Gentiles and influenced others to accept Gentiles into the church?**
- Peter
- 18 **The missionary work of what apostle brought many Gentiles into the church?**
- Paul
- 19 **What decision was made at the Jerusalem Council?**
- Gentiles are not required to keep the Law of Moses.
- 20 **What factors contributed to the church's growth in the Roman Empire?**
- The Jews who lived throughout the Empire spread knowledge of the true God.
 - Gentiles called "God-fearers" were attracted to Judaism.
 - Mystery religions made ideas such as resurrection and the struggle between good and evil familiar to many.
 - The power of the Holy Spirit
- 21 **By what time had the church spread throughout the Roman Empire, and where was it strongest?**
- By the end of the 200s
 - It was strongest in the east and in urban areas.
- 22 **Most early Christians came from what class?**
- The lower class
- 23 **How did Christians stand out in Roman society?**
- They shunned idolatry and immoral entertainment.
 - They treated slaves as equals.
 - They respected human life.
 - They practiced chastity and moderation.
 - They performed acts of charity.
- 24 **What characterized most Roman persecution of Christians?**

- It was temporary.
- It was local.
- It was enabled by pagan hostility to Christians.
- It was motivated by Christians' refusal to worship the emperor.