Amazing Bible Facts

Cardinal Hugo de S. Caro introduced the system of chapters in A.D. 1238, while Robertus Stephanus added the verse notations in 1551, after the advent of printing.

A Bible in the University of Gottingen is written on 2,470 palm leaves!

According to statistics from Wycliffe International, the Society of Gideons, and the International Bible Society, the number of new Bibles that are sold, given away, or otherwise distributed in the United States is about 168,000 per day!

The Bible can be read aloud in about 70 hours.

There are 8,674 different Hebrew words in the Bible, 5,624 different Greek words, and 12,143 different English words in the King James Version.

A number of verses in the Bible (KJV) contain all but 1 letter of the alphabet: Ezra 7:21 contains all but the letter j; Joshua 7:24, 1 Kings 1:9, 1 Chronicles 12:40, 2 Chronicles 36:10, Ezekiel 28:13, Daniel 4:37, and Haggai 1:1 contain all but q; 2 Kings 16:15 and 1 Chronicles 4:10 contain all but z; and Galatians 1:14 contains all but k.

BIBLE STATISTICS:
Number of books in the Bible: 66

Chapters: 1,189

Verses: 31,101

Words: 783,137

Letters: 3,566,480

Number of promises given in the Bible: 1,260

Commands: 6,468

Predictions: over 8,000

Fulfilled prophecy: 3,268 verses

Number of questions: 3,294

Longest name: Mahershalalhashbaz (Isaiah 8:1)

Longest verse: Esther 8:9 (78 words)

Shortest verse: John 11:35 (2 words: “Jesus wept” KJV).

Middle books: Micah and Nahum

Middle verse: Psalm 118:8

Middle chapter: Psalm 117

Shortest chapter (by number of words): Psalm 117 (by number of words)


Number of times the name Jehovah appears in NWT: 6973 in Hebrew Scriptures and 237 in Christian Greek Scriptures.

“God” appears: 3,358 and “Lord” appears: 7,736 times in KJV. Sadly the name of God only appears 4 times in this translation:

Psalms 83:18 | That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most high over all the earth.

Exodus 6:3 | And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.
Isaiah 12:2 Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

Isaiah 26:4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength.

Number of different Bible writers: 40

Number of languages the Bible has been translated into: over 1,200

Miscellaneous

The Bible was written in three languages: Hebrew, Aramaic, and Koine Greek.

Dogs are mentioned 14 times in the Bible, and lions 55 times, but domestic cats are not mentioned at all. (Sorry cat lovers!)

The Bible, the world's best-selling book, is also the world's most shoplifted book! (It is also probably the world's greatest dust gatherer as few people who own a Bible read it properly).

The oldest almost-complete manuscript of the Bible still existing is the Codex Vaticanus, dating from the first half of the 4th century, now held in the Vatican library.

The word "Christian" appears only three times in the Bible: Acts 11:26; 26:28; 1 Peter 4:16.

Esther is the only book in the Bible that does not contain the word "God."

The longest line in the Bible is Esther 8:9 - 89 words, 425 letters (KJV)

The shortest verse in the NIV Bible is John 11:35: "Jesus wept." (KLV)

The longest book chapter in the Bible is Psalm 119, the shortest is Psalm 117.

There are 594 chapters before Psalm 118 and 594 chapters after it.

Psalm 118 verse 8 is in the centre of the Bible: "It is better to trust in the Lord than put confidence in man."

Obadiah, with 21 verses consisting of 602 words, is the shortest book
in the Old Testament, and the third shortest in the Bible.

2
nd John has the fewest number of verses of any book in the Bible - it is the shortest book in the Bible.

3
rd John has the fewest number of words of any book in the Bible.

Malachi, written about 443 BC, is the youngest book in the Old Testament!

Matthew, written around 41 CE, is the oldest book in the New Testament.


Paul wrote 14 (of the 27) books of the New Testament.

Nowhere in the Bible does it say there were three wise men - Matthew 2:1 only says: "Magi from the east came to Jerusalem" and later they present three gifts.

The Bible can be truly called the “Word of God”. Interestingly the word "God" appears in every book except Esther and Song of Solomon.

The word "grandmother" appears in the Bible only once: 2 Timothy 1:5.

The word "eternity" is mentioned three times.

Seven suicides are recorded in the Bible.

In the Old Testament the Mediterranean Sea was called the Great Sea.

There are 10 different Jeremiahs in the Bible.

The raven is the first bird mention in the Bible. It appears in Genesis 8:7, when it is sent out from the ark by Noah to see if the flood waters have abated. The second bird was a dove, in verse 8.

Are you “nuts about the Bible”? Well you may be interested to know almonds and pistachios are the only nuts mentioned in the Bible!

A chariot imported from Egypt cost around 600 shekels of silver (1 Kings 10:29). That would be about $77,000. One shekel was 4 days wages.

The word "trinity" is not mentioned in the Bible.
Methuselah is the oldest man on record: 969 years old (Genesis 5:27).

(Contributed)