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1 Samuel 4:12-22 (KJV)

1. What did the Elders of Israel do *after* the Philistines' army defeated the army of Israel on the battlefield?

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1 Samuel 4:3 (KJV)
And when the people were come into the camp,
the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day
before the Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD
out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us,
it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.

2. Israel wanted to use the ark of the covenant as a **L_____ C_____**.

1 Samuel 4:4 (KJV)
So the people sent to Shiloh,
that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts,
which dwelleth *between* the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas,
were there with the ark of the covenant of God.

3. How did the Philistines react when they heard that the ark of the covenant was in the camp of Israel? (#3 *Scripture Reference next page*)

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1 Samuel 4:7 (KJV)
And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp.
And they said, Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing heretofore.

4. The Philistines defeated Israel in a previous battle, where 4,000 soldiers of Israel's army were killed. In the previous battle, Israel *did not* have the ark of the covenant in their camp.

> ***Who do you think*** was defeated in the next battle when Israel had the ark of the covenant in their camp?
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> **I**srael **or** The Philistines

1 Samuel 4:10 (KJV)
And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten,
and they fled every man into his tent:
and there was a very great slaughter;
for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

5. Give three things that occurred during the battle between Israel and the Philistines while the ark of the covenant was in Israel's camp.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

1 Samuel 4:11 (KJV)
And the ark of God was taken;
and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were slain.

6. ***Why do you think*** the man who came to Shiloh from the battlefield had dirt on his head and was wearing torn clothes?

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1 Samuel 4:12 (KJV)
And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army,
and came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent,
and with earth upon his head.

7. How did the people in Shiloh *react* to the news regarding the battle between Israel and the Philistines?

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1 Samuel 4:13 (KJV)
And when he came, lo, Eli sat upon
a seat by the wayside watching:
for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city,
and told *it*, all the city cried out.

8. Who heard the bad news first?

Eli **or** The people in Shiloh

1 Samuel 4:14 (KJV)
And when Eli heard the noise of the crying,
he said, What *meaneth* the noise of this tumult?
And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

9. How old was Eli when the ark of the covenant was captured by the Philistines?

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1 Samuel 4:15 (KJV)
Now Eli was ninety and eight years old;
and his eyes were dim, that he could not see.

10. What was Eli's *first* question to the soldier who returned from the battlefield?

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1 Samuel 4:16 (KJV)
And the man said unto Eli,
I *am* he that came out of the army,
and I fled to day out of the army.
And he said, What is there done, my son?

11. List the <u>four</u> parts of the soldier's message to Eli.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

1 Samuel 4:17 (KJV)
And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines,
and there hath been also a great slaughter among the people,
and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead,
and the ark of God is taken.

12. What happened when the soldier from the battlefield told Eli that the Philistines took the ark of the covenant?

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1 Samuel 4:18 (KJV)
And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God,
that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake,
and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy.
And he had judged Israel forty years.

13. What happened to Phinehas' wife when she heard the bad news?

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1 Samuel 4:19 (KJV)
And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, *near* to be delivered:
and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken,
and that her father in law and her husband were dead,
she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her.

14. How did Phinehas' wife react when she was told that she had given birth to a baby boy?

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1 Samuel 4:20 (KJV)
And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her,
Fear not; for thou hast born a son.
But she answered not, neither did she regard *it*.

15. Give the name of Phinehas' wife's son.

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1 Samuel 4:21 (KJV)
And she named the child Ichabod, saying,
The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of God was taken,
and because of her father in law and her husband.

16. Give the phrase that ***you think*** describes the name "**Ichabod**".

a. Son of sorrow

b. The Glory of God is gone

c. God will deliver

1 Samuel 4:22 (KJV)
And she said, The glory is departed from Israel:
for the ark of God is taken.

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