



SESSION 1: BACKGROUND – REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. What led to the fall of the Greek Empire?
2. What is the Septuagint, who created it, and why is it important to us?
3. What is Hellenization and why is it significant?
4. What act started the Maccabean revolt?
5. What was remarkable about the Battle at Emmaus?
6. What was remarkable about the terrible Antiochus Epiphanes' death?
7. During breakup of the Greek Empire, and prior to consolidation of the Roman Empire, significant struggles for supremacy were between _____, _____ in Syria, and _____ in Egypt.
8. Simon Maccabeus was the first to be both _____ and _____.
9. Judas Maccabeus was John Hyrcanus' _____; Mattathias Hashmon was his _____.
10. What did the Hebrews call Antiochus Epiphanes?
11. What are differences between Pharisees and Sadducees?

12. Who looted the tomb of David? Why? What was the result?

13. Who rebuilt the Jewish kingdom back to its size under King David?

14. What events led to the end of the Hasmonean dynasty?