

TESTS ANSWERS - MODERN TEXTUAL CRITICISM IS HERETICAL

35 Correct Answers

2.85 Points Per Answer

1. The modern Greek New Testament is how much shorter by words than the Received Text?

Answer: 2,286

2. In 1883, John Burgon said the Vatican and Sinaiticus “have within the last twenty years established a _____ ascendancy over the imagination of the Critics.”

Answer: Tyrannical

3. The Vaticanus is thought to date to what century and to what place? (2 answers)

Answer: 4th century - Egypt

4. Outsiders were not given access to the Vaticanus until when?

Answer: The mid-1800s

5. How many corrections did Tischendorf count in the Sinaiticus?

Answer: 14,800

6. John Burgon said the Sinaiticus “_____ with _____ of the eye and pen.” (2 answers)

Answer: Abounds - errors

7. How is the Sinaiticus associated with Origen?

Answer: A note in the manuscript says it was corrected according to Origen’s hexapla.

8. What two heretical writings are bound together in the Sinaiticus? (2 answers)

Answer: *Epistle of Barnabas*, *Shepherd of Hermas*

9. What Greek manuscripts do the editors of the New International Version call “the two most reliable”?

Answer: Vaticanus and Sinaiticus

12. Which Greek codex did the Alands call “by far the most significant of the uncials”?

Answer: Vaticanus

13. John Burgon said the Vaticanus and Sinaiticus “abound with so much _____ or _____ as to suggest the inference, that they are in fact indebted for their preservation to their _____ character.” (3 answers)

Answer: Licentiousness - carelessness - hopeless

14. After studying the five most ancient Greek uncials for five and one half years, John Burgon concluded that Sinaiticus, Vaticanus, and Codex D are “three of the most _____ _____ copies extant: exhibit the most _____ _____ _____ texts which are anywhere to be met with...”

Answer: Scandalously corrupt - shamefully mutilated texts (2 answers)

15. What are the two major collections of papyri? (2 answers)

Answer: Bodmer - Chester Beatty

16. In what place did the papyri originate?
Answer: Egypt
17. Why did the gnostics try to dissociate Jesus from Christ?
Answer: They believed that Jesus is not the same as Christ. Jesus was an ordinary man upon whom the “Christ” spirit came at his baptism.
18. In what way does the doctrine of preservation assure us that the papyri should not be used to overthrow the traditional Greek New Testament?
Answer: They were unknown until recent times.
19. What is the goal of modern textual criticism, according to Tishendorf?
Answer: The struggle to regain the original form of the New Testament
20. How is this goal unscriptural?
Answer: This goal assumes that God has not preserved the Scripture.
21. John Burgon called Hort’s theory of a Syrian recension “an excursion into _____.”
Answer: Cloudland
22. How does everyday experience disprove the textual theory that “the shorter reading is to be preferred”?
Answer: When copying, it is more common to omit things than to add things.
23. What verse says God has hidden His truth from the wise and revealed it to babes?
Answer: Matthew 11:25
24. What verse says God has chosen the foolish things of this world to confound the wise?
Answer: 1 Corinthians 1:27
25. F.C. Conybeare claimed the New Testament text “is for ever _____.”
Answer: Irrecoverable
26. Roman Catholic Patrick Henry said the ecumenical activities between Catholics and Protestants in the field of Bible texts and versions “signals a _____ _____ in the church.”
Answer: New age
27. In what year did the Vatican call for an ecumenical Bible?
Answer: 1943
28. In what year did the Revised Standard Version appear in a Catholic edition?
Answer: 1973