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Top 10 Toughest Tests In The Bible

Life is full of tough tests and so is the Bible. Reading it gives us a look at some of the excruciating tests of faith, courage and endurance the heroes of our faith endured which still provide encouragement to us today. Some tests were passed with flying colors and some were failed, but just like life, there were no retakes. Here's our rundown of the Top Ten Toughest Tests of the Bible.

10. Jonah Must Decide Whether To Obey God And Go To Nineveh, Or Ignore Him (Jonah 1:1-3:10)
9. The Priests Must Decide If They Believe God Enough To Start Crossing The Jordan Before He Dries It Up (Joshua 3:1-17)
8. The Disciples Must Decide If They Will Go Back To Bethany Though Their Lives Have Been Threatened (John 11:1-44)
7. Young Queen Esther Must Risk Her Life To Deliver Her People From Death (Esther 4:12-16)
6. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego Must Bow To An Idol Or Be Thrown Into A Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3:1-30)

Honorable Mention

Now don't get testy, there were many more tests in the Bible than we could include. Here's a look at a few that didn't make the grade:

- Daniel Must Decide Between Praying To God Or Being Thrown Into The Lion's Den (Daniel 2:1-49)
 - Peter Must Choose If He Wants To Be Identified As A Disciple Of Jesus Or Deny Him (Luke 22:54-62)
 - The Children of Israel Must Trust God And Cross The Red Sea Or Be Wiped Out By The Egyptian Army (Exodus 13:17-14:31)
5. David Must Choose To Fight Goliath Or Allow Him To Curse God (1 Samuel 17: 1-51)
 4. Jesus Must Choose Between God's Word Or Satan's Promises (Matthew 4:1-11)
 3. Abraham Must Show He Is Willing to Sacrifice His Only Son Isaac If That Is What God Requires (Genesis 22:1-19)
 2. Job Must Decide Whether He Will Trust God Through Disaster Or Curse Him (Job 1:6-22).
 1. Adam And Eve Must Choose Between Obeying God's Warning Against Eating From The Tree Of The Knowledge Of Good And Evil Or Falling For Satan's Temptation (Genesis 2:15-3:7)