## **The Amen Corner**

The Amen Corner Bible Trivia & Activities for Older Adults

Which book of the Old Testament has a chapter of wisdom for each of the 31 days of the month? Proverbs.

The Amen Corner is more than trivia and quizzes. It is also a book that encourages reminiscing and discussions. It offers spiritual life activities that explore the Bible in relation to everyday life. It can be used as a stand-alone activity or as a supplement to a Bible study group or other religious activity in both Christian and Jewish settings.

## Trivia

"Accessories" Page 3

When God spoke to Moses from the burning bush, what did he ask Moses to remove? His shoes or sandals (Ex 3:5)

Who had a coat of many colors? Joseph (Gen 37:3)

What did Joseph's brothers do to his coat to make their father think Joseph was dead? They dipped it in the blood of an animal (Gen 37:31)

What gifts did the Wise Men give baby Jesus? Gold, frankincense, and myrrh (Matt 2:11)

"The Easter Story" Page 11 What unusual act did Jesus perform before the Passover meal for his disciples? He washed their feet. (John 13:5) What did the soldiers place on Jesus' head? Crown of Thorns (John 19:2) What happened to the Temple curtain when Jesus died? Tore in two (Luke 23:45)

"Festivals and Holy Days" Page 13 What queen's courageous act is celebrated in the Jewish holiday of Purim? Esther What shape are the hamentaschen, eaten at Purim? Triangle What was Jesus commemorating during the Last Supper with his disciples? Passover What is Holy Week? The days between Palm Sunday and Easter

"Whatchamacallits" Page 37 What do we call people from?

1. Corinth - Corinthians 2. Rome - Romans

3. Moab - Moabites 4. Nazareth - Nazarenes

Activity Ideas for a Spiritual Life Group

"Angels Unaware" - Page 45 Read Hebrews 13:2 - "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." The Bible makes many references to angels, even giving them names. Many people see the work of angels in the daily miracles all around them. Others don't believe that such beings exist. (Many movies use angels, including "It's a Wonderful Life" and "The Bishop's Wife.") Ask group members to talk about what they believe about angels. Ask, *Have you ever felt that you had a guardian angel protecting you? How? Have you ever acted as a guardian angel or a secret angel to another person? What did you do to help?* Ask the group to make a list of simple ways a person can be an angel to another. Is there anyone in your facility who needs an angel's intervention? How could group members help?

"Proverbs" - Page 53

What do the following proverbs mean?

"Beauty in a woman without good judgment is like a gold ring in a pig's snout." (Prov. 11:22)

"A lie has a short life, but truth lives on forever." (Prov. 12:19)

"A gentle answer quiets anger, but a harsh one stirs it up." (Prov. 15:1)

Read the following verses: "Son, do what your father tells you and never forget what your mother taught you. Keep their words with you always, locked in your heart. Their teaching will lead you when you travel, protect you at night, and advise you during the day. Their instructions are a shining light; their correction can teach you how to live" (Proverbs 6:20-23). Ask the group members what proverbs or sayings they used or heard in their own homes, especially those said by their mothers or grandmothers. Make a list of other proverbs or sayings that are commonly used by people.