

# The First Book of the Maccabees

## Chapter 4 - 16

Read 4:52-59 Does Judas restore the temple and institute Hanukkah? (Note 4:52-59)

Read 5:30 What are engines of war? (Note 5:30)

Read 5:55-63 What does it mean to make a name for oneself? (Note 5:57)

What are the mistakes made by Joseph and Azaria? (Note 5:61–62)

How does Antiochus serve as a counterexample to Judas? (Note 6:1-17)

Does the new king Antiochus attack Judea with the use of elephants? (Note 6:28–31) (Note 6:34)

Read 6:40–47 Is Eleazar the first of the four sons of Mattathias to die? (Note 6:43–46)

Read 6:48–49 What is a sabbatical year? (Note 6:49)

Does fidelity to God's law result in a blessing? (Note 6:55–61)

Read 7:1–16 What is meant by do not let me see their faces? (Note 7:3)

Who are the Hasideans? (Note 7:13)

Read 8:1–16 At the time of the Maccabees how did they perceive the Romans? (Note 8:1–16)

Read 8:17–21 What kind of treaty did the Maccabees make with the Romans? (Note 8:17–21) (Note 8:23–30)

Read 9:7–22 How did Judas Maccabees meet his demise? (Note 9:7–22)

Who is the new leader of the nation? (Note 9:30)

Read 9: 50–57 Why does Alcimus want to tear down the wall of the inner Court of the sanctuary? (Note 9:54)

Read 9:68–69 Are the Seleucids wary of the fight with the Maccabees? (Note 9:68–69)

Read 10:1-5 Do the political alliances begin to shift? (Note 10:3–5)

Read 10:18–21 Does Jonathan become high priest? (Note 10:20)

What is the feast of tabernacles? (Note 10:21)

Have the Jewish people become formidable adversaries to the Seleucid crown?  
(Note 10:25–45)

Read 10: 70–85 How does the battle against Apollonius go for Jonathan? (Note  
10:70–85)

Read 11:13–19 who is the ruler of the Seleucid kingdom? (Note 11:13)

Read 11:54–59 What are the four districts? (Note 11:57)

Who was made governor? (Note 11:59)

Read 12:1–2 Does Jonathan seek alliances with Rome and Sparta? (Note 12:1)  
(Note 12:2)

Read 12:39–53 Who is Trypho? (Note 12:39)

Read 13:1–9 Who takes command after Jonathan is killed? (Note 13:1–9)

How does Simon see the current political climate and how does he navigate it?  
(Note 13:36–42)

What is a siege engine? (Note 13:43)

Read 13:45–47 How do Simon and Trypho contrast on how they deal with enemy combatants? (Note 13:45–47)

Read 13:53 Who is John Hyrcanus? (Note 13:53)

What do verses 14:25–49 deal with? (Note 14:25–49)

Read 14:35–49 Who is invested with both religious and political authority? (Note 14:41)

What is the symbolism of being clothed in purple? (Note 14:43–44)

What are the three roles given to Simon? (Note 14:47)

Read 15:32–36 Is Simon justified in taking back ancestral land? (Note 15:33–35)

Read 16:2-3 Does Simon pass the torch on to his sons? (Note 16:2-3)

Read 16:11–17 What is treachery? (Note 16:15)