



Creation



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Words to Find:
 void
 light
 darkness
 divided
 firmament
 day

grass
 night
 fowl
 whales
 cattle
 created
 man

female
 woman
 Adam
 sixth
 rest
 finished

What You Can Learn from The Bible

By Bill Brinkworth

Salvation: You can know for sure God's way for you to go heaven. Read John and Romans.

★ **Wisdom:** Read Proverbs.

★ **Comfort:** Read Psalms.

★ **Trials and tribulations:** Read Job.

★ **Man's Beginnings:** Read Genesis.

★ **Man's End:** Read Revelation.

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How to Read Your Bible

By Bill Brinkworth

Before I was saved, I am sure I was like most people when it came to reading the Bible. "It's just a book," I figured, "and like any book, I'll start in the beginning and go to the end." It was not too long before I was bogged down and bored with all the 'begats'. Soon I lost interest in reading and quit. I never did get far, when I attempted to read God's Word.



One of the main reasons I was having a difficult time reading the scriptures was I was unsaved and could not understand the things of God. An unspiritual, unsaved person cannot clearly understand the things of God. That is why today's modernistic attempts to simplify, and dumb-down the Bible will not work. The Bible per-
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The Bible

By James M. Gray

Where childhood needs a standard
 Or youth a beacon light,
 Where sorrow sighs for comfort
 Or weakness longs for night,
 Bring forth the Holy Bible,
 The Bible! Here it stands!
 Resolving all life's problems
 And meeting its demands.
 Though sophistry conceal it,
 The Bible! There it stands!
 Though Pharisees profane it,
 Its influence expands,
 It fills the world with fragrance
 Whose sweetness never cloys,
 It lifts our eyes to Heaven,
 It heightens human joys.
 Despised and torn in pieces,
 By infidels decried,
 The thunderbolts of hatred
 The haughty cynics pride.
 All these have railed against it
 In this and other lands,
 Yet dynasties have fallen
 And still the Bible stands!
 Its promises unfailing,
 Nor grievous its commands,
 It points man to the Saviour,
 The lover of his soul;
 Salvation is its watchword,
 Eternity its goal!

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verters and rewriters are forgetting the most important element of biblical understanding: the Holy Spirit. It is He that helps any one understand it. Their making it "easier" to understand will not and has never increased Bible reading and understanding. A born-again child of God can understand God's word with His help.

After being saved, one can still get confused as to how to read God's Word. It is not just a book. It is God's book; so it should be treated differently.

Every word between the covers of the King James Bible is preserved for God's children to read. Many parts of the Bible were for different dispensations. These were different times when God had to treat His people differently. For example, the Old Testament was written before Christ came. Since He had not come at that time, remission for sin was treated differently. We do not have to make animal sacrifices as they did in the first books of the Bible.

For this reason, it is best for a Christian of this time of history, to start reading in the New Testament. You will find that the first four books (the Gospels) of the New Testament (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) are about the life of Christ. They are about Christ's life and ministry from different

viewpoints. These different views give more understanding of what Jesus did for us. If one has a hard time reading and may not be able to accomplish too much reading, I usually recommend starting in the book of John and reading to the end of the New Testament. If you can read well, and are anxious to learn as much of God's word as you can, start at Matthew and read to the end of the New Testament.

After the Gospel(s) is completed, the following books, starting with Acts, will give one insight into the early church and how it was started. Again, the various letters (we call books) are from different people that had a large influence in setting up the early church. It is through their writings that we will learn how the power of God works in the Christian of today, and how we are to worship God and obey his Word.

Lastly, after the various letters to the early churches will come the last book of the New Testament, the book of Revelation. It is this tremendous book that gives a summary of what has happened in the church movements of the past, and what will happen in the future. Jumping to this book without understanding who and what Jesus is and did, and not understanding the doctrines (teachings) of today's church age will utterly confuse

If there is no eternity

— nothing matters!

If there is an eternity

— nothing else matters!

Keith Smith

and may even scare a reader that does not have a better understanding of the scriptures.

After the New Testament is completed, then start reading the Old Testament. The book of Genesis will give you a tremendous grasp of man's beginnings, and how God dealt with them. The other 38 books of the Old Testament will give you better understanding how God worked with man in different times and conditions; how they suffered for their disobedience, and how God led them to victories when they let Him lead.

The Bible is the most important and influential book ever written. God is its author. He chose leaders, kings, prophets, and scribes to record it. God went to a lot of trouble and heartache to record His plan. It is God's roadmap through life. It will help and guide all who read and obey it.

Please commit yourself to daily reading God's Word and receiving God's directions throughout life. If three chapters are read a day, the Bible can be read in one year. You owe it to yourself, to read God's instruction

Our service to God is our thank you for what He has done! — K. Smith

book. God has raised trillions of children. His advice and teachings can help and guide one more of his children — you.

F.B. Meyers on Bible Reading

Read your Bible, not as a newspaper, but as a letter from home. If a cluster of heavenly fruit hangs within reach, gather it. If a promise lies upon the page as a bank check, cash it. If a prayer is recorded, appropriate it and launch it as a feathered arrow from the bow of your desires. If a truth is revealed in all its intrinsic splendor, entreat that its brilliance may ever irradiate the hemisphere of your life like a star.

Two elderly, excited Southern women were sitting together in the front pew of church listening to a fiery preacher. When this preacher condemned the sin of stealing, these two ladies cried out at the tops of their lungs, "AMEN, BROTHER!"

When the preacher condemned the sin of lust, they yelled again, "PREACH IT, REVEREND!" After the preacher condemned the sin of lying, they jumped to their feet and screamed, "RIGHT ON, BROTHER! TELL IT LIKE IT IS. AMEN!"

However, when the preacher condemned the sin of gossip, the two got very quiet. One turned to the other and said, "He's quit preaching and now he's meddlin'."

Be careful how YOU live. YOU may be the only Bible some people will ever read!