

Christians on Campus
A Fresh Start for A New Living
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Reading the Bible

I. The Origin of the Bible

2 Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed...

2 Pet. 1:21b ...but men spoke from God while being borne by the Holy Spirit.

II. The Content of the Bible

John 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.

Acts 5:20 Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life.

III. The Function of the Bible

John 5:39 You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that testify concerning Me.

2 Tim. 3:15 And that from a babe you have known the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise unto salvation through the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

1 Pet. 1:23 Having been regenerated not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, through the living and abiding word of God.

1 Pet. 2:2 As newborn babes, long for the guileless milk of the word in order that by it you may grow unto salvation,

Matt. 4:4 But He answered and said, It is written, "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out through the mouth of God."

Psalms 119:130 The opening of Your words gives light.

Psalms 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path.

2 Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for conviction, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

17 That the man of God may be complete, fully equipped for every good work.

IV. The Preciousness and Sweetness of the Bible

Psalms 119:72 The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of pieces of gold and silver.

Psalms 119:103 How sweet are Your words to my taste! Sweeter than honey to my mouth!

V. The Sections of the Bible

A. Old Testament- Law, History, Poetry & Prophets

B. New Testament- History, Epistles, Prophecy

VI. How to Read the Bible

Luke 24:45 Then He opened their mind to understand the Scriptures;

Col. 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom,

Eph. 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him,

Eph. 6:17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God,

18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit.