



The Bible: Part 1

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Four Characteristics of the Bible

The _____ of The Bible

- The Scripture is clear enough that even “the simple” can understand.
- The general people were expected to understand and obey.
- Even a child is able to learn, understand and apply the Bible
- Jesus expected people to understand the Scriptures (Matt. 12:5)

The _____ of The Bible

- The Bible is “God Breathed” - Inspired by God. (2 Tim. 3:16)
- The Bible was written in many different ways, not just dictation.
- The Word of God is more than just true, it is Truth (John 17:17)
 - They are the measure of Truth. (Ruler analogy)
 - This provides us with real answers to our questions.
 - How we can know and love God.
- The Holy Spirit interacts with the reader to help him see it is true.

The _____ of The Bible

- The Bible is needed to...
 - Place ones faith in Jesus and be forgiven (Rom. 10:14, 17).
 - Grow as a follower of Jesus (2 Tim. 3:15-17).
 - Live a life of love and obedience to God (Deut. 29:29).
- His Word is what nourishes us spiritually (Matt. 4:4)

The _____ of The Bible

- The Bible contains everything a person needs in order to ...
 - Become a Christian.
 - Live as a Christian.
 - Grow as a Christian.
 - Be blameless before God.
- This should inspire us to search the Scripture for...
 - What to do in a certain situation.
 - What to think about certain issues.

2 Timothy 3:15-17

¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God ^P may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.