



The Word

“In The Beginning
was the Word...”

John 1:1

Discipleship Book 2



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INTRODUCTION

This handbook is going to teach you about the best-selling book of all time! No other book ever written has sold as many copies as this one.

This book is so special that it has been translated into about 2,000 different languages and has been taken all over the world for others to read.

Some people love this book so much that they give up their families, jobs, and homes here in the United States to take it to people in other countries who have never heard of it before!

This book is so important that there are groups right here in our own town who meet at least once a week and sometimes more - just to hear someone talk about it! And they never run out of new things to discuss.

Did You Know:

People have lost their lives trying to protect this book so that you and I can have it to read? Don't you think we owe it to these people to find out why they gave their lives to protect it? They sacrificed everything...



**LESSON ONE WILL TELL YOU
MORE ABOUT THIS AMAZING
BOOK!**

LESSON ONE

The Best Selling Book of All Time

The Bible is an amazing book that God gave us because He loves us so much. He has promised to keep it absolutely perfect for us – FOREVER. The Bible tells us exactly how we can know for sure that we will be able to go to Heaven to live with Him some day!

God also includes many really amazing stories about people who lived 1000's of years ago. These stories tell us all about the horrible messes they got themselves into and how God wanted to help them. He includes these stories so that we can learn from them and not make the same mistakes they did! He also tells us about some real heroes who trusted God completely and did amazing things that you just won't believe! God wants us to know that we can make the choice to trust Him completely too!

*“For whatsoever things were written aforetime
were written for our learning,
that we through patience and comfort
of the scriptures might have hope.”
Romans 15:4*

The Bible is like having 3 things from God all in one!

- A Love Letter
- A Map
- A Flashlight



GOD'S LOVE LETTER:



Have you ever known anyone who joined the army and got orders to go overseas? When these soldiers leave they are very sad because they are being separated from the people they love. They usually begin writing letters home right away because they want to share what has been happening in their lives and they want to tell their family just how much they miss them and love them! Letters are the best way for them to keep in touch while they are gone.

God wants to keep in touch with us too! He wants us to know more about Him – which is why He gave us the Bible! Think of it as a great big stack of love letters from God! He wants us to know that He loves us!

*“We love him, because he first loved us.”
1 John 4:19*

GOD'S MAP:



When your parents make the decision to take you on a vacation – they need to use a map or a GPS in order to find out the best way to get there. Taking the time to get good directions will save you time, money and frustration! If you don't follow the directions exactly how they are written, you may be very disappointed because you could end up somewhere that you don't want to be at all!

The Bible is like having a set of directions for our lives. It tells us how we can know for sure that we will be going to live in Heaven someday. If we choose not to follow God's directions we will NOT end up getting there and we will end up somewhere we don't want to be! His directions are the only way for us to find Heaven.

God says that there are very few people who are willing to follow His directions. Most people try to get to Heaven by going to their church, getting baptized or doing good works. But God tells us in Matthew 7:13-14 that this way of thinking will lead to destruction because it is not following His directions.



Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

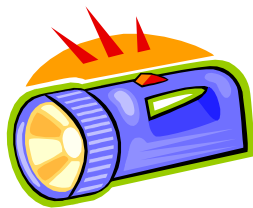
God also tells us that there is only ONE WAY to get to Him – and that way is through Jesus. If you try to go any other way – you will NOT get to Him in Heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 14:6



GOD'S FLASHLIGHT:



We use flashlights to help us see where we are going. If we walk around in the dark – not knowing exactly what lies ahead of us we could be in danger. Flashlights help us so that we can make the right choices in order to stay safe. However, a flashlight will only help us if we “Turn It On”!

God wants to protect us from making bad choices in our lives too! He gives us “Light” from the Bible to guide us through all of life’s struggles. But we have to make the CHOICE to “Turn It On” so we can see clearly!

*“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path.”*

Psalms 119:105



God loves us so much that we should stop and tell Him “Thank You” for giving us such an amazing Book! We should be thankful that He cares enough to help us find our way to Heaven and that He wants to direct us so that we can avoid making big mistakes in our lives. You can talk to God and thank Him whenever you think about it. He is waiting to hear from you anytime you want to talk!

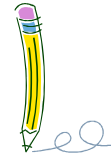
You can tell Him by saying something like this:

“Dear Lord, Thank you for loving me enough to give me your love letter - the Bible. Please show me how

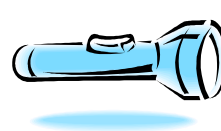
*to live the way you want me to!” In Jesus’ Name,
Amen*



LESSON ONE REVIEW



1. The Bible is God’s way of t — — k — n — to us.
2. God tells us stories about other people so that we can:
 - a. Laugh at them
 - b. Learn how to read
 - c. Learn from them - so we won’t make the same mistakes that they did
3. The Bible is like what three things? Circle 3 pictures:



4. How many ways are there to get to Heaven?
 - a. 1
 - b. 3
 - c. 5
5. Who said “I am the way, the truth and the life...”
Unscramble the letters: sJ sue — — — — —

6. Draw a line to the picture that fits the missing word:

“Thy — — — is a — — — unto my — — —,
and a — — — unto my — — —.” Ps 119:105



EXTRA CREDIT!

God tells us that He wants us to memorize
some of the things that He tells us in the Bible.



This is important because if we memorize His Word
it will go with us everywhere we go,
even when we don't have a Bible with us!
God also tells us that if we "Hide" His Word in our hearts -
it will help to guide us when we are tempted
to do something that we shouldn't!

God tells us this in the book of Psalms:
"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."
Psalm 119:11



This is the FIRST VERSE we will
help you to memorize!
Come On! Give it a Try!
It Can be a lot of Fun!



THERE ARE SOME ACTIVITIES ON THE FOLLOWING
PAGE THAT WILL HELP YOU TO
MEMORIZE THIS VERSE.

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."
Psalm 119:11

1. Use the pictures below to help you memorize the
verse. Read through it 5 times!



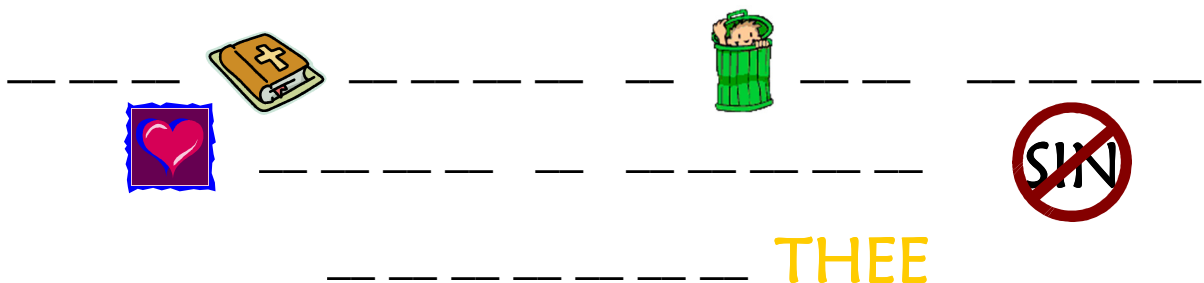
2. Fill in the blanks with these words:

hid thee word sin not heart

Thy _____ have I _____ in mine _____

that I might _____ against _____.

3. Fill in the words around the pictures:



4. Now see if you can say the whole verse without looking at
the words!



LESSON TWO

Bible Basics



Let's take a few minutes to find out more about the Bible and how to use it. Grab a Bible and ask your leader to show you how to find the following things:

- + The Bible has 2 main sections called the Old Testament and the New Testament.
 - The Old Testament tells us what happened before Jesus Christ was born and it is the larger of the two. It is in the front of your Bible and begins with the book of Genesis. **See if you can find it!**
 - The New Testament tells us what happened just before, during, and after Jesus was born. It can be found towards the back of your Bible and it begins with the book of Matthew. **Try to find it!**
- + Inside the Old and New Testaments are a total of 66 different books that we can read. The Bible is like a “Little Library!”
- + In the front of your Bible you will be able to find the Table of Contents. This is a good place to go if you are looking for one of the 66 books - but cannot find it. It will tell you the page number where each book starts. **Find the Table of Contents.**
- + "The Gospels" are the first four books in the New Testament; Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

- These books tell us about the life of Jesus - from the time He was born until He was crucified and went back to Heaven.
- The Gospels are a great place to read if you are just beginning to read your Bible. **See if you can find "The Four Gospels".**

✚ In many Bibles but not all, "The Gospels" will have some words written in red. These are the words that Jesus actually said. **Look for the red letters.**

- ✚ The Bible is split up into: Books, Chapters and Verses.
- When you want to find a specific verse it will be written like this - John 3:16. In this case, John is the book that you will have to find. **Find the book of John.**
 - Once you have found John you can look for the 3rd chapter and the 16th verse. They are all numbered to help you find them. **Find John 3:16**

SWORD DRILLS ARE FUN!

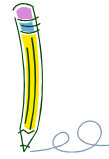


A Sword Drill is a game that you can play with your Bible. It is a race to see who can find a book, chapter and verse in the Bible before the others who are playing. You have to hold your Bible by the binding with the open edges of the pages facing the ceiling. Hold it up as high as you can. Then listen for the leader of the game to tell you what verse to find... when they say "Go" find it as quickly as you can!

To Get Started: Begin only with the four Gospels.



LESSON TWO REVIEW



1. The Bible has how many main sections?



2. Which section is larger? Circle the right answer.

The New Testament

The Old Testament

3. Number these 4 books from the Gospels in the order that they appear in the Bible:

John ____ Mark ____ Matthew ____ Luke ____

4. Find the Table of Contents in the Bible.

5. Use your Bible to find John 3:16.

6. Which Testament tells us about the life of Jesus?

Old Testament

New Testament



7. If you want to begin reading your Bible - where would be a good place to begin? Fill in the blanks: TY ____ o ____ p ____ s



MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

You should practice your verse from last week so that you will not forget why we are memorizing verses from the Bible!

See if you can say it out loud...

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."
Psalm 119:11

If you don't remember it - you can review it
by using the picture clues below:



Say Psalm 119:11
using these pictures
three times in a row!

LESSON THREE

How Do We Know The Bible Is From God And Not Man? PART ONE

In Lessons 3 - 5 we will look at three things that show us how we know that the Bible was given to us from God and not man. We will learn about:



- Prophecies In The Bible
- Science
- Our Calendar

Let's Start By Finding Out What A Prophecy Is:

A prophecy is a story that someone tells that describes what will happen in the future. If I told you that I knew you would be moving to Florida when you turn 16 years old - I would be making a prophecy.

Always remember that just because someone says something will happen - does not mean that it will. People quite often make prophecies that never end up taking place. But the Bible is different because it is the only book that has had every single prophecy come true exactly how it said it would!

Now
This is
Amazing!

The Bible was not written from
the first page to the last
like the other books you have read.
Instead it was written by about 40 different people
over a period of approximately 1600 years
from three different continents!

HERE IS AN EXAMPLE OF A BIBLE PROPHECY:

In Micah 5:1-2 there is a prophecy that says that Jesus would be born in the city of Bethlehem. This was written about 670 years before Jesus was born!



Then hundreds of years later Matthew wrote that Jesus really was born in Bethlehem!

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem..."

Matthew 2:1



Stop and think about this! There were 100's of different towns that Jesus could have been born in. How did Micah know the exact spot that it would take place in over 600 years earlier? This really is awesome when you realize that Micah and Matthew never even talked to each other because they were not even alive at the same time! How did Micah know Jesus would be born in Bethlehem?

**There is only one answer to that question...
God told him! Man does not know these things!**

THINK ABOUT IT THIS WAY:

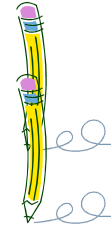
If you have a sister who is 10 years old - would you be able to tell her right now where she will be living when she gets married and has a child - 12 years from now?

That is impossible for us to do - but not for God!

The Bible is not like any other book ever written!

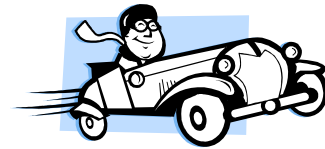


LESSON THREE REVIEW



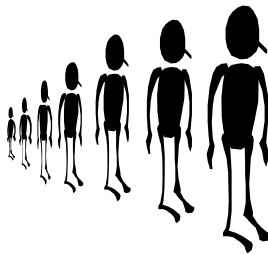
1. What is a prophecy? Circle the write answer:

- A rain storm
- A new car from Ford
- A story that someone tells about the future



2. About how many different people wrote the Bible?

1 12 25 35 40 50 100



3. Was the Bible written all at one time - from the front cover to the back? Circle your answer:



Yes or No

4. How does the story of Jesus being born in Bethlehem show that God gave us the Bible and not man?

MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

Using the memory verse from the last two lessons, explain to your leader why it is important to memorize God's word. Can you say Psalm 119:11 to your leader?

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."
Psalm 119:11

In this handbook we are learning about God's word. This week you will memorize John 1:1 which tells us that the Bible is from God!

"In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God."
John 1:1

How many times do you see "Word" in this verse?

1 3 5 2

Practice saying this verse 5 times with your leader.

Fill in the blanks:

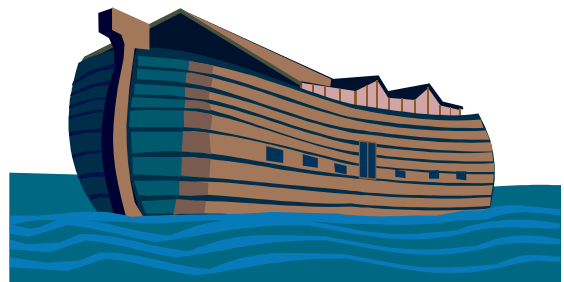
In the beginning was the _____,
and the _____ was with _____,
and the _____ was _____.
John ____ : ____

LESSON FOUR

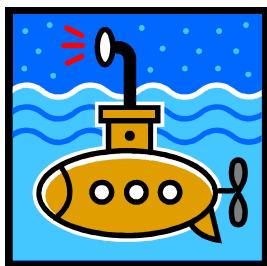
How Do We Know The Bible Is From God And Not Man? PART TWO

There are many scientific facts that were recorded in the Bible **BEFORE** anyone knew that they were true. These facts prove that the Bible is from God because if man did not know about these facts they certainly could not have written about them! Here are a few examples:

- In Genesis 6:15 God tells Noah just exactly how to build the ark so that it would float when He sent the flood. Nobody had ever built a boat before Noah - they did not even know what one was! Ship builders now know that the best way to build a boat is to make the length 6 times as long as the width. Now remember that God told Noah how to build this 4,500 years ago - long before people figured this out!



- Job 38:16 says that oceans have springs of water in them. Not long ago scientists thought that the ocean's water came from rain and rivers but in the 1970's deep diving submarines discovered springs on the oceans floors! How did Job know this 1000's of year before?



- Jonah 2:5-6 tells us that there are mountains at the bottom of the ocean floor. It has only been in the last 100 years that we have found out that this is true.

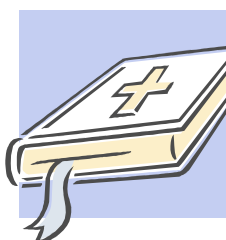


- Genesis 2:7 & 3:19 tell us that we are made from the dust of the ground. Scientists have discovered that the human body is made up of about 28 base and trace elements - all of which are found in the earth.

- Leviticus 17:11 & 14 tell us that blood is the source of life. Up until 120 years ago, sick people were "bled" which means they would drain the blood out of them in an attempt to heal them. This is how George Washington died. Today we know that healthy blood is essential to life and it brings life giving nutrients to every cell.



- Hundreds of years ago people used to think that the earth was flat. God tells us in Isaiah 40:22 that it is a sphere or a circle. This was written 100's of years before people found out that it was not really flat at all! How did Isaiah know it was round? God told Him!

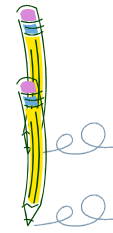


The Bible is even ahead of science!
Be sure to read yours today!

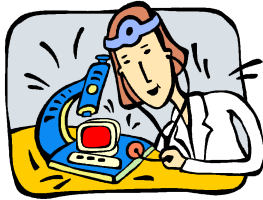
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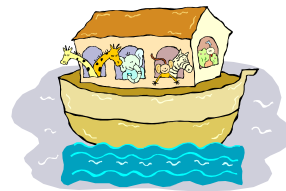
LESSON FOUR REVIEW



1. Does the Bible catch up with science or does science find out that the Bible is true?



2. What did we learn about Noah that proves that the Bible is from God?



3. What is at the bottom of the sea that proves that the Bible was from God and not man?



4. How does the earth's shape prove that the Bible is really from God?



MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

VERSE ONE:

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."

Psalm 119:11



VERSE TWO

"In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God."

John 1:1

1. Circle the word "Word" all three times in the verse above
2. Put a box around the word "God" each time you read it.
3. Practice saying this verse 5 times.

Fill in the blanks:

In the beginning was the _____,
and the _____ was with _____,
and the _____ was _____.

John__ : __

Practice – Practice – Practice!

LESSON FIVE

How Do We Know The Bible Is From God And Not Man? PART THREE

Over the past few weeks we have been learning that the Bible is not like any other book ever written because it was given to us by God. This is important to understand because:



If we know that the Bible REALLY is from God then we will realize how important it is for us to live according to what it says.

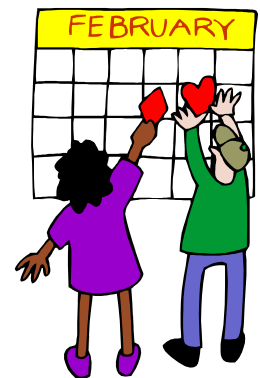
We will also know what to do if a book says something that goes against what is written in the Bible. Whenever this happens - just remember who wrote each book. If a man wrote the book there could be errors but if God wrote it - we know that everything will be 100% perfect!

Man catches up to God - God does not catch up to man!

Let's Learn One More Thing That Will Help Us To Know That The Bible Is True!

We have already learned that the Bible is from God because of the prophecies it contains and because of the facts in science that it talks about. Today we will learn about one more thing that proves that the Bible is really true...

Our Calendar!



Our Calendar Proves The Bible Is From God!

Did you know that our calendar is based on Jesus Christ's birth? The years of our calendar are either A.D. or B.C. years. These terms are defined on Wikipedia (the online encyclopedia) as:



* A.D. - The term Anno Domini is translated from Medieval Latin, as "In the year of (the/Our) Lord.

And * B.C. is abbreviated from the words "Before Christ".

If a year is referred to as 2001 A.D. that would mean 2001 years from the year of our Lord or from when Jesus was born.

If a year is written as 53 B.C. this means 53 years before Jesus was born.

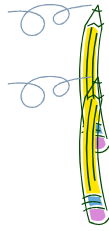


Anytime you look up a date remember that even our calendar is proof that what the Bible says is true!

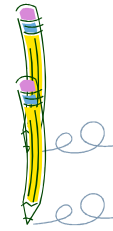
Jesus Christ really was born,
lived and died for us
because He loves us!

IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

* Some people are attempting to change these years to B.C.E. and C.E. which mean "Before the Common Era" and "Common Era". They are doing this to help hide the fact that Jesus Christ really did come to save us!

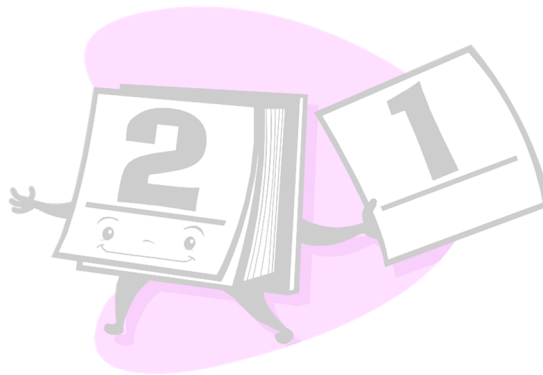


LESSON FIVE REVIEW



Draw a line to the correct definition for each calendar term below:

- A.D. Before Common Era
- B.C. Common Era
- B.C.E. Before Christ
- C.E. Anno Domino



What does A.D. mean? Circle the correct answer:

- In The Year Of Our Lord
- After His Death



Explain why we should not use B.C.E or C.E. to describe the years on our calendar.

MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

Practice the two verses that you have been learning:



"Thy word have I hid in mine heart,
that I might not sin against thee."

Psalm 119:11

"In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God."

John 1:1

Since we have learned that the Bible is from God and not man - we will memorize Proverbs 3:5 because it tells us that we should trust in the Lord and not in what people think. If people say one thing is true - but the Bible says something else is true - we need to trust in the Lord!

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart;
and lean not unto thine own understanding." Proverbs 3:5

1. Say this verse 5 times.
2. Draw a line from the word to the line that it goes on:

lean LORD understanding heart Trust

_____ in the _____ with all thine _____
and _____ not unto thine own _____.

LESSON SIX

Is God Really Interested In Me? Doesn't He Really Only Care About Adults?



Oh no, you should never think like that! God loves children very much and He wants to have a relationship with each and every one! He always has time for young people!

God has always loved children as much as He does adults. In Mark chapter 10 the Bible tells us a true story about people who brought a group of kids to see Jesus. They were so excited because they had heard about the miracles that Jesus had done in other villages. They wanted to see Him so bad - but Jesus' closest friends, the disciples, thought that he was too busy to bother with kids so they tried to send the children away. Jesus was very upset with his disciples and let them know that He did not feel that way at all – He wanted them to come spend time with Him! Mark 10:13-14 says:



“And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, *Suffer (means allow) the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.”

Note to Adults - Be sure children understand that:

*The word suffer means – allow. It does not mean to cause pain.

God tells this story so you would know that He always has time for you even when adults are too busy!

God tells us in Mark 10:15-16 that He not only desires to spend time with children but that He also thinks very highly of them as well! In these two verses He uses the “Faith of a Child” to explain to adults how He expects them to come to Him in order to be saved! God is explaining to the adults that children come to Him and trust Him simply and completely! This is something that **God says children can teach adults!** Never think that God looks down on kids or that He thinks less of them! He adores children!



“Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a **little child**, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.”

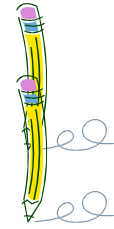
In future handbooks you will also get to read about children who trusted in God and did awesome things!

- Josiah was only 8 years old when he became King – he stood up for God and cleaned up the whole kingdom!
- David was a just young boy when he trusted God and killed a giant that was 10 feet tall! Goliath was so huge that even the adult soldiers would not think of challenging him. The adults were too afraid - but David trusted God!

**Remember That God
Will Always Have Time For You...
No Matter How Young Or Old You Are!**



LESSON SIX REVIEW



1. Would God rather spend time with adults over children? Circle your answer:

Yes or **No**

2. What time of the day would God like to hear from children? Put an X on your answer – you can choose more than one:



Morning



Lunch Time



Dinner Time



Bed Time

3. Sometimes adults will be too busy to listen to children or they push them away because they just don't care – will God ever do that no matter how young or old you are? Circle your answer:

YES or **ND**

MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

Let's Review the last two verses that you have been memorizing in this discipleship book.

Fill in the blanks for the missing words:

"Thy _____ have I _____ in mine _____,
that I might not _____ against _____."



Psalm _____ :



In the _____ was the _____,
and the _____ was with _____,
and the _____ was _____.

GOD

1:1

WORD

Now say our new verse five times.

Draw a line from the picture to the word in the verse

"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart;
and lean not unto thine own understanding." Proverbs 3:5



Trust

LESSON SEVEN

I Am Just a Kid -What Does the Bible Have For Me? Part One - God's Promises



The Bible is filled with promises that we can take comfort in! God uses the Bible as a way of communicating with us. He wants us to know that we can count on the things that He has said in His word. God's promises cannot be broken!

As you read through your Bible you can write a “P” in the margin of your Bible whenever you find a promise. This will help you to remember to look for them and it will help you to be able to find them again later.

A SPECIAL REMINDER FROM GOD:

The rainbow is a reminder to us that God has promised that He will never again send a flood that will destroy the entire earth. Anytime you see a rainbow you should stop and remember God's promises that He has given to us in His Word!



“I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a *covenant between me and the earth. And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: And I will remember my *covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.” Genesis 9:13-15

*The word covenant is another word for promise.



LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT JUST A FEW OF GOD'S MANY PROMISES!

“Having therefore these promises dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” II Cor. 7:1

**Remember: God's promises are for His children.
If you have not yet been saved – talk to your leader today!**

God Promises Salvation to Anyone Who Believes:

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

God Promises to Forgive Our Sins:

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9

God Promises He Will Never Leave You:

“I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.” Hebrews 13:5

God Promises That He Hears Your Prayers:

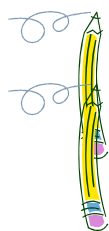
“The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.” Psalms 34:15

God Promises That He Will Strengthen (Help) You:

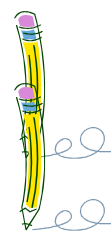
**“I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.”
Phil 4:13**

God Promises That You Are His Forever:

“My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.” John 10:29



LESSON SEVEN REVIEW



Fill in the Blanks – You can use the previous page to find the answers:

- God Promises He Will Never e v You
- God Promises He Will Be With You When You Are f a .
- God Promises That He e r Your Prayers
- God Promises That He Will h p You
- God Promises That You Are His f r v
- God Promises Salvation to a y n Who Believes
- God Promises to f i e Our Sins

Are these promises for everyone or only God's children?

EVERYDNE or **GDD'S CHILDREN**

Have you become a child of God by asking God to save you? If you have not done this would you like to do it today?

YES or **ND**

MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

Let's begin by reviewing our verses:

- Psalm 119:11 – “Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.”
- John 1:1 – “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- Proverbs 3:5- Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.”

You have already been working hard to learn Proverbs 3:5 now we will memorize Proverbs 3:6 because they go together really well! Say this 5 times:

“In all thy ways acknowledge him,
and he shall direct thy paths.”
Proverbs 3:6

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Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the verse:







LESSON EIGHT

I Am Just a Kid -What Does the Bible Have For Me? Part Two: Where to Go When....

In Lesson Seven we learned that the Bible has many promises for us from God. In this lesson we will look at some of the things that He tells us that will give us comfort and direction when we need it!



When we want to hear from the Lord we can open up our Bible and use it like a telephone with a direct line to God. An amazing part of this is that you will never get an answering machine or a recording! God is always ready to hear from you! You can “Call on Him” any day, anytime – anywhere!

Our two newest memory verses talk about this. These verses say that if we acknowledge the Lord He will direct us – this is another promise! Be sure to mark it with a “P” in your Bible! One way to acknowledge God is to go to His Word for answers!

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;
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Proverbs 3:5-6

LOOK AT THESE VERSES!

Let's take a look at some of these awesome verses that God has given us. Remember you can "Call on God" any day, anytime, anywhere!

When You Are Afraid:

"Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9

When You Wonder if God Hears Your Prayers:

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."
Jeremiah 33:3

When You Don't Think Anyone Cares About You:

"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."
1 Peter 5:7

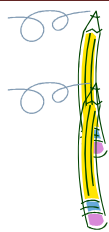
When You Want To Know How To Make Friends:

"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Proverbs 18:24

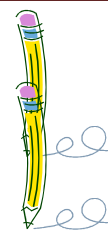
When You Want To Know How To Treat Someone Who Is Being Mean To You:

"But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you" Matthew 5:44

**Be Sure To Read Your Bible Everyday
Because There's A lot More
God Wants To Tell You!**



LESSON EIGHT REVIEW



Answer the questions below by using the verses on the previous page.

1. According to Joshua 1:9 who is with you everywhere you go?

2. According to Jeremiah 33:3 what does God say He will do if you pray to him?



3. According to I Peter 5:7 who are you supposed to talk to when things are troubling you?

4. According to Proverbs 18:24 what do you have to do in order to have friends?



5. According to Matthew 5:44 what should you do if people are mean to you?



If you have a Bible find each of these verses and underline them. This will help you to find them again when you need them!

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Now see if you can say all four verses without looking at them!

LESSON NINE

The Bible And My Future



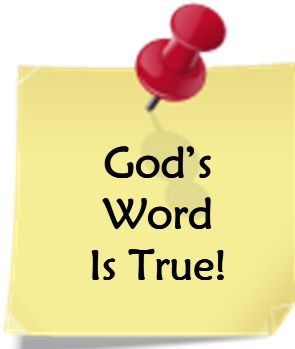
We learned in lesson 3 that the Bible tells us about things that will happen in the future with great accuracy! Do you remember reading about how the Bible predicted that Jesus Christ would be born in Bethlehem over 600 years before it happened? As awesome as that is - that was just one prophecy! There are literally hundreds of predictions that have already come true exactly as the Bible said they would!

Did you know that the Bible also tells us what will happen in our future as well? How awesome is that! Since we have already seen that every single prophecy has come true in the past – we can be assured with 100% confidence that they will come true in our future as well! And the best part is that we will be able to see them take place right before our own eyes!



For example: The Bible says that there will be a time when people will not use money to pay for the things that they want or need. **We can see this coming true all around us today!** If you ask your grandparents or even your parents about how they paid for things when they were your age – they would say “Cash.” Although we still use cash today it is more common that people will use their credit or debit cards!

Anytime you see someone using their credit or debit card to purchase something you should be reminded that the Bible is true and it's prophecies are happening TODAY!



If you know that the Bible has predicted things that have already come true in the past, and that there are more coming true now – then you will know the importance of taking note of the things that it says will come true for you in your own lifetime!

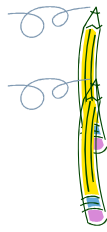
The Most Important Prophecy for Us Today!

The most important prophecy for us today is that in order to go to Heaven when you die – you must accept God's gift of His Son Jesus Christ and what He did for us with His death, burial and resurrection. The Bible tells us that if

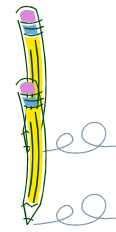


you do not trust in Him completely for the forgiveness of your sins then you will not end up in Heaven and that is a prophecy that **you do not want to come true!**

If you have not yet accepted Jesus Christ as your own personal savior then you can do it today! Stop and talk to your leader or simply tell Jesus that you will put your trust in what He did for you and ask Him to forgive you and take away your sins! Then you will know that you will be able to be one of those who the Bible predicts will live in heaven forever!



LESSON NINE REVIEW



1. Circle your answer or answers. Are the prophecies in the Bible for:

Our Past

Our Present

Our Future

2. Explain to your leader how prophecies that came true in the past can help us today.



3. What is the most important prophecy for us today? Underline your answer:

- ✓ That I will live in Florida when I am an adult.
- ✓ That if I ask Jesus to save me I will go to live with Him in Heaven someday.
- ✓ That I have to go to church to have my sins forgiven.

4. What can you do in order to make sure that the most important prophecy for us today will happen?



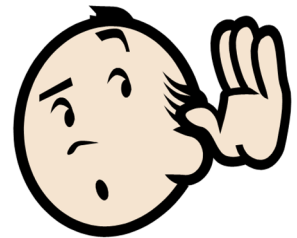
5. Have you done this? **Yes** or **No**

6. If you have not yet been saved – what is stopping you from doing it today?

MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

We have been working on memorizing 4 verses in this discipleship book. Let's see if you can remember them.

Have someone listen while you say them out loud. Try to say them all with their references! If you don't get them perfect stop and review them again, then give it another try!



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CAN YOU SAY ALL 4?

