

Anchor of Hope

Bible Study

The word of God, like the character of its Author, presents mysteries that can never be fully comprehended by finite beings. But God has given in the Scriptures sufficient evidence of their divine authority. His own existence, His character, the truthfulness of His word, are established by testimony that appeals to our reason; and this testimony is abundant. True, He has not removed the possibility of doubt; faith must rest upon evidence, not demonstration; those who wish to doubt have opportunity; but those who desire to know the truth find ample ground for faith. . . . The more we search the Bible, the deeper is our conviction that it is the word of the living God, and human reason bows before the majesty of divine revelation. (Education pg. 169, 170).

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God Is the Author of the Scriptures

1. What was Jesus' desire when He was here on earth? John 6:38

2. What is the result of insisting on our own will? Proverbs 14:12

3. What did Jesus declare? John 14:6

4. What testifies of Jesus? John 5:39

5. How much of the Scriptures, or the Holy Bible, is inspired by God?
2 Timothy 3:16

6. What scriptures did Jesus draw from? Luke 24:25-27, 32, 44-45

Note: Luke 24:45 tells us that Jesus "opened" the disciples' "understanding, that they might understand the scriptures." Jesus meets with us through the Holy Spirit to give us a right understanding of the Scriptures. Then we gratefully choose to follow Him all the way.

7. Compare an Old Testament prophecy with its fulfillment in Jesus. Isaiah 61:1; Luke 4:18-21

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8. What method did the apostles use to bring conviction to those who heard them? (They had only the Old Testament.)
- a. Acts 17:2 _____
- b. Acts 18:28 _____
9. How should we avoid being deceived by false teachings? Isaiah 8:20; Acts 17:11
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10. Whom did God inspire to write the books of the Bible? 2 Peter 1:20, 21
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How to Study the Scriptures

11. What method of Bible study do the Scriptures recommend?
- 1 Corinthians 2:13
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12. What advice and warnings regarding Bible study are given in the Scriptures?
- 2 Peter 3:16; (Isaiah 28:10)
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MY HEART'S RESPONSE

Since the Son of God gave Himself and all He had to save my soul, I thank God for His "love letter," the Bible; and I ask Him to give me a lifelong love for it.

My Decision

I want the Bible to be the supreme guide of my life because it is God's word. I ask Him to teach me to understand it, and to give me grace to follow what He says in the Bible.