

The Bible Study Guide!

1. Who wrote the Bible?

While men wrote the Bible, God is the true Author. 2 Timothy 3:16 says, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God." That means God put the thoughts in their minds and showed these men what to write.

2. What makes the Bible so different from other books?

Hebrews 4:12 says, "the word of God is living and powerful." The words of the Bible are alive because Jesus is alive. These words are powerful because when we try to obey, Jesus provides His power to our efforts.

3. Can anyone read and understand the Bible?

Of course. Psalms 119:130 says that "God gives understanding to the simple." If you read the Bible with an honest desire to know the truth, John 16:13 says that God's Spirit "will guide you into all truth."

4. What can the Bible do to help me throughout my life?

2 Timothy 3:16 says that the principles in the Bible are helpful "for instruction in righteousness." The Bible will lead you in the right way. In it, God shows the best path to a happy life, healthy, and productive life.

The Great Controversy Bible Study!

1. Where did sin and evil begin?

1 John 3:8 says "the devil has sinned from the beginning." Sin started in heaven when Satan, also known as the devil, chose to sin against God's law. Satan is the author of all the sin and pain and evil in the world today

2. What led the devil to sin?

While Ezekiel 28:15 says the devil was created as a "perfect" angel, verse 17 goes on to say, "your heart was lifted up because of your beauty." Pride began to swell up in Satan's heart, ultimately leading to his rebellion.

3. What happened as a result of Satan's rebellion?

According to Isaiah 14:13, Satan intended to overthrow God's government and Revelation 12:7 says "war broke out in heaven." As a result, verse 9 says Satan "was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

4. What is the devil doing now?

1 Peter 5:8 says "the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." Job 1:7 tells us that right now, Satan is "going to and fro on the earth," searching for people he can trap, so be on your guard.

Salvation Bible Study!

1. Do I just have to believe in Jesus to get to heaven?

No. Just believing Jesus is God will not get you to heaven. James 2:19 says that "even the demons believe-and tremble!" Satan and his angels believe in Jesus too, but they aren't saved. We must act on our faith.

2. Do I just have to be a good person to get to heaven?

No. Galatians 2:16 says that "a man is not justified by the works of the law." That's because our good works not good enough for God. Even if they were good enough, our good works still could not make up for our past sins.

3. Then what do I have to do to get to heaven?

1 John 1:9 says we must "confess our sins," admitting to God that we are a sinner. Ezekiel 18:30 says, "Repent, and turn from all your transgressions." Then Acts 2:38 says "be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ." Acts 2:38.

4. What happens when I repent and become baptized?

In John 3:3, Jesus refers to this experience as being "born again." This experience is compared to birth because when you surrender your life to Christ, Jesus washes away your past guilt and gives you a brand new start.

Ten Commandments Bible Study!

1. What is the purpose of the Ten Commandments?

In Romans 7:7, Paul tells us that he "would not have known sin except through the law," adding in Romans 3:20 that, "by the law is the knowledge of sin." The purpose of the law is to show us we are all sinners.

2. Why does the law show us that we are sinners?

When we see we are sinners, we turn to Jesus for help. That's why Galatians 3:24 says "the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ." Jesus then converts us. That's why Psalms 19:7 says the law is perfect, "converting the soul."

3. Once saved, do we have to keep the commandments?

In John 14:15, Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." Revelation 22:14 then adds, "Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life."

4. Is keeping the Ten Commandments really possible?

While in John 15:5, Jesus said, "without Me, you can do nothing," Matthew 19:26 says, "with God all things are possible." With Jesus help, Romans 8:4 says "that the righteous requirements of the law might be fulfilled in us."

Sabbath Bible Study!

1. What day is the Sabbath on?

Genesis 2:3 says, "God blessed the seventh day," which is Saturday. Exodus 20:11 also confirms that God rested on Saturday, "the seventh day." From the beginning, God set aside the seventh day, Saturday, as a holy day.

2. Isn't the Sabbath only for Jewish people?

Of course not. Mark 2:27 says "the Sabbath was made for man," not just Jews. The fact is, the Sabbath was instituted before the Jews even existed. Still today many keep the Sabbath, though most keep it on the wrong day.

3. Didn't Jesus change the Sabbath for the resurrection?

While this is a popular idea, there is no verse in the Bible to support this idea. Look for yourself. Instead, we find in Acts 13:42, 16:13, 17:2, 18:4 and other places that the disciples continued to preach "every Sabbath."

4. Does it really matter what day we worship on?

Speaking of the Sabbath, Ezekiel 22:26 says, "they have not distinguished between the holy and the unholy." While God established the seventh day as a holy day, many make no distinction between Saturday and any other day.

Second Coming Bible Study!

1. Will Jesus really come back to earth again?

In John 14:2, 3, Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself," assuring us in Matthew 24:35, "My words will by no means pass away."

2. Can we know when Jesus is going to come back?

While Matthew 24:36 says that "of that day and hour no one knows," 1 Thessalonians 5:4 says we "are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief." We must be aware of the signs of the times.

3. What are some of the signs of Jesus return?

Matthew 24:6 says there will be "wars." Daniel 12:4 says that "knowledge shall increase." Luke 21:11 says there will be "earthquakes" and natural disasters. 2 Timothy 3:13 says wickedness "will grow worse and worse."

4. What can I do to get ready for Jesus return?

Like 21:34, 36 says not to get caught up in "drunkenness, and the cares of this life, and that day come on you unexpectedly," but "watch...and pray always that you may be counted worthy...to stand before the Son of Man."

State of the Dead Bible Study!

1. What happens when a person dies?

The Bible teaches that when we die, we remain in the grave. Long after the faithful patriarch David died, Acts 2:29 said that David was still "dead and buried," adding in verse 34 that "David did not ascent into the heavens."

2. Is there any consciousness in death?

According to the Bible, when a person dies, there consciousness ceases to exist. Ecclesiastes 9:5 says "the dead know nothing." Job 14:21 adds that when a man dies, "his sons come to honor, and he does not know it."

3. What is death like?

Psalms 115:17 describes death as "silence" and Job 17:13 describes it as "darkness." Ecclesiastes 9:10 adds that "there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave."

4. Doesn't the Bible we have an immortal soul?

1 Timothy 6:16 says the Lord "alone has immortality," while 1 Corinthians 15:53 says immortality is a gift we receive in heaven, when "this mortal must put on immortality."

Hell Bible Study!

1. What was God's original punishment for sin?

Romans 6:23 says, "the wages of sin is death," not eternal suffering. That's why Revelation 21:8 refers to the final destruction of the wicked as "the second death." They don't burn forever. They die a second time.

2. Doesn't hell burn forever?

Isaiah 47:14 says of the wicked, "The fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame; it shall not be a coal to be warmed by, nor a fire to sit before!" The fires of hell will finally go out.

3. What will happen to the wicked in the fires of hell?

Psalms 37:10 says, "yet a little while and the wicked shall be no more; Indeed, you shall look carefully for his place, but it shall be no more." Obadiah 1:16 adds that "they shall be as though they had never been."

4. What will happen after the fires of hell go out?

Revelation 21:1 says God will set up "a new heaven" on earth, and Malachi 4:3 says, "You shall trample the wicked, for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet." All that will be left of the wicked will be their ashes.

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