

Doctrine Study 2021 | Session 1 | The Bible

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Description, history, comparisons of importance with other religions, purpose of Bible

1. The word Bible is a transliteration of the word 'biblos', which referred to the inner bark of the papyrus plant and meant _____.
2. 66 books... 39 in OT and 27 in NT. OT originally written in _____ and NT originally in _____.
3. The Bible is the source book of the Christian's faith. IMPORTANT! No other book is equal or exceeds it in importance, though there are some religions which insist otherwise.
 - Catholics rely on Church tradition and scripture.
 - Baptists rely ONLY on scripture.
 - Mormons rely on Book of Mormon and Pearl of Great Price, Doctrine and Covenants, The Book of Abraham, and the Bible.
 - Jehovah's Witnesses have their own changed version of the Bible which can be misleading and looks much like our Bible.
 - Muslims read only the Koran.
4. Because Baptists rely ONLY on the Bible and consider it infallible as it is written in the original languages, we are known worldwide as "People of the _____".
5. The Bible is a book of:
 - Revelation: God reveals Himself and His message
 - Illumination: the spiritual understanding imparted by God's Holy Spirit to us so that we understand the truth of His Word
 - Inspiration: The inbreathing of the Holy Spirit so that the human messenger is divinely guided in delivering His message
6. _____ different authors – farmers, shepherds, tent makers, physicians, governors, and kings. Over 1500 years.
7. The Bible is divine in its content...but the book is just paper and ink and can be written in such as when we make notes in study Bibles.

8. Quote: "Through fire and blood, the Bible has come down through the centuries, floating on a river of martyr's blood." Two of the more famous are:

- _____ Wycliffe who translated it from Latin into the people's tongue for ordinary men to read. He was persecuted and abused by the established church to try and stop his work. He died of a stroke in 1300's and was buried but later on the established church ordered that his body be dug up and burned because he had defied them and translated the Bible for ordinary men to read.
- William Tyndale who translated the Bible from Greek into _____ and printed the first English Bible. He smuggled many copies into England in sacks of flour from Europe where he was in hiding from English religious authorities. As a result of his work he was finally arrested in England on October 6, 1536. He was tried, found guilty, strangled and then burned. His final words were "Lord, let the King of England's eyes be opened." Less than a hundred years later in 1611 the Authorized King James version of the Bible was printed in English.

9. What does the Bible speak of?

- Redemption: of Man. The Bible's main _____ is to bring man back to God.
- Judgement: Of sin and those who chose to turn their backs on God.
- Christian Duty: How we are to live our daily lives to glorify God and love our fellow man.

10. The Bible claims to be the inspired _____ of _____.
(II Timothy 3:16-17)

11. Some may not _____ what they read. (1 Corinthians 2:14)

12. The _____ claims special _____. (Hebrews 4:12)

13. We should _____ the Bible. (II Timothy 2:15)