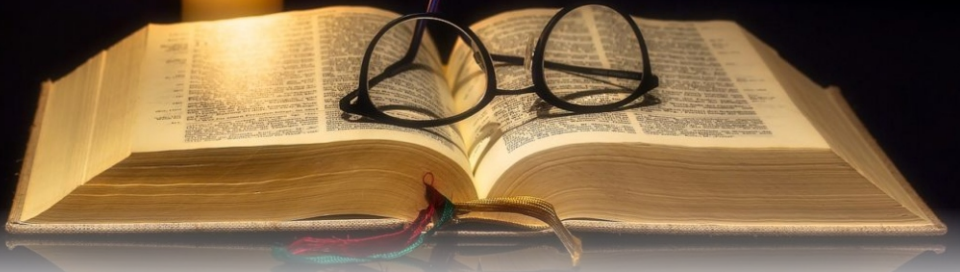


THE BIBLE SPEAKS

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Forgotten Riches



HIGHER LEVEL MINISTRIES

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus

Philippians Chapter 2 verse 5

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A few years ago a wealthy man grew sick and died. When the day came for the reading of his will and the distribution of his fortune, his daughter was bitterly disappointed. Her father had designated in the will that she was to receive, "My Bible and all that it contains." Knowing that her father was an avid Bible student and that this Book was near and dear to his heart, she packed it away in an old trunk and went on living as before.

As time passed, adversity seemed to dog her steps. Difficulties and ill health reduced her to poverty. Broken in health and spirit, she desperately searched for a solution to her problems. After trying every other means available to her, she turned to her father's Bible, to find an answer to her difficulties. You can imagine her surprise as she opened that long-forgotten Book to find that between many of the pages her father had hidden large sums of £50 notes! She had been wealthy all the time and had been unaware of her good fortune because she had failed to realise what her father had meant when he had given her "My Bible and all that it contains."

Our heavenly Father has left us a great treasure in the pages of this wonderful Book. You may not be able to find money between the pages of the Bible, but you can find a wealth of peace, joy, hope and eternal life by reading what this Book contains. Priceless treasures! Forgotten riches! What greater treasure can a man hope for? Many wealthy people would exchange their fortune for these valuable treasures, if they only knew!

Sad to say, millions are worrying and grieving their lives away because they have not learned how to find the answer to their difficulties in the "Good old Book." Too much TV, too many things to do, and too many problems to solve, have robbed mankind of the time needed to let God speak to their hearts and minds through His Word.

Let's join together in a search for truth and hidden treasure as we seek to discover what the Bible tells us about Itself?

1. What did Jesus say was the source of truth? **John 17:17** -

2. How did God communicate His Word of truth, the Scriptures, to the prophets? **2 Peter 1:20-21** -

3. How much of the Scripture is inspired by God? **2 Timothy 3:16** -

4. Of whom do all the Scriptures testify? **John 5:39** -

5. What parts of the Scriptures did Christ use in proving truth? **Luke 24:44** -

6. Why were the experiences of Bible characters recorded? **1 Corinth. 10:11** -

7. What might we have through a study of the Scriptures? **Romans 15:4** -

8. What help through life, does Peter compare the word of prophecy to?
2 Peter 1:19 -

9. Why did Paul say the Bereans were more noble than those at Thessalonica?
Acts 17:11 -

10. How long had Timothy studied the Scriptures? **2 Timothy 3:15** -

11. What did Paul tell us we should do with the Bible? **2 Timothy 2:15** -

12. How are we to study the Bible? **Isaiah 28:10** -

Note: In order to understand any subject presented in the Bible we must take all that is taught in both the Old and the New Testaments. These texts must be pieced together as you would fit the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle together in order to see the entire picture in all it's beauty.



13. For what purpose are we told to study God's Word? **2 Timothy 3:16-17** -

14. How will the Word of God help us walk in His way? **Psalms 119:105** -

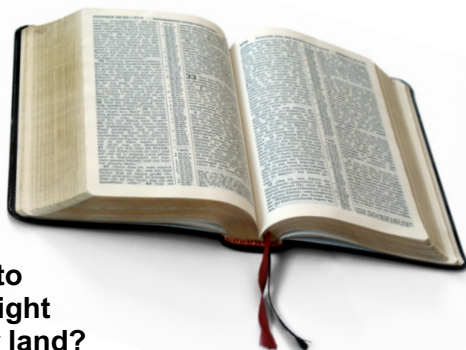
At the end of the forty days, when Christ was physically weak and hungry, the Devil came to Him and tempted Him to sin. Three temptations were brought to bear upon Jesus. He was tempted to change stones into bread. He was tempted to worship the Devil, with the false promise that He could have the world without dying for it. Finally, He was tempted to cast Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple. In each temptation He was victorious. He met each temptation with Scripture. Three times Christ resisted Satan's temptation with the statement, "It is written." Jesus knew the Scriptures and used them to withstand the wiles of the Tempter.

Jesus warned us that Satan would seek to deceive the very elect. Only by putting on the "whole armour of God" will we be able to withstand the master deceptions of the master deceiver.

Are you acquainted with what the Bible teaches?

Do you spend some time each day reading God's love letter to His earth-bound children?

Do you know what God wants you to do and believe, in order that you might some day be a citizen of that better land?



If you are dissatisfied with your past knowledge of God and His truth, as taught in the Word, these lessons will afford you an opportunity to learn what is truth. Every lesson will be based upon the Bible. Why not set aside a little time each week to learn what you need to know in order that you may enter the kingdom of heaven.

The questions that follow express two of our greatest needs. Would you like to make them an expression of your own sincere desire?

It is my desire to learn God's plan for my life.

I will spend some time each week studying God's Book.

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