



BIBLE BASICS

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WHAT IS IT?

This list of resources is designed to help equip you to better study the Bible, the different components of the Bible, and right expectations in approaching the Word. It provides an overview of the big picture of God's story as well as how the message of redemption through Jesus is woven all throughout Scripture.



WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT THIS TOPIC?

Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

John 1:1-2 (NIV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.

Psalms 119:105 (NIV)

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

2 Tim 3:14-17 (NIV)

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

WHY, AS CHRISTIANS, DO WE CARE ABOUT THIS TOPIC?

The Bible speaks abundantly about the value of God's Word and the purpose it has in our life as a believer. The Bible is how God has chosen to reveal His character to us and as we study it we can love God with our mind. It grows us, teaches us, comforts us, directs us, encourages us, strengthens us in every aspect of our life and gives wisdom to walk by faith. Without God's Word and the time necessary to study it, we will stay immature and unfruitful in our faith. Knowing, understanding and applying God's Word will equip us to live a life that is obedient, joyful and pleasing to the Lord, as well as help others discover and deepen a relationship with Jesus through His living Word.