

What was fulfilled in *Mic 5:2; Mat 2:6?* _____
in *Zech 11:12; Mat 26:15?* _____
in *Zech 9:9; Mat 21:5?* _____
in *Ps 22:18; Mat 27:35?* _____

The Importance of the Bible and Some of the Tremendous things the Word of God Can Do For Us and To Us

Please look up the reference and write your answer

Mat 4:4 _____
1Pet 1:23 _____
Heb 4:12 _____
2Tim 3:16 _____
Ps 119:9 _____
Ps 119:11 _____
Ps 119:105 _____
Ps 119:130 _____
Is 55:11 _____
Rom 10:17 _____
Eph 5:26 _____
1Jn 2:14 _____

Our Responses to God's Word

Now that we realise the tremendous blessings the Bible can be to us what, according to the following passages, should be our personal response to the Bible:

Josh 1:8 _____
Ps 119:162 _____
Ps 1:2,3 _____
Jer 15:16 _____
Lk 6:46 _____
Jam 1:22 _____
Ps 119:9,11 _____
1Pet 2:1,2 _____
Col 3:16 _____
Col 4:16 _____
Heb 4:2 _____
Ac 17:11 _____
Rev 1:3 _____
Rev 2:7 _____

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CHRISTIAN LIFE AND WITNESS COURSE

Study Eight: The Authority and Importance of the Bible

The Bible is Unique

The Bible is the most remarkable book ever written. About 40 different people from several different countries and many occupations did the writing. They wrote over a period of some 1500 years, (1400 B.C. – 90 A.D.) and in three languages – Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. Yet the Bible is a well-organised unity with one great theme and Central Figure – the Lord Jesus Christ. All of this would be impossible unless the Bible had one Supreme Author behind the writers.

The Supreme Author

The Bible itself claims to have one Supreme Author behind all the other human writers. *Mk 12:36* quotes from *Ps 110* of King David. In *Mk 12:36* who does it say guided David in writing these words? _____

When Peter spoke about David's writings, Who did he say gave David those words?

Ac 1:16 _____

During the prayer meeting of *Ac 4:24-31*, the disciples quoted words from *Ps 2:1,2* in *Ac 4:25,26*. Who did they say put those words from *Ps 2* in David's mouth? _____

In the Old Testament, there are many books of prophecy, some "Major Prophets," and some "Minor Prophets". How did God enable these prophets to write His words?

2Pet 1:20,21 _____

In *Heb 3:7-11*, 5 verses of *Ps 95* are quoted. Who spoke these words? _____

Also in *Heb 10:15-17*, there is a quote from *Jer 31:33,34*. Who gave these words? _____

How much of Scripture is inspired by God? *2Tim 3:16* _____

The Supreme Figure in the Bible

The Bible continually points to the most important Person. The Old Testament points forward to the Coming of Jesus Christ. The New Testament continually points back to Christ saying that He is the One promised by God. *Is 53:1-12* is an Old Testament prophecy of Jesus Christ. What are the four things it says He did for us in *Is 53:5*?

How many of us have gone astray? *Is 53:6* _____

For how many of us, has He carried our iniquity? *Is 53:6* _____

After His resurrection, Jesus spoke to 2 disciples as they walked from Jerusalem to Emmaus. They did not know it was Jesus, *Lk 24:13-35*. From *v21*, they were clearly disappointed and sad because of Jesus' death on the Cross. However Jesus called them "fools", *v25*, because they did not believe the Old Testament prophets which spoke beforehand of His suffering. Which prophets of the Old Testament spoke about the suffering and death of Jesus? *Lk 24:27* _____

Which Old Testament scriptures speak about Jesus? *Lk 24:27* _____

Of whom do the Old Testament scriptures testify? *Jn 5:39* _____

900 years before Christ, King David wrote of Christ in *Ps 16:10*. What did David write about Christ? *Ac 2:31* _____

The Ethiopian was reading the book of *Isaiah, chapter 53*. Who was he reading about? *Ac 8:32,33,35* _____

Authority and Infallibility of the Bible

The writers of the Bible had no doubt whatsoever that what they were saying was in fact from the Lord. The New Testament writers consistently referred to the Old Testament and took for granted that God inspired the prophets. Both the Lord Jesus and the apostles quoted from the Old Testament freely.

In *2Pet 3:15,16*, Peter is commenting on the New Testament letters, written by Paul to the churches, such as *Ephesians* and *Colossians*. How did Peter regard these writings?

Apostle John wrote down the letters to the 7 churches in *Revelation 2,3*. Who did he say was actually speaking to the churches through him? *Rev 2:7,11,17,29* _____

What did Jesus call the scriptures in *Jn 10:35*? _____

When Jesus uses the words, "have you never read in the Scriptures?" as in *Mat21:42*, what is he implying? _____

Paul preached to the Thessalonians the Gospel message, which many of them received and believed. What did he call the message he preached? *1Thes 2:13* _____

The Bible is the Word of God: TRUE or FALSE? _____

What did Jesus say was the truth? *Jn 17:17* _____

What is the Bible called in *2Tim 2:15*? _____

When Jesus spoke, whose words was He speaking? *Jn 8:26* _____

Accuracy and Permanency of the Bible

One of the greatest proofs that the Bible is truly the Word of God is the incredible accuracy of the prophecies made by the various authors hundreds of years before they were actually fulfilled. How long will the Word of God stand? *1Pet 1:24,25, Is 40:8*

What did Jesus say about the fulfilment, of what God has said in His Law or His Word? *Mat 5:18* _____

How lasting are the words that Jesus has spoken to us? *Mat 24:35* _____

Which is easier, heaven and earth to pass away, or something God has said not to be fulfilled? *Lk 16:17* _____

Who made this statement in *Lk 16:17*? _____

Over 300 prophecies in the Old Testament, about Jesus, were fulfilled in His Coming and His life. Look up *Is 7:14; Mat 1:22,23*, and say what 2 prophecies about Jesus were fulfilled? _____