

## Why Should I Read The Bible?

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When you read the Bible, you are not only reading one of the classics, an ancient document, one of the oldest books in the world, a fascinating piece of literature, a reliable account of ancient history, a religious book, the greatest volume in all the world, the only book that came from God. **YOU ARE ALSO READING . . .**

1. The only book that tells the story of the unfolding of God's plan to offer salvation from sin to all peoples and everyone (1 Peter 1:10-12; 1 Timothy 2:3-4).
2. The only book that gives man's origin (Genesis 1:1, 26-27; 2:7, 18-23), purpose (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14; Micah 6:8; Acts 10:34-35) and destiny (John 5:28-29; Matthew 25:31-46).
3. The only book that is inspired of God, written by men who were guided by the Holy Spirit (Exodus 24:4; Deuteronomy 31:24; 2 Peter 1:20-21).
4. The revelation of God and of God's will for men (John 1:1-3, 14, 18; 1 Corinthians 1:20-21; 2:10-13).
5. The only book that contains everything pertaining to life and godliness (John 14:25-26; 16:12-13; 2 Peter 1:3).
6. The only book that is able to make the man of God complete or perfect and to furnish him completely unto every good work (2 Timothy 3:14-17).
7. The only book that contains the solutions to all of our serious problems (Proverbs 3:5-6; Romans 10:31-32; Philippians 4:6).
8. The only book that tells us how to live and how to die (Romans 6:12-13; 12:1-2; Philippians 1:21-23; 2 Peter 3:8-12).

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