

“The Bible” {concluded}

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It is the only book that reveals God and the will of God for man, and in the process contains, spiritually, all that we need to know, to believe, to be and to do. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:3; Jude 3; Matthew 24:35; 1 Peter 1:23-25.

It is the only book that tells of man’s origin, purpose and destiny, thus, it answers the three great questions: (1) Where did we come from? (2) Why are we here? (3) What is to be our destiny?

It is the only book that defines and identifies right and wrong, good and evil.

It is the only book that describes the nature of man.

It is the only book that defines and identifies sin, describes its consequences, and provides its remedy.

It was not intended to be a book of history; yet, it contains a lot of history from the beginning of time down through most of the first century A.D. It contains the only history of the human race from creation to the flood, the background of nations and languages, the history of the Jewish race from the call of Abraham to the destruction of Jerusalem — almost 2,000 years. It tells of many races, nations, peoples, kingdoms and empires. It tells of the origin of the Jewish religion and the religion of Christ.

It was not intended to be a book of geography, but it speaks of three continents and refers to events, peoples or places from Spain to Persia and Parthia, from Ethiopia to Italy and Dalmatia, from Sheba to Scythia. Its territory is bordered by the Mediterranean Sea, the Red Sea, the Indian Ocean, the Persian Gulf, the Caspian Sea, the Black Sea, the Aegean Sea, and the Adriatic Sea. Great rivers and great mountain ranges are found within it.

It was not intended to be a marriage handbook or a manual for rearing children, but it contains the greatest information on both subjects. It has the solutions to all of our problems that are really serious problems, and the answers to all of our questions that are really important questions. It will help rulers, citizens and nations; husbands, wives, fathers, mothers and children; teachers, students and schools; employers, employees and businesses; neighborhoods and communities; and the human race with its international and global problems.

It is the study of the unfolding of God’s plan to bring men, all of whom have sinned, back to God through His Son, Jesus Christ. It will lead men out of sin, into a right relationship with God, into a joyous and happy life, and finally to heaven. It will enable men to be free from the guilt of sin, the bondage of sin, the practice of sin, the love of sin, and the punishment due sin. It will enable men to escape Satan and hell. It tells of the ultimate triumph of the truth, of righteousness, of justice.

It is the only book that allows men to look beyond death and into eternity and enables men to be prepared.

It is a book that is filled with treasures more precious than gold and silver for any person who is interested in discovering them. If there were only some way to let every person know and to get every person to see the eternal value of **The Bible**, how wonderful that would be.

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