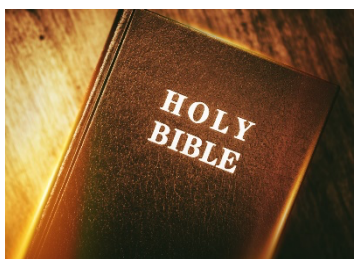


Next Step Class – Session 5

The bible we use is the New Believer's Bible – First steps for new Christians by Greg Laurie



Let's watch the video for session 5 – “The Bible”

Video notes:

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (page 277)

The Bible is the **written** Word of God.

The Bible is made up of 66 books, two Testaments (Old Testament and New Testament), written by over 40 authors, in 3 languages (Hebrew, Greek, Aramaic), over a span of 1,800 years, prophets, priests, apostles, disciples, eyewitness.

God is the author of the Bible. God breathed or inspired His thoughts into the minds of holy men, so that these men wrote down exactly the very thoughts of God. The power of inspiration kept the writers from making any mistakes.

God gave us the Bible so that we can understand His will and purpose about things that are spiritual or earthly.

Prophecy, poetry, history, promises, doctrine.

God's wisdom, mercy and grace in dealing with flawed men and women.

Revelation of the Living Word which is Lord Jesus Christ. The first four books of the New Testament are the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John.

The Bible is the only book that when you read it, it is reading YOU.

Everything that we need to grow and be strengthened spiritually is found in the Word of God.

How to grow as a follower of Christ

1. Read / study the Bible every day.
2. Meditate (pray), and Memorize the Word of God (scriptures).
3. Talk about the bible with your Christian friends.
4. Read published material written to help understand the bible.
5. Listen to bible teachings on Christian radio, or Youtube.
6. Join a prayer group. This can be a great support.

How to Study the Bible, pages 349-351 - offers practical tips to get you started

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