THE BIBLE 101

Understanding God’s message to you in the Bible.
How do we know God exists?

Four proofs:
• Nature
• Testimony
• The Bible
• The Nation of Israel
Does God require blind faith?
Is the Bible true?
In order to be a disciple of Christ, we must believe the Bible is true and it is God’s message to us today.
The Bible is a collection of 66 books written by 44 writers under the inspiration of God.
Ancient sacred writings were carefully and accurately copied by scribes.
The Old Testament was written in Hebrew, and the New Testament in Greek.
The invention of the printing press and translation into common languages made the Bible accessible to millions.
It is important that you use a Bible translation you can understand and is translated accurately.
The Dead Sea Scrolls
Considering the historical evidence, it is reasonable to believe the Bible is an accurate translation of the original writings and has been preserved through the ages of history.
The Bible contains one story: Jesus is the Son of God who came and died for our sins so we can receive eternal life if we follow Him.
Human beings are made of three distinct parts: body, soul, and spirit.
The Spiritual Man

Innocent Man

Spirit is alive
Connected to God
Innocent of Sin
Man can perceive God

Input
SEE
HEAR
FEEL
TASTE
SMELL

Output
WORDS
ACTIONS

GOD

SPIRIT

SOUL

Mind
Will
Emotions

BODY
Through Adam’s sin, death and decay entered into the human race and all creation.
The Spiritual Man
Adam after the fall

Spirit is dead
Separated from God
Sinful
Body is the master
Man cannot perceive the Spirit
Sin is any disobedience to God’s law or falling short of His righteousness, and the punishment for all sin is death.
Gods plan was to send His Son, Jesus Christ, to die as a substitute for our death.
God established the right to protect and bless men through righteousness by faith.
God planned to create a nation from Abraham that would bless and teach other nations how to worship and serve God.
Faith is the key to living the Christian life.
God made a conditional covenant with Abraham to provide blessing and protection to his descendants.
Pyramids of Giza, Egypt
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