



The Bible Speaks

FORGOTTEN RICHES

A number of years ago a wealthy Englishman grew sick and died. When the day came for the reading of his will and the distribution of the fortune that he had left, his favourite daughter was bitterly disappointed. The father had designated in the will that she was to receive, "My Bible and all that it contains." Knowing that her father was a devoted student of the Bible and that this Book was near and dear to his heart, she hid it away in an old trunk and went on living as before.

As time passed, adversity seemed to dog her steps. Ill health and difficulty reduced her to poverty. Broken in health and spirit, in desperation she sought a solution to her problems. After trying every other means available to her, she turned to her father's Bible seeking the answer to her difficulties. You can imagine her surprise as she leafed through that long-forgotten Book to find that between many of the pages of the Bible her father had secreted large Bank of England Notes. She had been wealthy all of the time and had been unaware of her good fortune because she had failed to realize what her father had meant when he had given her "My Bible and all that it contains."

Our heavenly Father has left us a great treasure in the pages of this wonderful Book. You may not be able to find bank notes between the pages of the Bible, but you can find peace, joy, hope, faith, and eternal life by reading what this Book contains. Priceless treasures! Forgotten riches! What greater treasure can a man hope for? Many a millionaire would exchange his fortune for these valuables.

Sad to say, millions are worrying and grieving their lives away because they have not learned how to find the answer to their difficulties in the "Good old Book." Too much TV, too many things to do, and too many problems to solve, have robbed mankind of the time needed to let God speak to their heart and mind through His Word.

Shall we unite in a search for truth and hidden treasure as we seek to discover what the Bible tells us about Itself.

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1. What did Jesus say was the source of truth? **John 17:17**

The Bible Answer: _____

2. How did God communicate His Word of truth, the Scriptures, to the prophets? **2 Peter 1:20,21**

The Bible Answer: _____

3. How much of the Scripture is inspired by God? **2 Timothy 3:16**

The Bible Answer: _____

4. What parts of the Scriptures did Christ use in proving truth? **Luke 24:44**

The Bible Answer: _____

5. Of whom do all the Scriptures testify? **John 5:39**

The Bible Answer: _____

6. Why were the experiences of Bible characters recorded?
1 Corinthians 10:11

The Bible Answer: _____

7. What might we have through a study of the Scriptures? **Romans 15:4**

The Bible Answer: _____

8. As a help on life's journey, to what does Peter compare the word of prophecy? **2 Peter 1:19**

The Bible Answer: _____

9. Why did Paul say that the Bereans were more noble than those at Thessalonica? **Acts 17:11**

The Bible Answer: _____

10. How long had Timothy studied the Scriptures? **2 Timothy 3:15**

The Bible Answer: _____

11. What did Paul tell us we should do with the Bible? **2 Timothy 2:15**

The Bible Answer: _____

12. How are we to study the Bible? **Isaiah 28:10**

The Bible Answer: _____

Note: To understand any subject presented in the Bible we must take all that is taught in the different parts of the Scriptures. These texts must be pieced together as a person would fit the parts of a jigsaw puzzle together in order to see the entire picture in its beauty.

13. For what purpose are we told to study God's Word? **2 Timothy 3:16,17**

The Bible Answer: "And is profitable _____"

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14. How will the Word of God help us walk in His way? **Psalms 119:105**

The Bible Answer: _____

At the end of the forty days, when Christ was physically weak and hungry, the Devil came to Him and tempted Him to sin. Three temptations were brought to bear upon our Lord. He was tempted to change the stones into bread. He was tempted to worship the Devil, with the false promise that He could have the world without dying for it. Finally, He was tempted to cast Himself down from the pinnacle of the temple. In each temptation He was victorious. He met each temptation with a Bible text. Three times Christ resisted Satan's temptation with the statement, "It is written." Jesus knew the Scriptures and He used them to withstand the wiles of the Tempter.

Jesus warned us that Satan would seek to deceive the very elect. Only by putting on the "whole armour of God" will we be able to withstand the master deceptions of the master deceiver.

Are you acquainted with what the Bible teaches? Do you spend some time each day reading God's love letter to His earth-bound children? Do you know what God would have you do and believe in order that you might some day be a citizen of that better land? If you are dissatisfied with your past knowledge of God and His truth, as taught in the Word, these lessons will afford you an opportunity to learn what is truth. Every lesson will be based upon the Bible. Why not set aside a little time each week to learn what you need to know in order that you may enter the kingdom of heaven.

The two questions that follow express two of our greatest needs. Would you like to make them an expression of your own sincere desire?

(If you wish to respond to these questions, place a cross in the boxes.)

It is my desire to learn God's plan for my life ☐

I will spend some time each week studying God's Book ☐

Name: _____

Address: _____

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