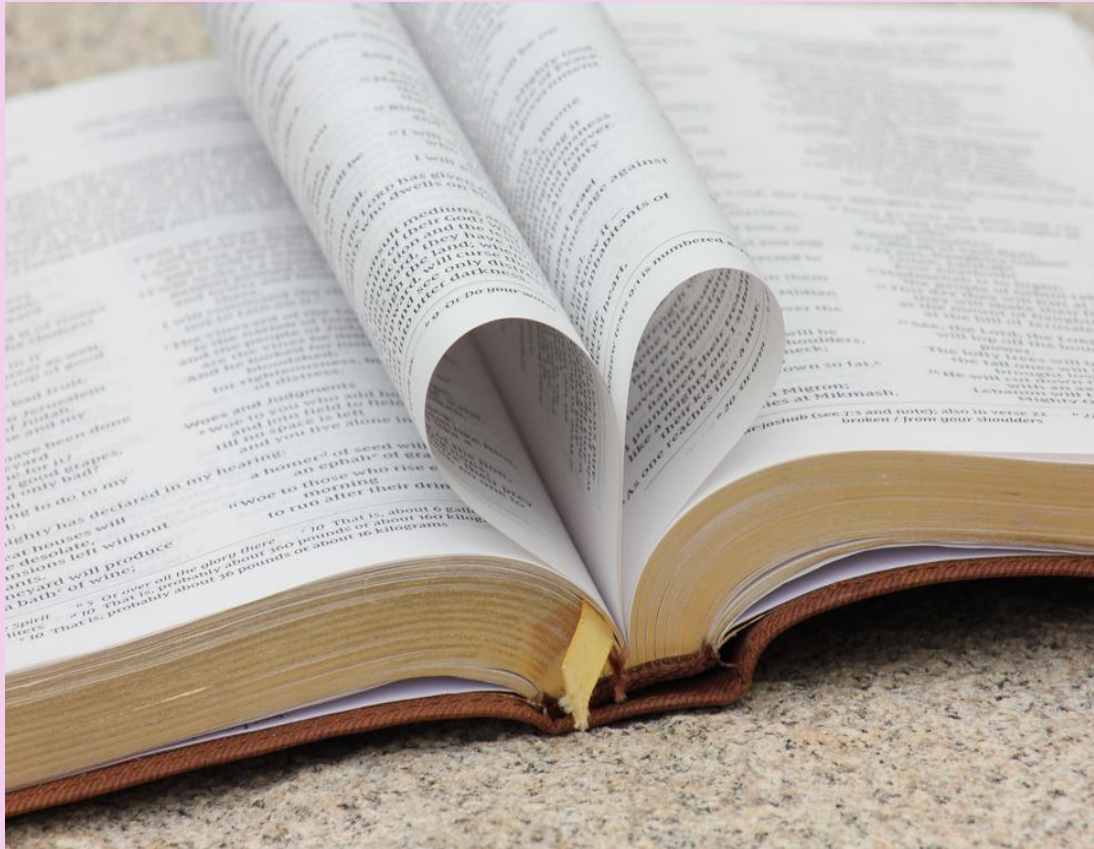


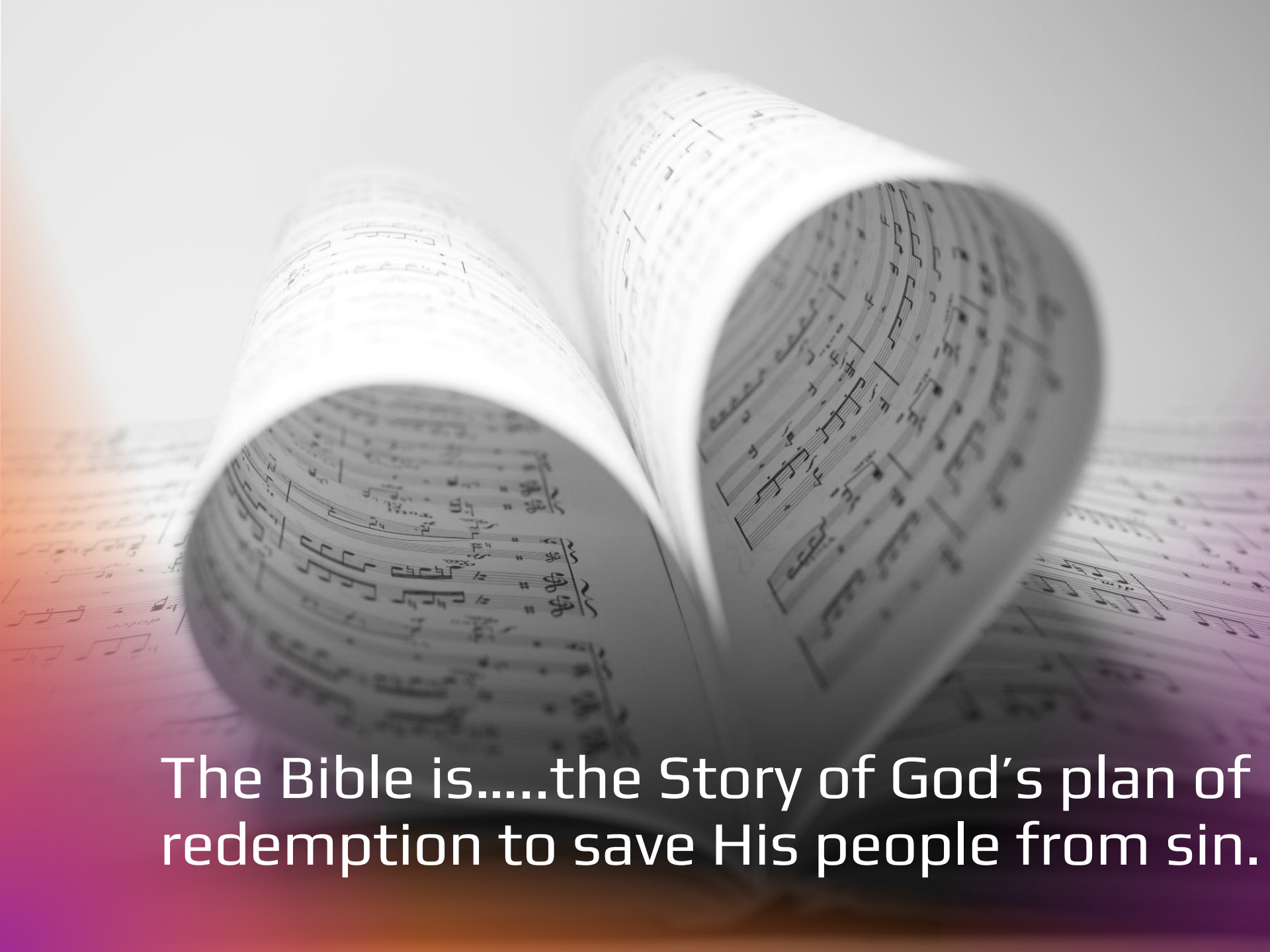
Disciple's Tool Kit-3 Question Method



God has given us His word to know Him and understand His will for our lives.

Every word in Scripture has meaning and purpose.

The primary purpose of reading the Bible is not to know the Bible but to know God.



The Bible is....the Story of God's plan of redemption to save His people from sin.

The Bible is

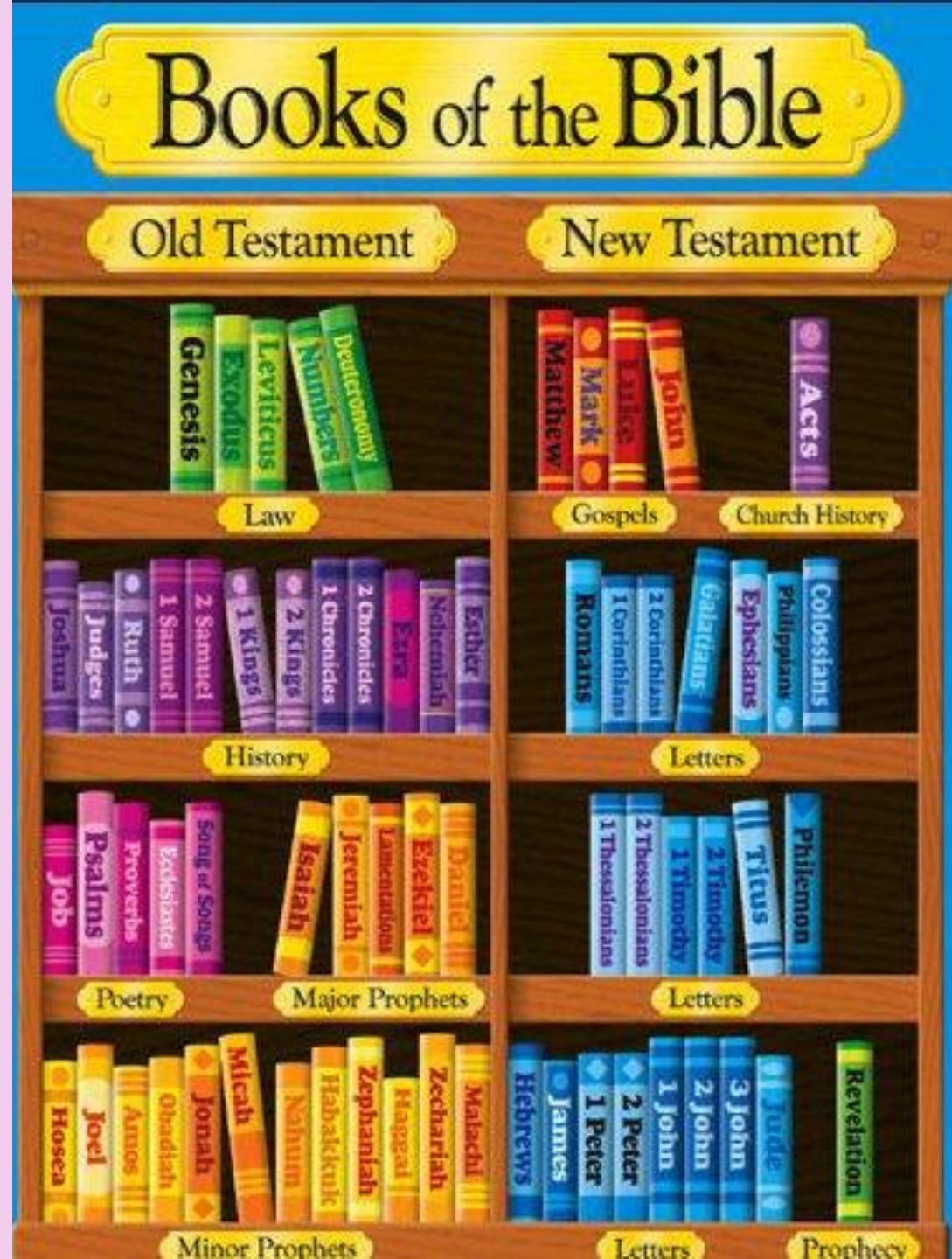
- 66 writings
- 40+ authors
- Kings, shepherds, fisherman, tax collectors, doctor, women, priests, prophets, learned, and ordinary, Gentiles
- 2000 years
- All inspired by the Holy Spirit
- Without error
 - God-breathed, He is infallible, trustworthy, cannot lie
- Without contradiction



The Bible is a collection of different genres and literary forms

- Law
- Historical Narrative
- Poetry
- Prophecy
- Gospel Narratives
- Church History
- Letters

Read each genre differently



The Bible has many translations

Translation vs Interpretation (written/spoken)

- King James Version—KJV
- New King James Version—NKJV
- New International Version—NIV*
- English Standard Version—ESV
- New American Standard Bible—NASB
- Holman Christian Standard Bible—HCSB
- New Living Translation--NLT
- The Message—MSG (paraphrase)
- The Living Bible—LB (paraphrase)

How to navigate the Bible?

Get to know yours.

Look at the **Preface**

What kind of Bible is it?

- Purpose: devotional, study, leadership, application
- Audience: teen, women, new believer, etc
- Helps: maps, concordance, timeline, dictionary, commentary

Look at the Table of Contents

- Old and New Testament
- Book, Chapter, and Verse (Bible Drill with your kids)

One Story in Two Parts

Message of the Old Testament

- The history and faith of the Jewish people, also known as Hebrews, the Israelites, Israel and Judah

Message of the New Testament

- The story of the earthly life of Jesus and His teachings, the good news of the Gospel. The Early Church, and how to live out the gospel until His return.

The New is in the Old Concealed, the Old is in the New Revealed"

Two Parts with 66 Books

39 OT + 27 NT = 66 Books



Law-History-Poetry-Major Prophets-Minor Prophets



Gospel-History-Letters-Prophec

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The Bible is God's Word to
and for His People.

Three Question Method for Study

- What is the passage about?
- What do I learn about God/people?
- How will I apply it?

Let's Learn a New Tool!

**Read Haggai 1:1-9
Twice**

A Call to Build the House of the LORD

1 In the second year of King Darius, on the first day of the sixth month, the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jozadak,^[a] the high priest:

2 This is what the LORD Almighty says: “These people say, ‘The time has not yet come to rebuild the LORD’s house.’”

3 Then the word of the LORD came through the prophet Haggai: **4** “Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains a ruin?”

5 Now this is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. **6** You have planted much, but harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.”

7 This is what the LORD Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. **8** Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build my house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the LORD. **9** “You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the LORD Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with your own house.

Let's walk through the passage: Show and then Tell!

- Model first
- Listen as I lead us through the passage
- Tell you how

Question 1: What is the passage about?

Prepare to Study

- Begin with prayer
- Read it one time
- Read it again out loud
- Listen to it on your app

Begin your study (few verses at a time)

- Note key details
- Write down the main facts (Who, What, When, Where, Why, How)
- Summarize the passage

Question 2: What do I learn?

Ask myself

- What does the passage reveal about God?
People?
- What principles, truths or lessons do I see?
 - **Sin**
 - **Promise**
 - **Action to avoid**
 - **Command to follow**
 - **Example to follow**
 - **New Thought**
- What should I pray about?
- One or two conclusions

Question 3: How do I apply it?

Ask myself

- Is there a similar situation in my life?
- What change in my behavior or thinking is needed?
- How should I respond based on what I have learned?

Three Question Method for Leading a Study

- What is the passage about?
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Let's practice on your own

Read

Matthew 11:1-6

if time.....we will

do

16-24

Matthew 11:1-6

11

After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee.^[a]

² When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples ³ to ask him, “Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?”

⁴ Jesus replied, “Go back and report to John what you hear and see: ⁵ The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy^[b] are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor. ⁶ Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.”

Matthew 11: 16-24

¹⁶ “To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

¹⁷ “We played the pipe for you,
and you did not dance;
we sang a dirge,
and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved right by her deeds.”

Woe on Unrepentant Towns

²⁰ Then Jesus began to denounce the towns in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent. ²¹ “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²² But I tell you, it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you. ²³ And you, Capernaum, will you be lifted to the heavens? No, you will go down to Hades.^[a] For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Sodom, it would have remained to this day. ²⁴ But I tell you that it will be more bearable for Sodom on the day of judgment than for you.”

Remember

- Practice doesn't make perfect...it makes permanent.
- Homework for next week: