

The Simple Bible

There is nothing difficult about the Bible. God created it for us and He wants us to understand it. However, understanding the Bible requires a key: the Spirit of God. Without God's Spirit, it is impossible to understand the things of God, and the Bible is one of those "things".

Besides the Spirit indwelling, one must have faith and desire. God even provides these, too, in a way. God places in our mind questions and desires. When we search for the answers, then find those answers, it fans the desire to know more, priming the pump, as it were. Then, over time, there is a progressive growth of one revelation after another until we grow to maturity. Still, we must choose to believe.

- You must believe that God is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.
- You must believe that the Bible is true
- You must believe that God will reveal His secrets to you.
- You must seek, ask, knock before the door of truth will open to you. Pew Perching won't do it.
- If you don't look, you will not see.
- If you don't seek, you will not find.

See the article "[*You Can't Teach the Bible*](#)" on this website for more information
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There are 66 books that make up the volume of work we call the Bible.

Fun Fact: [*80% of the Bible does not apply to the Gentile world \(you and me\).*](#)

100% of the Bible is profitable for understanding life and God's plan for us.

See the articles "[*100% of Religion Does Not Apply*](#)" "[*All Scripture?*](#)" "[*It is Finished*](#)" and others on this website for more information

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God miraculously produced and preserved the Bible for everyone as it provides information that is not otherwise available from any other source. The Bible, then, is mostly informative and descriptive, not prescriptive, and that 80% that does not apply to the Gentiles, tells us what happened and what is going to happen, but does not tell the Gentile world what to do or how to live (the animal sacrificial system, tithing, baptism, and temple worship, are a few examples that do not apply).

The Old Testament

The Old Testament is a collection of historical writings describing creation, the fall of Adam and Eve, and what God plans to do to rescue a lost humanity. It also catalogs God's dealings with mankind, and the birth and growth of the Jewish nation. From the Jews would come Jesus, the Savior of mankind and God's plan for reconciliation with those He created.

In all, the Old Testament covers 4000 years: 2000 years from Adam to Abraham, and 2000 years of Abraham to Christ. Beginning with Abraham, the Bible records the birth and growth of the Jewish nation.

The Old Testament also provides a prophetic look into the future, describing, among other things, the events and timing of the last days, and the end of the world as we know it.

The Old Testament reveals the timeline for mankind from beginning to end so that everyone can know when the end will come. This timeline, God's plan, is repeated many times and in many ways throughout the Bible. Spoiler: time's up.

Fun Fact: There were 14 generations from Abraham to David, 14 generations from David to the Babylonian captivity, 14 generations from the Babylonian captivity to Christ.

$(14 \times 3 = 42 \div 7 = 6, \text{ the number of man})$

Fun Fact: In all the time of man since Adam, there were ~130 generations: ~65 generations from Adam to Christ and ~65 generations from Christ to today. As you can see, Christ is the center of humanity looking back and forward.

Fun Fact: Christ's ministry fell between the 2000 years of the Jews under the law and the 2000-year Gentile Age of Grace. Christ stands at the chronological center of the the two peoples: Jews and Gentiles.

Fun Fact: The Bible provides God's plan for humanity including the time allocated for man on earth. Once Adam and Eve left the Garden of Eden in their fallen state, the clock began a 6000-year count-down to the end of man's reign over the earth. What God created in six days, and Satan defiled in a minute, God will restore over 6 periods of 1000 years - 6000 years total. It also explains the millennial reign of Christ that will follow the Tribulation. In all, 7000 years of man.

Fun Fact: The 6 days of creation plus 1 day of rest = 7 periods. The Bible shows repeatedly God's plan of 7 for mankind: 6000 years of man on earth plus the 1000 year reign of Christ = 7 periods of 1000 years each.

Fun Fact: Each week that we live proclaims God's plan for humanity in 6 days to work and one day of rest, and this God codified in the fourth commandment. "Remember the Sabbath Day...".

Fun Fact: We are at the end of the 6000 years from Adam, the end of the 2000-year Age of Grace from Christ, the end of the last 120th Jubilee from Adam, and the end of the 120-year technological build up that began at the beginning of the last Jubilee at the turn of the 20th century. As with Noah, God gives man 120 years at the end.

For a full explanation, see the articles on this site "[The End is Now](#)" and "[Answer: 6000 Years. What's the Question?](#)" PPGpilot.com

The Four Jewish Gospel Historical Records

The Jewish Old Testament tells us what happened in a past time that we might have perspective for our lives today. So do the Jewish Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

The various Old Testament books do not provide doctrines or examples for us to follow in our lives and living. Neither do the four Jewish Gospels about the Jews and the ministry of Jesus. The four Gospels are a continuation of the Old Testament, and like the Old Testament, it tells us what happened, not what to do. It brings closure to the 4000 years of man since Adam, including the 2000 years of the Jews under the law. The four Gospels do not speak to the Gentiles at all, just as the Old Testament does not speak to the Gentiles.

The Gospel Jesus of the four Jewish Gospels does not provide a model for us to follow today, as many Christian religions teach. "Be like Jesus", "conform to Jesus", "have the heart of Jesus", and so on. It would be inappropriate to create a religion for us in our day from information found in the Old Testament writings. A religion of Abraham, or Moses, for instance, or King David, or Noah, or Jacob, where someone makes up attributes of a character from Jewish anthology, then tells people we should be like that biblical character. Have the faith of Abraham, walk the path of Moses, be the heart of David, be a follower of Noah and build a boat, commit yourself to having 12 children like Jacob, and so on. That would be silly. These individuals lived in the past and their mention is for us to understand all that came before, not emulate them. Jesus did not come to earth to provide an example of how we should live.

Yet, that is exactly what the Christian religion does with the four Jewish Gospels that record the historical event of Jesus' ministry for the salvation of the world. These words tell us what happened in a past time when God, again, intervened in the lives of His people, the Jews, this time in the man Jesus. It was the same God intervening in the lives of the Jews throughout the Old Testament. There is nothing in the four Jewish Gospels written about the Jews for the Gentiles. Instead, like the Old Testament, the Gospels provide important background for us today, giving us information and context of the past.

For a full explanation, see the articles on this site "[It is Finished](#)" and "[All Scripture?](#)" PPGpilot.com

No Connection

There is no Gentile connection in the four Jewish Gospels: not from Jesus or His disciples. Jesus came to His own, the Jews, not the Gentiles. It is no more complicated than that. Through the Gospels, we can understand Jesus' ministry and that is the intention of God giving us the four Gospel "witnesses". There is no model of Jesus to follow as many religions wrongly teach: "make disciples for Jesus, have the heart of Jesus, share the heart of Jesus, be the heart of Jesus, be a disciple of Jesus, have the love of Jesus, be the love of Jesus", ad nauseam.

In John's Gospel, when Jesus said "it is finished", He wasn't kidding. The story of mankind that began in Genesis was completed in the four Gospels. It finished the Jews, as God sent them into a 2000-year exile throughout the world. It finished God's promises of a Savior, and the salvation of his creation, and Satan's defeat. The Gospels, then, represent the final act in the 4000-year drama of man in sin.

A Bridge Too Far

Religion goes too far through their overreach, misinterpreting the four Jewish Gospels that record Jesus fulfilling the promises made by God to the Jewish fathers of the Old Testament. Religion embraces the Gospels as though active today, containing doctrines, laws, direction, and examples for the Gentiles to follow. Using words and story lines from the four Gospels, religions create a character they call Jesus, but it is not the Jesus of the Bible. They create attributes and characteristics of a fictitious Jesus that are not in the Bible, then build a humanistic religion around this made-up character for people to follow, pray to, make disciples to, worship and emulate as they try to better themselves into this fantasy image. This "Jesus" character of the Christian religion replaces the One True God, just like "Mary" replaces God in other sects of the Christian religion, and the "spirit" in yet other sects. In all cases, these false gods are Satan's illusions to distract you with a false religion and false gods, and keep you away from the True God, salvation, and eternity.

See the articles "[*This Gospel, That Gospel*](#)", "[*Who's Your Jesus?*](#)", and others on this website for more information

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The Acts of the Apostles (Acts)

Luke wrote the Book of Acts and the Gospel that bears his name.

- Acts is a work to record the post-Gospel history, and the life and ministries of the Apostles.
- Acts begins with the ascension of Christ and ends in the final days of The Apostle Paul
- A simple outline of Acts follows:
 - Christ ascends
 - In Acts 2, the **Jewish** Church begins with the miracle of tongues to authenticate and validate this new Jewish group. These "tongues" are known languages the Hebrew Jews miraculously spoke to non-Hebrew speaking Jews during Pentecost. This was

a spiritual “filling”, so, temporary, as the Spirit of God worked through men. It is not the permanent “indwelling” Spirit - the gift of God to the children of God. The Indwelling Spirit was not yet given to men as of Acts 2 through chapter 8.

- The Romans labeled the Jews that believed in Jesus “Christians”, a pejorative term, not one of endearment. There are only three times the word “Christian(s)” appears in the Bible. These references are always to the Jews that believed Jesus as the Messiah, never to the Gentiles of the Pauline Body of Christ (Christ’s Church)
- Acts 7: The Jewish unbelievers stone Stephen for his belief in Jesus as the Messiah.
- The Jews (Christians) scattered from Jerusalem under the persecution of Saul (who would latter become the Apostle Paul)
- These scattered Jews (Christians) went forth spreading Peter’s good news in the Jewish Gospel **to the Jews Only**, not to the Gentiles. (This was Peter’s Jewish Gospel, not Paul’s Gospel to the Gentiles which did not yet exist, and not the Gospel message from Jesus to the Jews found in the four Jewish Gospels) (Peter never had anything to do with the Gentiles in ministry or writing, and was never the Pope of a Roman Gentile pagan religion.)
- Throughout the first eight chapters of Acts, there is no Paul, no Gentile Body of Christ, and no Gentile involvement. It is all Jewish Christian.
- Gentiles of any sort were never called Christians anywhere in the Bible.
- Acts Chapter 9: A change in direction: The ascended Christ intervenes in the life of Saul, renames him Paul signifying his new life, and calls him to the ministry of the Gentiles. This is the beginning of the Gentile Body of Christ (Christ’s Church) and the gift of the abiding Spirit of God. This has nothing to do with the modern-day religion called “Christian”. Christian is simply a name people chose to call their non-biblical religion.
- The Christian religion of today, Roman or Protestant, does not exist anywhere in the Bible.
- Christianity of any persuasion is not a valid expression of biblical truth.
- Paul goes to the Gentiles with **his** Gospel, and the Mystery that was hid in God from the beginning of the world (the permanent indwelling of the Spirit of God in the child of God). This information was not available or understood during the three-year ministry of Jesus to the Jews, and never understood by Peter or the Jewish Christian Church.
- There is dissension between Paul and the other Apostles as to what the new Gentile converts must believe and do. The matter is settled with the decision that Peter would go to the Jews and Paul would go to the Gentiles. In other words, status quo, as this was already happening.
- As the book of Acts closes, so too, the Apostolic Age, including the cessation of miracles, signs, and wonders. From here on, there is a new “miracle” the Spirit indwelling the believer and the new spiritual life that it produces in a person. This is,

in a way, raising the dead in sin to alive in the Spirit in a new spiritual creation. This is shown in the imagery of Christ's death that He died for us, and His resurrection from the dead.

- The miracle of the indwelling Spirit replaced tongues, healings, all the signs and wonders, as well as the temples, churches, tabernacles, and alters. The child of God is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

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Fun Fact: The Pauline Gentile Body of Christ was never called Christian.

Fun Fact: The Pauline Gentile Body of Christ is not the Christian religion and Christianity is not the Body of Christ.

The Body of Christ is not a religion. It is a relationship with God, and the abiding Spirit.

Fun Fact: In the 30 year-plus ministries of Peter, Paul, James, John, and Jude, no one ever used the term Christian to describe themselves, their followers, or their Church. It was a slang and a disparaging term.

The Hebrew Epistles

Hebrews through the Book of the Revelation.

There are two people groups in the Bible: the Jews and the Gentiles, each with a unique program and a unique destiny. The Hebrew epistles speak to the Jews and their program and destiny, and has nothing to do with the Gentiles.

- These Jewish Hebrew epistles are the last nine books of the New Testament: Hebrews through the Book of the Revelation.
- Every letter has a Jewish author who wrote to Jews, for Jews, about Jews, concerning Jews, the Jewish law, and Jewish things and Jewish times.
- There is no Pauline language or guidance for the Gentiles in any of these Hebrew epistles.
- Every Hebrew epistle speaks to the law and the Jews under the law, and a future reward ***if*** they persevere. This is not the Body of Christ whose members are saved now, once for all, and already seated with Christ in the Heavens.
- The Jewish Hebrew epistles were never written to the Gentiles, never included the Gentiles, and rendered moot as God put away the Jews and sent Paul to the world with a new

message. The Jewish Hebrew epistles are obsolete and contain no instructions, corrections, or training for the Body of Christ or the Gentile world.

- The modern day Christian religion believes these Hebrew writings are for them, providing laws, commands, and doctrines for their life and living. This is a mistake made in ignorance, the result of blindness sent from God due to their lacking God's Spirit. This mixing of law and grace has confused and frustrated Christianity all the centuries since the Apostle Paul, and will continue to do so until the end of man.

The Pauline Epistles

The ascended Christ called Saul of Tarsus, changing his name to Paul, and sent him to minister to the Gentiles. This is God's message to mankind.

Christ gave to Paul the **ministry** of reconciliation to **GO** to the Gentiles, and the **word** of reconciliation to **PREACH** to the Gentiles. The 13 Pauline Epistles, Romans through Philemon, contain the message God conveys to humanity through the Apostle.

Yet the wayward religions of the last 1900 years focus on all things Jewish: the four Jewish Gospels and the Jewish Hebrew epistles that say nothing to the Gentiles. They ignore God's message by ignoring Paul, because Paul's words do not align with the Christian religion's self-appointed agenda, mission, and the things they choose to believe. This happened due to their flawed foundation of Covenant Theology written by Augustine in the fifth century.

The Applicable 20%

What about that 20% that applies to the Gentiles? These are the Pauline epistles, letters Paul wrote to the fledgling Churches he founded after his conversion. This is God's message to the Gentiles through the Apostle. It is a simple message. You'll want to read all of Paul's letters, but, the following is the take-away and all you need to know.

- **Paul's Gospel**: Salvation is available to all mankind by God's grace to all who turn to God in faith, because of Christ.
- **Paul's Mystery**: Christ in you: the miracle of the Spirit of the living God is now available to reside in all those who belong to God.

Simple!

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