

God Wrote a Book: What is the Bible?

Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches. Revelation 1:7

Opening Discussion

1. What is your favorite book of the Bible? Why?
2. What was your favorite Bible story as a kid? Why?
3. Do you prefer to study the Old Testament or the New Testament?
4. What do you think most non-Christians in our area think about the Bible?

The Bible is not a _____. It is a collection of _____ that include stories, letters, poems, prophecies, and many other types of written material that reveal the _____ and _____ of God along with the _____ message.

1. The _____ of the Bible

- 66 separate books
- Written over approximately 1500 years
- Written by approximately 40 authors
- In three languages: Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek

2. _____ of the Bible

- Historical narrative
- Law
- Poetry
- Prophecy
- Wisdom Literature
- Epistles
- Legal Proclamations
- Apocalyptic Literature

3. _____ of the Bible

4. _____ of the Bible

- God is holy
- Humanity has rebelled against God
- God desires a restored relationship with humanity
- A substitute is needed to pay the price for sin
- A Savior/Deliverer is needed to restore humanity
- God extends grace and mercy to those who have faith in Him

Fill in the Blank Answers:

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1. Books
2. Genres
3. Order
4. Story