

The Bible

66 total books written over 1500 years by 40 different authors. They did not know each other and they lived in different cities on three different continents. Asia, Africa and Europe. They were kings, peasants, philosophers, fisherman, politicians and teachers. They wrote about historical events, science, poetry, prophecy that came true, letters of encouragement and letters shaking a finger at those who were not obeying the Word of God. The Bible is written in Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. It is now translated into 2400 languages and it is the book that has been published and printed the most in the history of mankind.

It is the Word of God. It is for us to read and pray to God for understanding about what is written on its pages. God breathed inspiration into the men who wrote the bible so that what He wanted written was put on the pages. Make no mistake, if God can create the heavens, the earth and all that is contained within the universe, He certainly can guide the words that make it to paper.

Question Time:

1. How many books are in the old testament? How many in the new testament?
2. Who is the final author of what is written in the Bible?
3. What type of men were used by God to write the Bible?
4. Do you have a favorite passage in the Bible?

Scripture:

In [2 Timothy 3:16](#), Paul states, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness."

Next Steps: Talk to your parents about why we need to read the Bible. If you read it daily and begin to commit the scriptures to memory, you will appreciate what God has given you as His gift. His Word.

Some families have a program where the parents reward the children with some amount of money for every scripture they memorize. This is up to your parents, but what a great way to learn the Word of God and earn some money too. I know a child who earns the money from his parents and then puts it in the collection plate on Sunday. Wow!