

# **The Christian & the Book**

**2 Timothy 3:10-16, Luke 6:46**

# Why do you read the Bible?

- a. it's my duty as a Christian
- b. God guides me in my life through it
- c. I want to know more about my Christian faith
- d. Other reasons ...
- e. N.A. -- I don't read the Bible

# Why don't we read the Bible regularly?

- a. no time
- b. too difficult
- c. not necessary
- d. not interested

**Why we cannot afford  
NOT to read the Bible.**

# How did the Bible come into existence?

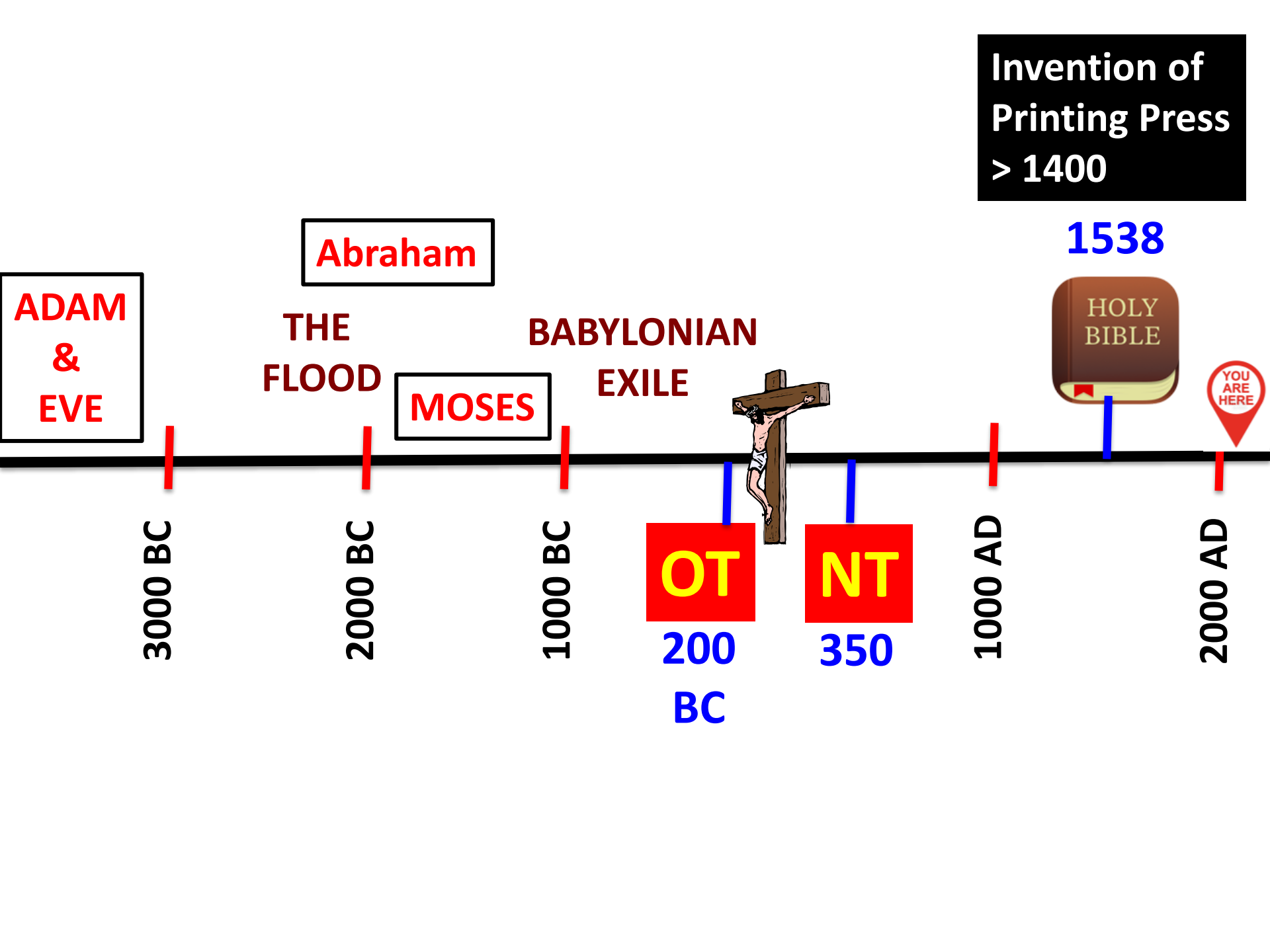
- a. Dropped down from the sky
- b. Found in a cave near the Dead Sea
- c. Compiled by human authors over a period of 1500 years
- d. Given to the disciples by Jesus before his death

# Who wrote the Bible?

- a. Humans
- b. Angels
- c. God through humans (dictation)
- d. God through humans (inspiration)

**2 Timothy 3:16**

All Scripture is God-breathed ...



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## 2 Timothy 3:10-15

But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. **Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.**

But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known **the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you WISE for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.**

# Why we cannot afford NOT to read the Bible.

## 1. Source of Truth & Wisdom

- *How do we know what is right or wrong?*
- *How do we know how to act in the different circumstances of our life?*
- *How do we discern truth from lies in a world filled with “fake news”?*
- *How do we obtain wisdom to live a life that is wholesome and free from sin? (“salvation”, v15).*



# MIND SPACE



# **Biblical Worldview**

# Why we cannot afford NOT to read the Bible.

- 1. Source of Truth & Wisdom**
- 2. Ministry Training Manual**

## 2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

**A Christian who doesn't read the Bible  
is like**

**a laborer who doesn't eat,  
a traveler who has no map,  
a soldier without a weapon ...**



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# Why we cannot afford NOT to read the Bible.

- 1. Foundation of Truth & Wisdom**
- 2. Ministry Training Manual**
- 3. Basis of Our Faith**

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# What God? Which God?

1. How do you **know** God exists?
2. How do you **know** if your God is the true God?
3. How do you **know** what this God is like?

What is the basis of my knowledge and belief in the Christian faith?

**If the Bible is so central to our faith, why do so little Christians read it . . .**

as often as they would read the newspapers, or surf the Web for information that is important for their life?

Luke 6:46

**“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do **what I say?**”**

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**Invention of  
Printing Press  
> 1400**

**ADAM  
&  
EVE**

**Abraham**

**THE  
FLOOD**

**MOSES**

**BABYLONIAN  
EXILE**



**3000 BC**

**2000 BC**

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350**

**1000 AD**

**1538**

**The Book  
for the  
Last Days**

**Those who have no desire and are uninterested to read the Bible might actually **not believe in God** (and therefore are not saved).**

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**a soldier without a weapon,**

**a believer who doesn't believe, and**

**a child who doesn't enjoy being with  
his father.**

## **Reading the Bible is an Act of Belief**

- **in God's existence,**
- **in God's involvement in our life,**
- **and therefore a sign that we are truly saved from sin and death.**

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# PMC BIBLE MARATHON

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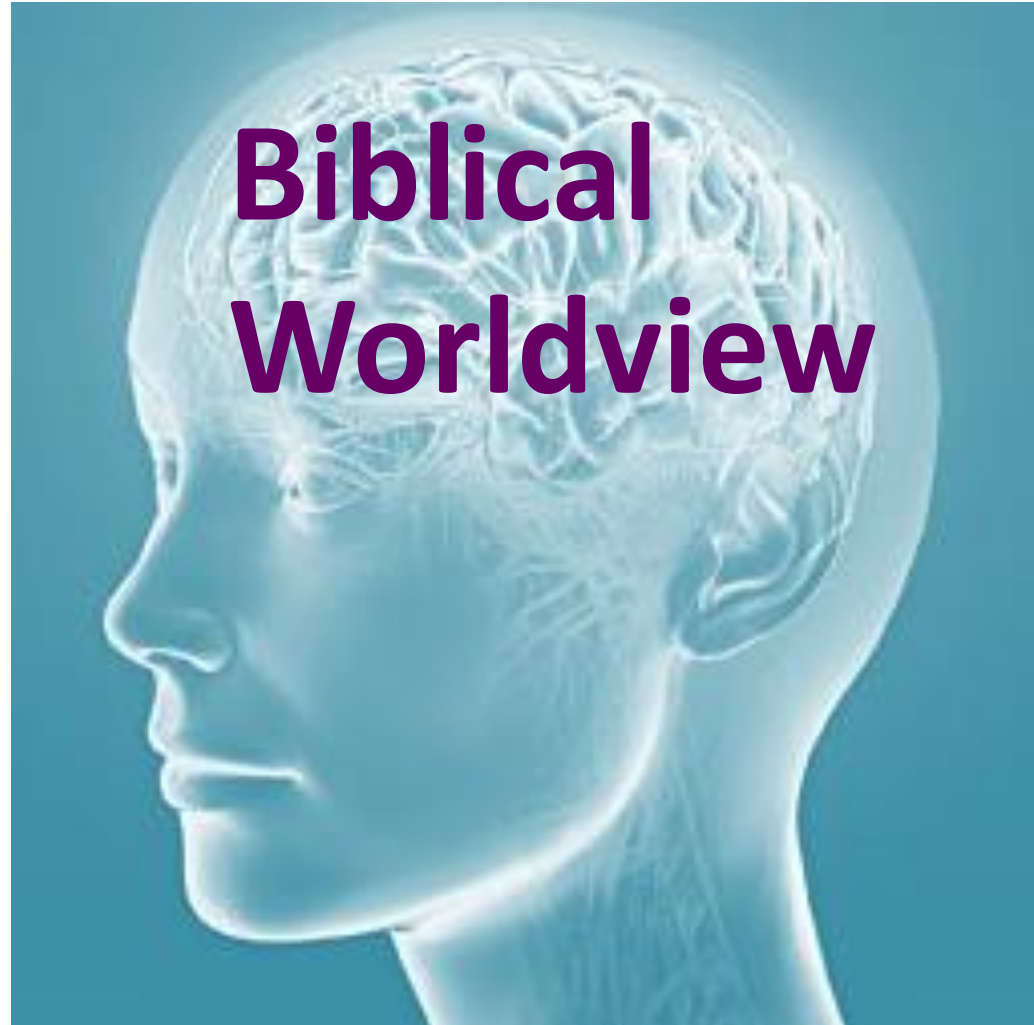


100 Sermons



**Living Out God's Word  
in the Real World**

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# PMC BIBLE MARATHON

## THE BIBLE TABLE

<b>Ge</b> Genesis 50																
<b>Jn</b> John 21	<b>1C</b> 1Corinthians 29					<b>Ps</b> Psalms 150					<b>Pr</b> Proverbs 31					<b>Zc</b> Zechariah 14
<b>Ex</b> Exodus 40	<b>Dt</b> Deuteronomy 34												<b>Er</b> Ezra 10	<b>1J</b> 1John 5		
<b>Ac</b> Acts 28	<b>Ga</b> Galatians 6	<b>2C</b> 2Corinthians 13	<b>2S</b> 2Samuel 24	<b>Ep</b> Ephesians 6	<b>Ho</b> Hosea 14	<b>Jb</b> Job 42	<b>2P</b> 2Peter 3	<b>Da</b> Daniel 12	<b>Ob</b> Obadiah 1	<b>Na</b> Nahum 3	<b>2T</b> 2Timothy 4	<b>Ne</b> Nehemiah 13	<b>2J</b> 2John 1			
<b>Le</b> Leviticus 27	<b>Ro</b> Romans 16	<b>Ru</b> Ruth 4	<b>Ph</b> Philippians 4	<b>Ec</b> Ecclesiastes 12	<b>Jl</b> Joel 3	<b>1P</b> 1Peter 5	<b>Is</b> Isaiah 66	<b>Ju</b> Jude 1	<b>Jo</b> Jonah 4	<b>1T</b> 1Timothy 6	<b>Je</b> Jeremiah 52	<b>Es</b> Esther 10	<b>3J</b> 3John 1			
<b>He</b> Hebrews 13	<b>Js</b> Joshua 24	<b>Ma</b> Mark 16	<b>1K</b> 1Kings 22	<b>So</b> Songs 8	<b>1Th</b> 1Thessalonians 5	<b>Ha</b> Habakkuk 3	<b>Lu</b> Luke 24	<b>Re</b> Revelation 22	<b>Co</b> Colossians 4	<b>1Ch</b> 1Chronicles 29	<b>La</b> Lamentations 5	<b>Pm</b> Philemon 1	<b>MI</b> Malachi 4			
<b>Nu</b> Numbers 36	<b>Jg</b> Judges 21	<b>1S</b> 1Samuel 31	<b>2K</b> 2Kings 25	<b>Ja</b> James 5	<b>2Th</b> 2Thessalonians 3	<b>Ze</b> Zechariah 3	<b>Ez</b> Ezekiel 48	<b>Am</b> Amos 9	<b>Mi</b> Micah 7	<b>2Ch</b> 2Chronicles 36	<b>Ti</b> Titus 3	<b>Hg</b> Haggai 2	<b>Mt</b> Matthew 28			

■ Old Testament 
 ■ Gospels 
 ■ Pauline Epistles 
 ■ General Epistles 
 ■ Wisdom

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**HEAR IT.**  
  
**LIVE OUT.**

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