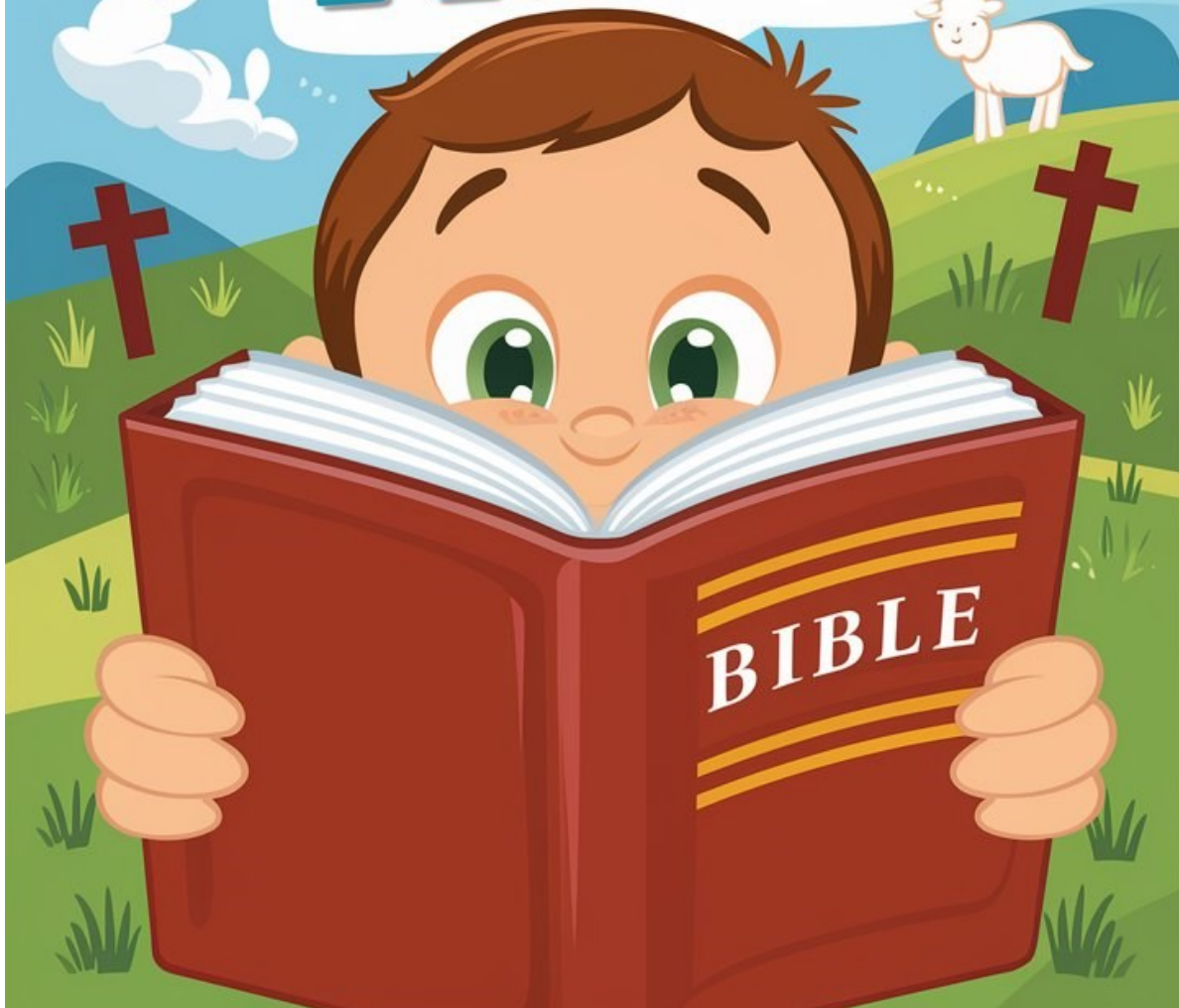


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## The Bible is Absolutely True

### Best of All Books

**God's Word is the best of all books because it is absolutely true.** No other book in the world is so absolutely perfect as the Bible because God is the true author of the Bible and God cannot lie. Titus 1:2 says, *"In hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began."*

Since God's Word is true, we can put our faith in it. However, we will need to read the Bible constantly and read all of the Bible in order to have a balanced faith. Even people who "know" all about the truth can fall into sin if they have not allowed the truth to take root in their lives.

### Fact or Fiction

Get your students out of their chairs and moving by making one side of the room "Fact" and the other side "Fiction." As you read the statements, have them move to the side of the room they think is true..

1. Professional baseball umpires are required to wear black underwear. (*Fact.*)
2. Humans have unique finger prints. Gorillas have unique nose prints. (*Fact.*)
3. The average American eats 46 slices of pizza per year. (*Fact.*)
4. Smoking is the leading cause of house fires in the U.S. (*Fiction, cooking is the leading cause.*)
5. The first music record ever featured a recital of "Mary Had a Little Lamb." (*Fact.*)
6. Velcro was invented in Great Britain. (*Fiction, it was invented in Switzerland.*)
7. The most popular pet name in the U.S. is Smokey. (*Fiction, it is Max.*)

### Small Group Talk

Discuss things to look for when reading the Bible

- A promise to believe (Jn. 1:12)
- A command to obey (Jn. 3:7)
- A warning to receive (Jn. 3:18)
- Something about God's way. (Jn. 1:17)

### Power Point

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### MEMORY VERSE

John 17:17, "Use the truth to make them holy. Your word is truth."

8. The bat is the only mammal that flies. (*Fact.*)
9. Muslim people are asked to tithe 10% of their income. (*Fiction, 2.5% is the suggested tithe.*)
10. It takes 11 feet of wire to make a Slinky. (*Fiction, it is 63 feet of wire.*)

Say: I don't know how well you did, but I've got a few questions for you:

- How could anyone know whether or not what I asked was true or false? How could you even begin to answer?
- How do you know if I'm right about each of those?
- Is there truth available somewhere out there where you could find out for sure, even if you didn't trust me to tell you the truth?

Well, all of the questions we just went through are relatively unimportant. But today/tonight, we're going to tackle the most important question of all: Is the Bible true?

### Discussion Question:

1. Why does it matter if the Bible is true?

# Year 2—Quarter 1 The Bible

## The Bible is True: So What?

Here are four lessons for you to apply:

**1. Be Honest:** Just like the Bible tells true stories, you should always tell the truth. It's important to be honest with your friends, family, and teachers.

**2. Be Kind:** The Bible teaches us to be kind to others. So, try to help your friends when they need it and share your things with them.

**3. Listen and Learn:** The Bible is full of lessons, and we can learn from them. Pay attention in class and at home when someone is teaching you something new.

**4. Be Brave:** Many people in the Bible were brave, even when things were hard. You can be brave too, like when you try new things or stand up for what is right.

**Remember,** these lessons can help you be a good friend and do the right thing, just like the stories in the Bible!

## What are the proofs that the Bible is true?

**Archaeology** proves the Bible is true: Archaeology is like a treasure hunt that finds old things from the Bible times, and these discoveries show us that the stories in the Bible really happened, just like finding pieces to a puzzle that fit perfectly.

**Fulfilled Prophecy** proves the Bible is true: Prophecy is like a time machine in the Bible that tells us what is going to happen before it does, and when those things happen just like the Bible said, it shows us that the Bible is really special and tells us the truth.

**Jesus** proves the Bible is true: Jesus affirmed the Old Testament as true and as God's Word. He recognized the entire Old Testament as authoritative, referred to it as Scripture, and never cast doubt on its accounts. He accepted the historical events and the people mentioned in it as real and true. Jesus also referred to the Old Testament as "the commandment of God" and "the Word of God," showing His complete acceptance of it.

**Bible History** proves the Bible is true: Just like a history book, the Bible has stories about real places and people that we can learn about from other history books and ancient writings.

**The Bible's Consistency** proves it is true: The Bible is a big book written by many people over a long time, but all its stories fit together like pieces in a puzzle, which is really amazing.

**The Point:** The Bible is not just another storybook, but a special book that tells true stories about God and people.

## Books of the Bible Memory Project

If you have decided to adopt the Books of the Bible Memory Project for your class, have stars ready for your students to put on the STARBOARD.

## Books of the Bible Song

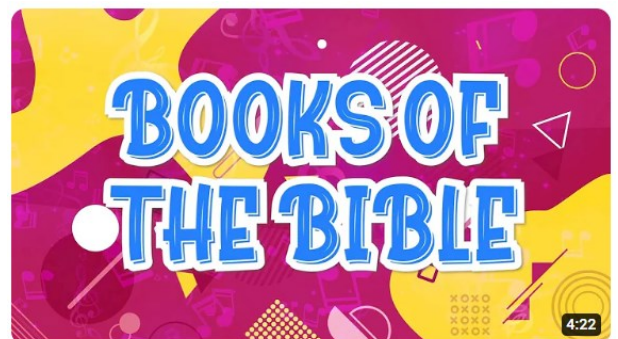
Use the Mary Rice Hopkins song from YouTube to make it fun for your kids to learn the books of the Bible.

## Award Certificate/Prizes

Consider giving your students a certificate of completion. (See *template, Lesson 5*)

**Other ideas:** Offer a prize, give a new Bible, invite them to all say the books of the Bible together on stage in a church service and give them their certificates there.

Books of the Bible	Memorized To:											
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By Mary Rice Hopkins on YouTube

# BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

## OLD TESTAMENT

### - LAW -

GENESIS  
EXODUS  
LEVITICUS  
NUMBERS  
DEUTERONOMY

### - HISTORY -

JOSHUA  
JUDGES  
RUTH  
1 SAMUEL  
2 SAMUEL  
1 KINGS  
2 KINGS  
1 CHRONICLES  
2 CHRONICLES  
EZRA  
NEHEMIAH  
ESTHER

## - POETRY & WISDOM -

JOB

PSALMS  
PROVERBS  
ECCLESIASTES  
SONG OF SOLOMON

## - MAJOR PROPHETS -

ISAIAH  
JEREMIAH  
LAMENTATIONS  
EZEKIEL  
DANIEL

## - MINOR PROPHETS -

HOSEA  
JOEL  
AMOS  
OBADIAH  
JONAH  
MICAH  
NAHUM

HABAKKUK  
ZEPHANIAH  
HAGGAI  
ZECHARIAH  
MALACHI

## NEW TESTAMENT

### - GOSPEL -

MATTHEW  
MARK  
LUKE  
JOHN

### - HISTORY -

ACTS  
- LETTERS OF PAUL -  
ROMANS  
1 CORINTHIANS  
2 CORINTHIANS  
GALATIANS  
EPHESIANS  
PHILIPPIANS

COLOSSIANS

1 THESSALONIANS  
2 THESSALONIANS

1 TIMOTHY  
2 TIMOTHY

TITUS  
PHILEMON

### - GENERAL LETTERS -

HEBREWS  
JAMES  
1 PETER  
2 PETER

1 JOHN  
2 JOHN  
3 JOHN

JUDE

### - PROPHECY -

REVELATION

"God has breathed life into all Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true. It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again. It is useful for training us to do what is right."

-2 Timothy 3:16 (NIRV)