

Pop-Up: Bible 101

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Where did this Bible come from?

Paul wrote a letter to the church in Ephesus ~62 AD...

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page, typical of notebook or legal stationery. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

...We read that letter today in our Bible.

Why do we trust it?

The Bible is historically reliable - authors were writing to tell us what they believed happened (Why Trust the Bible, Greg Gilbert).

We believe these are God's Word to us.

EFCA Article 2: The Bible

We believe that God has spoken in the Scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, through the words of human authors. As the verbally inspired Word of God, the Bible is without error in the original writings, the complete revelation of His will for salvation, and the ultimate authority by which every realm of human knowledge and endeavor should be judged. Therefore, it is to be believed in all that it teaches, obeyed in all that it requires, and trusted in all that it promises.

How is it organized?

A walk through the Table of Contents...

How can I grow in my understanding?

Learn the Overarching Story.

- A great Study Bible
- The Bible Project (www.bibleproject.com)
- The Gospel Coalition (www.thegospelcoalition.org/courses)

Read it.

- Establishing a habit of daily time with God
- Gospel of Matthew in four weeks
- NT in 90 Days

Memorize it and Meditate on it.

- DCC100
- Anxiety Expansion Pack

Obey it.

- Head to heart to hands
- Groups
- Sermons