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How Important Is Believing In The Bible!

How can anyone know what the Bible says and understand the importance of believing in its truths if they never study the Bible itself? The Bible contains the only true information of the creation of this earth, where we actually came from, what we should be doing now, and where God's children and all mankind will be going when life on this earth is over and done.

The Bible contains 66 books, written by around 40 different men over a span of 1500 plus years. These books are the inspired word of God. II Timothy 3:16-17 says, **"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."** The Authorized King James Translation is a recording and accurate translation as spoken of by Peter. **"For the prophesy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost"** (II Peter 1:21).

In the book of James 1:21 we find these words, "Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls." Please understand, the written word does not save your soul to eternal heaven, but it (the bible) saves our souls from frustration, unrest, discomfort, lack of knowledge, and despair. It gives us peace, comfort, hope of a better day, joy unspeakable, and aids our spiritual growth (maturity). It is better than vitamins, better than any thing the world has to offer, and last longer when taken in regular doses.

Jesus Himself said, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4). He was quoting from Deuteronomy 8:3. Solomon tells this truth in Proverbs 30:5, "Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him." How important is believing the truths of the Bible? Very? Just remember, it is able to "save your souls" which means to help us to "lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us" (Hebrews 12:1) and also in helping to "run with patience the race that is set before us..." May you have good reading and good study of God's word. It would be "well that ye take heed..." (II Peter 1:19). *Think About It!*