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Why a Child of God Should Study the Word of God

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Why the Child of God Should Study the Word of God

I. Because of its Author

God is not only a Creator, a Redeemer, a loving Father, etc. He is also an accomplished Writer. His masterpiece—The Bible! *Note:* The best thing you could say to an author is: “Yes, I have read your book.”

II. Because of the often-repeated commands to read it (Josh. 1:8; 2 Tim. 2:15; Mt. 4:4)

III. Because the Bible is God’s chosen way to accomplish His divine will

- A. Sinners are saved through the message of the Bible (Rom. 10:13-17; Acts 2:14, 2:37, 8:4-8; 1 Pet. 1:23; Jas. 1:18).
- B. Saints are sanctified; that is, to grow in grace through the message of the Bible (Jn. 17:17; 1 Pet. 2:2; 1 Thess. 4:3; Ps. 119:9-11; Jn. 15:7; Acts 20:32).

IV. Because our enemy the devil has read it (Mt. 4:5, 6)

V. Because of the example of Paul, possibly the greatest Christian of all time (2 Tim. 4:6-8, 13)

VI. Because the Bible alone answers humanity’s three greatest questions. These questions, pondered by every generation, are:

- A. Where did I come from? (Gen. 1:26, 27; Ps. 100:3)
- B. Why am I here? (Eccles. 12:13; Rev. 4:11)
- C. Where am I going? (Jn. 3:16-18; Ps. 23:1, 6; Rev. 20:15)

VII. Because we’ll never have the opportunity to apply many of its verses after we leave this earth

- A. There will be no opportunity to apply 1 Cor. 10:13 in heaven.
 - B. There will be no opportunity to apply 1 John 1:9 in heaven.
 - C. There will be no opportunity to apply Philippians 4:19 in heaven.
 - D. There will be no opportunity to apply John 14:1-3 in heaven.
 - E. There will be no opportunity to apply Psalm 23:4 in heaven.
- Note:* And the reason? Well, in heaven there will be no temptation, nor sin, nor need, nor death.

VIII. Because the only ultimate proof for our faith is the Bible (Jn. 20:31)