

Thank You!
Jacob Machengete
Today's Speaker

Attention!
Business Meeting
Today at 2:30

Quotes about the Bible

“The Bible is the greatest of all books; to study it is the noblest of all pursuits; to understand it, the highest of all goals.”

- Charles C. Ryrie -

“I never saw a useful Christian who was not a student of the Bible.” - D. L. Moody -

“I’ve read the last page of the Bible; it’s all going to turn out alright.” -Billy Graham

March Birthdays

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Regular Meeting Times

Sunday.....9:45 a.m.

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God's Revelations

Mike Johnson

Some people do not believe that God has revealed Himself to mankind. In fact, they do not even believe that God exists. These people are called atheists. Another group, the deists, believe in the existence of a deity, but they think He has not given us a specific revelation; they believe God created the earth and those who inhabit it and just went off and left. According to this position, God is not in any way involved in the affairs of people today. Finally, another group, the agnostics, do not know whether there is a god or not — there may or may not be, according to them.

It should be evident to everyone that there is a God. The beauty and orderliness of the universe say there is a God. Things did not just come together by accident — there must be some power and intelligence behind the universe and earth's existence. Psalms 19:1 says, *“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.”* We know that design demands a designer. Someone mighty and intelligent created this “design.” From this, many conclude that there must be a god! This type of revelation is called “natural” revelation. Natural revelation tells us about a god but not about the God.

Fortunately, God has chosen to reveal Himself to us through the Bible (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Ephesians 3:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 2:13). Because we have the Scriptures, we can learn about the God. We understand what His will and expectations are for us — we learn about His compassion and love and that He is a God of justice who expects obedience (John 3:16; Hebrews 5:8-9).

Without the Scriptures, we would not know the answers to three great questions that plagued humanity. They are: where did I come

from, what am I doing here, and where am I going? Since God has given us a special revelation, the Scriptures, we can learn the answers to these questions. The Bible is such an important book; it is God talking to us.

We have a natural revelation, which tells us that a god must exist. But thankfully, there is a special revelation, the Scriptures, which tells us about the God of heaven and through which he communicates to people today.

If the Bible is Inspired...

Dave Miller, Ph.D.

Have you ever asked yourself this question: If God exists and He wanted to speak to us in writing, what would that writing be like? You would expect that you could tell God's writing apart from man's writings. Even if God used men to write His Word to us, those men would be guided and protected from making mistakes. And you would expect their writings to stand out from writings that are not from God. You would expect that God's Book would have traits that prove it to be divine—from Him.

What characteristics do you suppose a book from God would possess?

- First, you would expect it to claim to be God's Word. The Bible makes that claim.
- You would expect it to contain a high purpose. The Bible presents the highest purpose humans could have...eternal salvation.
- You would expect a divine book to be all-sufficient, meeting all human needs. The Bible does that, since it provides "*all things that pertain to life and godliness*" (2 Peter 1:3).
- You would expect a book from God to be absolutely accurate, with no errors or contradictions. And so, the Bible is—without error in its statements about history, geography, science (like medicine and astronomy), and all other areas.

- You would expect such a book to show unity in theme, structure, purpose, and doctrine. The Bible does just that.
- You would expect a book from God to discuss the deepest subjects humans can imagine. The Bible tells us about the one true God, how and why He created us, the spiritual realm, and what happens when we die.
- You would expect a divine book to show knowledge of the past, present, and future. The Bible does.
- You would expect a book from God to offer a standard of ethics and morals that surpass human ideas. Again, the Bible is unsurpassed in this standard.

The Bible possesses the precise properties you would expect a book from God to possess. Indeed, the Bible is the Word of God! "*My heart stands in awe of Your word. I rejoice at Your word as one who finds great treasure*" (Psalm 119:161-162).

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Be an Apollos

By Edd Sterchi

In Acts 18:24-28, we are introduced to a Christian named Apollos. He was a great example in spreading the word of God. We can certainly learn from His ways. Notice for example:

- He was mighty in the Scriptures (v.24). He knew the Word of God, but it is also important to note that he was always willing to learn them more accurately (v.26).
- He was eloquent (v.24). He spoke in a manner that people wanted to hear what he had to say.
- He was fervent in spirit (v.25). He was always excited about telling God's truths.
- He spoke boldly (v.26). He was courageous in presenting the Word of God. He never backed down from the truth.
- He always proved his point (v.28). He used the Scriptures to establish that what he was speaking was from God.