

Trust God's Book

The Bible impacts our world as no other book. It accurately foretells history, translates into every language, and blesses humanity beyond measure.

First, an indication that this book comes to us from our Creator God is underlined by phrases such as, “the Lord said”, “the Lord spoke”, “the word of the Lord came”. These occur in the Bible about 3,800 times.

In the Bible God gives his recipe for successful living – “I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go.” Psalm 32.8.

Second, although the world has changed dramatically over the centuries, the Bible hasn't needed to change! – its message is as relevant as ever. Only God could produce a book which would never go out of date. Its permanent nature can be summed up in the statement, “The Lord will guide you continually.” Isaiah 58.11.

Third, is every citizen expected to open God's Book and, without help, have perfect understanding of everything they read? No. Certain gifted people have been appointed to help us understand the Bible's messages. “God has set some in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers.” 1 Corinthians 12.28.

I thank God for the many teachers who opened the Bible to me.

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“The Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.” – Proverbs 2.6

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