

WHAT THE BIBLE

teaches about

GOD

and

JESUS CHRIST

King of Kings, Lord of Lords,
Yet the humble Savior is He!
Mighty and great - the All Powerful,
Yet obedient unto death was He!

The mighty God, the great Creator,
Yet He was born as a human boy.
Prince of Peace, Ruler of the Universe,
Yet He lived as a common Jew.

Loved of the Father, with name exalted,
Yet forsaken, hated, and despised.
The Anointed Christ, the Son of God,
Yet He bore the sins of all mankind!

Let us crown Him Lord of our lives!
Let us adore Him as the Mighty Conqueror!
Let us praise Him, the Comforter!
Let us love Him for His great Sacrifice!

*Great is the Lord,
and greatly to be praised.*

Psalm 48:1

Preface

During many years of teaching and ministering I have found that the subject on the persons of the Godhead has proven to be central to Biblical understanding. There are many fine books to be found in Church and Bible school libraries which can be read on this subject and no attempt is being made to take away from these valuable resources. However, a study workbook on the doctrine of the Godhead should make a great contribution towards strengthening a Christian's concept of God and Jesus Christ.

The preparation of this course for the Bible Education by Extension Department of the Key-Way-Tin Bible Institute on the doctrine of God and of Jesus Christ is intended to enhance the understanding and the depth of appreciation for the person and work of the Father and the Son. BEE is meeting a significant need in general through the preparation of study materials; and is focusing on a very significant topic in this particular course. Books on other doctrinal subjects will follow.

This book has been over two years in the making and represents many hours and long days of study and devotion on the part of the author, Helen Pope. In order to insure the clarity and integrity of the Biblical content, the material has also been repeatedly field tested and proof read. All who have had a part in the completion of this book have been blessed with a deeper and richer relationship with God the Father and with Jesus Christ His Son. It is with this anticipation and prayer that this book is being made available.

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PURPOSE OF COURSE

In this course we will learn about God and about Jesus Christ. We will learn something about who God is, what He is like, and how He works in this world. We will also learn who Jesus Christ is, and that He is fully God and fully man. We will learn about His character, His life, His death, His resurrection, His ascension, and His work as Head of the church and His future reign.

It is important for us to know about God because:

Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. (Hebrews 11:6)

Like Moses, we would like to say about God:

If I have found favor in your eyes, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. (Exodus 33:13)

Like Paul, we would like to say about Jesus Christ:

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. (Philippians 3:10,11)

We trust that as you study this course that your respect for God and Jesus Christ will increase, and that you will want to worship God more.

STUDY HELPS

Answers to questions

Almost every frame has a question. The answer to the question is in the first sentence of the following frame.

Words

At the back of the book, page 363, you find a list of hard to understand words. These words are defined.

Bible References

At the end of the book, page 371, is a list of all the references quoted in this book and the pages where they are found.

STUDY INSTRUCTIONS

This book is your teacher. It will teach you a lesson with each lesson. If you want to learn well, do what the book says.

Each lesson is divided into small parts called frames. These frames are numbered and divided by a line of asterisks. In each frame you are given some

information and a question. Read the frame and answer the question.

As you study, write your answer before you look to the next frame. You will learn much more in this way. If your answer is wrong, look over the previous frame again to see why your answer is wrong. Answering the question does two things. First, it shows whether you have understood what you read. Second, it helps you to remember what you have learned.

It is suggested that you work one lesson each day, five days of the week.

ASSIGNMENTS

Some special assignments are given in your lessons. At first you may think these are hard to do, or take too much time to do. This may be true. However, you will also find that the assignments give you an opportunity to express in your own words what you have learned and what you think about it.

DISCUSSION

If possible, find a few other people with whom you can meet every week to discuss the lesson. It is a time to ask questions about things you find hard to understand. Also you learn many things from the others who are taking the same course. Do not miss these meetings, because they will be a great help to you.

INTERNET INSTRUCTIONS

Fill in the frames, your answer to the questions is in the first paragraph after the asterisks. If you wish to have your lesson checked, press the "submit button" when you have done the lesson. This will send the answers to Tribal Trails for correction.

When sending the answers, make sure you have an email address which will allow the folks at Tribal Trails to respond to you. It would be good to just send a separate email, telling the folks at Tribal Trails you are sending the answers.

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