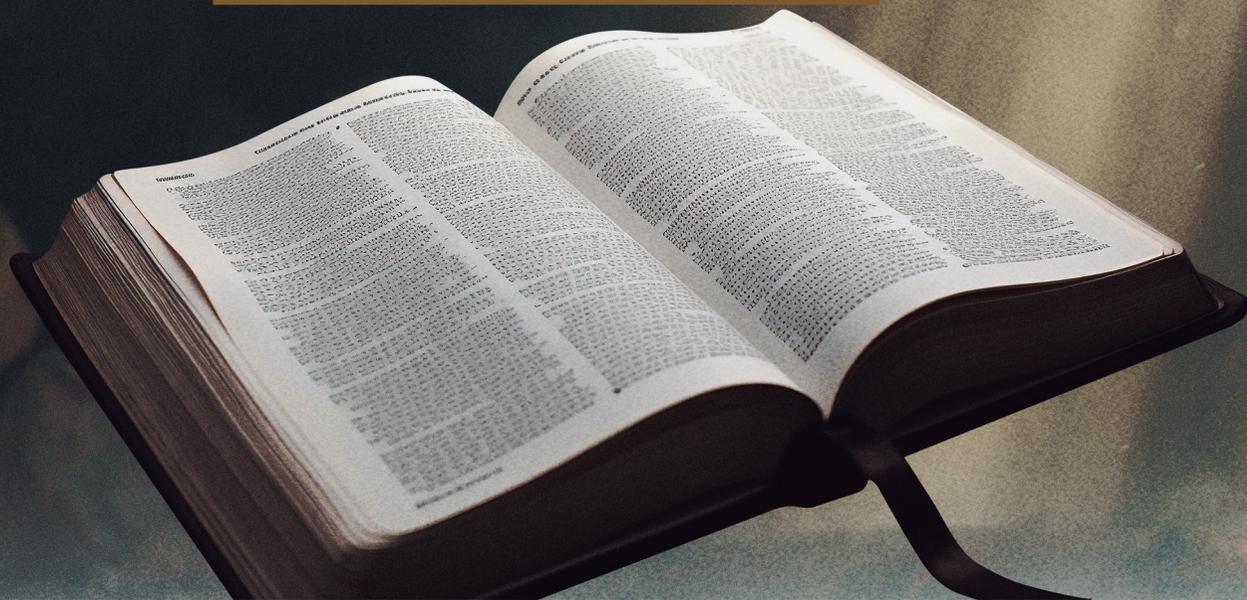


# LESSON 1

# The Book

NO ONE COULD SILENCE



## INTRODUCTION

**T**here was a time when reading it was dangerous. A time when a single page could cost you your freedom... or your life.

Kings banned it, empires tried to erase it, scholars mocked it, and it was burned in public squares across continents. But it would not die. It survived fire, suppression, time, and indifference. And while other books grow old with the centuries, this one seems to breathe.

Not because of ink on its pages... but because it keeps speaking. It speaks to kings and rebels, to skeptics and seekers, to people who feel lost and to those who still dare to hope. Some call it the Bible. Others call it madness. But throughout history, no one has ever managed to silence its voice.

# LET'S EXPLORE THE BIBLE

## A. Divine origin

- The Bible is not an ordinary human book. It was inspired by God: “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.” (2 Tim. 3:16, NKJV)
- God spoke through prophets and apostles, using their words and experiences, but guided by the Holy Spirit (2 Pet. 1:21, NKJV)



## B. Unity amid diversity

- The Bible was written by more than 40 writers, over a period of 1,500 years, in three languages and in very different contexts... **yet it presents the same message of salvation.**
- This is only possible because the true Author is God Himself.



## C. Power to transform

- The Bible is not just for information but for transformation. “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Heb. 4:12, NKJV)
- It has changed the lives of addicts, criminals, prostitutes, desperate people... and continues to do so today.



## D. Historical and prophetic reliability

- Archaeology and history confirm the truthfulness of its accounts.
- Its prophecies are fulfilled with precision, showing that its Author knows the end from the beginning (Isa. 46:9–10, NKJV)



## LET'S REFLECT ON A FEW POINTS

1. What does it mean to you that the Bible is “inspired by God”?

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2. How might reading it help you not just gain knowledge, but impact the way you live?

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3. Have you ever had a personal experience where a Bible verse spoke directly to you?

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## PERSONAL DECISION

**This should lead us to a personal decision.** Today, you have the opportunity to place the Bible at the center of your life, not as just another book, but as God’s voice to you every day. Would you be willing to read it with an open heart, believe its message, and allow it to transform your life?

The Bible is not an ancient book forgotten in a museum. It is God’s love letter to you. Every page is an invitation to know Him more and to live under His guidance. Today, make the commitment to open it daily, to pray before reading, and to let its message transform you.

## PRACTICAL TIPS FOR THIS LESSON

Here are some practical tips for when you begin studying the Bible:

### Where should I start reading the Bible?

Start with the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) to know Jesus’ life and teachings. Then explore the rest, understanding that the whole Bible points to Him.

### What questions should I ask when reading it?

- What does this passage teach me about God?

- What does it show me about myself and my need for Him?

- Is there a promise I can claim today?

- Is God asking me to change something?

### Why is it important to read it in context?

Because a verse taken out of context can be misunderstood, always read what comes before and after to understand the full idea the author wanted to convey.



## DID YOU KNOW...?

The Bible is the best-selling and most translated book in history. It has been translated, fully or in part, into more than 3,500 languages and dialects.

**Have you ever wondered why there are so many different styles within the Bible?**

Because it was written in different literary genres: poetry (Psalms), historical narrative (Exodus, Acts), prophecy (Isaiah, Revelation), letters (Romans, Ephesians). Knowing the style helps interpret its message better.

## IMPORTANT TIP

Keep a notebook to write down what you learn, the questions that arise, and the answers you find. This will help you grow in understanding and remember what God has been teaching you.

## KEY TEXT

“THE GRASS WITHERS, THE  
FLOWER FADES, BUT

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THE  
WORD OF  
OUR GOD

STANDS FOREVER”

(Isa. 40:8, NKJV)



## FINAL MESSAGE

In 1947, young Bedouins were searching for a lost goat near the Dead Sea. As they walked, they began throwing stones into caves in the area. Suddenly, they heard the sound of something breaking inside one of those caves. When they entered, they found several broken jars. Without knowing it, they had discovered the oldest biblical scrolls we know today: the Dead Sea Scrolls, which had been preserved in those jars.

When scholars analyzed those scrolls, they found that the book of Isaiah copied more than a thousand years earlier was practically identical to the one we have in our modern Bibles. This discovery confirmed something that thousands of people had already believed by faith: God's Word has not been lost or corrupted, and it remains as trustworthy today as when it was first written.

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## CONCLUSION

Maybe it's not a coincidence that it reached you. That out of millions of forgotten writings, this book is still waiting to be opened once more. It's not just an old text... it's a conversation waiting to happen. One that crosses centuries, borders, cultures, and wounds.

And today, its message still burns bright. Because there are truths that time simply cannot erase. The book that no one could extinguish still speaks. And when it finally speaks to you... your life never stays the same.

## EVALUATE YOUR LEARNING

### 1. Mark with a T if the statement is true or F it is false.

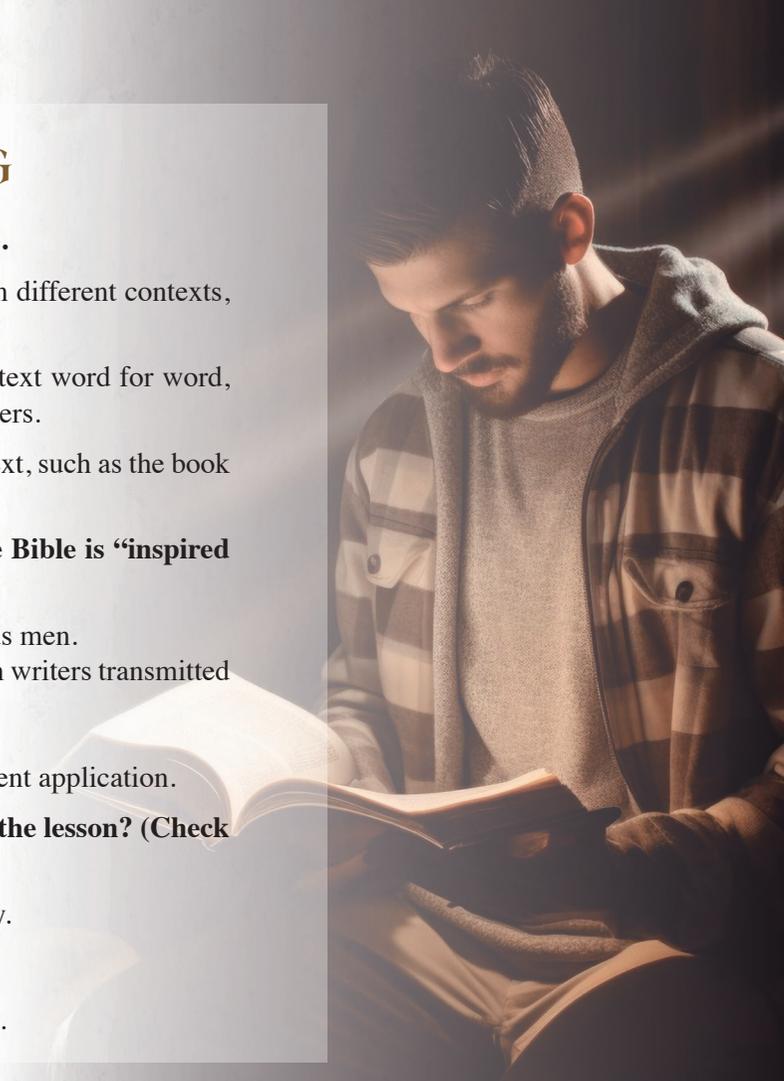
- ( ) The Bible was written by more than 40 authors in different contexts, yet it maintains one central message of salvation.
- ( ) Biblical inspiration means that God dictated the text word for word, without the participation of the human style of the writers.
- ( ) The Dead Sea Scrolls confirmed that the biblical text, such as the book of Isaiah, has been preserved reliably over time.

### 2. According to the lesson, what does it mean that the Bible is “inspired by God”? (Check only one correct answer).

- a) That it was written only by well-intentioned religious men.
- b) That God is the source of the message and the human writers transmitted that message guided by the Holy Spirit.
- c) That all biblical books have the same literary style.
- d) That the Bible is only a historical book with no current application.

### 3. What is the main purpose of the Bible according to the lesson? (Check only one correct answer).

- a) To increase intellectual knowledge of ancient history.
- b) To serve as a strict moral code.
- c) To inform and transform human life.
- d) To be a symbolic book that is difficult to understand.



## WHAT MOST CAUGHT YOUR ATTENTION IN THIS LESSON

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### Do you want to know more about this lesson?

We want to accompany you every step of the way on your spiritual journey, not just through knowledge. By scanning the QR code below, you will access the video lesson for Lesson 1 and discover a comprehensive space designed to address your questions, strengthen your learning, and connect us in prayer.

