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Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. 2 Peter 1:21



Have a careful look at the sailing ship. You will notice how the wind fills the sails. That is how early ships used to move. They were borne by the wind across the ocean.

2 Timothy 3:16 informs us: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God." The Greek word for inspiration literally means 'God-breathed'. Wind breathes into the sails of the ship to propel it across the water. The Holy Spirit breathed into the men who wrote the Bible.

He told them what to write. And He also made sure to it that they wrote the words He told them.

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"We speak, not in *the words* which man's wisdom teaches, but *which the Holy Ghost teaches.*" 1 Cor. 2:13.

This is called the "**verbal**" inspiration of the Bible. "**Verbal**" means every word. The Holy Spirit breathed into the holy men of God every word they were to write.

Since the Bible is the inspired Word of God, it is absolutely true in every word without even the slightest error.

This is important because:

Our entire salvation depends upon what the Bible tells us about Jesus. Since God is faithful, we can trust every word the Bible tells us about Jesus.

Christ Himself taught that Every Word of the Bible Is True.

"Thy Word is truth." John 17:17.

"The Scripture cannot be broken." John 10:35.

Whom did the Holy Spirit use to write the Bible? Our text tells us: "**Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.**"

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The Prophets:

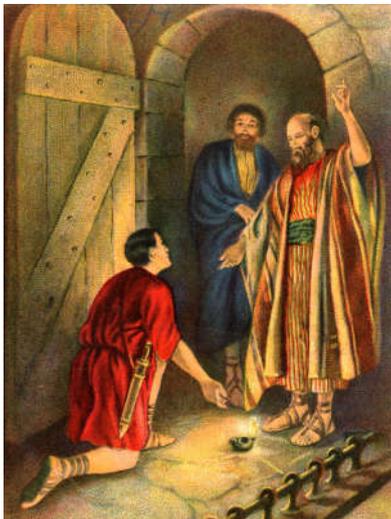
The Prophets wrote the books of the Old Testament.

Moses and the Brazen Serpent:



(b) The Evangelists and the Apostles wrote the books of the New Testament.

Paul and the Jailer at Philippi



They were still sinners by nature. They are called “holy” because they were used by the **Holy** Ghost to write God’s **holy** Word - the Bible.

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These are the different types of men The Holy Ghost used:

a. **Prophet:** a person “who speaks on behalf of another,” e.g. true prophet — God.

b. **Apostle:** “one who is sent on a mission.” A person directly **chosen** by Christ, directly **taught** by Him, a witness of Christ’s resurrection, and specially **called** by Him to preach His Word.

c. **Evangelist:** a person who wrote a Gospel of Jesus Christ. Four Evangelists: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

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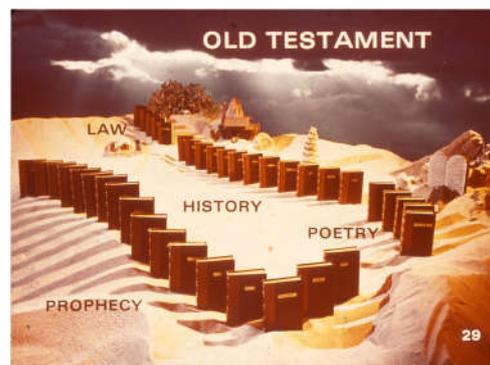
SUMMARY

The Bible Is The Written Word Of God.

(1). Bible comes from the Greek word “*biblia*” = books. It is a collection of books found in one Book.

(2). The Bible’s 66 books were written by about 40 men between 1500 B.C. and 100 A.D.

(3) The two main parts of the Bible are the Old Testament and the New Testament.

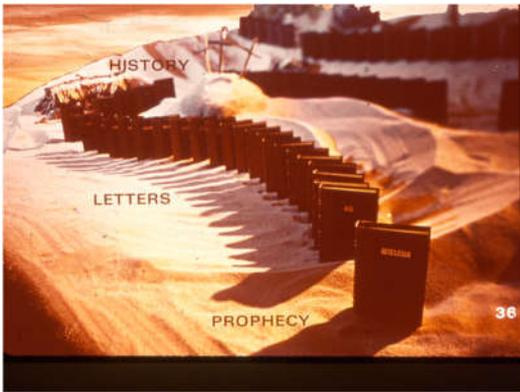


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UNITY OF THE BIBLE.

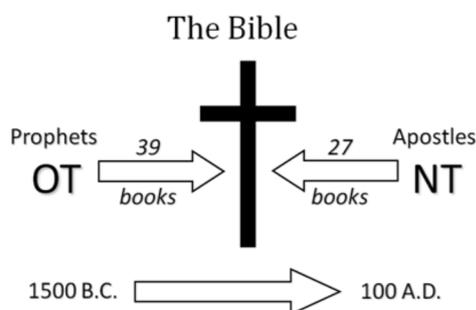
(4) The **Old Testament** (OT) was written by Moses and the prophets:

- a) contains 39 books, originally written in the Hebrew language.
- b) was written before the birth of Christ.
- c) Its primary message is that the Savior from sin (the Messiah, Christ) will come according to God's promise.



(5) The **New Testament** (NT):

- a) was written by the evangelists and apostles.
- b) contains 27 books, originally written in the Greek language.
- c) written after the birth of Christ.
- d) its primary message is that the promised Savior came, in the person of Jesus Christ, and that He will come again at the Last Day.



- a) It took 1600 years to write the Bible.
- b) God used at least 40 different people to write these 66 books.
- c) While there is a special reason for each book of the Bible, yet there is:

1 Author = God,

1 Purpose = how lost sinners can be saved alone by grace through faith in Jesus Christ,

1 Outline - all the teachings in the Bible are united in the most intimate harmony.

There is no other book on earth that has ever been written like this. The Bible must be God's Word without error.

Therefore, let us enthusiastically "search the Scriptures", so that we might find Christ and the certainty of salvation.

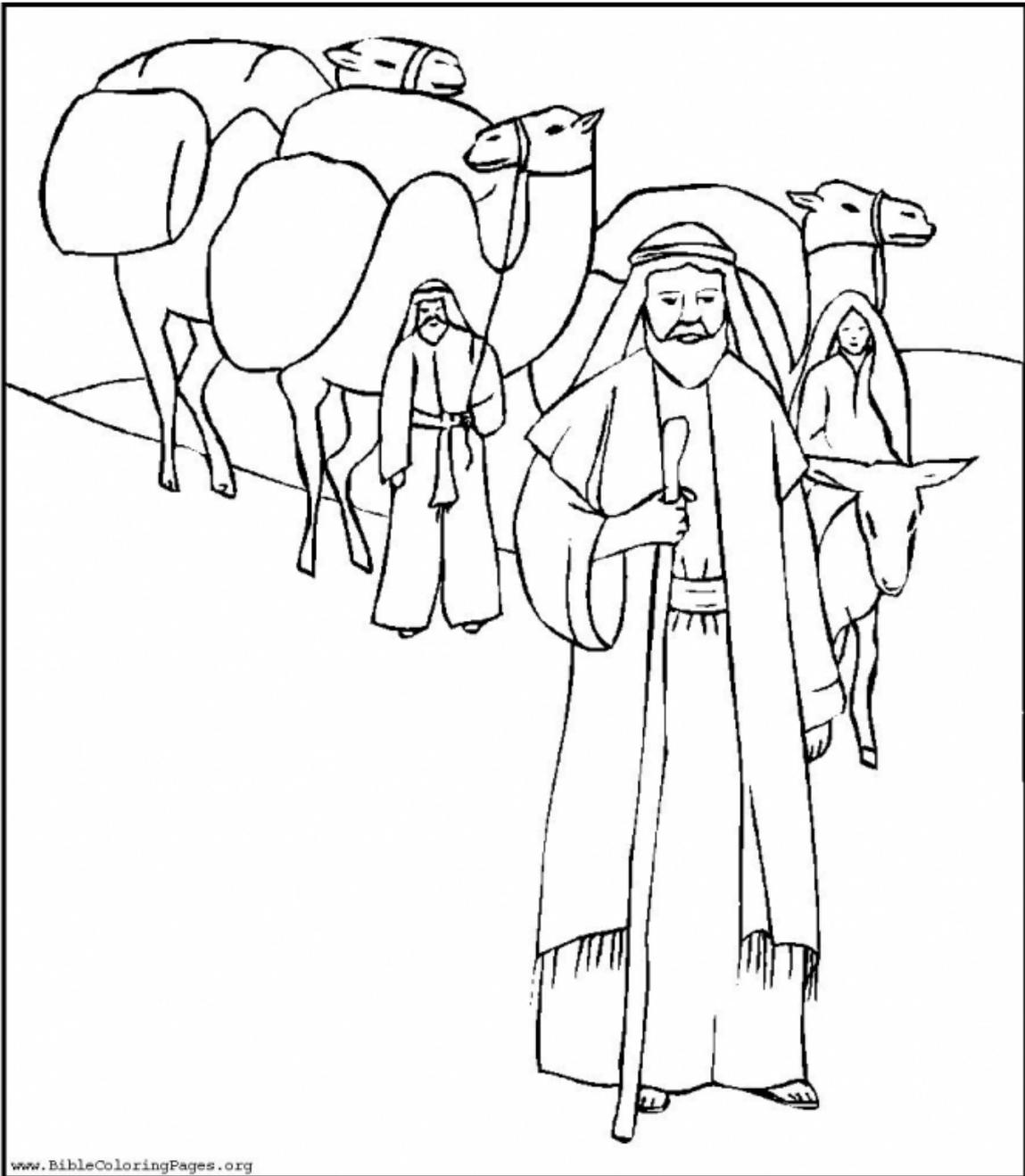
Prayer: Dear Father in heaven, we thank You for Your love in Christ Jesus our Saviour, and for that gift of Your love, the Holy Bible. Help us by Your Holy Spirit that we may gladly hear, learn, and keep Your Word. Amen.

How precious is the Book divine
By inspiration given!
Bright as a lamp Its doctrines shine
To guide our souls to heaven.

This lamp through all the tedious night
Of life shall guide our way,
Till we behold the clearer light
Of an eternal day.

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GOLDEN TEXT:

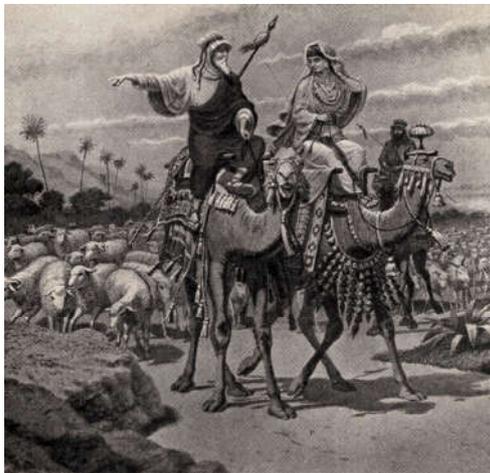
Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. - Psalm 37:5

Dear Children,—It was already mentioned in the foregoing lesson that the Flood did not make the hearts of men any better. We have seen how men became proud and boastful, and how they did not wish to bow in humble obedience to their Creator. It was only a step further for men to turn away from the living God altogether, and make idols for themselves. This they did, and the worship of these idols took the form of acts of wickedness that could not be done while men remained faithful to God and His commandments. To Christians it seems strange that men should so soon forget the awful lesson of the Flood, but it is a strange that not very many years afterwards nearly all the world was worshipping idols. What did God do when men thus showed their inborn wickedness? He chose one man for Himself, and through that one man God decided to keep the knowledge and worship of the true God alive in the world, and likewise, through the man God determined to raise up for Himself a people from which should come the Saviour to redeem men. No doubt you are thinking this must have been a remarkable man. So he was, and you shall hear something about him to-day.

GENESIS 9

The Call of Abram.

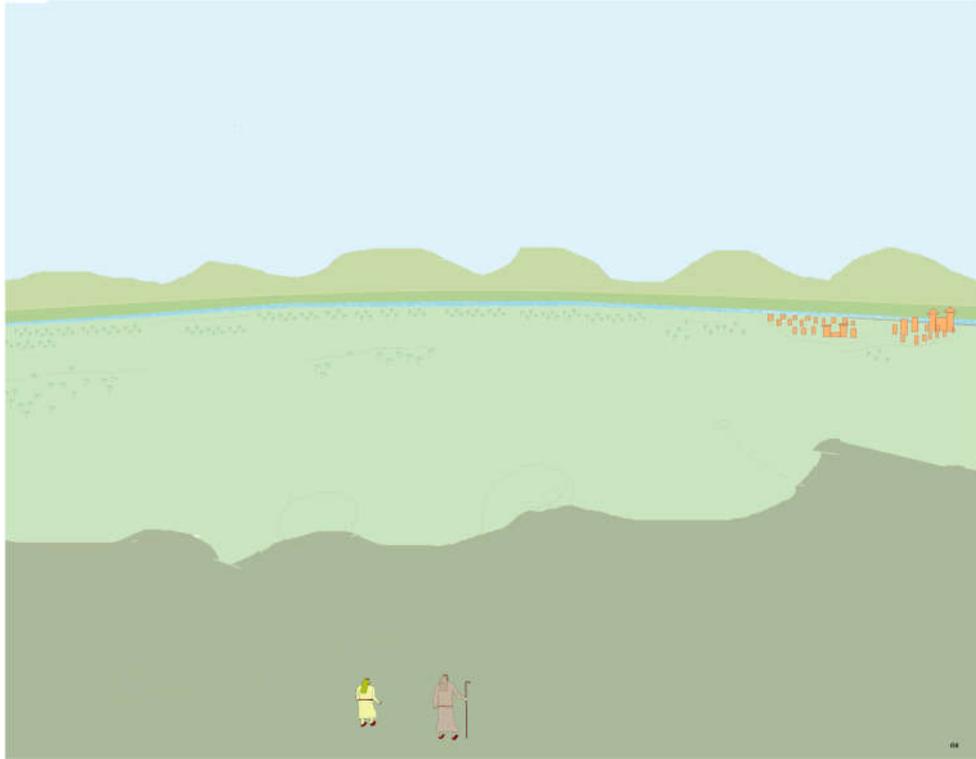
God Chooses His Man.—During the Great War (World War 1) the British took from the Turks a country now called Iraq. The Euphrates and Tigris rivers flow through it. About four thousand years ago this country was called Mesopotamia, and was thickly peopled, for it was a rich land. One of its cities was called Haran. Here lived a man called Terah who had several sons. Abram was one of them. But he worshipped other gods like so many of the men of his time. Therefore God said to Abram, “Go away from your country, and from your friends and relatives, and from your father’s house, unto a land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and in thee shall all the families (nations) of the earth be blessed.” Now, although Abram did not like to leave his country and his relatives, he obeyed



God. At the age of seventy-five years he departed with Sarai, his wife, and Lot, his brother’s son, and came to the land of Canaan. At Sichem on a plain called Moreh, the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “Unto thy seed will I give this land.” And Abram built an altar unto the Lord who had appeared unto him.

Abram and Lot.—Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. Lot also had flocks and herds. They had so many cattle and sheep and other animals that there was not enough pasture for all while they lived together. Therefore their herdmen often quarrelled, and perhaps even fought. So Abram said to Lot, “Let there be no strife, I pray you, between me and you, and between by herdmen and your herdmen; for we are brethren. Is not the whole land before you? Separate yourself, I pray you, from me. If you will go towards the left, then I will go towards the right; or if you depart to the right, then I will go towards the left.” In other words, Abram allowed Lot to choose any part of the country that pleased him. And Lot saw all the plain through which ran the Jordan river that it was well watered everywhere, even as a garden of the Lord. So he chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and pitched his tent toward a town called Sodom. But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the Lord exceedingly. And the Lord said unto Abram, after Lot had left him, “Lift up

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your eyes and look: for all the land which you see, to you will I give it, and to your descendants for ever.” And Abram came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the Lord.

The Battle.— Some time later a great misfortune came over all the people that lived in the Jordan plain near Sodom. Four kings joined their armies and made way upon the king of Sodom, and beat him in in battle, put him to flight, and took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, another city nearby, and all their stores of food and so forth, including Lot, and all that he had, and went their way. When Abram heard this he gave weapons of war to his three hundred and eighteen trained servants, followed and defeated the enemy in battle, and brought back all the goods and people, and also Lot.

Dear Children,—From This interesting story learn the following lessons: It is pleasing to God that His children should live in peace, and not quarrel and wrangle over

earthly possessions. Abram gave a beautiful example of love and peace. But a Christian is not bound to seek peace at any price. It is sometimes our duty to resist the wrong done by others, to the best of our strength. That is what Abram did when he made war on those four kings. But we must seek the glory of God, and the good of our fellow-men. There would be very little strife in the world if we all obeyed that rule. Observe also that Lot did not become any richer because he chose the best part of the land for himself. He came very close to losing all that he had, including his own freedom.

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Questions

1. Whom did God choose to be especially His own?
2. Who was Abram's father?
3. In what country did he live?
4. What had most men by this time become?

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5. What also was Terah?
6. Whom did Abram worship?
7. What did God command Abram to do?
8. What did he do?
9. Who went with him?
10. Where did they go?
11. Who appeared there to Abram?
12. What did he promise Abram?
13. What did Abram then do?
14. In what was Abram rich?
15. What did Lot have?
16. What happened while they lived together?
17. Why?
18. Who solved the difficulty?
19. What did he suggest to Lot?
20. Put his offer into your own words.
21. What therefore did Lot do?
22. Where did he go?
23. Why?
24. What did God then say to Abram?
25. Where did Abram settle?
26. What did he build unto the Lord?
27. What soon broke out in the plain of Jordan?
28. Name two cities of the plain.
29. Against whom was the war aimed?
30. How many kings united against the king of Sodom?
31. What was the result of the battle?
32. What did the enemy take away with them?
33. Whom did they also take?
34. Who heard of this?
35. What did he do?
36. How many trained servants had he?
37. What was the result?
38. What did he bring back?
39. Whom also did he save?
40. How should Christians strive to live?
41. What must they not seek at any price, however?
42. What sometimes becomes necessary?
43. For what kind of aims must they never strive?
44. Whose glory must they seek?
45. For whose welfare should they strive?

Home Exercises

1. What did God mean when He said to Abram, "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed"?
2. Explain how this story shows Abram's love of peace.
3. What was God's special reason for separating Abram from his relatives and friends?
4. What do you learn from the fact that Abram had hundreds of trained men-servants?
5. What did Lot not take into careful consideration when he chose the rich Jordan plain for himself?
6. How does this story show that it is not always wise to do those things which seem to promise the greatest profits and wealth?
7. Before a child of God undertakes anything important, he must first ask himself the questions: Will this please God? Will it hinder me in serving God? Will it be a danger or a help to my soul? Think earnestly over those words.

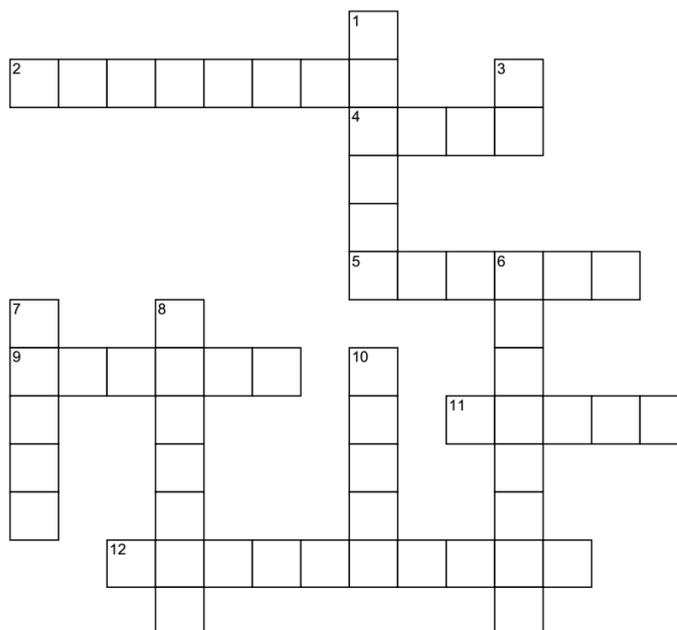


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HOME EXERCISES



Bible Crossword



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ACROSS

- 2 The middle book of the Old Testament.
- 4 The last word in the Bible.
- 5 A city of Samaria where Jesus spoke with the woman at the well there (John 4).
- 9 The great grandson of King Hezekiah who reigned for 31 years (2 Kings 22).
- 11 Abrahams father.
- 12 Man who lived to be 969 years (Genesis 5).

DOWN

- 1 The longest book in the Bible.
- 3 The first word in the Bible.
- 6 A king of Judah who was delivered by God from Sennacherib's army in the time of Isaiah (II Kings 18-19).
- 7 The book of the Bible with the fewest verses.
- 8 Jonah was sent to preach to this city.
- 10 The name of the King of Persia under whom Gods people were released.

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