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2 Timothy 3:16-17

SAMPLE

STUDENT

Finding the tools you need

**SESSION ONE**

# Word for Word

**GEARING UP:**

## Judging a Book by Its Cover

**TAKE STOCK:**

The all-time top 10 best-selling books by human authors are listed below. What can you tell about them by their titles?

- The Book of Common Prayer* \_\_\_\_\_
- Pilgrim's Progress* \_\_\_\_\_
- Fox's Book of Martyrs* \_\_\_\_\_
- Book of Mormon* \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* \_\_\_\_\_
- And Then There Were None* \_\_\_\_\_
- The Lord of the Rings* \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* \_\_\_\_\_
- The Da Vinci Code* \_\_\_\_\_
- Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* \_\_\_\_\_

**Holy:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bible:** \_\_\_\_\_

"ALL SCRIPTURE IS BREATHED OUT BY GOD AND PROFITABLE FOR TEACHING, FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION AND FOR TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, THAT THE MAN OF GOD MAY BE COMPETENT, EQUIPPED FOR EVERY GOOD WORK."

2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

"FOR THE WORD OF GOD IS LIVING AND ACTIVE, SHARPER THAN ANYTWO-EDGED SWORD, PIERCING TO THE DIVISION OF SOUL AND OF SPIRIT, OF JOINTS AND OF MARROW, AND DISCERNING THE THOUGHTS AND INTENTIONS OF THE HEART."

*Hebrews 4:12*

# 1 About the Relationship with the Author

2 TIMOTHY 3:16A – “ALL SCRIPTURE IS BREATHED OUT BY GOD...”

## **INSPIRATION:**

### **how God wrote the Bible through humans**

“KNOWING THIS FIRST OF ALL, THAT NO PROPHECY OF SCRIPTURE COMES FROM SOMEONE’S OWN INTERPRETATION. FOR NO PROPHECY WAS EVER PRODUCED BY THE WILL OF MAN, BUT MEN SPOKE FROM GOD AS THEY WERE CARRIED ALONG BY THE HOLY SPIRIT ”

2 PETER 1:20-21

“...no book reaches the hearts of men so much. No word so awakens the conscience. No word is so powerful to change the heart.”

Jonathan Edwards

BOOKS: 66  
 CHAPTERS: 1,189  
 VERSES: 31,102  
 HUMAN WRITERS: 40, INCLUDING SHEPHERDS, FARMERS, TENT-MAKERS, PHYSICIANS, FISHERMEN, PRIESTS, PHILOSOPHERS, TAX COLLECTORS, AND KINGS, WRITTEN OVER A PERIOD OF AROUND 1,500 YEARS  
 TRANSLATIONS: OVER 2,018 LANGUAGES  
 AUTHOR: GOD

**You can trust the Bible, because you can trust the Author.**

## **GOD:**

- LAID THE FOUNDATION OF THE EARTH AND SET ITS MEASUREMENTS
- ENCLOSED THE SEAS AND SET THEIR BOUNDARIES
- COMMANDS THE MORNING AND CAUSES THE DAWN TO KNOW ITS PLACE
- MAKES CHANNELS FOR FLOODS AND PATHS FOR LIGHTENING BOLTS
- BRINGS RAIN ON THE EARTH
- MAKES SEEDS SPROUT
- GIVES WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING
- KNOWS WHEN ANIMALS GIVE BIRTH AND GIVES THEM FOOD TO EAT
- CAN DO ALL THINGS AND HIS PURPOSE NEVER FAILS
- IS TOO WONDERFUL TO UNDERSTAND  
JOB 38-42

# 2

## The Author

“Your way, O God, is holy. What is great like our God?”

PSALM 77:13

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.”

REVELATION 4:8 b

Who is your favorite author?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Who is your favorite celebrity?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Who is your favorite athlete?  
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Do you know any of them personally?  
\_Yes \_No

Would any of them want to get to know  
you personally? \_Yes \_No

“WHEN THE FULLNESS OF TIME HAD COME, GOD SENT FORTH HIS SON, BORN OF A WOMAN, BORN UNDER THE LAW, TO REDEEM THOSE WHO WERE UNDER THE LAW, SO THAT WE MIGHT RECEIVE ADOPTION AS SONS.”

GALATIANS 4:4-5

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY IS THE LORD. HIS GLORY FILLS THE WHOLE EARTH IS FULL OF HIS GLORY.”

ISAIAH 6:3 b

### THE AUTHOR IS:

righteous, pure, holy, all-powerful, all-knowing, everywhere, incredible, overwhelmingly awesome. His glory fills the whole earth.

“NONE IS RIGHTEOUS, NO, NOT ONE; NO ONE UNDERSTANDS; NO ONE SEEKS FOR GOD. ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE; TOGETHER THEY HAVE BECOME WORTHLESS; NO ONE DOES GOOD, NOT EVEN ONE... FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD...” -ROMANS 3:10-12, 23

### YOU ARE:

unrighteous, impure, weak, ignorant, finite, sinful. You cannot reach the Author because of this.

“WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE WITH THE FATHER, JESUS CHRIST THE RIGHTEOUS. HE IS THE PROPITIATION FOR OUR SINS, AND NOT FOR OURS ONLY BUT ALSO FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD..” -1 JOHN 2:1-2

### JESUS IS:

righteous, pure, holy. He paid your way. He offers access to the Author. He is your advocate.

# Do you know the Author?

“BY THIS WE KNOW LOVE, THAT HE LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR US...”

1 John 3:16a

S I M P L E   T I P S

**The Bible tells us much about the Author and how you can get to know Him. Here are three steps to beginning a relationship with Him.**

- 1- Admit that you are sinful (Romans 3:23).**
- 2- Accept Jesus' free gift of forgiveness and salvation (Romans 6:23).**
- 3- Surrender your life to Him (Romans 10:9-10).**

Can you really understand the Bible if you don't know God?  
 \_Yes\_ \_No\_  
 \_Don't Know

Which is true about you?

- I have a strong relationship with God.**
- I have a relationship with God that needs work.**
- I'd like to have a relationship with God.**
- I'm not interested in having a relationship with God right now.**

*Is there something you need to do to make your relationship with God, the Author, better? If so, write it here.*

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