

The Christian & the Book

2 Timothy 3:10-16, Luke 6:46

Why do you read the Bible?

- a. it's my duty as a Christian
- b. God guides me in my life through it
- c. I want to know more about my Christian faith
- d. Other reasons ...
- e. N.A. -- I don't read the Bible

Why don't we read the Bible regularly?

- a. no time
- b. too difficult
- c. not necessary
- d. not interested

**Why we cannot afford
NOT to read the Bible.**

How did the Bible come into existence?

- a. Dropped down from the sky
- b. Found in a cave near the Dead Sea
- c. Compiled by human authors over a period of 1500 years
- d. Given to the disciples by Jesus before his death

Who wrote the Bible?

- a. Humans
- b. Angels
- c. God through humans (dictation)
- d. God through humans (inspiration)

2 Timothy 3:16

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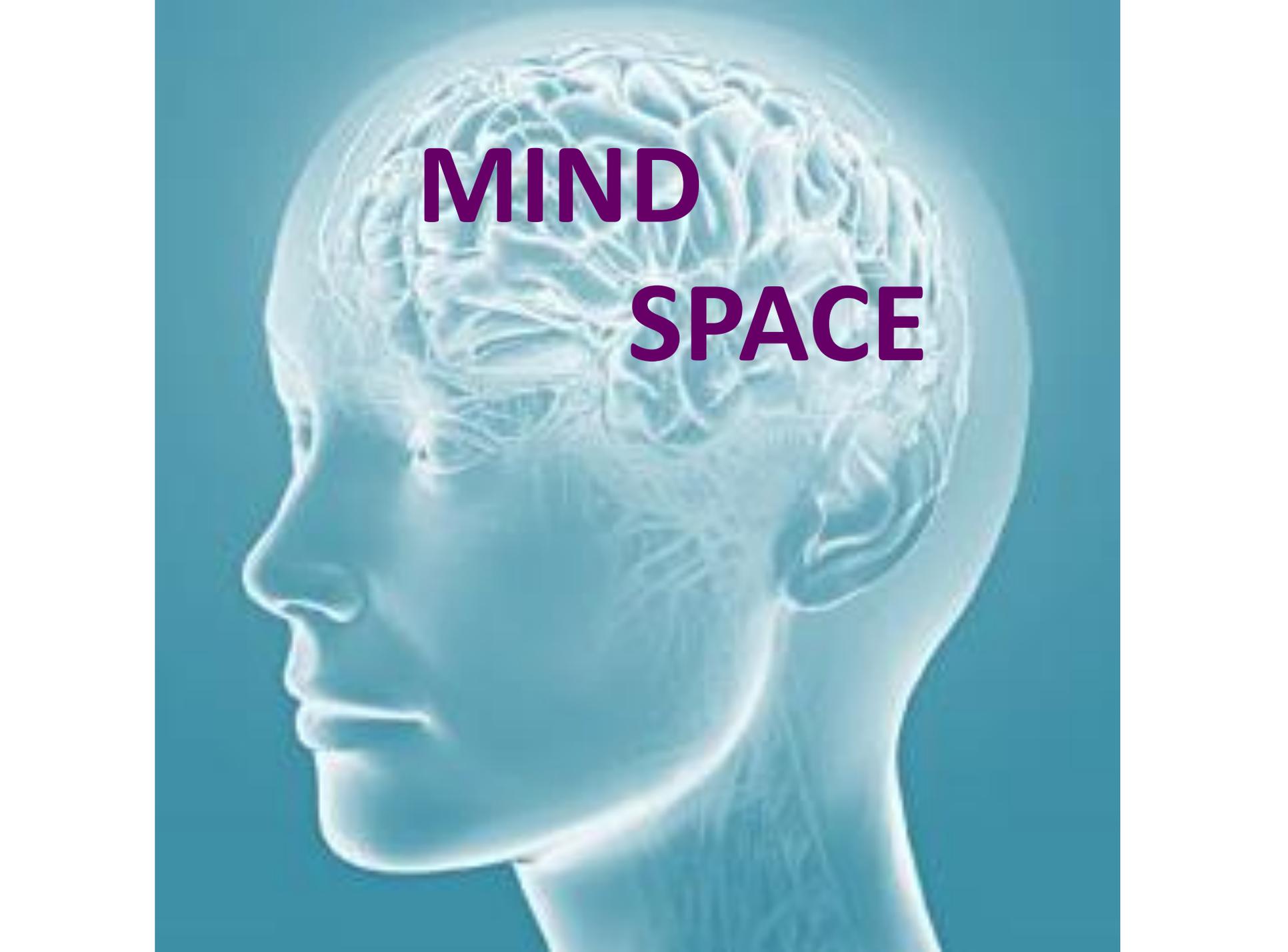
But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. **Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.**

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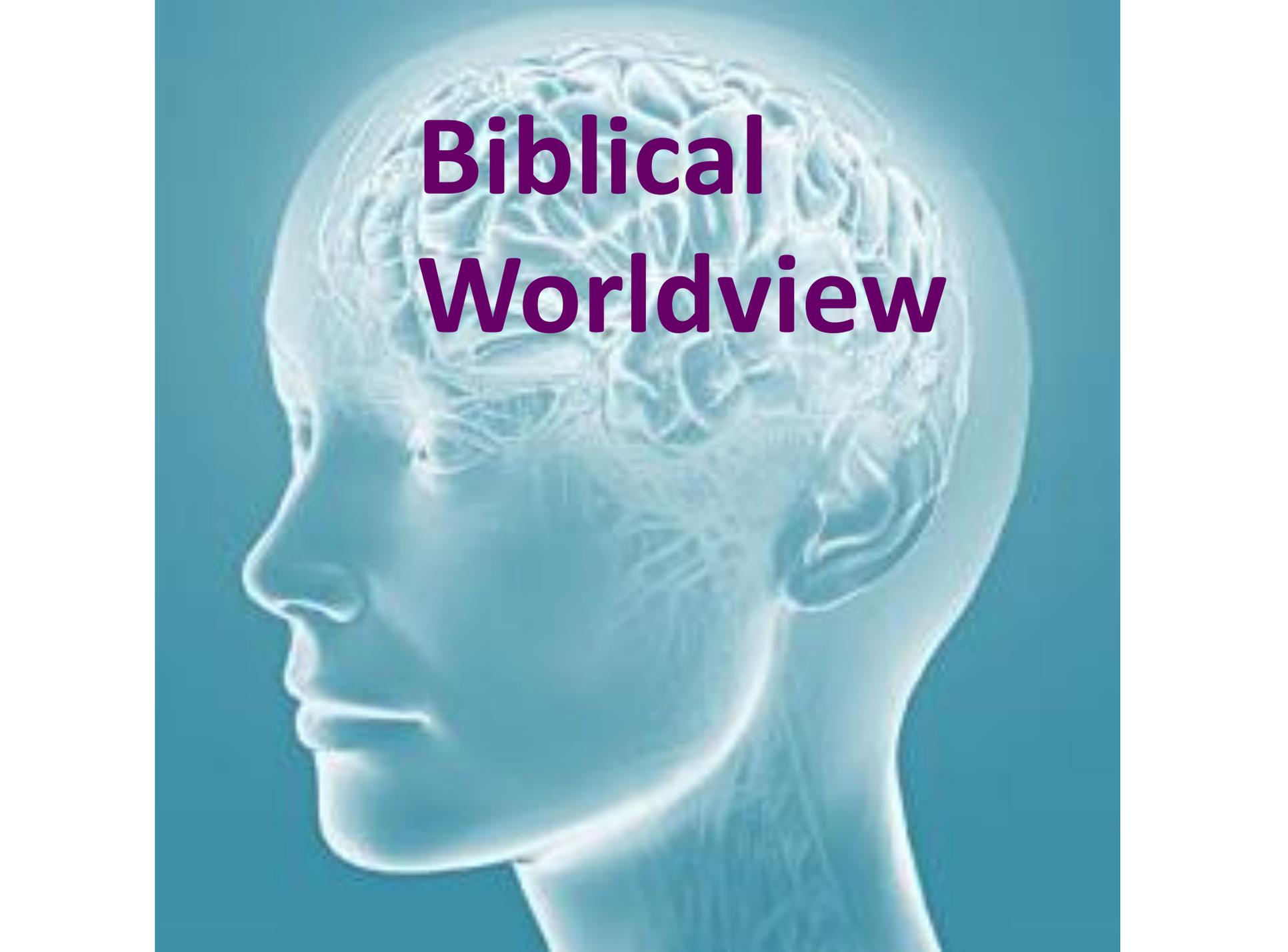
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1. Source of Truth & Wisdom

- *How do we know what is right or wrong?*
- *How do we know how to act in the different circumstances of our life?*
- *How do we discern truth from lies in a world filled with “fake news”?*
- *How do we obtain wisdom to live a life that is wholesome and free from sin? (“salvation”, v15).*



**MIND
SPACE**



Biblical Worldview

Why we cannot afford NOT to read the Bible.

- 1. Source of Truth & Wisdom**
- 2. Ministry Training Manual**

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- 1. Foundation of Truth & Wisdom**
- 2. Ministry Training Manual**
- 3. Basis of Our Faith**

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What God? Which God?

1. How do you **know** God exists?
2. How do you **know** if your God is the true God?
3. How do you **know** what this God is like?

What is the basis of my knowledge and belief in the Christian faith?

If the Bible is so central to our faith, why do so little Christians read it . . .

as often as they would read the newspapers, or surf the Web for information that is important for their life?

Luke 6:46

“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do **what I say?”**

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Those who have no desire and are uninterested to read the Bible might actually **not believe in God (and therefore are not saved).**

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**a child who doesn't enjoy being with
his father.**

Reading the Bible is an Act of Belief

- **in God's existence,**
- **in God's involvement in our life,**
- **and therefore a sign that we are truly saved from sin and death.**

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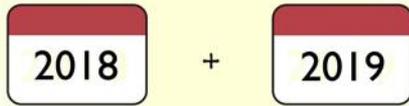


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One Book



Two Years

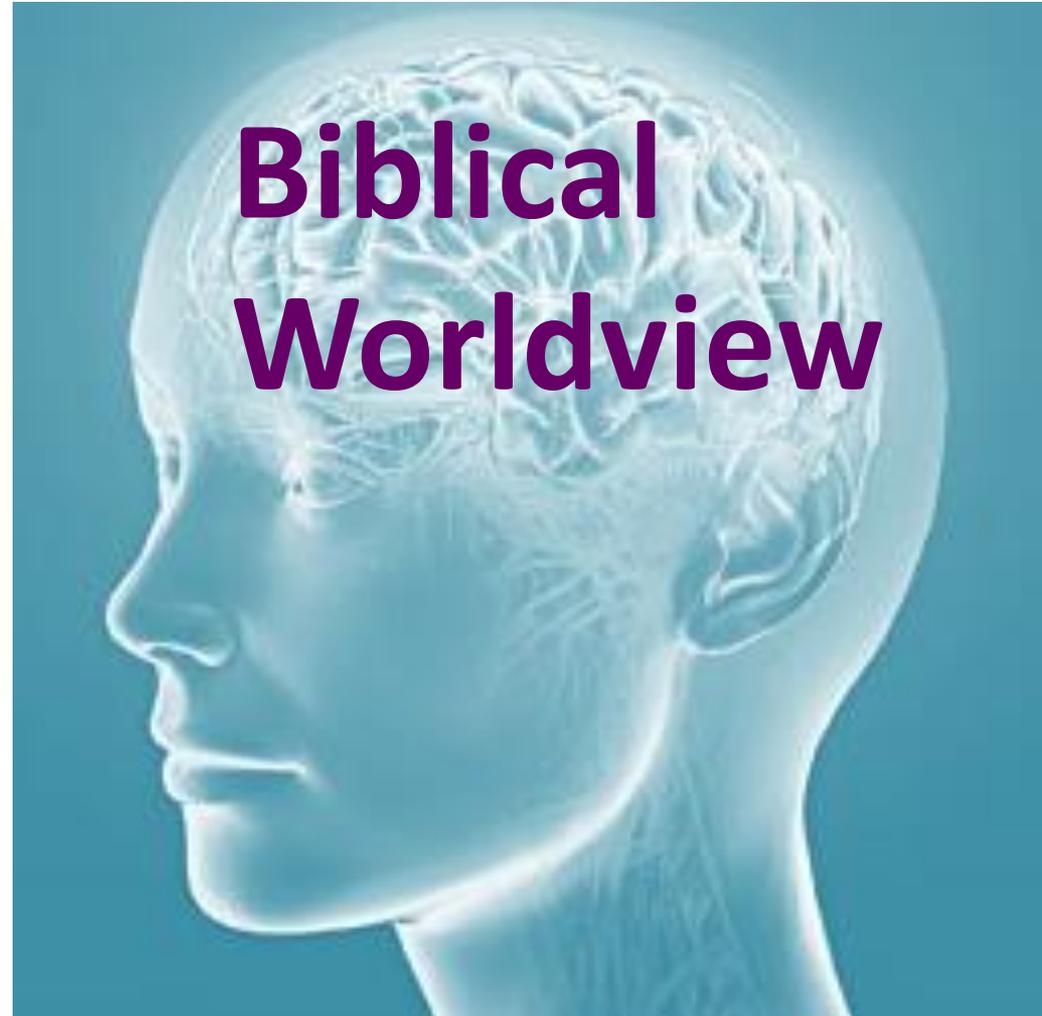


100 Sermons



**Living Out God's Word
in the Real World**

STAY TUNED



**Biblical
Worldview**



PMC BIBLE MARATHON

THE BIBLE TABLE

Ge Genesis 50																
Jn John 21	1C 1Corinthians 29					Ps Psalms 150					Pr Proverbs 31					Zc Zechariah 14
Ex Exodus 40	Dt Deuteronomy 34												Er Ezra 10	1J 1John 5		
Ac Acts 28	Ga Galatians 6	2C 2Corinthians 13	2S 2Samuel 24	Ep Ephesians 6	Ho Hosea 14	Jb Job 42	2P 2Peter 3	Da Daniel 12	Ob Obadiah 1	Na Nahum 3	2T 2Timothy 4	Ne Nehemiah 13	2J 2John 1			
Le Leviticus 27	Ro Romans 16	Ru Ruth 4	Ph Philippians 4	Ec Ecclesiastes 12	Jl Joel 3	1P 1Peter 5	Is Isaiah 66	Ju Jude 1	Jo Jonah 4	1T 1Timothy 6	Je Jeremiah 52	Es Esther 10	3J 3John 1			
He Hebrews 13	Js Joshua 24	Ma Mark 16	1K 1Kings 22	So Songs 8	1Th 1Thessalonians 5	Ha Habakkuk 3	Lu Luke 24	Re Revelation 22	Co Colossians 4	1Ch 1Chronicles 29	La Lamentations 5	Pm Philemon 1	MI Malachi 4			
Nu Numbers 36	Jg Judges 21	1S 1Samuel 31	2K 2Kings 25	Ja James 5	2Th 2Thessalonians 3	Ze Zechariah 3	Ez Ezekiel 48	Am Amos 9	Mi Micah 7	2Ch 2Chronicles 36	Ti Titus 3	Hg Haggai 2	Mt Matthew 28			

■ Old Testament
 ■ Gospels
 ■ Pauline Epistles
 ■ General Epistles
 ■ Wisdom

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HEAR IT.

LIVE OUT.

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