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He that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. 1 John 5:10



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HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE
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We are constantly being asked this question by those who want to really study the Bible; not only study it, but teach it in such a way that others also can be led into a real understanding of the Bible.

In this study we will outline a method of studying the Bible that we feel will be able to help believers study their Bible and rightly divide it.

The first principle that every believer should understand about the Bible relates to three things:

1. The first thing we should understand is that God wrote the Bible. It is God's instructions to the Jews, Gentiles and the Church. That it contains God's complete plan and purpose regarding the redemption of all three mentioned. 2 Tim. 3:16 "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness"

2. Those who know God and desire to follow Him and understand His Word and teach His Word, are exhorted to study it as in 2 Tim.2:15"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth"

3. Why we should study it is further brought out in 2 Tim. 3:16,17."All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" Then 2 Tim.2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the Word of truth"

Now let us consider the full truth of what these scriptures say. That all that the believer needs to completely be instructed in all areas of Christian truth is a complete study of the Bible alone. If the believer desires to enter into all that Redemptions Plan has for him, or her, they must study the Bible. If they desire to expound the Bible to others, and always be uptodate in present truth; that they never need to be ashamed, they need to study the Bible.

There are many kinds of helps relating to Bible study, but we will be better able to use them after we have, to some degree, mastered the Bible itself.

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Another principle is that we who desire to teach others should understand that the first purpose of Bible Study is related to teaching ourselves. If the Bible cannot speak to us first, we will never make it speak to others.

METHODS OF STUDYING THE BIBLE

The Bible is a book of books. Sixty six books make up the one book. The Writers, forty-four in number, writing through twenty centuries have produced a perfect harmony of doctrine, relating to the whole plan and purpose of God.

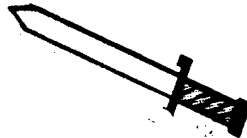
The separate Books may be regarded as chapters and each book is complete in itself; Each book must be studied in the light of its own theme because each book has a distinct theme, and it can be named according to that theme.

For example Genesis is the Book of Beginnings. Exodus relates to Deliverance, Leviticus to Holiness. Matthew is Christ the King and the Kingdom. Acts is the First Century Missions. Romans is the Gospel of God. Corinthians is Christian Conduct and Revelation is the Consumation.

These Books of the Bible fall into five great divisions and Christ is the one theme as stated in Luke 25:25-27 "And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, he expounded unto them, in all the scriptures things concerning Himself"

These Five Divisions are:

1. Preparation: Old Testament.
2. Manifestation: Gospels.
3. Propagation: Acts.
4. Explanation: Epistles.
5. Consumation: Revelation.



THE FIRST METHOD OF BIBLE STUDY

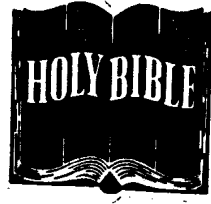
The first method of Bible study is that of learning to divide the Bible. We should understand that dividing the Bible is of the uttermost importance. It will save us from getting into many forms of error. We must then learn and understand that the Bible is first divided into ages. There are five Ages in the Bible giving us a broad base of division.

Outside of earth's time, the scripture mentions two ages. The Alpha or Creative Ages and after Earth's time, the Omega Age, or Endless Ages.

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ROCK AND CHRISTAIN ROCK MUSIC
By Ron Martinez



I. Background History:

A. The present rock music of the 1970's can be traced back to a combination of African and Hindu Music.

B. The African music was used during sacrificial and ceremonial services and involved loud and fast drum beats with a continuous rhythm along with chantings and whinings of the natives to their gods they were worshipping.

C. The dancing consisted of violent back and forth bodily gestures, jerking of the head violently back and forth to the beat and rhythm of the music.

D. This form of ceremonial worship was to the many gods of a superstitious and ignorant culture, and was supposed to please their gods of war, fire, lightning and other materail and mythological things.

II. Early History of "Blues":

A. During the Civil War from 1861 to 1865, which Abraham Lincoln was President at that time, negroes were shipped from Africa to the U.S.A. as slaves and worked in the cotton and crop fields. They brought with them their music and began to express themselves and their bondage in slavery thru' their music. With a mixture of their culture and slavery, a music called "Blues" was formed, which expressed their opinions, culture, heritage as well as their bondage in slavery.

B. Definition: The word "blues" means a type of song of American-Negroe origin, pre-dominantly of a gloomy state of mind, or depression in character and usually performed in a slow tempo. It is short for "blue devils" which means Low spirits.

III. History of Jazz:

A. As time progressed along, and slavery became non-existent, this form of blues progressed into a special style called "jazz" Thru' the negroe's education and culture, this Jazz-style consisted of much improvised, or ad-libbed music. It was also syncopated, which means: to accent beats which are normally unaccented.

B. Jazz became popular during the early 20's thru 50's, and dancing consisted of violent bodily motions and jerking of the body to the fast beat and heavy rhythm of the music.

IV. History of Rock and Roll:

A. Bands of the 50's, thru the influence of Jaz and American Hill-billy, country Western, music, introduced a new style called "Rhythm and Blues". The songs were characterized by their open sexuality, (due to

country -Western) noisy beat and aggressiveness.

B. In 1951, a disc-jockey named Alan Freed coined the term "Rock and Roll" to describe the rhythm. Three years later as a result of the phenomenal success of a record entitled "Rock Around the Clock" (which there were 15 million copies sold), Rock and Roll was launched.

V. History of Rock Music:

A. Rock and Roll continued to progress in the 1960's into the music of the 1970's due to the influence of Hindu music.

B. The first influence of Hindu music came about a few years after the phenomenal group, the Beatles came to U.S. in the winter of 1963. After four years of continuous recording and touring, the Beatles took a vacation abroad to India in 1967. They got involved in drugs for the first time with a little help from the Maharajah Yogi. George Harrison, lead guitarist for the Beatles met Ravi-Shankar, a Hindu musician of the Sitar.

C. The Sitar is a long necked guitar with many strings and frets. The sound is mystical when played and matches the mystical religion of the Hindus.

VI. History of Hindu Music:

A. Hindu music is related to its religion or belief in Hare-Krishna. Hare is the person called Vishnu.

B. Vishnu means "The Pervador" or "Protector," which is one of half a dozen solar or sun-gods in the Rig-Veda.

C. The Rig-Veda are the oldest documents among the sacred scriptures of the world's living religions, dating not later than the second Millennium B.C. Rig-Veda means "Praise Knowledge."

D. These scriptures of Hinduism comprises the four books of Wisdom:

- 1) The Rig-Veda, or Veda of Psalms or Verses (1028 of),
- 2) The Yajur-Veda, or the Veda of Sacred Formulas,
- 3) The Sam-Veda, or Veda of Chants.
- 4) The Atharva-Veda, or Veda of Charms.

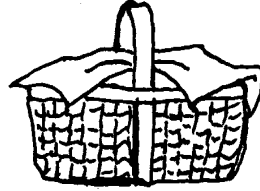
E. The god, Vishnu, daily traverses the skies in three strides, morning, noon, and night. Vishnu is believed to have descended from heaven to earth in several incarnations of Avatars, varying in number from 9 to 22, but always including animals. Vishnu offers delightful pleasures in the Hindu religion thru' its music. Vishnu's most important incarnation is the Krishna of the Bagavad Gita, wherein the divine incarnation Krishna expounds the duties of the caste system, (social class of the Hindu) along with devotion to deity.

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7.
THE CRUSADER'S BREAD BASKET
By Dr. Edith R. Grimes



"BLESSINGS UNLIMITED"

Read: Psalm 103:1-22.

Verse For The Month: Verse 2 "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His Benefits!"

We are loved with an Everlasting Love. Clothed in Christ's Righteousness. Peace flows like a river. Our comforts are many for we were not born in Bolivia in an adobe house, with no doors and windows and a little tiny stove in the middle of the floor by which to warm ourselves and do our cooking.

Our joys and triumphs are glorious. Our soul is lively with the joy and knowledge of Salvation. Our sense of justification is unclouded.

How sweet is the glorious doctrine of election when based on Thy Word and made real by the Holy Spirit to our "inner man". Thou wilt keep him whom thou hast chosen for Jesus is our righteousness and our Redemption.

All the good things of life that we may desire are less than nothing when compared with His Love. All the treasures of a million worlds could not make us richer, happier or more content, for all His unsearchable riches are ours. Continual communion with Him is our privilege. Viewing His Grace that is fathomless and inestimable and all for you and I. How can we complain?

God gives us all His handiwork in the beauties of nature. The sea with its restless waves lashing the shore. The dry land, winter cold and summer heat. The morning light we rejoice to see as we welcome a new day in which to serve our Lord and work for Him. Then the evening shade brings rest to our weary bodies and peace to our souls.

We Thank Thee for the soul thou hast created within us, for adorning and sanctifying it. For the body thou hast given us for preserving its strength and vigour. For giving us our senses that we may enjoy delights. For the freedom and ease of our limbs that we can move freely about. For hands, eyes, and ears to Thy bidding. For Thy Royal Bounty supplying our daily support with a full table and overflowing cup. For appetite, taste and sweetness with which to enjoy it.

The blessings of social joys of relatives and friends. For ability to serve others and the opportunities to spread happiness around. For

loved ones who have been "promoted to glory" and are enjoying the joys of heaven, and our expectation of joining them there with Thee.

We love the Lord more than the powers of language can express. Only the Holy Spirit can give us the language and words with which to Praise Him. He knows God and He knows our heart and the thanksgiving and Praise that is there for our God.

Praise the Lord, Oh my soul! How can we complain? We Praise Him so little for all He has done for us!

JESUS I PRAISE

Whom shall I Praise -
 For countless days of His rich mercies o'er my ways?
 The Lamb of God - Redemption bringing,
 Who fills my heart with Heaven's singing -
 Jesus - to Him my song is winging.
 Jesus I Priase!



How shall I Praise -
 For countless days of His rich mercies o'er my ways?
 With holy lips - sweet carols true;
 From heart - a full surrender new;
 In life, in love - His bidding do.
 Thus shall I Praise!

When shall I Praise -
 For countless days o' His rich mercies o'er my ways?
 Just now I joy in His bestowing
 Of strength and grace, His fullness showing.
 Just now my cup is overflowing -
 At all times Praise!

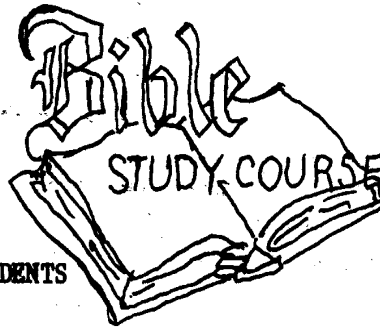
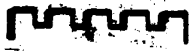
And for what Praise -
 Through countless days of His rich mercies o'er my ways?
 Praise for His love so true and deep,
 Praise for His mighty power to keep,
 Praise for the way He guides His sheep -
 For this I praise.

How long to praise -
 For countless days of His rich mercies o'er my ways?
 Forever shall my glad heart sing
 His praise - my wonderous Saviour King!

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Eternity no end shall bring
To His sweet praise!

Author Unknown.



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