



INTRODUCTION:

The Bible is God's love letter to you!

I heard a story about a woman whose only son went off to war. Every time he got paid, he faithfully sent home a large portion of his paycheck to his mother. Unfortunately, however, despite the fact that she received everyone of his letters, she died of starvation.

Why? Because she couldn't read. All she did was put them under her pillow. She never opened them up to discover what was inside of them.

You and I need to do something more than just put our Bible under our pillows. We need to: (1) Read It, (2) Obey It, and (3) Be Blessed By It.

MEMORY VERSE:

- ¹⁵ Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
—2 Timothy 2:15, 21st Century King James Version

1. Read It.

- ³ Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.
—Revelation 1:3, King James Version

- ¹⁸ When he takes the throne of his kingdom, he is to write for himself on a scroll a copy of this law, taken from that of the Levitical priests. ¹⁹ It is to be with him, and he is to read it all the days of his life so that he may learn to revere the LORD his God

and follow carefully all the words of this law and these decrees ²⁰ and not consider himself better than his fellow Israelites and turn from the law to the right or to the left. Then he and his descendants will reign a long time over his kingdom in Israel.

—Deuteronomy 17:18-20, New International Version

- ⁸ Hilkiah the high priest said to Shaphan the secretary, "I have found the Book of the Law in the temple of the LORD." He gave it to Shaphan, who read it. ⁹ Then Shaphan the secretary went to the king and reported to him: "Your officials have paid out the money that was in the temple of the LORD and have entrusted it to the workers and supervisors at the temple." ¹⁰ Then Shaphan the secretary informed the king, "Hilkiah the priest has given me a book." And Shaphan read from it in the presence of the king.

—2 Kings 22:8-10, New International Version



2. Obey It

- ¹¹ When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his robes. ¹² He gave these orders to Hilkiah the priest, Ahikam son of Shaphan, Akbor son of Micaiah, Shaphan the secretary and Asaiah the king's attendant: ¹³ "Go and inquire of the LORD for me and for the people and for all Judah about what is written in this book that has been found. Great is the LORD's anger that burns against us because those who have gone before us have not obeyed the words of this book; they have not acted in accordance with all that is written there concerning us."

—2 Kings 22:11-13, New International Version

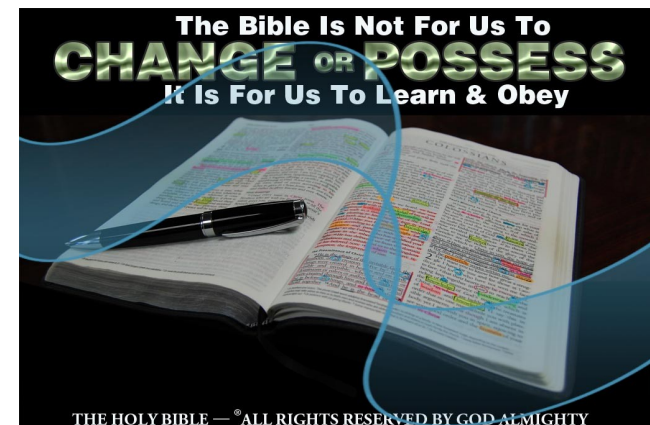
- ¹⁴ Hilkiah the priest, Ahikam, Akbor, Shaphan and Asaiah went to speak to the prophet Huldah, who was the wife of Shallum son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe. She lived in Jerusalem, in the New Quarter.

¹⁵ She said to them, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: Tell the man who sent you to me, ¹⁶ 'This is what the LORD says: I am going to bring disaster on this place and its people, according to everything written in the book the king of Judah has read. ¹⁷ Because they have forsaken me and burned incense to other gods and aroused my anger by all the idols their hands have made, my anger will burn against this place and will not be quenched.'

—2 Kings 22:14-17, New International Version

- Can a woman preach the Gospel—YES! Of Course, and so can a man if his life has been touched by the Spirit of God.
- ▲ Joel 2:28 / Acts 2:17—God promised to pour out his Spirit on ALL mankind!—Including women!
- ⁹ Now this man [Philip the evangelist] had four virgin daughters who were prophetesses.

—Acts 21:9, New American Standard Bible



3. Be Blessed By It!

◀ Revelation 1:3

• ¹⁸ Tell the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, ‘This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says concerning the words you heard: ¹⁹ Because your **heart was responsive** and you **humbled yourself** before the LORD when you heard what I have spoken against this place and its people—that they would become a curse and be laid waste—and because you tore your robes and wept in my presence, I also have heard you, declares the LORD.

—2 Kings 22:19, *New International Version*

• For all those *things* My hand has made, And all those *things* exist,” Says the LORD.

“But on this *one* will I look:

On *him who is poor* and of a contrite spirit,

And who trembles at My word.

—Isaiah 66:2, *New King James Version*

• ⁸ Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

—Joshua 1:8, *New International Version*

• ¹¹ The Bereans were very glad to receive Paul’s message. They studied the Scriptures carefully every day. They wanted to see if what Paul said was true. So they were more noble than the Thessalonians. ¹² Many of the Jews believed. A number of important Greek women also became believers. And so did many Greek men.

—Acts 17:11-12, *New International Reader’s Version*

CONCLUSION:

The Bible warns us of the coming judgment upon this world. It also warns us of the Day of Judgment. When we consider all of these things we need to do one thing—GET RIGHT WITH GOD ASAP!

Let me encourage you to turn your life over to God and let him bless your life. So here’s is a prayer for salvation that you can pray, or if you like, you can pray a similar prayer to it with your own words.

Dear God, I repent for all of my sins. I ask you to please wash them all away. And come into my heart and life. In the name of the Lord Yeshua (Jesus) the Messiah I pray, amen.

New Life Resolutions

1. Read My Bible



Check these out:
www.SidRoth.org
www.BibleGateway.com
www.GenesisRevelation.org
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