(16-2-10s) The Beginnings

Psalms is the longest book in the Bible with 150 chapters. King David wrote many of the Psalms, and they are a great source for encouragement from God. Psalm 117 is the shortest chapter with 2 verses, and both give praise to God. Psalm 119 just two chapters away is the longest chapter with 176 verses and is about the Word of God and its great value. King David wrote most of the longest book, but Paul the apostle wrote more books than any other person. Those books are called epistles because they were letters sent by an apostle. The epistles of Paul were shared by the early church believers.

Genesis the first book in the Bible tells us about the beginnings of the world. It tells us where the universe came from: Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Adam and Eve were the first man and woman. God created them in his own image, and we are different than animals. God created us in his image both inside and out. We have a spiritual nature which permits us to reason, make choices and to know and love God. Adam and Eve were created in a sinless world but because they were created like God, they had a choice of what they could do. God gave them a garden, in which there were two trees God said not to eat from: the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and the tree of life. They disobeyed God by eating from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. They were sent out of the garden and sin entered the world through their disobedience.

Adam and Eve later had two sons named Cain and Abel, the first two brothers. When they were grown Cain became jealous of Abel and in jealousy murdered him. Cain was the first murderer.

The people continued to have sons and daughters and Genesis records many of the fathers and sons and how long they lived. A man called Enoch it was recorded that God took him to heaven when he was 365 without dying because he walked faithfully with God. His son Methuselah lived longer than any other person to an age of 969 years.

After many generations many of the people had become wicked and thought about evil all the time. Methuselah's grandson Noah was a righteous man and faithful to God. Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth. God was going to destroy the world with a flood for their great wickedness, but God was going to spare Noah and his family from the Great Flood. The Great Flood God sent rained for forty days and nights.

God has a plan for salvation for those who follow him and are faithful. Noah was a faithful and followed God.

<mark>019</mark> - <u>Who wrote many</u> of the Psalms? *King David*

020 - What is an epistle?

A letter sent by an apostle

<mark>021</mark> - <u>What is the longest book</u> of the Bible? *Psalms*

<mark>022</mark> - <u>What is the shortest</u> chapter in the Bible? *Psalm 117*

023 - <u>What is the longest chapter</u> in the Bible? Psalm 119

024 - <u>QUOTATION QUESTION. Where</u> did the universe come from?

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

025 - <u>Who were the first man</u> and first woman? Adam and Eve

026 - <u>How are</u> people different from animals? God created people in His own image.

<mark>027</mark> - <u>Who were the first two</u> brothers?

Cain and Abel

028 - Who was the first murderer? Cain

029 - <u>How did sin</u> enter the world?

Through the disobedience of Adam and Eve

030 - <u>The</u> account of man's first sin mentioned what two trees?

The tree of the knowledge of good and evil The tree of life 031 - What man walked with God until God took him to

heaven without dying?

Enoch

032 - <u>Who lived</u> longer than any other person, and how long did he live?

Methuselah-969 years

<u>033</u> - <u>Why did God send</u> a flood upon the earth? Because people were so wicked and they thought about

evil all the time

034 - <u>Whom did God spare</u> from the Great Flood? Noah and his family

035 - Who were the three sons of Noah?

Shem, Ham, Japheth

036 - <u>When the Flood</u> came, how long did it rain? Forty days and nights

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(16-2-20s) The Bible and God

The Old Testament is divided into four divisions: Law, History, Poetry, and Prophets. Law is the first five books of the Bible and is also called the Pentateuch. History is the next twelve books and covers the history of God's people from the book of Joshua to the books of Ezra and Nehemiah, which tell of the return of the Jews from the captivity in Babylon. Poetry is the next five books which includes the Book of Proverbs written by the wisest person who ever lived King Solomon. The last seventeen are the prophets which can be divided further into the five major and twelve minor prophet books.

The Old Testament and New Testament are linked; therefore, the two divisions of the Bible are bound into one book. Similarly, God is a trinity, three persons as one: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. In the Old Testament, the mediator between people and God was the Old Testament priest who offered sacrifices for our sins. In the New Testament, God the Father sent God the Son as the Christ to be the new mediator between God and people. The book of Hebrews main theme describes why Jesus is a better mediator than the Old Testament priests. Jesus is God the Son or the Messiah, and the Gospel of Matthew proves Jesus is the Messiah by showing the fulfillment of many Old Testament prophecies.

The Bible is about God and describes him in many outstanding ways. God is eternal, which means has neither a beginning nor ending, but always has been and always will be. God is omnipresent, which means he is everywhere at the same time. God is omnipotent, which means all powerful. God is omniscient which means all-wise and allknowing. The Bible also declares the foundation of wisdom is when people have a fear of and respect for God. All these outstanding ways to describe God are prevalent in his role of creation when God the Father gave the command that caused the visible world to be created out of nothing.

Never forget, God is eternal, omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient with the respect of God as the foundation of wisdom. You should always do right and follow in God's steps.

301 = <u>What are the four</u> major divisions of the Old Testament?

Law, History, Poetry, Prophets

<mark>302</mark> = <u>What wise</u> king wrote much of the Book of Proverbs?

Solomon

303 = <u>What is the main</u> theme of the Book of Hebrews? That Jesus is a better priest [mediator] between God and people than were the Old Testament priests

304 = <u>Which Gospel</u> proves that Jesus is the Messiah by showing the fulfillment of many Old Testament prophecies?

Matthew

305 = <u>Which two Old</u> Testament books tell the history of the Jews after their return from captivity in Babylon? *Ezra and Nehemiah*

306 = <u>Who are the three</u> Persons of the Trinity? God the Father God the Son God the Holy Spirit

307 = <u>What do we mean when we say that God is</u> <u>eternal?</u>

God has neither beginning nor ending, but always has been and always will be.

<mark>308</mark> = <u>What do we mean when we say that God is</u> <u>omnipresent?</u>

God is everywhere at the same time.

<mark>309</mark> = <u>What do we mean when we say that God is</u> <u>omnipotent?</u>

God is all-powerful.

<mark>310</mark> = <u>What do we mean when we say that God is</u> <u>omniscient?</u>

God is all-wise and all-knowing.

311 = <u>What part did</u> God the Father have in creation? God the Father gave the commands that caused the visible world to be created out of nothing.

312 = What does the Bible declare is the foundation of wisdom?

Fear of [respect for] God

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<u>487</u> > **QUOTATION QUESTION. Why should** we study the Bible?

2 Timothy 2:15 Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive his approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth.

<u>488</u> > **QUOTATION QUESTION. What did** John say was his purpose for writing his Gospel?

John 20:31 But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.

<mark>489</mark> > **QUOTATION QUESTION. How powerful** is God's Word?

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.

<mark>490</mark> > <u>What five books</u> of the Bible are called the "Pentateuch"?

__Genesis __Exodus __Leviticus

__Numbers __Deuteronomy

491 > <u>What are the twelve</u> books of Old Testament history?

_Joshua, _ Judges, _Ruth, _1 & 2 Samuel,

_1 & 2 Kings, _1 & 2 Chronicles, _Ezra,

__Nehemiah, __Esther

<u>492</u> > <u>What are the five books of Old</u> Testament poetry?

__Job __Psalms __Proverbs

__Ecclesiastes __Song of Solomon

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