

Orwell Bible Institute
“How to Understand and Get the Most Out of the Bible”
Lesson One: Introduction and Foundational Teaching

Introduction and Preliminaries

1. Why You Must Understand and Get the Most Out of the Bible

- 1) 2 Timothy 3:15
- 2) Colossians 1:9–10
- 3) 2 Timothy 3:16–17

Key text for this class: 2 Tim 2:15

Some additional reasons why you and everyone else needs to understand and get the most out of the Bible:

- 4) Psalm 19:7–11
- 5) Psalm 119:9, 11
- 6) Prov 4:4
- 7) John 17:17
- 8) 2 Corinthians 4:2
- 9) Ephesians 6:14
- 10) 1 Timothy 3:15
- 11) Hebrews 5:12–14
- 12) 1 Peter 2:2
- 13) 2 John 4

2. What is the Bible?

- 1) What God Says About the Bible
 - Proverbs 30:5
 - John 17:17

- 2 Timothy 3:16
- 2 Peter 1:21

2) The Bible is Inspired, 2 Timothy 3:16

3) The Bible was Written Using Human Language

3. Some Essentials for Understanding and Getting the Most Out of the Bible

1) 1 Corinthians 2:13–15

2) Matthew 28:19–20; Acts 2:41–42

3) Galatians 5:16

4. Basics About the Bible

1) Hebrews 1:1

2) The Bible was written in different types of literature (called “genre”)

- Legal, instruction
- Narrative
- Poetry
- Prophecy
- Gospels
- Parables
- Letters

3) The Bible has two main sections:

- _____ Testament
- _____ Testament

4) The Old Testament has four basic divisions:

- The _____
- _____ books
- _____
- _____

5) The New Testament has three basic divisions:

- _____
- _____
- _____

6) “Structure” basics of the Bible

- Books
- Chapters and verses