

# *Why Study the Bible?*

*What do the Holy Scriptures teach?*

1. “Thy words have I hidden in my heart, that I may not sin against thee (Psalm 118 [or 119]:11).”
2. “Thy word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my paths (Psalm 118 [or 119]:105).”
3. “Every word of God is fire tried: he is a buckler to them that hope in him. Add not any thing to his words, lest thou be reprov'd, and found a liar (Proverbs 30:5-6).”
4. “We, though we needed none of these things, having for our comfort the holy books that are in our hands. (1 Maccabees 12:9).”
5. “For what things soever were written, were written for our learning: that through patience and the comfort of the scriptures, we might have hope (Romans 15:4).”
6. “Now all these things happened to them (the Israelites) in figure: and they are written for our correction, upon whom the ends of the world are come (1 Corinthians 10:11).”
7. “And because from thy infancy thou hast known the holy scriptures, which can instruct thee to salvation, by the faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture, inspired of God, is profitable to teach, to reprove, to correct, to instruct in justice, that the man of God may be perfect, furnished to every good work (2 Timothy 3:15-17).”
8. “And we have the more firm prophetic word: where unto you do well to attend, as to a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: understanding this first, that no prophecy of scripture is made by private interpretation (2 St. Peter 1:19-20).”
9. “Blessed is he, that readeth and heareth the words of this prophecy; and keepeth those things which are written in it; for the time is at hand (Apocalypse -or Revelation- 1:3).”