

BIBLE BELIEF VERSE OF THE WEEK: A TWO-YEAR PLAN

1

The Holy Bible was written by men inspired by the Holy Spirit.

[2 Peter 1:20-21](#)

See also: [Matthew 22:43](#); [2 Peter 3:15-16](#)

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The Bible shows us the right path and equips us for good works.

[2 Timothy 3:16-17](#)

See also: [Psalm 119:105](#)

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The Bible tells us the truth about God, ourselves, and the world around us.

[Psalm 119:30](#)

See also: [Psalm 19:7-11](#); [John 17:17](#); [Deuteronomy 8:11](#)

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The Bible is the supreme standard by which all behavior and beliefs should be tested.

[Acts 17:11](#)

See also: [1 Thessalonians 5:21](#); [1 John 4:1](#)

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The truthfulness of God's Word doesn't change with the times or culture.

[Psalm 119:160](#)

See also: [Psalm 119:89](#); [Isaiah 40:8](#)

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The Bible is alive with transforming power to re-set how we think and feel.

[John 17:17](#)

Alternate: [Hebrews 4:12](#)

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There is one and only one living and true God.

[Deuteronomy 6:4](#)

Alternate: [1 Corinthians 8:4b](#)

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God is self-existing, without a cause or source, the uncreated Creator.

[Exodus 3:14](#)

See also: [Acts 17:25](#); [Romans 11:36](#); [1 Corinthians 8:6](#)

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That God is holy means that he is distinctively different and beautifully clean. His love and justice are free from any impurity or partiality.

[1 John 1:5](#)

See also: [Isaiah 6:2-3](#); [1 Peter 1:15-16](#); [Revelation 4:8](#)

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God is sovereign. He makes some things to happen. He allows some things to happen. But nothing just happens.

[Psalm 47:7-8](#)

See also: [Ephesians 1:11](#); [1 Chronicles 29:12](#); [Proverbs 21:1](#)

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God is completely wise. He conceives the best plans from the highest motives with the greatest results.

[Romans 11:33](#)

See also: [Proverbs 3:19](#); [Isaiah 55:8-9](#); [Romans 16:27](#); [Ephesians 3:10](#)

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God is unchanging in his nature, never moody. God is eternally perfect and stays that way.

[James 1:17](#)

See also: [Numbers 23:19](#); [Malachi 3:6](#); [Hebrews 13:8](#)

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God is faithful. God is involved in the lives of his people, always keeping his promises and always available to help.

[Deuteronomy 7:9](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 1:9](#); [1 Thessalonians 5:23-24](#); [1 Corinthians 10:13](#); [1 John 1:9](#); [Revelation 21:5](#)

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God is love. Consistent with his holiness and justice, God makes great sacrifices for us to be in a good relationship with him.

[1 John 4:8](#)

See also: [1 John 4:9-10](#); [Romans 5:8](#); [Romans 8:38-39](#); [Ephesians 2:4](#)

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God created the heavens and the earth, commanding everything into existence from nothing, and sustains the creation by His word.

[Revelation 4:11](#)

See also: [Genesis 1:1](#); [Psalm 33:6-9](#); [Hebrews 1:2-3](#); [Colossians 1:15-17](#)

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God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each with distinct personal qualities.

[Matthew 28:19](#)

Alternate: [1 Peter 1:2](#); [2 Corinthians 13:14](#)

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The three Persons of the Trinity mutually indwell each other and act inseparably.

[John 14:11a](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 2:11](#)

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The Father is not merely a word picture to describe God's goodness, he is the first Person of the Trinity.

[2 Corinthians 1:3](#)

See also: [Ephesians 1:3](#); [1 Peter 1:3](#); [John 17:5](#)

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The Father reigns over human history according to His eternal plan.

[Ephesians 1:9-10](#)

See also: [Acts 1:7](#); [Matthew 24:36](#)

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The Father is the ultimate source and provider of all our needs.

[James 1:17](#)

See Also: [Philippians 4:19-20](#); [Matthew 6:26, 32](#); [Luke 11:13](#)

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Jesus Christ is the eternal Son of the eternal Father and is truly God.

[1 John 4:14-15](#)

Alternate: [John 1:1-3](#)

See also: [John 1:1](#); [1 John 1:2](#); [Colossians 2:9](#); [Hebrews 1:8](#)

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In His incarnation, Jesus Christ was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

[Luke 1:35](#)

See also: [Matthew 1:18](#)

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Jesus took upon Himself a real body, a genuine human nature, and truly identified with our humanity.

[Hebrews 2:17](#)

Alternate: [Galatians 4:4-5](#)

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Jesus was genuinely tempted, yet without sin.

[Hebrews 4:15](#)

See also: [Hebrews 2:18](#); [Hebrews 7:26](#); [Luke 4:1-13](#)

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In His substitutionary death on the cross, Jesus paid the penalty for our sins, that people might be forgiven and made right with God.

[1 Peter 3:18](#)

Alternate: [1 Timothy 2:5-6](#)

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Jesus was raised from the dead with power, defeating death.

[1 Corinthians 15:3-4](#)

Alternate: [Romans 1:2-4](#); [Acts 2:23-24](#); [1 Peter 1:3](#); [1 Corinthians 15:20-26](#); [Hebrews 2:14-15](#)

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Jesus ascended into heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God.

[Acts 2:32-33](#)

See also: [Acts 1:9](#); [Philippians 2:5-11](#); [Ephesians 1:20](#)

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Jesus is the Messiah foretold by the prophets.

[Romans 1:1-3](#)

See also: [Acts 3:24-26](#); [10:43](#); [18:28](#); [Romans 3:21](#); [Galatians 3:8](#)

Note: Christ is not Jesus' last name but is the New Testament word for Messiah; it is his title, meaning "anointed one."

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As Messiah, Jesus holds the offices of prophet, priest, and *king*.

[Luke 1:32](#)

See also: [Isaiah 9:7](#); [2 Samuel 7:12-13](#)

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[Hebrews 4:14](#)

See also: [Hebrews 3:1](#); [5:1-10](#); [6:20](#); [8:1](#)

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As Messiah, Jesus holds the offices of priest, king, and *prophet*.

[Hebrews 1:1-2a](#)

See also: [Deuteronomy 18:15](#); [Acts 3:18-23](#)

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The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God and fully divine.

[1 Corinthians 2:11-12](#)

Alternate: [2 Corinthians 3:18](#)

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The Holy Spirit is a Person – called He, not it – and isn't merely a force.

[John 15:26](#)

Alternate: [Acts 13:2](#)

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The Holy Spirit exalts Christ.

[John 16:14](#)

See also: [John 14:26](#); [16:15](#); [Hebrews 2:4](#)

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The Holy Spirit convicts the lost of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment.

[John 16:8](#)

See also: [Acts 2:37](#); [1 Thessalonians 1:5](#)

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The Holy Spirit causes people to be born again.

[Titus 3:5](#)

See also: [John 3:5-7](#); [1 Peter 1:3](#)

Synonym: Regeneration

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The Holy Spirit indwells each believer.

[Romans 8:9](#)

See also: [John 7:39](#); [1 John 2:27](#); [2 Corinthians 1:22](#); [Acts 5:32](#)

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The Holy Spirit assures believers of their salvation and adoption.

[Romans 8:16](#)

See also: [Galatians 4:6](#)

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The Holy Spirit bestows spiritual gifts by which we serve God through His church.

[1 Corinthians 12:4-7](#)

See also: [Romans 12:6a](#); [Hebrews 2:4](#)

Note: Spiritual gifts are supernaturally empowered specialties in spiritual service, and include speaking gifts and serving gifts.

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The Holy Spirit helps us to pray.

[Romans 8:26](#)

See also: [Ephesians 6:18](#); [Jude 20](#)

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The Holy Spirit empowers our witness.

[Acts 1:8](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 2:4-5](#)

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The Holy Spirit seals believers unto the day of final redemption.

[Ephesians 1:13-14](#)

See also: [Ephesians 4:30](#); [2 Corinthians 1:22](#)

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The greatest commandment is to love God with all our hearts and minds.

[Mark 12:30](#)

See also: [Deuteronomy 6:5](#)

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Worship involves both joyful celebration and reverent contemplation.

[Psalm 100:1-3](#)

See also: [Psalm 32:11](#); [47:1](#); [2:11](#); [Habakkuk 2:20](#)

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Man is God's crowning work of creation.

[Psalm 8:4-5](#)

See also: [Genesis 1:26-31](#)

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God created us male and female, both in his own image.

[Genesis 1:27](#)

See also: [Genesis 2:23](#); [9:6](#); [James 3:9](#)

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God does not exist to make us happy; we exist for the glory of God.

[1 Corinthians 10:31](#)

See also: [Colossians 1:16](#); [3:17](#); [1 Peter 4:11](#)

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By his free choice, Adam rebelled against God, bringing sin and death into the human race.

[Romans 5:12](#)

See also: [Genesis 3:6](#); [1 Corinthians 15:22](#), [21](#)

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In their fallen human condition, people are under the dominant influence of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

[Ephesians 2:1-3](#)

See also: [1 John 2:16](#); [Psalm 51:5](#); [Romans 12:2](#); [Romans 7:18](#); [8:7](#); [12:2](#); [1 John 5:19](#)

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The human heart is an unreliable guide and following one's heart, unguided by God's Word, leads to sin and disaster.

[Jeremiah 17:9](#)

See also: [Mark 7:21-22](#); [Proverbs 14:12](#); [28:26](#); [Hebrews 4:12](#)

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Sin breaks God's commandments by either doing something he has forbidden or by failing to do something he requires.

[1 John 3:4](#)

See also: [2 Chronicles 24:20](#); [Joshua 11:15](#)

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God's wrath is his revulsion toward sin and determination to hold sinners responsible for their rebellion.

[Romans 1:18](#)

See also: [Nahum 1:2-3,6](#); [Ephesians 5:6](#); [Colossians 3:5-7](#)

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Propitiation means that, in his sufferings, Jesus absorbed the righteous wrath of God, that it may be turned away from us.

[1 John 2:2](#)

See also: [Romans 3:25](#); [5:9](#); [Hebrews 2:2-3](#)

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Every person of every race is descended from Adam and Eve, possessing both full dignity and responsibility.

[Acts 17:26-27](#)

See also: [Genesis 3:20](#); [Matthew 25:32](#); [Revelation 21:24-26](#)

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We are neither animals nor machines; each person is created with a human spirit in which we may commune with God.

[Zechariah 12:1b](#)

See also: [Ecclesiastes 12:7](#); [Hebrews 12:9](#)

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People are saved as God rescues them from the power and penalty of sin.

[Colossians 1:13-14](#)

Alternate: [1 Peter 1:18-19](#)

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Salvation is offered to all who will receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

[John 1:11-13](#)

See also: [Colossians 2:6](#); [1 John 5:12](#); [Romans 10:9](#), [13](#)

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There is no salvation apart from personal faith in Jesus Christ.

[John 14:6](#)

See also: [Acts 4:12](#); [John 3:36](#)

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God calls sinners, summoning and attracting them to Christ.

[2 Thessalonians 2:14](#)

Alternate: [1 Thessalonians 2:12](#)

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Regeneration, or the new birth, is a work of God's grace in which believers are made alive to God.

[Titus 3:5-6](#)

See also: [Ephesians 2:4-5](#); [Colossians 3:10](#); [1 Peter 1:3](#)

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Being born again does not refer to forgiveness alone, but also to life transformation.

[2 Corinthians 5:17](#)

Alternate: [Jeremiah 31:33-34](#); [Ezekiel 11:19-20](#); [Titus 2:14](#)

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Repentance is a change of heart and of mind, turning us to God and from sin.

[Acts 3:19](#)

Alternate: [1 Thessalonians 1:9](#)

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Faith is trusting Jesus Christ to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves.

[Ephesians 2:8-9](#)

See also: [Genesis 15:6](#); [John 6:29](#); [Romans 3:28](#); [4:4-5](#)

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Justification is God's full acquittal of sin, bringing us into a relationship of peace with God.

[Romans 5:1](#)

See also: [Romans 3:26](#); [5:9](#)

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Redemption is Christ's work of rescuing sinners from the kingdom of darkness by his payment on the cross.

[1 Peter 1:18-19](#)

Alternates: [Colossians 1:13-14](#); [Acts 26:18](#); [Ephesians 1:7](#)

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Jesus secured for us the right of access and the Spirit ushers us into the presence of the Father.

[Ephesians 2:18](#)

See also: [Romans 5:2](#); [Ephesians 3:12](#)

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Adoption is the loving act of the Father as he includes us as his own children, with privileges as sons and as joint-heirs with Christ.

[1 John 3:1](#)

See also: [John 1:12](#); [Romans 8:16-17](#); [Galatians 4:4-6](#)

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Sanctification means we're set apart for God from the moment of salvation. An ongoing process follows in which the Spirit makes us more holy.

[1 Thessalonians 5:23-24](#)

See also: [John 17:17](#); [1 Peter 1:2](#); [1 Corinthians 6:11](#); [2 Corinthians 3:18](#); [1 Thessalonians 4:3-8](#); [2 Peter 3:18](#)

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In glorification, our bodies are raised like Christ's and suited for Heaven.

[Philippians 3:20-21](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 15:42-55](#); [Romans 8:23](#)

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Glorification is the consummation of salvation when we are fully transformed into Christ-likeness.

[1 John 3:2](#)

See also: [Romans 8:19, 29](#); [Colossians 3:4](#) ; [1 Corinthians 13:8-12](#)

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Due to God's work within them, those who have been genuinely saved persevere to the end.

[1 John 2:19](#)

See also: [2 Timothy 2:19](#); [Hebrews 3:6](#); [10:39](#); [Colossians 1:21-23](#); [2 Timothy 2:12](#)

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Christians are commanded to persevere in the faith.

[Hebrews 3:12-14](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 10:12](#); [16:13](#); [Galatians 6:9](#); [Hebrews 10:36](#); [12:1](#); [Revelation 2:10](#)

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Christians persevere because God preserves.

[1 Peter 1:5](#)

Alternate: [Philippians 1:6](#)

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A New Testament church of the Lord Jesus Christ is an autonomous local congregation of baptized believers.

[Acts 2:41-42](#)

See also: [Acts 2:47](#)

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The New Testament speaks broadly of the church as the body of Christ, including all the redeemed of all the ages - from every tribe, and tongue, and people, and nation.

[Ephesians 3:21](#)

Alternate: [Revelation 7:9-10](#)

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Each congregation should operate under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, the head of the church.

[Ephesians 1:22-23](#)

See also: [Colossians 1:18](#)

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Jesus Christ is the only owner of the Church.

[Acts 20:28](#)

Alternate: [Matthew 16:18](#)

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The scriptural officers of a local church are pastors and deacons.

[Philippians 1:1](#)

See also: [1 Timothy 3](#)

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Church members should faithfully gather for mutual encouragement and for worship.

[Colossians 3:16](#)

Alternate: [Hebrews 10:25](#)

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Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

[Matthew 28:19](#)

See also: [Matthew 3:16](#); [John 3:23](#); [Acts 8:36-38](#)

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Baptism is properly by immersion, after conversion, as a symbolic act, with the right meaning.

[Romans 6:3-4](#)

See also: [Matthew 3:11](#); [Acts 2:41](#); [19:1-5](#)

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The Lord's Supper is a church ordinance. It is a symbolic act in which members, partaking of the bread and the cup, remember the death of Jesus and anticipate His return.

[1 Corinthians 11: 23-26](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 11:17-32](#); [Luke 22:14-20](#)

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The first day of the week is the Lord's Day, set aside to celebrate his resurrection and for his worship.

[Revelation 1:10](#)

See also: [Acts 20:7](#); [1 Corinthians 16:1-2](#); [Luke 24:1-3](#)

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In the present age, the Kingdom is experienced as the inward rule of Jesus Christ through salvation.

[Colossians 1:13](#)

See also: [Luke 17:20-21](#); [Acts 26:17-18](#); [Matthew 6:10](#)

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God's Kingdom will be brought to visible and eternal expression at the return of Christ and the end of this age.

[Revelation 11:15](#)

See also: [Revelation 19:11-16](#); [1 Corinthians 15:24-25](#); [2 Peter 1:11](#)

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Jesus will return personally and visibly, in power and glory.

[Titus 2:13](#)

See also: [Acts 1:11](#); [Revelation 1:7](#)

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Jesus Christ will judge the world with clear insight and perfect justice.

[1 Corinthians 4:5](#)

Alternates: [Romans 2:16](#); [Acts 17:31](#)

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The unrighteous will be consigned to Hell, the place of everlasting punishment.

[2 Thessalonians 1:7-9](#)

Alternates: [Revelation 20:14-15](#); [Luke 12:4-5](#); [Matthew 13:40-42](#)

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Christ will reward his people according to their faithfulness and their efforts to share the gospel.

[Revelation 22:12](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 3:5-15](#); [2 John 1:8](#); [Hebrews 6:10](#); [11:6](#); [Matthew 5:11-12](#); [6:3-4](#)

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In Heaven, the Lord will right the wrongs and heal our hurts and dwell with his people forever.

[Revelation 21:3-4](#)

See also: [Revelation 22:1-5](#)

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Christ commanded us to make disciples of all nations – reaching people in different places, of differing cultures, and who speak different languages.

[Matthew 28:19](#)

Alternate: [Luke 24:46-47](#); [Acts 1:8](#)

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It is the duty of every Christian to seek to win people to Christ by explaining the gospel and living a life that gives the message credibility.

[Colossians 4:3-5](#)

Alternate: [Romans 1:16](#)

See also: [Acts 20:24](#); [Romans 10:13-15](#); [Ephesians 6:19](#); [1 Thessalonians 1:5-6](#); [2 Timothy 4:5](#)

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Believers are responsible to develop mature disciples, not to merely ask people to “make decisions.”

[Colossians 1:28-29](#)

Alternate: [Matthew 28:19-20](#)

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Not only is the church to make disciples, but also to develop disciple-makers.

[2 Timothy 2:2](#)

See also: [1 Thessalonians 1:6-8](#)

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The priesthood of all believers means that with our direct access to God, we represent the world to God in intercession and represent God to the world by our witness.

[1 Peter 2:5](#)

Alternate: [1 Peter 2:9](#); [Revelation 1:5-6](#)

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By creation, God is the true owner of all that we have and are.

[Psalm 24:1](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 10:26](#); [Deuteronomy 10:14](#); [Psalm 50:10](#); [89:11](#)

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In redemption, we were purchased by Christ's blood; we are not our own. The Lord Jesus has the right to tell us what to do, who to marry, and how to spend our money.

[1 Corinthians 6:19-20](#)

See also: [Luke 6:46](#); [Matthew 28:18](#); [Romans 14:8](#)

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Christians have been entrusted with the gospel. We are therefore accountable to use our time, talents, and material possessions for the gospel cause.

[1 Corinthians 4:1](#)

See also: [1 Corinthians 9:17](#); [Ephesians 3:2](#); [Colossians 1:25](#); [1 Peter 4:10](#)

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Christians should contribute to the Lord's work cheerfully, systematically, proportionately, and generously.

[1 Corinthians 16:1-2](#)

See also: [2 Corinthians 9:6-7](#)

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God established marriage and his plan is for us to marry "in the Lord" -- that is, a man and woman, both believers, seeking to live according to biblical principles.

[1 Corinthians 7:39](#)

See also: [Genesis 2:20-24](#); [2 Corinthians 6:14](#); [Nehemiah 13:23-27](#)

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A Christian marriage is entered into by covenant -- as an exclusive, lifetime commitment.

[Mark 10:7-9](#)

See also: [Malachi 2:14-16](#); [Matthew 19:3-9](#)

Note: [1 Corinthians 7:10-16](#) and [1 Peter 3:1-7](#) take into account tough situations, such as one spouse's conversion after marriage, abusive situations, etc.

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A husband is to love his wife as Christ loved the church and a wife should adapt her priorities in such a way as to assist her husband. Submission isn't about being a doormat or pretending she's inferior.

[Ephesians 5:33](#)

See also: [Ephesians 5:22-33](#); [1 Peter 3:7](#); [1 Timothy 5:8](#)

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Children, from the moment of conception, are a blessing and heritage from the Lord.

[Psalm 127:3](#)

See also: [Genesis 1:28](#); [Deuteronomy 7:13](#); [Genesis 33:5](#)

103

Parents are to nurture their children spiritually, leading them, through a consistent example and loving discipline, to make choices based on biblical truth.

[Ephesians 6:4](#)

See also: [Colossians 3:21](#); [Psalm 78:4](#); [Deuteronomy 6:7](#)

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Children are to honor and obey their parents.

[Ephesians 6:1-2](#)

See also: [Exodus 20:12](#); [Proverbs 1:8-9](#); [10:1](#); [Colossians 3:20](#)

SUGGESTIONS FOR USE

Many of our members have a “No creed but the Bible” philosophy. They couldn’t relate to quoting the Apostle’s Creed or even reading a short article from the *Baptist Faith and Message*. However, our beliefs come from the Bible. So, it isn’t really a problem for us to teach biblical beliefs by simply quoting the verses that teach those beliefs. This is a plan for emphasizing one doctrine and reading one verse (or one short passage) at a time, and review Bible doctrine in bite-sized pieces.

Each Scripture reference links to that passage on Biblia.com, where you can select the translation used by your church. Then, you can simply copy and paste the summary and verses into your Sunday bulletin.

There is a summary statement (shown in bold) which serves as a heading for each verse. Some verses say more than one thing. This helps your members know what to look for as you read the verse. It also helps you find particular verses you might want to use at Christmas or Easter, etc.

Sometimes, you will see an “Alternate” verse. These verses say almost exactly the same thing as the suggested verse under the summary. You may prefer the alternate suggestion.

Usually, you will find a “See also” under the suggested verse, after which there will be listed a few verses which provide additional information. We study the Bible by comparing Scripture with Scripture. If you have some strong Bible students in your church, they may wish to see these references, so they can look them up at home.

You can call this part of the service: *Bible Belief Verse of the Week* or *Bible Belief Verses of the Week*, depending on the length of the suggested passage. This will be brief and will not add a long period of time to the order of service.

You could ask the congregation to join you in reading the day’s passage all together. You could have a different church member each week read the summary and lead the congregation in reading the verse. You may have a member who is great at reading in public and want to make this person the “designated doctrine reader.” Do whatever works best in your congregation.