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## “You Gotta Be DUMB to Believe the Bible. Right?”

Allen Webster

It starts out subtly; the religious characters in the TV show are always a little weird. News reports focus on aberrations in the “Christian community”—people who either live in the past or are strange, simple, offbeat people, or hypocrites who don’t practice what they preach. In college it becomes more blatant. A biology professor or a psychology teacher comes right out and makes fun of anyone who still believes the Bible is anything more than a mistake-filled collection of ancient Jewish sayings.

You won’t get through your freshman year without being told that belief in God is for the back-woods, uneducated—though perhaps well-meaning—folks back home. It is not for a person who is educated and intelligent. Only the uninformed, ignorant, or unbalanced believe the Bible. No one takes anyone seriously who takes the Bible seriously.

So what about that?  
Let’s start at the beginning: Do you believe in God? “My parents do, I think. My grandmother does for sure. Everybody at church does, so I guess I do. I mean everybody believes in God, don’t they?”

No, you will find some who positively don’t. And unless you absolutely do, then you may end up on their side.

You must examine the evidence and decide what you believe. You can’t get by on your parents’ faith or go to heaven on your preacher’s coattails. You must make up your mind. Do you really believe in God and His Son, Jesus, or do you believe in evolution and its “son,” Humanism?

Don’t be intimidated by unbelieving philosophers, professors, or scientists. An intelligent, educated person can—and should—believe in God and in the Bible as His Word. Some of the world’s greatest men, whose intelligence is indisputable, were believers.

#### HAVE YOU HEARD OF ANY OF THESE?

**Sir Isaac Newton:** “This most beautiful system of the sun, planets, and comets could only proceed from the counsel and dominion of an intelligent and powerful Being. This Being governs all things, not as the soul of the world, but as Lord over all: and on account of his dominion, he is wont to be called Lord God. . . . I find more sure marks of au-





thenticity in the Bible than in any profane history whatever.”<sup>1</sup>

**Ralph Waldo Emerson:** “Jesus is the most perfect of all men that have yet appeared.”<sup>2</sup>

**Charles Dickens** (In his last will and testament, written on May 12, 1869): “I commit my soul to the mercy of God, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and exhort my dear children humbly to try to guide themselves by the teachings of the New Testament.”<sup>3</sup>

**William Shakespeare** (in his will): “I commend my soul into the hands of God, my Creator, hoping and assuredly believing, through the only merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting.”<sup>4</sup>

**George Washington:** “The Hand of providence has been so conspicuous in all this, that he must be worse than an infidel that lacks faith, and more than wicked, that has not gratitude enough to acknowledge his obligations.”<sup>5</sup>

**John Adams:** “The Bible is the best Book in the world.”<sup>6</sup>

**Benjamin Franklin:** “Young man, my advice to you is that you cultivate an acquaintance with and firm belief in the Holy Scriptures, for this is your certain interest. I think Christ’s system of morals and religion, as He left them with us, is the best the world ever saw or is likely to see.”<sup>7</sup>

**Thomas Jefferson:** “I have said and always will say, that the studious perusal of the Sacred Volume will make better citizens, better fathers, and better hus-

bands. . . . The Bible makes the best people in the world.”<sup>8</sup>

**John Quincy Adams:** “My custom is to read four or five chapters [of the Bible] every morning immediately after rising. . . . seems to me the most suitable manner of beginning the day. . . . It is an invaluable and inexhaustible mine of knowledge and virtue.”<sup>9</sup>

**Abraham Lincoln:** “I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this Book that you can by reason and the balance by faith, and you will live and die a better man.”<sup>10</sup>

**Woodrow Wilson:** “I have a very simple thing to ask of you. I ask every man and woman in this audience that from this day on they will realize that part of the destiny of America lies in their daily perusal of this great Book.”<sup>11</sup>

**William Penn:** “We believe the Scriptures to contain a declaration of the mind and will of God. . . . They ought also to be read, believed, and fulfilled in our day. . . . We accept them as the words of God himself.”<sup>12</sup>

**Daniel Webster:** “From the time that, at my mother’s feet or on my father’s knee, I first learned to lisp verses from the sacred writings, they have been my daily study and vigilant contemplation.”<sup>13</sup>

**Douglas MacArthur:** “Believe me, Sir, never a night goes by, be I ever so tired, but I read the Word of God before I go to bed.”<sup>14</sup>

**William E. Gladstone:** “I have known ninety-five great men of the world in my time, and of these, eighty-seven were all followers of the Bible.”<sup>15</sup>

Pretty impressive company, wouldn’t you say?

So what do you believe in if you don’t believe in God? Yourself—and evolution. To believe that man evolved from lower life forms requires spontaneous generation—that life came from non-life—which was long ago disproved by science. From nothing comes . . . nothing. We have something; therefore, something has always existed. There are but two possibilities: mind or matter. Which is more plausible: that dead, lifeless, inanimate matter brought this complicated world into existence, or that there was an eternal, intelligent,

powerful mind behind the creation of the universe? Surely the latter.

The person who says, “There is no God,” must be omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent—all-powerful, all-knowing, and everywhere at the same time. Otherwise, the power he does not have may be the power of God; the place where he is not may be the place where God is; and the knowledge that he does not have may be the knowledge of God.

Some doubt God’s existence since He is not perceptible to our sensory system. According to this reasoning, we would also have to repudiate the human conscience, as well as molecular adhesion and gravity. Just because I have never seen Kathmandu doesn’t mean it is not at the base of Everest.

Howard Hendricks observed, “There is no such thing as a correspondence course for swimming.”<sup>16</sup> If you want to swim, you must get into the pool. It is the same in the world of ideas. You cannot remain neutral on the question of the existence of God and the Bible as His Word. Test the water.

*“The fool has said in his heart,  
‘There is no God.’”*

PSALM 14:1

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# The **A B C**'s of *Parenthood*

- A**lways trust your children to God's care (Matthew 19:14).  
**B**ring them to worship and Bible School (Matthew 19:14).  
**C**hallenge them to have goals in life (Ecclesiastes 9:10).  
**D**elight in their achievements (Romans 12:15).  
**E**xalt the Lord in their presence at every opportunity (Psalm 34:3).  
**F**rown on evil (1 Peter 3:11).  
**G**ive them love (Titus 2:3-5).  
**H**ear their problems (James 1:19).  
**I**gnore not their childish fears (1 Thessalonians 5:11).  
**J**oyfully accept their apologies (Romans 15:7).  
**K**ep their confidence (Proverbs 25:11).  
**L**ive a good example before them at all times (Matthew 5:14-16).  
**M**ake them your best friends (Genesis 44:30).  
**N**ever ignore their questions (1 Peter 3:15).  
**O**pen your home to their friends (Hebrews 13:1-2).  
**P**ray for them by name daily (1 Thessalonians 5:17).  
**Q**uicken your interest in their spirituality (Matthew 5:13).  
**R**emember their needs (Philippians 2:4).  
**S**how them the way of salvation (Acts 16:17).  
**T**each them to work and be responsible (1 Timothy 5:8).  
**U**nderstand they still need you, even when they are older (Psalm 71:18).  
**V**erify your statements (Romans 12:17).  
**W**ean them from bad company (Proverbs 1:10).  
**X**pect them to obey (Ephesians 6:1-3).  
**Y**earn for God's best for them (Numbers 6:24).  
**Z**ealously guide them in biblical truths (Proverbs 22:6).

## Always Remember That God Gives Enough

Enough happiness to keep you sweet  
 Enough trials to keep you strong  
 Enough sorrows to keep you human  
 Enough hope to keep you happy  
 Enough failure to keep you humble  
 Enough success to keep you eager  
 Enough friends to give you comfort  
 Enough wealth to meet your needs  
 Enough faith to banish depression  
 Enough enthusiasm to make you look forward  
 Enough determination to make each day a better day than the last.

*"Commit your works to the Lord, and your thoughts will be established."*

PROVERBS 16:3

## End of Argument

The other day, my wife and I got into some petty argument. (I say it was petty. She would have said it was the "end of the world.") As is our nature, neither of us would admit the possibility that we might be in error. To her credit, she finally said, "Look, I'll tell you what; I'll admit I'm wrong if you admit I was right." "Fine," I said. She took a deep breath, looked me in the eye, and said, "I'm wrong." I grinned and replied, "You're right."

## God's Plan for Saving Man

- Divine Love:** John 3:16  
**God's Grace:** Ephesians 2:8  
**Christ's Blood:** Romans 5:9  
**Holy Spirit's Word:** 1 Corinthians 2:12-13  
**Sinner's Faith:** Acts 16:31  
**Sinner's Repentance:** Luke 13:3  
**Sinner's Confession:** Romans 10:10  
**Sinner's Baptism:** Acts 22:16  
**Christian's Love:** Matthew 22:37  
**Christian's Work:** James 2:24  
**Christian's Hope:** Romans 8:24  
**Christian's Endurance:** Revelation 2:10

## Sanity Check

Forget the popular image of the married couple driving each other nuts. “Studies show that getting married improves mental health and decreases depression,” says Linda Waite, a sociologist at the University of Chicago. In fact, one study found that people who never walked down the aisle are more likely to be admitted to a psychiatric facility. The intimacy found in marriage bolsters your self-worth and a sense of purpose, which actually enhances mental stability.

*“He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the Lord.”*

PROVERBS 18:22



## The Marriage Altar?

Someone once said that when the wedding march begins, a bride sees three things—the aisle, the altar, and him—and from that time on her motto is: “I’ll alter him.” And when it does not work that way, there is disillusionment and difficulty. —Bob Russel, *Take Comfort: Encouraging Words from Second Corinthians*, pp. 91–92.

*“Therefore let us not judge one another anymore.”*

ROMANS 14:13



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# What If Jesus Had Never Come?

I cannot imagine trying to make it through life without having “the good shepherd” (John 10:11), who is the “one mediator between God and men” (1 Timothy 2:5) and the “King of kings and Lord of lords” (Revelation 19:16) in my corner. But what if Jesus had never come into this world “to give His life a ransom”? (Mark 10:45).

**A Life without True Meaning.** Jesus came that we might have life, and that we might have it more abundantly (John 10:10). Paul said we “can do all things through Christ” (Philippians 4:13). The whole of man is to fear the Lord and keep His commandments (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

**A Life without a Totally Reliable Model to Imitate.** There are many fine people in this world. Some are worthy of imitation because they demonstrate selfless behavior, pure speech, and a respectful attitude. Yet no mere human is a good example in every way all of the time. Each person makes mistakes. “All have sinned” (Romans 3:23). But not Jesus, who “committed no sin,” and that is why He alone is worthy of complete imitation (1 Peter 2:21–22).

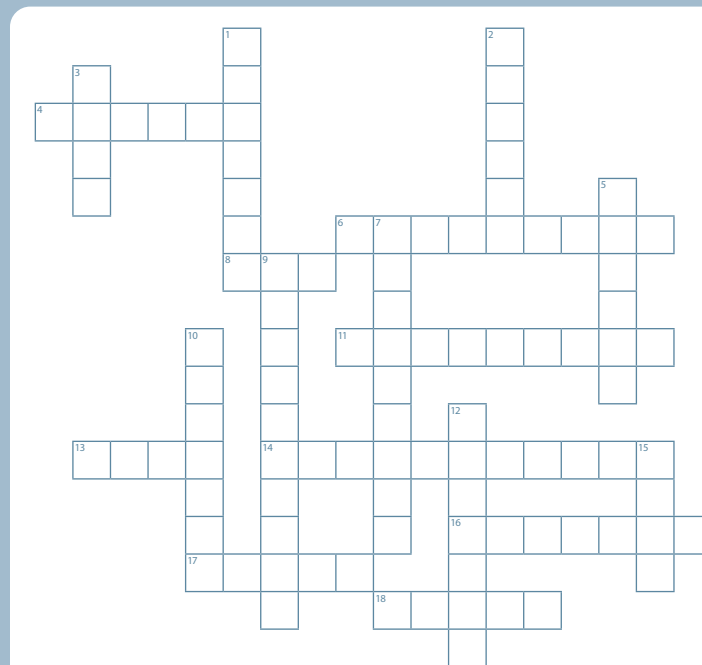
**A Life without Direction.** Where am I going in my life? Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life” (John 8:12).

**Life without Salvation.** The wages of sin is death because sin separates a person from God (Romans 6:23; Isaiah 59:1–2). Thank God that He loved us so much that He sent Jesus “into the world to save sinners” (1 Timothy 1:15; Ephesians 1:7). Because Jesus is the only Savior, the only “name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12), without Him we could never enjoy the forgiveness of sins.

**A Life without Hope.** People that live without hope are miserable indeed. Jesus is the hope of the world (1 Timothy 1:1). Through Jesus we can live “in hope of eternal life” (Titus 1:2).

The choice is ours: we can live life either with Him or without Him. Let us choose wisely, for this choice will determine our eternal destiny. To live with Him, of course, means to live according to His will. Are you doing that? —Roger Campbell

## Just for Fun Crossword Puzzle



Therefore we do not **lose heart**. Even though our **outward** man is **perishing**, yet the **inward** man is being **renewed** day by **day**. For our light **affliction**, which is but for a **moment**, is **working** for us a far more **exceeding** and **eternal** weight of **glory**, while we do not **look** at the things which are seen, but at the **things** which are not **seen**. For the things which are seen are **temporary**, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

—2 Corinthians 4:16–18

1. OUTWARD; 2. THINGS; 3. LOSE; 4. MOMENT; 5. INWARD; 6. PERISHING; 7. EXCEEDING; 8. DAY; 9. AFFLICTION; 10. WORKING; 11. TEMPORARY; 12. ETERNAL; 13. LOOK; 14. CORINTHIANS; 15. SEEN; 16. RENEWED; 17. GLORY; 18. HEART

# Forgive Me for Keeping Your Bible



The train blew its whistle and wove its way along the winding rails of the hometown of a brother in Hungary. A communist customs agent came through checking all the baggage. The Bibles sat at our brother's feet. By his side lay his own personal Bible with notes and sermon outlines. The customs agent looked at the sack first. He opened it and thumbed through the pages of the Bible and began to sail them out the window of the speeding train.

As if for spite, the agent looked down at the open, used (obviously personal) Bible of our brother, grabbed it, and sailed it out the window to parts unknown. For three years our brother bemoaned the fact that his good Bible with so many notes and sermons was no longer his constant compan-

ion. "I believe Romans 8:28, but, Lord, how can this work out for good?" he wondered.

One day he received his personal Bible through the mail. A letter enclosed read, "Dear Brother in Christ: Thank you, thank you, for the use of your Bible. I found it by the railroad three years ago. I have kept it, read it, and studied it often. My family and I have written many Scriptures down on paper and many more in our hearts. We cannot thank you enough, for now maybe we can go to heaven. . . . But brother, please forgive me for keeping your Bible so long. I thought that if I did not read it now, I might never again find a Bible to read."

"Oh, Great God and Father of us all, forgive me for my doubting," wept our Hungarian brother.

Would not it be wonderful if all could come to the Bible as if we found it for the first time? We could be simply "Christians" with a deep desire to go to heaven, to be with the saints of all the ages. Pick up your New Testament and read it again for the "first time." That is, read it as if you have never read it before. Follow what it says—not what some man says it says. Do what it commands—not what some other book requires (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

*"For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death."*

ROMANS 8:2

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## Bible Quiz

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Send us your answers to receive a free Bible bookmark. We will grade and return your questions and enclose the bookmark "Which Herod Is Which?" as a way of saying thanks for spending time in the Word (quantities may be limited).

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Questions are taken from the New King James Version.

### Answers to Previous Quizzes

**V. 28:6** Starts with the Letter "B": 1. Baal (1 Kings 16:30–32); 2. Baal-Zebub (2 Kings 1:2); 3. Baasha (1 Kings 15:16); 4. Babler (Acts 17:16–18); 5. Babel (Genesis 11:1–9); 6. Babylon (Daniel 4:28–30); 7. Benjamin (Genesis 35:16–20; 43:26–34); 8. Butler and baker (Genesis 40:5–7); 9. Balaam (Deuteronomy 23:4–5); 10. Baptism (1 Peter 3:21); 11. Barabbas (Matthew 27:21); 12. Bar-Jonah (Matthew 16:16–18); 13. Barnabas (Acts 4:36); 14. Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46–52); 15. Basket (Acts 9:24–25); 16. Bathsheba (2 Samuel 11:1–4); 17. Bear (Galatians 6:2); 18. Beautiful (Acts 3:1–10); 19. Beelzebub (Matthew 12:24); 20. Bethany (John 11:1); 21. Begotten (John 3:16); 22. Backbiting (Proverbs 25:23); 23. Beginning (Genesis 1:1).

**V. 28:7** Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem: 1. Sunday; 2. Bethphage at the Mount of Olives (21:1); 3. Jerusalem (21:10); 4. He sent two disciples to get it from the opposite village (21:1–2); 5. Zechariah; 6. Say, "The Lord has need of them (21:3); 7. The two disciples' clothes (21:7); 8. Clothes and branches from trees (21:8); 9. "Hosanna to the son of David. . . . Hosanna in the highest" (21:9); 10. He went to the temple (21:12); 11. A den of thieves (21:13); 12. A tree with leaves only (21:19); 13. He asked them if the baptism of John was authorized from heaven or men (21:25); 14. "We do not know" (21:27); 15. No (21:27); 16. The parable of the two sons (21:31); 17. I will not (21:29); 18. He went to work in the vineyard (21:29); 19. He said he would work but he did not go (21:30); 20. The first son (21:31); 21. His servants (21:34); 22. Beat, killed, and stoned them (21:35); 23. Killed him (21:39); 24. The kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a nation bearing the fruits of it (21:43); 25. They feared the multitudes (21:46).

## Jesus, the Church, and Salvation

**Directions:** Find answers in the following passages: Matthew 16:18; John 3:16; 3:17; 4:24; 14:6; Acts 2:47; 11:26; 20:28; Romans 1:16; 10:10; 10:17; 16:16; 1 Corinthians 1:2; 3:11; Ephesians 1:22; 2:8–9; 4:4; 5:23; 6:17; 1 Peter 3:21 (not in order). Questions are taken from the New King James Version.

- The church belongs to \_\_\_\_\_.
- The foundation of the church is \_\_\_\_\_.
- The head of the church is \_\_\_\_\_.
- "For God so loved the \_\_\_\_\_ that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have \_\_\_\_\_ life."
- The church was purchased with \_\_\_\_\_.
- The gates of \_\_\_\_\_ would not prevail against the church.
- "The churches of \_\_\_\_\_ greet you."
- Jesus said to him, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_, the truth, and the life."
- "No one comes to the Father except through \_\_\_\_\_."
- Faith comes by \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God.
- "For by \_\_\_\_\_ you have been saved through faith."
- "Not of \_\_\_\_\_, lest anyone should boast."
- "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and \_\_\_\_\_."
- "The power of God to salvation for \_\_\_\_\_."
- "With the mouth \_\_\_\_\_ is made unto salvation."
- The sword of the spirit is \_\_\_\_\_.
- "Body" is another name for the \_\_\_\_\_.
- Since there is one body, how many God-approved churches are there? \_\_\_\_\_
- "There is also an antitype which now saves us—\_\_\_\_\_."
- Is it possible for a Christian to fall from grace according to Galatians 5:4 and 2 Peter 2:20–22? \_\_\_\_\_
- Who added to the church those who were being saved? \_\_\_\_\_
- "For God did not send His Son into the world to \_\_\_\_\_ the world, but that the world through Him might be \_\_\_\_\_."
- Disciples were first called Christians in \_\_\_\_\_.
- Are all Christians "called to be saints"? \_\_\_\_\_

# WORSHIP OR ENTERTAINMENT?

There is no doubt that the man we know as Neil Postman described serious problems in modern culture in his insightful 1985 book *Amusing Ourselves to Death*. His thesis was that public discourse has been reshaped to such an extent by television and entertainment that thoughtful discourse is missing. “Show business” hype has affected advertising, politics, and religion. Postman’s conclusion was that none of these changes have made for improvement.

In our entertainment-oriented culture, many churches find themselves trying to “outdo” themselves with more and more elaborate additions to worship. What began as special music by a choir becomes a full orchestra with professional soloists. A dramatic reading necessitates a full Broadway stage production. And as long as those who come to worship enjoy what is offered, anything goes. The expectation is that sermons will be shorter,

wittier, and more uplifting. Anything in worship that cannot be “jazzed up” must be abandoned as boring—and there is nothing worse than being bored—or so we are led to believe.

The problem with this entertainment orientation is that the very object of worship is forgotten. God is the “audience” in worship. Jesus told the Samaritan woman that ignorant worship is unacceptable to God, even though it may be sincere or enjoyable. “God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth” (John 4:24). This means that worship must be from the heart, not just outward acts, and that it must be done in exact obedience to God’s commands. The worship must be directed to Him, not the whims of the worshipers.

God’s regulations for worship as set out in the New Testament are neither boring nor out of date. They are God-centered; entertainment is man-centered.

There is nothing wrong with the worshiper enjoying worship. God intended worship to bless His children. But when worship is merely window dressing for an entertainment performance, it cannot please God. The apostle warned, “Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God” (2 John 1:9). Paul condemned things that “have indeed a show of wisdom in will worship” (Colossians 2:23). “Will worship” is that worship fashioned after man’s desires. —Bob Prichard



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# TYPES & ANTITYPES

## The **HIGH PRIEST** as a type of **CHRIST**

God is amazing. No one else could put the shadow of future things into the past. Types and antitypes are examples of God prefiguring the future. Types are the shadow in the Old Testament of things that were to come (antitypes) in the New Testament.

Clearly, the high priest, as he is described in the books of Exodus, Leviticus, Hebrews, and elsewhere, is a type of Christ.



### THE **HIGH PRIEST** TYPE

The high priest was set apart and made holy for service to God (**LEVITICUS 21:8**).

The high priest represented the people before God (**EXODUS 28:29**).

The high priest bore the iniquity of the people to make atonement (**NUMBERS 18:1**).

The high priest's office was a perpetual statute (**EXODUS 29:9**).

The high priest was a mediator between the people and God (**LEVITICUS 16:17**).

The high priest offered sacrifices for the sins of the people (**HEBREWS 9:7**).

The high priest was chosen from among men by God (**EXODUS 28:1; HEBREWS 5:1**).

The high priest's garments were for glory and beauty (**EXODUS 28:2**).

The high priest was cleansed for his office (**EXODUS 29:4, 7**).

### **JESUS THE CHRIST** ANTITYPE

Jesus is holy and set apart for service to God (**HEBREWS 7:26**).

Jesus represents us before God (**HEBREWS 9:24**).

Jesus bore our sins in His own body to make atonement (**1 PETER 2:24**).

Jesus is a High Priest forever after the order of Melchizedek (**HEBREWS 6:20**).

Jesus is our Mediator (**HEBREWS 4:14–16; 1 TIMOTHY 2:5**).

Jesus offered Himself as the ultimate sacrifice for our sins (**HEBREWS 9:26**).

Jesus was chosen as a man to be the High Priest (**HEBREWS 5:5**).

The Christ was made flesh, and we beheld His glory of grace and truth (**JOHN 1:14**).

Jesus was baptized and anointed with the Holy Spirit (**ACTS 10:38**).



## Keynotes of the Gospel Accounts

Reviewing key words, verses, phrases, and messages from the gospel accounts refreshes our memory (2 Peter 1:12) and helps us to find key ideas as we read.

### **Book: Matthew**

Key Word: Kingdom

Key Verses: Matthew 1:21–23

Message: Jesus, the King of the Jews

### **Book: Mark**

Key Word: Straightway

Key Verses: Mark 10:43–45

Message: Jesus, the Perfect Servant

### **Book: Luke**

Key Phrase: Son of Man

Key Verse: Luke 19:10

Message: Jesus, the Ideal Man

### **Book: John**

Key Word: Believe

Key Verses: John 20:30–31

Message: Jesus, the Only Begotten Son of God

—Frank J. Dunn, *Know Your Bible* (Frank and Yvonne Dunn Publications—1997), 430–648

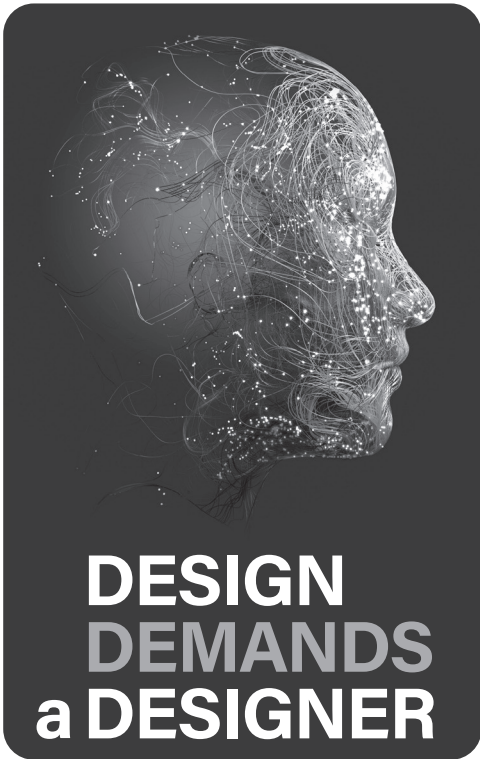
## Where to Look

Look around you and be distressed.  
Look within you and be depressed.  
Look to Jesus and be at rest.

*"In my distress I cried to the Lord, and He heard me."*

PSALM 120:1

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## DESIGN DEMANDS a DESIGNER

We are not the product of evolutionary chance; we are the handiwork of a skillful Weaver.

Your body is made up of microscopic cells so small that the letter O on this page would contain thirty to forty thousand of them. Each cell is a world in itself, containing an estimated two hundred trillion tiny molecules of atoms. Each cell has its own specialized function, and each works on an intricate timetable that tells it when to grow, when to divide, when to make hormones, and when to die. Every minute of every day, some three billion cells in the body die. Every minute of every day, the same number are created to take their place. During any given moment in the life of any one of these cells, thousands of events are taking place, each one being precisely coordinated at the molecular level by countless triggers. The human body has trillions of them—a million of them in each square inch of skin, thirty billion in the brain, billions of red blood cells in the veins. —John Phillips

*"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well."*

PSALM 139:14



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