

It is Written
Understanding the Bible
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Matthew 7:24

Introduction - Our desire is for you to **LOVE**, **LIVE** and **LEARN** the Bible.

Example: Marriage: Love and **UNDERSTANDING** - The Bottle

I. Understanding the Bible

- The word Bible means **BOOK**
- It was written over a period of **1600** years in over a **DOZEN** countries on **THREE** continents by people from all walks of life
- There were about 40 writers but only one **AUTHOR**
- 2 Timothy 3:16-17

II. Overview of the Old Testament

- **LAW** - 5 Books, Genesis through Deuteronomy
- **HISTORICAL** - 12 Books, Joshua through Esther
- **POETICAL** - 5 Books, Job through Song of Solomon
- **PROPHETICAL** - 17 Books:
 - 5 Major prophets, Isaiah through Daniel
 - 12 Minor prophets, Hosea through Malachi
- 400 silent years: Greek and Roman Empires

III. Overview of the New Testament

- **GOSPELS** - 4 Books, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
- **ACTS** - History of the first church
- **EPISTLES** - 21 Books, Romans through Jude

- **REVELATION** - Prophecy of Last Days and Eternity

IV. The **PLOT** - The mirror image

- God and **RIGHTEOUS** man in Paradise: Genesis 1-2
- Satan and sin **ENTER**: Genesis 3-5
- The world judged and **DESTROYED**: Genesis 6-9
- **ONE WORLD** government system: Genesis 10-11
- 12 Tribes/**ISRAEL** God's Holy People: Genesis 12 - Malachi
- **JESUS CHRIST**: Mark, Matthew, Luke, John
- 12 Disciple/**CHURCH**, God's Holy People: Acts - Jude
- **ONE WORLD** Government System: Revelation 6-19
- The world **JUDGED** and destroyed: Revelation 6-19
- Satan and sin **EXIT**: Revelation 20
- God and **REDEEMED MAN** in Paradise: Revelation 21-22

V. The Subject: **JESUS** - John 5:39 NLT

VI. The verb: **GIVE** - John 3:16