



NO BIBLE SUNDAY?

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Sermon resource

What the Bible means to me

Description:

Inspiring quotes about the Bible

What's needed:

Nothing

Aim:

Help people to be re-inspired with the supreme importance of the Bible.

Time:

Depends on use

Quotes:

“This book had to be written by one of three people: good men, bad men or God. It couldn't have been written by good men because they said it was inspired by the revelation of God. Good men don't lie and deceive. It couldn't have been written by bad men because bad men would not write something that would condemn themselves. It leaves only one conclusion. It was given by divine inspiration of God.”
John Wesley

“England has two books; the Bible and Shakespeare. England made Shakespeare, but the Bible made England.”
Victor Hugo

“Would this one book were in every language, in every land, before the eyes and in the ears and hearts of all men.”
Martin Luther

“Christ and his apostles taught the people in the tongue that was best known to the people. Why should not men do so now?”
John Wycliffe

“The Bible is like a wide river in which lambs may splash in the shallows and elephants may swim to their hearts' content.”
Pope Gregory the Great

“We worship God only to the degree that we hear Him speak. This is why there are injunctions throughout Scripture about hearing and listening.”
R.T. Kendall

“The Word may come through preaching and teaching, through personal witness in word or song, or through study and meditation; but it always comes (if we are receptive) with that power to renew us. This is why the believer must spend time daily with the Bible, reading and meditating; and why the Word must be an important part of public worship.”
Warren Wiersbe

“If you believe what you like and reject what you like, it is not the Gospel you believe but yourself.”
St Augustine

“The truth is that the light which shines in this incredible book simply cannot be put out.”
Malcolm Muggeridge

“I am puzzled about which Bible people are reading when they suggest religion and politics don’t mix.”
Desmund Tutu, South African Archbishop

“A man can’t always be defending the truth. There must be a time to feed on it.” *C.S. Lewis*

“I want to see a new translation of the Bible into the hearts and conduct of living men and women. I want an improved translation – or transference it might be called – of the commandments and promises and teachings and influences of the Book to the minds and feelings and words and activities of the men and women who hold onto it and swear by it and declare it to be an inspired book and the only authorized rule of life.

“That seems to be the only translation, after all, that will in the long run prove to be of any value... It is of no use making correct translations of words, if we cannot get the words translated into life.”
William Booth, founder of The Salvation Army

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