

# SEARCH FOR TRUTH HOME BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM STUDY SHEET

## An Introduction to the Bible LESSON NO. 1 Study Sheet

### Cover.

- A. Introduction
- B. "Search the scriptures . . . they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39).

### Chart 1. The Old Testament: What Is It?

- A. A library collection
  - Law - 5 Books
  - History -12 Books
  - Poetry - 5 Books
  - Major Prophets - 5 Books
  - Minor Prophets -12 Books
- B. Approximately thirty-two writers covering 3,600 years of man's history
- C. Many writers, one Author (II Peter 1:21)

### Chart 2. From God's Hand to Ours!

- A. Before the Bible
  - First 2,500 years there was no written Word;
  - Word of God came orally, creation, conscience
- B. First written covenant (Deuteronomy 17:18-19)
- C. Law is preserved
- D. Entire law read every seven years  
(Deuteronomy 31:9-11; Luke 24:44)
- E. Scribes copy law
- F. First Bible printed A.D. 1488
- G. The Word in our hands

### Chart 3. The Bible: Unique and Wonderful!

- A. More translations than any other book
- B. Survivor of time and critics (Matthew 24:35)
- C. God wrote it! (I Corinthians 14:37)
- D. We saw it happen! (II Peter 1:16; Acts 2:22)

### Chart 4. How Can We Know the Bible Is True?

- A. Science (Isaiah 40:22; Job 26:7;  
Jeremiah 33:22; Hebrews 11:3)
- B. Medicine (Leviticus 17:11)
- C. History
- D. Archeology
- E. Dead Sea Scrolls

### Chart 5. Prophecy Says: "It's True!"

- A. The prophets proved it!
- B. It happened then! (At least twenty-nine Old Testament prophecies relating to the betrayal, trial, death, suffering and burial of our Lord were fulfilled in one twenty-four-hour period of time)
- C. It's happening now!
  - Immorality (Luke 17:28-30; II Timothy 3:2-4)
  - False Christs and cults (Matthew 24:11, 24)
  - Defensive aircraft (Isaiah 31:5)
  - Witchcraft (I Timothy 4:1)
  - Famines, pestilence and earthquakes (Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11)
  - Wars and rumors of wars (Matthew 24:6; Mark 13:7)
  - 666 system (Revelation 13:16-18)
  - Israel regathered (Ezekiel 37:1-28; 36:33-35; Psalm 102:16)
- D. It will happen soon!  
(Joel 2:30; II Peter 3:10-11)