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Christians in general—and preachers of prophecy in particular—attribute the fulfillment of hundreds of Old Testament messianic prophecies to Jesus of Nazareth. Often these claims arise in the uncritical environment of Christian churches or popular literature that is treating messianic prophecy. People with critical thinking abilities, and those

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endowed with a skeptical nature, often have key questions that remain unaddressed in such environments. These thinkers and skeptics are the people that will be most interested in this work. The primary question addressed is this: "Do critically acceptable historical-evidential reasons exist for believing that Jesus Christ is the direct fulfillment of some specific Old Testament messianic texts?"

Approaching this question within a framework that

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eliminates any possibility of staged prophetic fulfillment, and those that may occur by mere chance or collusion, produces results that must be taken seriously. Even with these strict criteria, Jesus emerges as the only viable candidate to fulfill some of the prophecies included in this study. For other prophetic texts, the evidence is not as abundant or convincing. However, even these texts yield several minimal facts that directly impinge on New Testament

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claims about Jesus.

The earliest of the four Gospels, the book portrays Jesus as an enigmatic figure, struggling with enemies, his inner and external demons, and with his devoted but disconcerted disciples.

Unlike other gospels, his parables are obscure, to be explained secretly to his followers. With an introduction by Nick Cave

In contrast to the other synoptic evangelists the author of Matthew proceeded differently in many respects. Why did he modify the text so much

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and arrange ten miracle narratives one after the other at one stretch with minor interruptions? Why did he place the so-called «miracle chapters» immediately after the Sermon on the Mount. Why did he enclose them between two summary statements on either side? These are only some of the unanswered questions about chapters 8 and 9 of Matthew's Gospel. Beginning with Aristotle's theory of the drama or tragedy, the author suggests that the way the evangelist has reworked

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and reorganized the miracle narratives is similar to the structure of the classic drama. By discovering the narrative strategies and the discourse aspect, we are able to demonstrate how each episode corresponds to the different moments of a plot such as the initial situation, inciting moment, complication, climax with suspense and finally resolution and denouement. An Introduction to the Gospels is designed to be a textbook for courses on the Gospels, for use at

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the college and beginning seminary level. Reflecting the most recent scholarship and written in an accessible style, the volume covers all four of the Gospels, including a survey of "the world of the Gospels". The book opens with a discussion of the origin, development, and interrelationships of the Four Gospels. After a chapter-length treatment of each canonical Gospel and the non-canonical Gospels, the work concludes with a discussion of the "historical Jesus" debate.

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In An Introduction to the Gospels, Mitchell G. Reddish: - provides a solid, convenient survey of the Gospels in an accessible textbook format - presents up-to-date scholarship in a field that has been dominated by older texts - gives a balanced presentation of the content of the Gospels  
Study Guide to the New Testament

A Guide to what Matters Most : New Edition with Study Guide

The Jesus I Never Knew Study Guide

The Case for Faith Study



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A Study Guide

God the Savior Study Guide  
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Why Doesn't Judaism Accept  
the Christian Messiah?

A comprehensive study  
guide offering in-depth  
explanation, essay, and  
test prep for the New  
Testament, including  
analysis of the Gospel,  
the history,  
correspondence, and  
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These traditionally  
accepted seven authors  
are recognized for  
bringing the life of

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Jesus to Christians. As a body of work of the first century, the New Testament brings Christianity from a small group of followers to a large church with an established theology that tackles faith, works, harmony, and diversity. Its influence has impacted every aspect of the human experience; shaping the moral compass of the human race. Moreover, it has supplied inspiration for the world's greatest musicians, writers,

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artists, and poets. This Bright Notes Study Guide includes notes and commentary on each book of the New Testament, helping students to thoroughly explore the reasons they have stood the literary test of time. Each Bright Notes Study Guide contains: - Introductions to the Author and the Work - Character Summaries - Plot Guides - Section and Chapter Overviews - Test Essay and Study Q&As The Bright Notes Study Guide series

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offers an in-depth tour of more than 275 classic works of literature, exploring characters, critical commentary, historical background, plots, and themes. This set of study guides encourages readers to dig deeper in their understanding by including essay questions and answers as well as topics for further research. Updated Edition of a Bestselling Study of Jesus and the Gospels In this work Darrell Bock,

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a leading evangelical New Testament scholar who speaks and teaches around the world, and Benjamin Simpson show that a coherent portrait of Jesus emerges from the four Gospels when they are taken seriously as historical documents. When read together, the Gospels provide a clear picture of Jesus and his unique claims to authority. This book surveys all the Gospel units and relates them to their parallel passages, showing how

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the literary and canonical relationships work. Offering up-to-date interaction with the latest discussions about Jesus, the second edition has been substantially revised and updated throughout and includes three new chapters on how we got the Gospels.

An informed, scholarly approach to the study of the historical Jesus that takes the Gospels seriously as a source of historical information. Manifestos are very

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popular nowadays. Some, one could argue, have become infamous. Kingdom Manifesto, however, is a series of biblical studies on the Sermon on the Mount. This manifesto was originally given by the King of kings. The first volume is on the Beatitudes which the author entitled the Beautiful Attitudes. The author, Dr. Nelson Thermitus, has done an in-depth study of the Beatitudes; he has offered different ways to apply them and

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live them out in your Christian walk. These beautiful attitudes, once applied with the help of the Holy Spirit, will help you to become a better disciple of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The values of the kingdom are thoroughly explained. The book will aid you in assessing your values with those of the King and require a change in your behavior. This book could serve as a personal devotional or personal Bible study; it



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is also perfect for small group Bible studies. The author believes that Kingdom Manifesto can truly change the world and make it a better place. Happy reading.

Exploring the Context,  
Purpose, and Meaning of  
the Story of God

Come to the Land Where  
It All Began

Disputed Questions in  
Theology and the  
Philosophy of Religion

Why Doesn't Judaism  
Accept the Christian  
Messiah

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Studies on the Sermon on  
the Mount: The Beautiful  
Attitudes

The New Testament You  
Never Knew Study Guide  
The Epistles and Book of  
Revelation (Making  
Precious Things Plain,  
Vol. 12)

*A Simon & Schuster eBook.  
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book for every reader.*

*Have you ever been at odds  
with God? Have you resisted,  
defied, or tried to bargain your  
way out of what you thought  
God wanted? You aren't alone.  
Scripture documents similar  
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*Andy Stanley looks at some of the people whose lives intersected with Jesus in the weeks leading to his crucifixion. Each of them had an agenda that put them at odds with God and Jesus. As you'll see, there's a little bit of them in all of us. The Why Easter Matters Study Guide includes session overviews, video teaching notes, discussion questions, personal reflection material, and a leader's guide. Sessions include: The High Cost of Following Christ The Risk of Surrendering to God The God Who Can Be Trusted The Foundation of Our Faith*

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*Designed for use with the Who Needs Christmas / Why Easter Matters Video Study (9780310121121), sold separately. Streaming video also available.*

*Kathie Lee Gifford always believed the Bible held the answers to every question a person could ask. Her problem was: how could she be sure of what the Bible was really saying when we are so separated from the ancient Jewish culture in which it was written? As a lifelong student of Scripture, Kathie Lee Gifford has always desired a deeper understanding of God's Word*

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*and a deeper knowledge of God Himself. But it wasn't until she began studying the biblical texts in their original Hebrew and Greek—along with actually hiking the ancient paths of Israel—that she found the fulfillment of those desires. In this six-session video study (DVD/video streaming sold separately), Kathie Lee invites you to join her as she visits sites in Israel that have impacted her life. As she shares her story, Rabbi Jason Sobel, a messianic Jewish rabbi who was trained in the ancient rabbinical way, provides fascinating background details into the*

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*language, culture and heritage that make the story of the New Testament come alive. Kathie Lee and Rabbi Sobel will take you and your group beyond the typical "Sunday school" teaching to examine the original texts of the Bible. Now you can walk with Kathie on a journey through the spiritual foundations of her faith: The Rock (Jesus Christ): Hear directly from Kathie about her life-changing and ever-deepening connection with Jesus, the Lover of her soul. The Road (Israel): Explore dozens of ancient landmarks and historical sites from Israel, the*

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*promised land of God's covenant. The Rabbi (God's Word): Go beyond a Sunday-school approach to the Bible by digging into the original languages and deeper meanings of the Holy Scriptures. Come! Explore the land of Israel and mine the treasures of God's Word. There is so much more! Sessions include: Bethlehem: Where It All Began Nazareth: The Early Years Capernaum: Ministry Headquarters Galilee: Ministry Grounds Mount of Olives: The Triumphal Entry Jerusalem: Crucifixion and Resurrection*

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*Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi  
Video Study (9780310095033),  
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Predicted Messiah? A Historical-  
Evidential Approach to Specific  
Old Testament Messianic  
Prophecies and Their New  
Testament Fulfillments* Wipf and  
Stock Publishers

*Lutheran Woman Today  
A Historical-Evidential  
Approach to Specific Old  
Testament Messianic  
Prophecies and Their New  
Testament Fulfillments*

*The Drama of the Messiah in  
Matthew 8 and 9*

*A Study from a Communicative*



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*Perspective*

*Adventures in Search of the  
World's Rarest Species*

*The Plant Messiah*

*An Introduction to The Gospels*

SCM Studyguide to Biblical

Hermeneutics offers entry-level undergraduates a framework for interpreting the Bible. The book goes beyond offering guidance on how to do exegesis, and is intended as a practical tool to help readers develop good interpretative strategies for themselves. As such it features pedagogical tools such as Try it Out boxes to assist students to develop a tested and thought-through overall interpretative

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strategy of their own. Market-tested to ensure a good coverage of the typical topics found on a standard level-one hermeneutics course, this "Studyguide" is designed as a practical and comprehensive companion to coursework, be that within a secular institution, a theological institution or within Church reading groups. The authors set out from the beginning to make clear that interpretation of the Bible is largely affected by the reader's own situation and therefore, the text is designed to guide the reader through the myriad of accepted methods of

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interpretation, no matter what the reader's own perspective or situation may be.

Pastor and author Martin Thielen has compiled a list of ten things people need to believe, and ten things they don't, in order to be a Christian. This lively and engaging book will be a help to seekers as well as a comfort to believers who may find themselves questioning some of the assumptions they grew up with. With an accessible, storytelling style that's grounded in solid biblical scholarship, Thielen shows how Christians don't need to believe that sinners will be "left behind" to burn in hell

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or that it's heresy to believe in evolution. And while we must always take the Bible seriously, we don't always have to take it literally. At the same time, Christians do need to believe in Jesus--his life, his teachings, his death and resurrection, and his vision for the world. A great benefit of those beliefs is that they provide promising answers to life's most profound questions, including: Where is God? What matters most? What brings fulfillment? What about suffering? Is there hope? Thielen articulates centrist, mainline Christianity in a way that's fresh and easy to understand, and

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offers authentic Christian insights that speak to our deepest needs. This new edition includes a leader's guide, previously only available online, and a new introduction from the author that reflects on the book's reception. The leader's guide features unique and easily implemented aids for carrying out a seven-week, congregation-wide initiative that will help local churches reach out to their communities. More information is available at [thielen.wjkbooks.com](http://thielen.wjkbooks.com). God goes to great lengths to rescue lost and hurting people. In this 8-session video Bible

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study (streaming included), enter the culmination of God's complex plan to deliver his people in the person of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Salvation is what the story of the Bible is all about: the final goal of God's narrative. But throughout the Bible, there are two parallel dramas unfolding: The lower story, which describes the events from our human perspective. The upper story, which reveals how the events unfold from God's perspective. The goal of the God the Savior Bible study is to introduce you to these lower and upper stories as told in the New Testament. As you read these stories—featuring

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characters such as Mary and Joseph, the Twelve Disciples, John the Baptist, Mary Magdalene, and the central figure, Jesus Christ—you will see how God has been weaving our lower story into the greater upper story that he has been writing. This study guide has everything you need for a full Bible study experience, including: The study guide itself—with discussion and reflection questions, video notes, and Scripture readings. An individual access code to stream all eight video sessions online (you don't need to buy a DVD!). Sessions include: Jesus' Birth and Ministry (Matthew–John)

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Jesus, the Son of God  
(Matthew–John) The Hour of  
Darkness (Matthew–John) The  
Resurrection (Matthew–John)  
New Beginnings (Acts 1–12)  
Paul's Mission (Acts 13–18)  
Paul's Final Days (Acts 19–28)  
The End of Time (Revelation)

The God the Savior Study Guide  
is part of The Story Bible Study  
Series: a three-part Bible study  
drawn from Randy Frazee's  
bestselling *The Story*, which  
reveals the Bible as a single,  
continuous narrative of God and  
his people.

Graham Twelftree extensively  
examines the miracles of each  
Gospel narrative. He weighs



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their historical reliability and considers the question of miracles and the modern mind. Our Freedom in Christ and Our Role in the Restoration of All Things

A Guide to Biblical Commentaries and Reference Works

Studying the Historical Jesus Studies and Expositions of the Messiah in the Old Testament

The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi Study Guide

The Gospel of John Study Guide Restoring the Portrait from the Gospels

**Carlos Magdalena is a man on a mission: to save the**

**world's most endangered plants. In The Plant Messiah, Magdalena takes readers from the forests of Peru to deep within the Australian outback in search of the rare and the vulnerable. Back in the lab—at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, home of the largest botanical collection in the world—we watch as he develops groundbreaking, left-field techniques for rescuing species from extinction, encouraging them to propagate and thrive once again. Passionate and absorbing, The Plant**

**Messiah is a tribute to the diversity of life on our planet, and to the importance of preserving it. Do you know the real story behind the New Testament? We all share a fascination for discovering ‘the rest of the story.’ We enjoy learning the behind-the-scenes facts about seemingly familiar events. In *The New Testament You Never Knew*, well-known Bible scholars N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird team up to take you on a tour of the explosive story behind the story of the New Testament. You will**

**discover things you never knew about... The political upheaval of the day that made the nature of Jesus' coming so unexpected The underlying meanings behind Jesus' parables and miracles The Kingdom of God and why everything about it was so shocking The resurrection and why, despite repeated predictions, no one saw it coming The mission of the church and how it is more complex than we realize The transforming power of Jesus and how it can still turn the world upside down today Through reading the**

**New Testament we continually discover that God indeed keeps his promises, but those promises don't always look like what people expected. Especially when it comes to Jesus. So, come join the journey to discover why N.T. Wright calls the New Testament "one of the most explosive books ever written." The study guide (DVD/video streaming sold separately) includes teaching notes, discussion questions, Bible exploration, personal study and reflection materials, as well as interesting facts**

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Life and Death of Jesus The  
Resurrection of Jesus The  
Ministry of the Apostle Paul  
The Early Christians and  
the Church The Mission of  
the Church The Creation of  
the New Testament  
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New Testament You Never  
Knew Video Study  
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separately.**

**Are you confident in your  
faith that Jesus is the Son  
of God? Or do you want to**

**know Him even more? Do you want to discover new things, unveil mysteries, and deepen your understanding of your Savior? How did Jesus of Nazareth change the lives of the people He encountered and impact mankind, generation after generation, unlike no other person in history? Why did four fishermen lay down their nets and leave everything to follow Him? Why did Matthew change from a tax collector hated by Jewish society to a faithful disciple who targeted his Gospel for the**

**Jews? How did John change from a disciple who desired greatness to a man who wouldn't write his own name in his Gospel? What was it like to hear Jesus teach or to recognize Jesus' voice? How would you have handled the night of terror in the garden, His arrest, trial, and then crucifixion? To answer these questions, Jesus Lives spans the life of Christ from the beginning (John 1:2) to His birth, through His life on earth as Rabbi, Miracle Worker, Storyteller, Jewish Messiah, and Passover Lamb, and that He is our Covenant**



**Partner and Coming King, and much more. This study is for you to have a fresh revelation of Jesus, to get your identity through Christ, to develop intimacy with God, and to worship Him passionately! Join the adventure of Jesus Lives! This 10-week in-depth, interactive study includes daily assignments and 11 weekly video sessions, portions of which were taped in Israel and Egypt, the two countries where Jesus lived. Shirley Mitchell has a passion for people to be transformed by knowing God through His Word. She**

**has served God as a women's ministry leader and a Bible study leader in Lexington, Kentucky. Does believing in Christ mean refusing to ask hard questions in the midst of doubt? Doubt is familiar territory for Lee Strobel, the former atheist and award-winning author of books for skeptics and Christians. But he believes that faith and reason go hand in hand, and that Christianity is a defensible religion. In this six-session revised small group Bible study (DVD/digital video sold separately), Strobel**

**explores the most common emotional obstacles to faith in Christ. These include the natural inclination to wrestle with faith and doubt, the troubling presence of evil and suffering in the world, and the exclusivity of the Christian gospel. They also include this compelling question: Can I doubt and be a Christian? Through compelling personal stories and experts testimony combined with reflection and interaction, Christians and spiritual seekers will learn how to overcome these obstacles, deepen**

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and find new confidence  
that Christianity is a  
reasonable faith. Sessions  
include: The Challenge of  
Faith Dealing with Doubt  
Evil and Suffering, Part 1  
Evil and Suffering, Part 2  
Why Is Jesus the Only Way  
to God? The Power of Faith  
Designed for use with The  
Case for Faith Revised  
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The Everything Bible Study  
Book  
Faith Under Fire  
Participant's Guide  
How You Can Experience**

**the 12 Essentials of a  
Relevant Faith**

**All you need to understand  
the Bible--on your own or in  
a group**

**What's the Least I Can  
Believe and Still be a  
Christian?**

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plus Streaming Video  
It's Only Crazy Until It  
Happens**

*Stay far away from  
normal when it comes to  
matters of faith. Will  
you be remembered as a  
person who claimed to  
follow God but liked to  
play it safe? Or as a*

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*person who lived your life out on the limb and trusted God enough to act with crazy faith? In this five-session video Bible study (video streaming included), bestselling author and pastor Michael Todd reveals how to step out in faith and dive into the purposeful life of trusting God for the impossible. There are many things that seem normal today that at one point in time seemed crazy. History-making inventions that started*

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*out as crazy ideas. People who risked everything to stand up for what they believed. But our see-it-to-believe-it generation tends to have a hard time exercising true faith—one that steps out, takes action, and sees mountain-moving results. Many of us would rather play it safe and stand on the sidelines. But it's crazy faith that helps us see God move and reveals his promises. This study guide has*

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*everything you need for a full Bible study experience, including: An individual access code to stream all five video sessions online (you don't need to buy a DVD!). The study guide itself—with discussion and reflection questions, video notes, and a leader's guide. Video notes and a comprehensive structure for group discussion time. Sessions and run times include: Starting Out (Baby Faith and Maybe Faith) (18:00)*



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*Getting Stronger*

*(Waiting Faith and Wavy Faith) (17:30) Obstacles to Avoid (Lazy Faith and Fugazi Faith) (16:00)*

*Moving to the Next Level (Trading Faith and Stating Faith) (18:00)*

*Finishing Strong (Fading Faith and Saving Faith) (18:30) Even if we have to start with baby faith or maybe faith, we can become empowered to let go of our lazy faith, trust God through our hazy faith, and learn to live a lifestyle of crazy faith.*

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*New Testament Study  
Guide, Pt. 3: The  
Epistles & the Book of  
Revelation. This volume  
is the third of three on  
the New Testament. An  
unusually large volume,  
it covers most of the  
Book of Acts, the New  
Testament epistles, and  
the Book of Revelation.  
We read of Saul's  
conversion and then  
follow him as the  
Apostle Paul as he takes  
his five major journeys  
throughout the  
Mediterranean area. The  
book of Acts provides*

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*the historical context to his journeys. Along the way, we read his teachings in his 14 marvelous epistles to early Church members. Eventually, we follow Paul to Rome where he was martyred for the cause of Christ. This volume also covers the epistles of James, Peter, John, and Jude. And finally, we read the Book of Revelation?John?s apocalyptic messages written while he was on the Isle of Patmos. The*

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*cover features a classic painting of ?St. Paul at His Writing Desk,? painted by Rembrandt in 1692.*

*The ultimate, all-in-one resource on what the Old Testament says about Jesus As Jesus walked the Emmaeus road, he showed his companions how the whole of Scripture foretold his coming. Yet so often today we're not quite sure how to talk about Jesus in the Old Testament. How do you know what applies to*

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*Jesus? And how do you interpret some of the strange prophetic language? Get answers and clarity in this authoritative and reliable guide to messianic prophecy from some of the world's foremost evangelical Old Testament scholars. In this in-depth, user-friendly one volume resource you get:*

- essays from scholars on the big ideas and major themes surrounding Messianic prophecy -A clear and careful*

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*commentary on every passage in the Old Testament considered Messianic -Insights into the original Hebrew and helpful analysis of theological implications Watch the Scriptures come into full color as you see new meaning in familiar passages and further appreciate God's masterful handiwork in preparing the way for Jesus, the long-awaited Messiah.*

*This comprehensive study guide covers the introduction and the 12*

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*foundational truths distilled in The Unshakable Truth, making it ideal for a 13-week group course and adaptable for a 52-week one. Users of the study guide—whether individuals or church groups—will get a firm grip on the book's central issues: what they as Christians believe, why they believe it, how it's relevant to life, and how they can pass it on to the next generation. The guide will help them*

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*work the meaning, credibility, and relevance of Christianity deep into their minds and hearts. Ultimately, believers will be helped to understand apologetics relationally, seeing how right believing affects not only them but also the people they encounter. A great resource for pastors, leaders, parents, youth groups, church groups—anyone wanting to reveal Christianity's power in today's life*



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*and culture.*

*Jesus Lives*

*An Introduction to the  
New Testament and the  
Origins of Christianity  
Exploring Christianity's  
Ten Toughest Questions  
The Gospels and Rabbinic  
Judaism*

*A Historical and  
Theological Study  
The Moody Handbook of  
Messianic Prophecy*

The word Disciple in Greek is transliterated mathetes (literally, the learning one) and is derived from the verb manthano which means "to learn". It means "one

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who learns instruction from another", or a disciple is likened to an apprentice who learns from his master tradesman. Thus, a disciple is a person that not only gains knowledge from the teacher but also acts upon it. A disciple therefore follows and a disciple learns from the Teacher. The disciple never replaces the one true Teacher, or takes the role of the teacher. Jesus remains our Teacher and our Lord. This study guide explores what it really means to be a disciple, within the context of the Great Commission of Matthew 28.

The purpose of this study guide is to help seekers and disciples of Christ to grow deeper in their

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understanding of what it means to be a true follower of Christ. The commentary, questions, and memory verses are designed to provide a true picture of the character of Christ and true Christian discipleship. As you read and meditate on the content of this book, and aided by the power of the Holy Spirit, your faith and fellowship with Christ will grow and your spiritual life will have greater meaning.

The Focus Bible Study Series is the perfect guide for in-depth scripture study. Each book in the series includes informative commentary, thought-provoking study questions and experiential group activities that encourage a

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deeper understanding of scripture.

First published in 2002, this book offers an authoritative and accessible introduction to the New Testament and early Christian literature for all students of the Bible and the origins of Christianity. Delbert Burkett focuses on the New Testament, but also looks at a wealth of non-biblical writing to examine the history, religion and literature of Christianity in the years from 30 CE to 150 CE. The book is organized systematically with questions for in-class discussion and written assignments, step-by-step reading guides on individual works,

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special box features, charts, maps and numerous illustrations designed to facilitate student use. An appendix containing translations of primary texts allows instant access to the writings outside the canon. For this new edition, Burkett has reorganized and rewritten many chapters, and has also incorporated revisions throughout the text, bringing it up to date with current scholarship. This volume is designed for use as the primary textbook for one and two-semester courses on the New Testament and Early Christianity.

Focus on Matthew  
The Ignatius Catholic Study Bible  
Princeton Review ...

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The Disciple of God: A Study  
Guide

10th Edition

The Unshakable Truth® Study  
Guide

New Testament

We saw in Volume 1 of Let's Get Biblical! Why Doesn't Judaism Accept the Christian Messiah? how Christendom-beginning in the earliest epistles of the New Testament- deliberately altered the Jewish Scriptures in order to make these sacred Hebrew texts appear Christological. What else did Christians invent on the way to making Christianity into the religion it became? Christians find it perplexing that Jews don't accept Jesus as the messiah because it seems

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so obvious to them when they routinely refer to Jesus as "Christ" and "the messiah." Almost all Christians think that the prophets of the Jewish Bible frequently made predictions that the messiah would be the son of God, who would be born to a virgin in Bethlehem, be a great miracle worker, endure a brutal crucifixion, and rise from the dead. As a result of this widespread belief, many Christians are astounded that Jews refuse to believe in their religion. They wonder how Jews could possibly fail to accept their assertion that Jesus is the messiah. Can't they see the overwhelming evidence to support this claim? Are they just being stubborn? Is there some sort of veil

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over their hearts and eyes? How can a nation reputed to be the most intelligent people on earth be so hardheaded? After all, God chose the Jews to be the recipients and protectors of His sacred oracles. They received their instructions directly from the prophets, and are the only nation on earth that can read and comprehend the Jewish Scriptures in its original language. Can such a nation be so clueless? In essence, Christians are dumbfounded. They don't understand why the vast majority of Jews are unimpressed with their assertion that the central role of the messiah was to die for the sins of the world. Christians wonder: Why don't passages in the "Old



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Testament" such as Isaiah 53 and Psalm 22 convince the Jews that the messiah was to suffer and die for the sins of mankind? Don't these and other texts in the Hebrew Scriptures provide irrefutable proof that Jesus is the promised Jewish messiah? After all, these chapters appear prominently in their own Bible. There is a clear answer to this age-old question: The messiah is not mentioned in any of these passages. In fact, these texts do not refer to the messiah but to someone or something else. In Volume 2 of this series, Rabbi Tovia Singer continues to probe this eye-opening and thought-provoking study of the Bible in order to answer two fundamental questions: Who invented

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millennia, the church's faithful have been completely oblivious to this Bible-tampering because virtually no Christian can read or understand the Hebrew Scriptures in its original language. Since time immemorial, earnest parishioners blindly and utterly depended upon manmade Christian "translations" of the "Old Testament" in order to understand the "Word of God."

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