

Dig Deeper into “Why the Bible 1” for personal study and Life Groups...

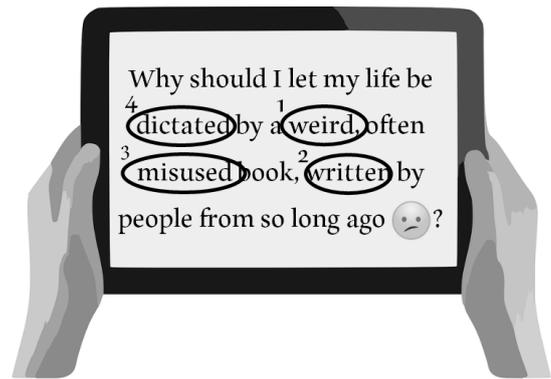
In this series we are looking at different aspects of the Bible:

WEEK 1) THE CHARACTER OF THE BIBLE

WEEK 2) ITS AUTHOR & AUTHORITY

WEEK 3) ITS INTERPRETATION

WEEK 4) ITS USE AT CHURCH & HOME



Summary of the sermon this week:

The Bible is *wonderful* because it is *personal*...

- because it introduces us to Jesus (Heb 1:1-2; Luke 24:27,32)
- because it speaks to us (Psalm 119: 47, 48, 97, 105)

1. *Are there any questions you have from the talk? Or questions about the Bible that you hope will be answered over these four weeks?*
2. *Read Hebrews 1:1-4. What is the writer saying to these early Christians about how God speaks? See also Heb 3:7. What is the relationship between Jesus and the Bible? In the light of that, how should we treat its message? See also Heb 2:1-4.*
3. *Read Luke 24:13-35. How would you describe the disciples before and after their encounter on the road? What clarity does the Scriptures bring to them? Why do you think that Jesus only reveals himself at the end? What lessons are there for us?*
4. *(If time, read John 5:46-40. What challenge and encouragement do we find here?)*
5. *Do you have any practical advice for how to make the most of the Bible in 2020 from what we have seen?*

Resources

- **Andy’s Testimony of conversion in prison on the Gideon’s Website.**
<http://blog.gideons.org/2012/08/testimonies-of-how-gods-word-has-prevented-suicide/>
- **Rosaria Butterfield’s Testimony in Christianity Today Magazine.**
<https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2013/january-february/my-train-wreck-conversion.html>
- **Sermon by John Piper on the way the Bible authenticates itself (also title of a book)**
<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/gods-peculiar-glory>
- **Short book recommendation: “Can I trust the Bible?” by Barry Cooper.**