

Can We Understand The Bible Alike?

What two illustrations were given in the beginning of the lesson? Explain their significance.

1. Some Tests

Answer the following questions about the creation of the world. Can we understand the Bible alike?

- (1) Who created the world?
- (2) What was created on the fourth day?
- (3) What did God do on the seventh day?

Answer the following questions about the flood. Can we understand the Bible alike?

- (1) Why did God choose to destroy the world through the flood?
- (2) Who was saved from this destruction?
- (3) What kind of wood was Noah to use to construct the ark? How many windows was Noah told to make in the ark?

Answer the following questions about the birth of Jesus. Can we understand the Bible alike?

- (1) Who was Jesus' mother?
- (2) In what town was Jesus born?
- (3) How many wise men were there? What did they bring to Jesus? And, where did they find Him?

Is it possible for us to understand these things alike? Why or why not?

2. God's Word Is Meant To Be Understood – And Be Understood Alike

Does God claim that we can understand His word? Explain.

Does God claim that we can understand His word alike? Explain.

Where has all of the religious division come from?

3. Obstacles To Understanding The Bible Alike

How can personal backgrounds hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can opinions hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can tradition hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can the desire to justify hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can a failure to rightly divide the word of truth hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can a failure to study God's word for oneself hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

How can false teachers hinder us from understanding the Bible – and understanding it alike?

4. Keys To Understanding The Bible Alike

Why is recognizing the right standard essential to understanding the Bible alike?

Why is rightly dividing the Scriptures essential to understanding the Bible alike?

Why is having a good and honest heart that is seeking the truth essential to understanding the Bible alike?

Why is demanding book, chapter, and verse essential to understanding the Bible alike?

Why is pursuing unity essential to understanding the Bible alike?