

LUKE



LUKE was a doctor who also wrote a book about Jesus. You will find it right after the book of Mark.

How many chapters does Luke have?



John was one of Jesus' best friends. He wrote a book about Jesus too. You will find it right after Luke. It is called the Gospel of John.

How many chapters are in John?



JOHN



GOD SENT HIS SON TO BE MY FRIEND

Introductory Lesson How To Use Your Bible

We are so happy you have chosen to study this set of lessons. You will be able to do all the activities if you have a Bible. There are many different versions and translations of the Bible. They use different words but the meaning is the same. You may use any version, but if you have a choice, choose one that is easy for you to read.

WHY STUDY THE BIBLE?



Mark _____ the following statements about the Bible with a **T** for true or an **F** for false.

_____ In the Bible I can:

- _____ Learn how people lived long ago
- _____ Read interesting stories
- _____ Find out how other people handled problems like mine
- _____ Play games and quizzes
- _____ Find help when I feel mad, sad or lonely
- _____ Learn how God feels about me
- _____ Improve my reading skills

If you chose all of them like I did, you are right!



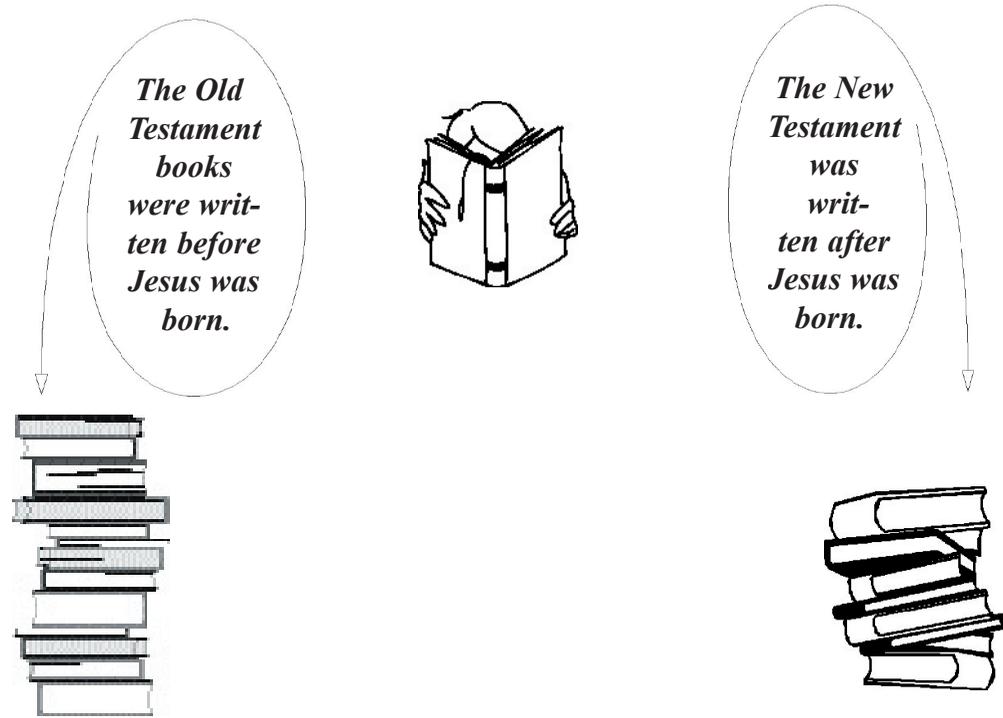
You will notice the words referring to God are capitalized. That is to show how important He is.

By the way, have fun coloring all the pictures.

Enjoy getting to know the Son God sent to be your friend!

The Bible is divided into two sections, the Old Testament and the New Testament.

Look through the first few pages at the front of your Bible. There you will find a list of all the books with the page number where each book begins.



Using the list you found, write OT for Old Testament or NT for New Testament next to each book to show where it appears in your Bible.

Mark _____

Exodus _____

Ruth _____

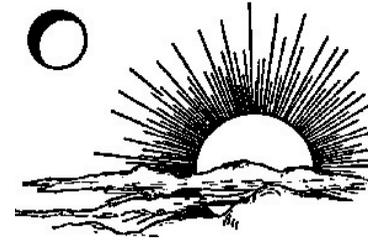
Jonah _____

Titus _____

Romans _____

In this set of lessons, we will be looking up verses from only 5 books in the Bible: Genesis, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

As you read about each book below, place a bookmark or a piece of paper in that book so that you can find it easily as you look up the texts in the lessons.



GENESIS means beginning, and it is the first book of the Bible. You will find it close to the front, after the Table of Contents and a few other pages of information about the Bible.

MATTHEW is the first book of the New Testament. It is found about 2/3 of the way through the Bible. It is a book about Jesus' life here on earth. Guess who wrote it.

That's right! It was **Matthew**!

How many chapters does the book of Matthew have?





MARK is also a book about Jesus. It comes right after Matthew but is a shorter book than Matthew.

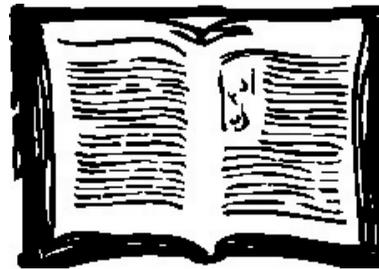
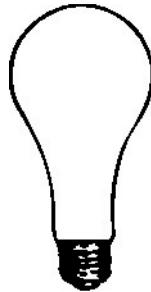
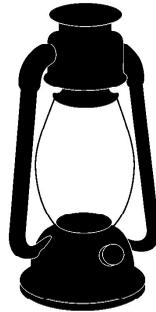
How many chapters does Mark have?



More Bible Fun . . .

Look up Psalm 119:105 in your Bible.
[The book of Psalms is right in the middle of your Bible.]

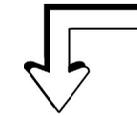
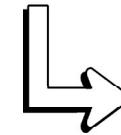
Write a number below each picture to show the order in which they appear in this text.



A King named David wrote this text. He also wrote most of the psalms. The Bible must have really important things in it, if King David said it was a light to his path!

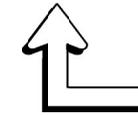
A Bible text usually looks like this. . .

The name of the book comes first.



Next comes the chapter number.

John 3:16



Last is the verse number.



*Now try to find Genesis 1:1 in your Bible.
Ask an adult if you need help.
Genesis is the first book of the Bible.
Find the first chapter.
Now find and read the first verse.*

GREAT!

*Now try to find Matthew 1:21.
Matthew is the first book of the New Testament.
It is about 2/3 of the way through your Bible.
Next find chapter 1.
Now find and read the 21st verse.*

EXCELLENT!



Some people have trouble finding texts in their Bibles at first. Here are two tips to help.



1. The more you use your Bible, the faster you will be able to look up texts.
2. Each book of the Bible is divided into chapters.

Some books have **MANY** chapters.

The longest book in the Bible is Psalms.
Look in the book of Psalms to see how many chapters it has.
Write the number on the line below.



Five books have only **ONE** chapter.

Can you find one of them and write its name below?

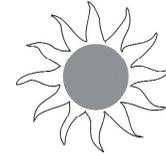


Bible Fun . . .



Look up the texts below in your Bible. Then draw a line from the text to the picture that goes with it.

Genesis 8:1



Psalms 1:3

Matthew 2:3



Mark 4:21

Luke 21:25

John 6:3

