



COIN FOLDER BOOKLETS!

Q. God has provided His Word for you and me, but what can we do in order for other boys and girls to know about Jesus too?

A. Get quarters to fill up the NBPM coin folders! You can ask for them from family (Mom, Dad, Grandparents, Uncle Larry, Aunt Betsy), hunt for them under the couch cushions, or take them from your piggy bank. However, the best way to get quarters is to earn them. Ask your mom or dad if you can do some “odd jobs” around the house. Let them know you are trying to earn money so the people in other countries can have a Bible. This year, we are sending Bibles to those in need! Remember, for every ten quarters you give, you can help Bearing Precious Seed print a Bible for someone who doesn’t yet have one!



FIND THE CHANGES!

Can you find what is different in the second picture?

Hint: there are 8 differences.



CHILD LESSON 1

GOD PROVIDES HIS WORD!





LESSON ONE

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"You have my word on it." Have you ever heard someone say that to you? When someone gives you their "word," it means they promise that whatever they said is the truth.

Sometimes people will break their word because we all still make mistakes, but with God, it is different. When God gives His Word, it is the absolute truth! God never makes a mistake! God promises that His Word will be preserved forever! Psalm 119:89 says, "*For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.*"

Today, in English we have the complete Bible; a written down copy of God's Word! That's why preachers and teachers sometimes refer to the Bible as God's Word. Did you know that people have lived on the Earth for over 6,000 years? People didn't always have a printed Bible as we do today, but they still had God's words in a different form.



In the beginning, God's words actually created the entire Universe! God even spoke out loud to the early people of Earth.¹ He told Noah how to build the ark that would save mankind from destruction.² God even spoke directly to Abraham about the family he would have.³ All of these people were then required to tell others what they had been told by God so God's Word would not be forgotten.

About 3,000 years ago, God actually wrote His words down for the very first time.⁴ Then, shortly after that, God started having His people write down His Word so others would be able to read it and hear it. Moses, at one point, provided some stone tablets, and God did the writing.⁵

Later on, men of God provided all of the materials, and also used their own hands to write down exactly what God told them to write.⁶ (This was called inspiration.) Around 2,000 years ago, God completed the writing of His Word. It was finished shortly after Jesus went back to Heaven to prepare a place to live for everyone who has believed



on Him. With the New Testament now finished, God gave His people the task of translating, copying, distributing (publishing), and proclaiming His Word to the entire world! This was the beginning of our printed Bible that we bring with us to church today!

God wanted His Word written down in a book in order for mankind to know about Him. That book is called the Bible. Would you take a few moments and thank God for giving you a Bible? Ask Him to help you understand it as you read its pages. Ask God to teach you more about Him and to help you to tell others about Him.

¹ Genesis 2:16

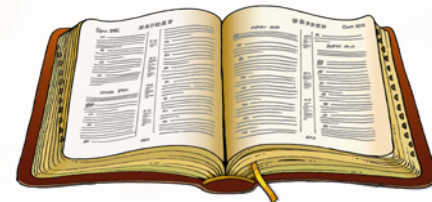
² Genesis 6:13

³ Genesis 12:1-2

⁴ Exodus 24:12

⁵ Deuteronomy 10:1-2

⁶ II Timothy 3:16



WORDS TO KNOW!

COMPLETE: Having all of the necessary parts.

DISTRIBUTE: To give something out.

INSPIRED: Breathed by God.

PRESERVE: To maintain something in its original state.

PUBLISH: To prepare and issue a work for others; to proclaim

