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Question	What's your general opinion of the Bible?
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Answer

Well I suppose my general position on the Bible could be broken into two primary groups of feelings. One is my personal feelings about the Bible, in terms of how it's affected my life personally and the second group could be the feelings I have about how the Bible has affected many people's lives other than mine. I feel very different opinions based on those two subjects.

So let's cover the first. This is that I feel quite strongly about the Bible. I have quite a strong love for the Bible because of the things it brought me personally, particularly in my first century life. I had access to the books that are now contained within the Bible at different times of my life, particularly during my childhood; I would visit synagogues regularly throughout my life and I spent a lot of time studying what is now called the Old Testament of the Bible. This is the reason why I could quote pieces of the Old Testament of the Bible to the Pharisees of the day.

My feelings are that without the Bible, or without what was the Bible in the first century, which was the Torah and the holy books and the psalms and the proverbs, without those records being available and being copied by copiers, I would probably not have discovered what I did discover about God in terms of God's Love and God's Truth. Once I removed all of the unlovingness, I suppose you could call it, in all of what I read, I could see in those books that there were times when the particular people who wrote these verses were totally inspired by God, I feel. At other times they were inspired by very dark and addictive and quite evil emotions. But there were times when they were really inspired by God and when I read those particular passages I always felt a very strong

connection with God and I knew in that moment that this was a truth about God. In that moment.

Every time I read, for example, about God being a punishing God, being the God of the Israelites who would lead them into the promised land and destroy the wicked people around about, I always felt disconnection from that, so I never really believed any of that as God's motivation for the Israelite nation. But when I read about how God feels about the individual, how God has this longing to have a connection, to have the heart of people change from a heart of stone into a heart of flesh and all of these other things, I felt a deep passion for God under those circumstances and I realised, "Yeah, this is really getting down to the meat of what God is all about." And so I started to see through this interaction that there were times of inspiration of these people who had written.

During those times there was a lot of truth and a lot of love that would come through the material and then I also started noticing that this time of truth and love had such a huge effect on me that it started me through a process of investigating and experimenting with receiving love from God, and knowing how to receive truth from God. For that reason I have a very very strong love for those particular books of the Bible; there are some prophetic books that really appeal to me and there were some psalms and proverbs that really appealed to me.

I really focussed on those particular books. They were books that I realised were given through the process of prophecy, which is a process where a spirit over-cloaks or controls a person on Earth to write certain things. Under those circumstances the spirits were in quite good condition and they were telling the people on Earth things that were really quite inspirational. However, when I read the law which was mostly written by man and definitely written by men who were just governors, and sometimes spirits who wanted to govern the Israelite nation, I always felt a very very strong disconnection from God and therefore I knew that these weren't God's Laws but rather these were man's laws.

I could tell the difference between parts of the so-called word of God that were really the word of God, in the sense that they were what God felt about certain things, and parts of the word of God that weren't the word of God at all but rather just the creations of mankind in order to control and legalise a system of controls for humankind, the Israelite nation in my case. So that's how I saw the Bible at that time, but I have a deep love for it.

Now in comparison to that, how do I feel about how the Bible affects people now? Well that's very different because I see that when they analyse the Bible, most people do it from one of two different directions. One is that they criticise everything in it, or two, they accept everything in it as God's word. There's no middle analysis, or it's very rare to see this middle-road type of analysis in a person that I had in the first century and that I've had all my life.

I notice people polarising when it comes to examination of the Bible. The people who criticise the Bible and who do not accept anything in it are not accepting quite a lot of

things in it that are about love and ethics and truth. I feel that these particular people are quite disadvantaged at times because of their dismissal of everything. It's like the old saying, "They're throwing out the baby with the bathwater." The bath water is bad so you throw out the whole thing. This is what I feel a lot of people do with the Bible, dismissing it completely; in fact many people who come along to our seminars have dismissed the Bible completely and when I start quoting different Bible texts they get very challenged. Many of them have a deep amount of rage associated with the Bible; they have rage associated with religious control and so as a result of that, when you start quoting the Bible, they get all stressed out that you're creating some kind of new religion or something, when it's just ideas and concepts that you're trying to present.

The second group of people are a group of people who believe that the Bible is wholly God's word, completely God's word without modification, that God has protected this Bible throughout the centuries from its creation and these people believe, or say they believe, absolutely everything in it. Of course, bearing in mind the fact that there are at least 33,000 Christian denominations on the planet at the present time, this would indicate that everyone interprets it differently, which is an issue in itself. And obviously interpretations are very open to emotional constructs. That means that if emotionally I can't accept a certain interpretation, then I dismiss that interpretation and search for another. Many people do that with the Bible but they still think that it's wholly God's word; they still believe that everything in it is true.

I can't agree with that and I have also seen quite a lot of damage caused by that. There are many people who have been severely damaged by that attitude that they have reflected in the Bible. There have been huge justifications historically for slavery, for the murder of other religious denominations and other religious people who practice different religions throughout the centuries based on different quotations from the Bible, and this is an indication of the fruits of what complete belief in something does. It causes huge numbers of problems if what you completely believe in is not based on love and truth.

And the Bible is not completely based on love and truth. It just is not. There are many lies contained within it, even about my own life. There are definitely a lot of lies and blasphemy in it about God, about God's Nature and God's Attributes and Qualities. There are a lot of truths too. The key, when you read it, is to be able to determine the truth from the lies. And I feel it's well worth reading to work through this emotion inside of yourself of how to determine the truth from lies. It's a great book for doing that. You can work through the truth and you can work through, "Oh, this bit here can't be true because I can feel that this is based on some kind of unloving behaviour or unloving idea or unloving concept." So you can dismiss those particular ideas as lies. They are not true. They are not true about God in many cases or many other events.

I have the advantage of course, of having a personal life associated with the Bible in the sense that part of my personal life is recorded in the Bible. I know that much of that was not recorded accurately so I know that it wasn't the truth and therefore it cannot be God's word; it was just the word of men. In fact I knew a lot of the men who wrote bits and pieces of it and in time, after my passing, I met every person who wrote every book of the Bible and had discussions with every single one of them about what was true and

what wasn't true, what parts were embellishments, what parts were complete fabrications, and what parts were actually true. I've had the advantage of having discussions with every one of those people, as does any person. Any person who passes in the spirit world has the advantage of asking these people to come to them and say, "Is this true, is that true, is this true, is that true?" Many don't of course because they want to hold on to their concept that the Bible is God's word. But if they do that they learn many things. Many things were true and many things are not true, and they learn that through this process.

I feel though, that there is a huge amount of damage that is caused by this indoctrination in the Bible. The indoctrination into any form of religion and any form of text is in itself flawed, because no text presented on this planet could ever contain the full truth. So it is flawed as a concept to believe that one text contains the full truth about any subject and this is because God is infinite and God's Truths are infinite and we are going to be constantly discovering more truth. This is what drives the interest in most of our lives. The truth will be scientific as well as informational as well as sometimes as what people might classify as religious, or it will affect our way of life, it will be about our personal development. There will be lots of truths. And these particular truths will grow over time because we're growing.

We learn more about love, we learn more about truth so we change and we understand something more as a result. If you use the Bible as a tool to do that then it's a very valuable tool. If you use the Bible saying, "No, it's the definite word of God, there's no other word of God," and all those kinds of things then straight away you have now become indoctrinated by it and you are now formulating a fixed position, which is a very unwise thing to do in your life.

Once you have formed a fixed position you are now not demonstrating any humility to learn new truth. Now you've become an arrogant person with a fixed view of truth and this is very very damaging to your future life, very damaging to your relationship with God, very damaging to your relationship with your partner, very damaging to your relationship with friends, very damaging to your peaceful and harmonious relationship with people in the world. Every time you force a position and then criticise and condemn other people for not having the same position, you are now going down a very dangerous road which creates a lot of disharmony.

That doesn't mean that you can't state the truth that you know. You can state the truth that you know. And the truth that has been proven to you can be stated. For instance, most people in the western world know that if they flick the light switch there's electrical power, which they have learnt a little bit about at least. They know that it's dangerous under certain conditions but they also know that it's very helpful under certain conditions and it turns on a light bulb and they can see at night if they want to. So you know there's a truth there. They can accept that particular truth. Now 200 years ago, nobody believed that. Not a single person believed that. Three or four hundred years ago most people didn't even conceive that it was possible. So truth is obviously something that develops over time.

The same applies to truth about God. In fact, it applies to the truth about God the most because God is infinite. God is more infinite than anything God has created so therefore God is going to be far more difficult to know right now. And then to say, "I know God completely," when time will show other truths about God all the time. It's always going to be a process of development.

So logically it makes no sense to believe that the Bible is God's word; that the Bible is wholly the only word of God. Any person who does that, I feel, will find themselves quite disappointed in future, because in the future they'll realise what has actually happened to the Bible, and when I say their future it might be after they have passed into the spirit world.

There has also been a lot of spirit influence in the creation of the Bible, people's ideas being transmitted from the spirit world onto Earth, and these particular things that are contained in the Bible were definitely not God's word but rather the word of spirits in the spirit world who have transmitted this word to others who were so-called inspired of God. That's what a Christian might call them but I would call them inspired. Not of God, just inspired in the sense that they have the ability to communicate with spirits and transmit information from them.

Mary: Okay, just to summarise, can I ask you some very direct questions?

Sure.

Mary: Do you believe that the Bible is an accurate representation of God's word?

Definitely not.

Mary: Do you believe that there's any benefit in the Bible?

Yes I do.

Mary: Have you benefited personally from the Bible?

Immensely. Immensely. Particularly in the first century. I would never have discovered God's Love without it.

Mary: How can a person use discernment then when they use the Bible?

In the manner that I have previously described in this answer. That is, to look at Love and Truth as the measuring sticks and any time that something is mentioned that's out of harmony with Love, or that feels out of harmony with love to the person, to dismiss it until such a time that it's proven some other way.

Mary: And what about people who say that they turn to the Bible to learn Love and Truth?

Well, you can't learn Love and Truth from everything in the Bible. There are many unloving behaviours recommended in the Bible. This applies to the treatment of women, to the treatment of people of different races, and the treatment of people who disagree with you. Going to war and other things that are all contained within the Bible are obviously all evidence of unloving behaviour so you can't just across the board assume that the Bible portrays loving behaviour. There are many things in the Bible that do portray correct loving behaviour but you are going to need to have some discernment and wisdom in order to determine what they are.

Mary: How does one develop this discernment and wisdom?

By receiving God's Love. When we receive God's Love we start to discern everything through the Love that we have received. Then we start having discernment and wisdom. We now start seeing, "Oh, that can't be true and this must be true," just through measuring it by the Love that we have received. One of the things that I do recommend that people do with the Bible is to have a look at how the Bible says to receive God's Love. Because the Bible does talk about being born again. It does talk about becoming at-one with God. There are many quotations of my own where I illustrate how to become at-one with God. Illustrations and metaphors and all of these things can be looked at in order to develop this personal relationship with God. This is why it's a very powerful book, in fact it is the only book that talks about at-onement with God and being born again. It's the only holy book on the planet that does that and for that reason it's unique. That's why I also have a deep amount of respect and love for it. But I do not assume that it contains all of God's word, and that's the main difference between myself and many Christians who then throw a whole heap of Bible verses at me which are obviously out of harmony with love and therefore out of harmony with truth. We'll talk about some of them in the different questions that you are asking today.