

# What is the Bible and why is it important for Christians?

## Learning Objective:

To find out how Christians use the Bible at home and at church.

What do you think  
Christians use the  
Bible for?

Think, pair, share your ideas.



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The Bible is used by Christians for lots of different reasons. In churches, it is used to teach people about God and the rules he gives His people to live by, as a basis for prayers and songs, and for telling the stories of the Bible. The contents of the Bible provide the basis of Christian worship and inspiration.

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Christians also read the Bible at home. Lots of Christians like to set aside a small amount of time each day to read the Bible. This can sometimes be for guidance in times of trouble, for prayers, for worship, or simply to learn more about God.



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Lots of Christian worship take the words directly from the Bible. Let's listen to some Christian worship songs...

"You Never Let Go"



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"Everlasting God"



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## You Never Let Go

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death  
Your perfect love is casting out fear  
And even when I'm caught in the middle of the storms of this life  
I won't turn back  
I know you are near  
And I will fear no evil  
For my God is with me  
And if my God is with me  
Whom then shall I fear?  
Whom then shall I fear?

(Chorus:)

Oh no, You never let go  
Through the calm and through the storm  
Oh no, You never let go  
In every high and every low  
Oh no, You never let go  
Lord, You never let go of me

Can you spot which  
phrases come from the  
Bible?

### Psalm 23: 1-4

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters,  
he restores my soul.  
He guides me in paths of righteousness  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk  
through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.

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## Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord  
We will wait upon the Lord. (repeat)

Our God, You reign forever  
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God  
The everlasting God  
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.

You're the defender of the weak  
You comfort those in need  
You lift us up on wings like eagles.

## Isaiah 40: 28-31

**28** Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.

**29** He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.

**30** Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;

**31** but those who hope in the LORD  
will renew their strength.  
They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

Can you spot which phrases come from the Bible?

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During a church service there are usually lots of different kinds of worship. Most churches will sing songs like the ones you have just heard at various points in the service. There will also be prayers, Bible readings and special teaching by the priest or minister called a sermon. Most of the worship at church is based on the words of the Bible.



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