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Bible teaching tool to receive wide distribution this spring

“What Does the Bible Really Teach?” is a compact educational tool directing readers to the key passages that most people wish to locate in their personal copies of the Bible. The “Bible Teach” book (for short) was released to audiences internationally during the 2005 annual conventions of Jehovah’s Witnesses. Even before the opening chapter, the book offers this mini-lesson in navigating the pages of the most widely distributed book on the planet:

GET TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE

There are 66 books and letters that make up the Bible. These are divided into chapters and verses for easy reference. When scriptures are cited in this publication, the first number after the name indicates the chapter of the Bible book or letter, and the next refers to the verse. For example, the citation “2 Timothy 3:16” means the second letter to Timothy, chapter 3, verse 16.

You will quickly become familiar with the Bible by looking up the scriptures cited in this publication. Also, why not start a program of daily Bible reading? By reading three to five chapters a day, you can read the entire Bible in a year.

Based on years of research and experience accumulated in the signature work of Jehovah’s Witnesses, their ministry from door to door and on the street, the book addresses common questions and popular subjects. It contains such chapters as “What Is God’s Purpose for the Earth?” “The Ransom—God’s Greatest Gift” and “Why Does God Allow Suffering?”

Designed for use as an introductory textbook, already 31 million copies have been produced in 141 languages, and that is in less than one year! A special distribution of the book during the month of March will begin by Jehovah’s Witnesses in over 12,000 congregations in the United States. Many other countries where the book is already available will have similar initiatives based on texts such as Romans 15:4, “For all the things that were written aforetime were written for our instruction, that through our endurance and through the comfort from the Scriptures we might have hope.”

This book is a teaching treasure, a book every lover of God’s Word will want to own and refer to often.

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