

Handing Out



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Thank you!

We are so thankful for your desire to participate in our “Handing Out Hope” project. We pray that you will find it to be very effective in showing others the amazing harmony and authority of God’s Word.

Directions:

Step 1 – Cut and Tie

Cut each of the bookmarks along the dotted line. A ribbon can be added to the bookmark, if desired.

Step 2 – Place and Mark

Place each bookmark in the appropriate opening of the Bible, then mark the verse(s) indicated on the bookmark. Note: The first and last bookmark should be placed just inside the front and back cover respectively.

Step 3 – Give and Pray

Give the Bible to someone and pray that the Holy Spirit will convince them of what the Scriptures say on that topic.

Note: Check out biblesinbulk.com to purchase inexpensive copies of the Bible.

Thanks again!

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Do you know why God loves you?

When dealing with any important issue, the absolute best place to start is with the ultimate Authority – God. Go directly to the Bible. See the verses for yourself. That is what this study is intended to do.

Each passage is marked so we can progress through the study in a logical manner. However, do not allow this arrangement to keep you from looking at the context around each passage or researching other passages that connect. God's word is designed to be both harmonious and serve as its own best commentary. If we will let the Bible interpret the Bible, at the end of the day, we will have God's thoughts without all the clutter of man's opinions.

Let's start with Genesis 1:26 (first marker).

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1

God loves you because you are family. You are made like Him to be part of His inner circle.

Notice Genesis 1:26.

God did not make you into a rock, a tree, or even an animal. He made you into the walking, talking, living image of Himself! You are the greatest evidence that God exists. He wants you to be His family.

Q: With the endless list of choices that are available to an all-powerful God, why do you think He decided to create you to be like Him?

Yes, that's a bit overwhelming, but we all should fascinate on the answer!

Next, let's go to Psalm 139:13-14.

2

God loves you because, not only are you family, you are unique within His family. You are living out a unique adventure that has never before been experienced. Read Psalm 139:13-14. Isn't that AMAZING? God specifically designed you to be you!

Sure, there have been many disappointments within the tale of you, but even they have given you uniqueness. Through the joys and sorrows of your life story, you are leaving a one-of-a-kind footprint on the trail of life.

God loves you because of the unique adventure you are on and He hopes you will let Him travel with you.

Q: When was the last time you told someone your story?

Next, let's go to Matthew 18:12-14.



3

God loves you because, no matter where you go, you are His!

Read Matthew 18:12-14.

Q: Have you ever felt lost? Ever felt so far from God that you weren't sure He could find you, let alone rescue you?

WELL, DON'T!

Jesus left everything behind to search for you, you specifically, the lonely, lost lamb who is beat down by the world and surrounded by hopelessness. You!

The very reason you are now reading this is because Jesus is calling your name.

But there's more!

Now go to John 3:16.

4

God loves you because you are worth it.

There is a very good reason that John 3:16 is among the most quoted verses in all the Bible. Read it and notice the great value God places on YOU.

We all know how dark this world can be, yet God sent His only Son into this darkness because you are worth it.

But God didn't just send Him, He told Jesus to give us something to believe in, to show us a love so strong that God's Son would even die to prove it.

Q: Why would God send His only Son to die for you if He didn't love you greatly?

Next let's go to Philipians 2:5-8.

5

God loves you because Jesus loves you.

Notice the words of Philipians 2:5-8.

Jesus, the only Son of the most holy God, emptied Himself of the honors and conveniences of Heaven to become one of us. He let go of the equal honor He deserved in Glory and He humbled Himself to the point of a humiliating death on a criminal's cross. He did all that because He loves YOU.

And, as if that wasn't enough, Hebrews 2:11 even says He is proud to call you family.

Wow!

Yes! Yes! Yes! God loves you!

Next, let's go to the final bookmark.



6

Q: Since it is obvious that God really does love us, how should we respond?

A: Honor God by following His Son.

Romans 6:3-4 (ESV) Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Jesus died for you. Will you die for Him? Will you die to your old desires and let Him rule over your life?

Jesus was buried for you. Will you meet Him in the burial of baptism? Will you let Him remove your sins in the water?

Jesus rose for you. Will you acknowledge that your new life in Christ begins after you are baptized?

God loves you! Will you love Him back? If you are ready to be baptized for the forgiveness of sins, please reach out to us.

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