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A CONVERSATION KIT ON THE BIBLE

Conversation Guide

Bible, ep. 1

Episode 1 summary

- The Bible is a complex and varied collection of ancient writings, masterfully constructed over thousands of years.
- It was written primarily to the nation of Ancient Israel, with parts directed to first-century Jews and non-Jews.
- The Bible has eternal relevance, which means it's valuable to all people at all times, but it was also written to specific people. It was written for us, not to us.
- 1. What is the Bible?
- 2. The Here and Now
- 3. The Bible is Weird
- 4. Themes

Discussion questions

Q1 What's your favorite story? From a book or a movie or anywhere. Why is it that you connect with that story? Is it the characters? Is it the plot? Little of both?

Q2 Does it surprise you that there aren't any perfect heroes in the Bible (aside from Jesus)? Why do you think the authors would have portrayed the heroes of the Bible in such an honest light?

o3 If the Bible has eternal relevance, then there should be verses that could possibly apply more to right now than ever before. What's a verse that 21st century Christians could learn a lot from?

Diving deeper

Read 2 Peter 1. At the end of this chapter Peter is exploring how God inspires prophecy and revelation, which is how we got the Bible. What sticks out to you in the way Perter talks about inspiration? What do you think Peter means by not following cleverly devised myths? It's a big theme of 2 Peter!

