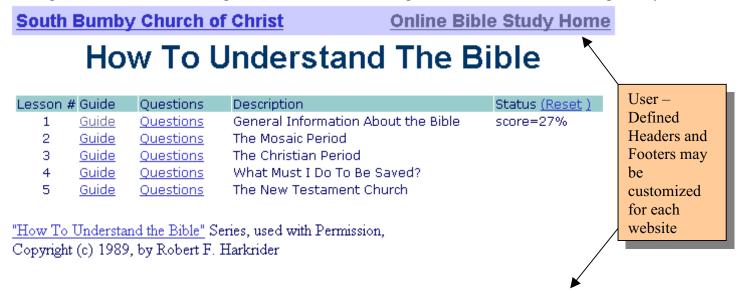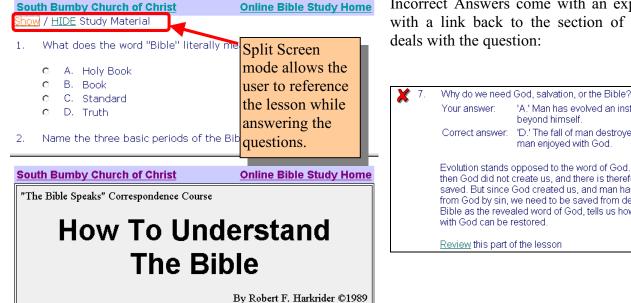# How To Understand The Bible – Online Bible Study

The "How To Understand The Bible" series has been set up to be used by other Churches of Christ by allowing for a user-defined Header/Footer & Mailer, and allowing the entire series to be run in a frame. Running the series in a "frame" makes the series look and feel as though it is part of your website – even though it is hosted on a separate website. The frame prevents the user from seeing the real URL – it looks like a part of your web.
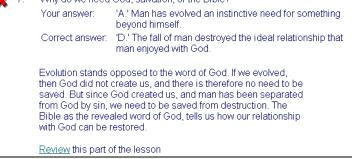
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Lesson #	Guide	Questions	Description	Status (Reset)
1	Guide	Questions	General Information About the Bible	score=27%
2	Guide	Questions	The Mosaic Period	
3	Guide	Questions	The Christian Period	
4	Guide	Questions	What Must I Do To Be Saved?	
5	Guide	Questions	The New Testament Church	

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Send mail to webmaster@letthebiblespeak.tv with questions or comments about this web site.

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Interactive Study

This series allows a user to work through the 5 lesson series interactively. Each lesson has all of the scripture references hyperlinked to the Bible text making the references easy to follow. Each lesson has an automatically graded quiz that not only provides the user instant feedback on his answer, but if the answer is incorrect, provides teaching about why the answer is incorrect. The user's progress is kept using cookies, so that the user knows where he left off and where to begin.

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1. What does the word "Bible" literally me

    A. Holy Book
    B. Book
    C. Standard
    D. Truth

2. Name the three basic periods of the Bib

Split Screen mode allows the user to reference the lesson while answering the questions.

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Incorrect Answers come with an explanation along with a link back to the section of the lesson that deals with the question:

❌ 7. Why do we need God, salvation, or the Bible?
    Your answer: 'A.' Man has evolved an instinctive need for something beyond himself.
    Correct answer: 'D.' The fall of man destroyed the ideal relationship that man enjoyed with God.

Evolution stands opposed to the word of God. If we evolved, then God did not create us, and there is therefore no need to be saved. But since God created us, and man has been separated from God by sin, we need to be saved from destruction. The Bible as the revealed word of God, tells us how our relationship with God can be restored.

Review this part of the lesson

Reference the included files:

quiz_header.htm	(use in step #2)
quiz_footer.htm	(use in step #2)
quiz_mailer.htm	(use in step #2)
quiz_finish.htm	(use in step #5)
online_bible_study.htm	(use in step #3)
index.htm	(a sample homepage with a link to online bible study)
README.txt	(this file)

1. Create a subdirectory for your online bible study or just use your top-level directory -- your choice.

2. In this directory/subdirectory, copy or create the following files:
   a. quiz_header.htm (sample file is included)
   b. quiz_footer.htm (sample file is included)
   c. quiz_mailer.htm (sample file is included)

These files will be wrapped around the pages of the series as follows:

In addition, each Lesson has a place for a "response card" that can be mailed to the church. Your file "quiz_mailer.htm" will be inserted here, so make sure that you tailor this for your needs.

You can use the sample files with a minimum of editing to get started. Just edit the sample files as follows:

1. quiz_header.htm
   a. change the variable   "my_home" to point to your site home page
      e.g. my_home = "*http://www.genericchurchofchrist.org/index.htm*";
   b. inside the <TABLE> change the link text for your site home page:
      <A HREF="javascript:go_home(); void 0">*Generic Church of Christ*</A>

2. quiz_footer.htm
   a. change the contact email address! (both in mailto link and the displayed text)
      Send mail to
      webmaster@genericchurchofchrist.org with questions or comments about this web site.

3. quiz_mailer.htm
   a. Change the name/address text
      Generic Church of Christ

P.O. Box 12345

AnyCity, AnyState 00000

    b. customize this as you like

3. The HTUB series is designed to allow you to frame it so that the real location is not directly seen (i.e. it looks like it is part of YOUR site).

   Use the enclosed file (online_bible_study.htm) as a page to "frame" the HTUB series. You will need to edit this page to point to your directory which contains your header/footer/mailer files.

   Find the line that has the frame specification:
       <frame name="main" src="http://...?wrap=..." scrolling=auto frameborder="no" border=0 noresize>

   and modify the part that has:
       wrap=http://www.duncanproductions.com/generic/obs

   and set the wrap variable to the http:// path to your directory containing the header/footer/mailer files

4. Create a link on your main page which points to your online_bible_study.htm page (created in step #3).

5. **quiz_finish.htm**
   This page provides a way to collect contact information when a person completes the series. The series is unlike many other online bible studies in that anyone can come study without giving out contact information. However, when the user completes the study, this page provides a mechanism for them to continue with Bible Study with a person. If they have gotten this far, and will now give you there name you have a real prospect. In the meantime, you have a means for teaching those who would never give you contact information to begin with.

That's all there is to it.

If you decide to utilize this series, please send an email (with a link to your site) to let us know! Thanks for your consideration!