

# WHY?

Gone are the days when Nurses were exhorted not to reason why but to do and die!  
In the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Nurses are expected to read to know, to think deeply, to choose wisely, and to use with discretion every nugget of gold that comes her or his way.

This Nugget of Gold gives factual reasons why Nurses all over the world ought to read the Bible for themselves.

## **Facts:**

The Bible is comprised of 66 books

- 22 of the 66 contain historical content
- 21 are largely prophetic i.e., prophecies and their fulfillment.
- 21 are in the form of letters
- 2 are primarily poetic

It was written by at least 36 different authors:

Kings, farmers, lawyers, generals, fishermen, ministers and priests, a tax collector, a doctor, some rich, some poor, over a period of 1600 years.

The inspiration of the Bible is found in the following verses: (and more.)

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| → 2 Peter 1:21                | → 1 Peter 1:10-11 | → Hebrews 1:1    |
| → 2 Timothy 3:16              | → Amos 3:7        | → Isaiah 40:8    |
| → 2 <sup>nd</sup> Samuel 23:2 | → Jeremiah 1:4-9  | → Ezekiel 2:7    |
| → Luke 1:70                   | → Job 23:10-12    | → Revelation 1:2 |

An understanding of the Godhead is found:

- Acts 17:29 (Read preceding and subsequent verses for deeper understanding.)
- Romans 1:20 (e.g. verses 18 to 32)
- Colossians 2:9 (e.g. verses 1 to 9)

# The Holy Bible

## The Bible contains:

The mind of God,  
The state of man,  
The way of salvation,  
The doom of sinners,  
The happiness of believers.

The doctrines in the Bible are holy, Its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions immutable.

Read it to be wise,  
Believe it to be safe,  
Practice it to be holy.

The Bible contains:  
Light to direct you,  
Food to support and strengthen you,  
Comfort to cheer you.

## The Bible is:

The traveler's map,  
The pilgrim's staff,  
The pilot's compass  
The soldier's sword  
The Christian character.

In the Bible paradise is restored,  
Heaven is opened, and the gates of hell disclosed.

Christ is its grand object  
Our good, its design  
The Glory of God its end.

The Bible should fill the memory, rule the heart and guide the feet.  
Read it slowly, frequently, and prayerfully.

The Bible is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure.

It is given you in life,  
Will be opened in judgment  
And be remembered for ever.

The Bible involves the highest responsibility,  
Will reward the greatest labour,  
Will condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.