

The Benefit and Power of Bible Correspondence Courses

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- Goal: To inspire you to get involved with correspondence courses on the different levels- praying, giving, volunteering by showing the benefits and power of correspondence courses.
- As the inmates do our bible studies they share them with others and become like a missionary to their prison and help others enroll in our bible lessons as well. This message can spread to reach all the inmates around the world.

Why Study by Correspondence?

- Distance Learning is not a new idea. The Apostle Paul used it when he wrote courses in the form of circular letters. His respondents studied the “course” and communicated back to him in areas, which they did not understand. Paul then wrote another course or letter to clear up the cloudy issues.
- Prison Mission Association has been helping students study the Bible by mail since 1955. Leading educators recognize study by mail as an effective method of learning. Students frequently achieve better results from home study than through classroom instruction. It has been shown that students often experience a greater degree of retention of material studied through correspondence than through other means.

Many uses of Bible Correspondence Fellowship (BCF) by PMA

You can use them for: follow up with new Christians, Sunday school, small groups, home schooling, youth groups, personal growth and people who cannot attend a local church but want to study.

Ten reasons to study with BCF from PMA

1. The courses are Biblically sound!
2. They are instructional
3. It is systematic
4. They test for comprehension
5. The Student receives personalized instruction
6. Flexible studying times
7. Over 35 courses to learn from
8. They are excellent teaching tools
9. They are FREE!
10. The Student receives certificates for successful completion of courses

Bonus!!

11. Earn 6 credits from Berean Bible Institute, Slinger, Wisconsin

2 Cor.5:18-20

Bible correspondence courses offer a unique and proven way to make Christ known in the jails and prisons.

- They can reach into every area of the jail or prison.
- They provide a tool for the systematic teaching of the Bible.
- They are available to the offender 24 / 7 thus allowing him or her to have Bible teaching every day of the week (as well as something to do in cell).
- They allow an offender to receive mail every two weeks.
- They allow an offender to achieve a goal, i.e. the completion of a course or a curriculum, getting certificates.

THE PLAN:

- The plan is quite simple.
- 2 Timothy 1:13; 2:2, 15; 3:14-17

Needs Prayer!

- It's a spiritual battle we are in for the souls of men and women.

Matt 9:35-38

- The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

Prayerfully Donate

- With courses in English and Spanish, we are able to help many grow in their faith and Christ like character. Developing, printing, and distributing these courses costs money. That's why we need YOU to partner in this important prison ministry.
- You can partner with Prison Mission Association by providing a financial gift to help reach inmates with the gospel.

HOW TO GET STARTED:

- Become familiar with materials. Download for free on our website: www.prisonmission.org
- Make the materials available to the inmates to whom you minister. Be sure to get permission from the institution to carry and hand out materials.
- Encourage those who are enrolled to encourage others to enroll by using an Enrollment Form that they can pass on to others.
- As your numbers increase, challenge and train capable students to become involved as instructors with you.

- Mark 4:24-25

WHY THE SACRIFICE AND EFFORT?

- The Lord will soon come, and we will all give an account of our lives to Him 2 Cor. 5:9-11

- THE GREATER THE PRIVILEGES, THE GREATER THE RESPONSIBILITIES

BCF by Prison Mission Association Works!

Recent comment from inmate: "God bless you and thank you for helping me to grow in God's love through Jesus Christ, His Son. They say that going to jail is the worst thing that can happen to a person. In many ways this can be true, but I found my real salvation here. I really found God and His love for me." "I knew and I believed, but I never felt the real Spirit and the real blessing. I did wrong and I will pay the price but I know that I am now walking in His light and will continue walking in His light forever more, never to return to the dark side. Thank you God, thank you Jesus, I am free. God bless you folks, you are doing a wonderful work here." Richard

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