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The Bible. The most amazing Book ever written. Words of God in black and white (and sometimes red). God reveals Himself to us through His living Word. His Word came to life in the person of Jesus Christ to show us firsthand who God is (John 1:1,14).

This one-of-a-kind masterpiece is a unique gift from God. How often do we acknowledge the wonder of His written Word? How often are you amazed at its words? Do you read it like a novel? Or do you read it as the One and Only God speaking into your heart?

Your children are learning the importance of the Bible every Sunday. Even before they can read, little ones are experiencing God's Word through picture books, videos, and wonderful teachers. The older children are learning how the Bible came to be, how to use it, and how to memorize its words.

Children need to know that the whole Bible is true. It is God's inerrant Word to us. It is a love letter from God filled with science, history, poetry, life lessons, hope, salvation, and more. It is not a collection of "stories." The very word "story," implies make-believe, a fairy tale. We want our children to respect and understand the power of God's written Word. One way that you can impart this to your children is to talk about "Bible accounts" rather than Bible stories. This small change in verbiage can have a tremendous impact on how your children understand the reality of the Bible.

In these incredibly busy times, are you giving God's Word a place of priority in your daily activities? Are you reading the Bible in front of your children? Are you reading your Bible to your children? Do your children have their own Bible? Do you encourage them to read it daily?

Action Plan. Will you set aside 10 minutes every day to show your children how important God's Word is to you...and to them? Try this. Write down what time you will read your Bible every day, and make sure your children can share in this time with you. 10 minutes. Try it for a week. Make it a daily priority. Your whole family will be blessed. And all it takes is 10 minutes.

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P.S. Our Sunday school could really use some more leaders and aides for the preschool class, both for early and late services. If you love being with this age group, reading to them, playing with them, and being a Christian model for them, please contact me.