

It Is Still the Book of Books

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- It is estimated that there could have been over 5 billion copies of this book printed.
- In 1995 one version sold 18 million copies.
- It is and has remained a best seller for decades.
- More than 168,000 copies of this book are sold or given to others in the United States EACH day.
- 20 Million copies of this book that is almost 55 thousand copies a day are sold in the United States each year.
- That is double the number sold in 1950. I mention this because some think there is less interest in this book now than in years past.
- There is an international group that distributes almost 60 million copies of this book each year. That's more than a 100 copies per minute. (Taken from bible sales statistics May 23, 2017)

Yes, we are talking about the Bible. It is a book sought all over the world. As an example, today 60% of Christians live in the developing world. In 1900, 80% of Christians lived in Europe and the United States.

It is also still sought as a book of comfort during times of stress and uncertainty. This fact was clearly shown by a 40% increase in Bible sales, by some retailers, the week following the September 11, 2001 attacks in the US.

Make no mistake; God has given us His word to lead, guide, comfort and instruct us in our daily work and walk with Him. But even though the average American Christian family has 9 Bibles in their home, they are only helpful to the owner however when they are read and studied.

So, be a daily Bible reader, if you are not already, and always be ready to give an answer to all who ask about the hope that lies within you. As stated in 1 Peter 3:15, "But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence."

The next time you are reading from God's Word remember, too, millions are doing the same thing. They are looking, searching, and seeking the truth.

**The good news is you have found the truth,
let me suggest you find more ways to teach the truth to others.**