

Fr Michael's Seeds of Hope, Stories for Lent #6: Biblical Directions

I am sure you have had the experience of going to some place where you have never been before and you needed clear directions in order to get there.

That is exactly what God provides for us so that we can get to heaven. Through the Bible, He gives us very clear directions and instructions on how to live the life that follows the way that leads to Him and eternal life.

The unfortunate thing is that many of us never look at the directions because we think we already know the way.

The fact is, though, we get detoured and sometimes lost, even though we may not realize it at the time. I have a feeling that someday when we finally reach heaven, the Lord will say, "Did you have any trouble getting here?"

Some of us will be able to answer, "No, not at all. I read your directions and tried to follow them to the best as I could. They were really good directions and they got me here.

Truthfully, I did miss one turn, or maybe even two, and I got completely off track this one time. But that was my fault. Your directions were perfect." Others of us will have to say, "I didn't even know You gave us directions. I was just wondering around all the time!"

That's the great gift of the Scripture – God is giving us directions. The B – I – B – L – E Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth!

A friend of mine gave a Bible to his son for graduation, but he didn't tell him that inside the Bible, he had placed a check for a generous amount of money.

It wasn't until two years later when the son was going through a difficult time that he at last opened the book and found the check.

He called my friend and wisely said, "I have finally come to discover the tremendous treasure that is in Sacred Scripture."

What about you? Have you opened your Bible lately? You might be surprised what treasures are waiting for you inside. Amen? Amen!

For Further Reflection

- 1. How many bibles do you have in your house? Where are they located?**
- 2. What is your favorite story in the Bible? Why?**

"Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119:105