

GLAD TIDINGS

“And we bring you good tidings of the promise made unto the fathers...” (Acts 13:32)

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What Ladies' Class Has Meant To Me

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It is good to reflect on all aspects of our work. The following are excellent examples of reflective thought regarding our weekly Ladies Bible Class currently studying *Greatest Questions in the Old Testament*.

The Teacher

“Two years ago when we started the class, I found myself spending 4 to 5 hours in preparation, and at the end of that time I had done only 2 or 3 questions out of approximately 15. I thought, ‘Solomon really knew what he was talking about when he said that much study was weariness of the flesh’... Then as I began applying some of the principles we had been discussing in class to various problems and difficulties as they arose, determining to try God’s way rather than my own, I saw my path smoothing out before me as troubles disappeared that in the past would have continued to plague me... I am grateful to those who have encouraged me in this study, and I am no longer wearied by the preparation. I now look upon the time I spend as a gift I give to myself, and I look forward to that special time I have set aside each week to draw closer to God and make my life better for

myself and those around me. I know that Christ living in me is greater than what lies behind me or what lies ahead” *Joanie Greer*.

Students

“This ladies’ class is the most challenging Bible study in which I have participated. The questions are very thought-provoking, but when we gather as a group, I always find this class study so enlightening.” *Paula Hill*

“The Ladies’ Bible Class has caused me to set aside a certain time for study. I am now achieving this goal... I like to think this is a time to feed the inner man. The relaxed atmosphere of this class enhances the learning.” *Mary Helen Weaver*

“...Not only do our group discussions refresh my mind as to who was who, but they are enlightening and interesting. They help me realize this subject deals with problems as important today as in those days. Along with thought provoking discussions, this class allows us ladies opportunity to visit with one another even though we meet only for one hour.” *Hazel Flood*

“...The spiritual rewards I

am reaping from class outweigh the times it hasn’t been ‘easy’ to find time to prepare and study, to get to class with a child, and then parent that child while attempting to contribute and listen attentively... I would encourage everyone young and old to come study and learn with us” *Rebekah Horton*.

“When our new ladies’ class began I thought it would be a great opportunity to meet with other Christian women to study the Bible. This has proven to be so. Meeting once a week with women of different ages to examine the scriptures and discuss God’s views, NOT man’s on how to be a better wife, mother, woman, and most of all, Christian has been a huge blessing in my life...” *Alicia Weir*

“Our Ladies’ Class has given me another opportunity to study God’s Word, not only at home by myself, but also with godly women...Yes, it takes time, energy, and preparation, but what profitable study time and unexpected rewards I have received because of it!”

Kathy Fite