

# SHEDDING LIGHT ON BIBLE WORDS AND FACTS

## Study No. 13 - Education

There are some 70 references to instruction & 260 verses refer to teaching. At least 18 distinct Hebrew & Greek words are used in these passages.

One reason why God saved the people of Israel was so that He might instruct them – **Deuteronomy 4:36; 32:10**. The Hebrew word here is the common Old Testament word for the chastising of children.

A similar reason is given for the salvation of men in the present age – **Titus 2:11-12**. The Greek word for teaching means discipline.

God teaches men by giving His Holy Spirit Who:-

- Instructed Israel - **Nehemiah 9:20**
- Teaches Christians - **John 14:26; 16:13, cf. Psalm 32:8**
- Calls men as teachers - **1 Corinthians 12:28; Ephesians 4:11**
- Leads in the establishing of schools - **2 Timothy 2:2, cf. 2 Kings 2:13-18**.

Believers are admonished to receive instruction from the Lord – **Proverbs 8:10; James 1:21**.

For Israel, failure to do so carried the danger that the Lord would depart from them – **Jeremiah 6:8; Proverbs 5:7-13**.

God's people are to apply their hearts to what is taught – **Proverbs 23:12; & to put the teaching into action – James 1:22**.

Rewards promised to instructed-believers include prudence & knowledge – **Proverbs 1:3-6**.

Instruction is better than riches – **Proverbs 8:10-12**.

It brings life & favour with God – **Proverbs 8:33-35, 9:11**.

**Challenge** – Don't just be instructed, put it into action!

