

## Mark Twain and Bible Scripture

**"Since Bunyan, nobody in English letters has known or loved the Bible better than Mark Twain." – Janet Smith, Editor**

"the fountains of his great deep were broken up, and he rained ineffable bosh..." (*Innocents Abroad* p.400)

"the raven flew out of the ark every 30 days...the dove didn't report for duty" (*Autobiography* 5/24/1906)

"After a time, and half a time, and another time, I ...put the patent into the hands of..." (*Autobiography* 5/24/1906)

"...and that the voice of the doubter was not heard in the land." (*Autobiography* 12/26/1906)

"Let the grandchildren take care of themselves. 'Sufficient unto the day.'" (*Autobiography* 12/26/1906)

"...but he is going to walk in darkness Friday afternoon." (*Autobiography* 1/22/1907)

"...no official sparrow could fall to the ground without his privity and consent" (*Autobiography* 12/6/1906)

"This is one of the stones that *would* have cried out." (*Innocents Abroad* p.575)

"but in their breasts...resteth a peace that passeth understanding!" (*Innocents Abroad* p.209)

"We had entertained an angel unawares, but we did not take her in." (*Innocents Abroad* p.75)

"But to us Joshuas [moon] stood still in the same place, & remained always the same." (*Innocents Abroad* p.47)

"my bread began to return from over the waters--my works came back and revealed themselves." (*Sketches* p.149)

"I do not know you, woman!" (*Prince & Pauper* p. 358)

"[boys] say 'Go up, baldhead' to the prophet going his unoffending way..." (*Conn Yankee* p. 137)

"He did not mention that he was a lineal descendant of Balaam's ass..." (*Innocents Abroad* p.100)

"He saw nearly all things as through a glass eye, darkly." (*Fenimore Cooper's Literary Offences*)

"Lie—an abomination before the lord and an ever-present help in time of trouble." (30 Mar 1901)

"For I was dead and am alive again" (*Joan of Arc* p.173)

"And yet, I say it, that shouldn't say it—all is vanity!" (Letter to family from NY)

"If [they] forget when Gideon's band went through... we meditated over the missionary zeal of Jehu (*IA* p.646)

"the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven opened" (Gen7:11)

"And he sent forth a raven...also he sent forth a dove...which returned not again..." (Gen 8:7-12)

"...where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent." (Rev 12:14; Dan 12:7)

"...and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land." (Song of Solomon 2:12)

"Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." (Matt 6:34)

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light" (Isaiah 9:2)

Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father." (Matt 10:29)

"I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out." (Luke 19:40)

"And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds..." (Phil 4:7)

"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." (Hebrews 13:2)

"... he said...Sun, stand thou still, and thou, Moon...and the sun stood still, and the moon stayed" (Joshua 10:12-13)

"Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." (Eccl 11:1)

"Verily I say unto you, I know you not." (Matt 25:12, John 2:4)

"there came forth little children...and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head" (2 Kings 2:23)

"And the ass said unto Balaam, *Am* I not thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden..." (Num. 22:30)

"For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part..." (1 Cor. 13:12)

"Lying lips are abomination to the Lord" (Prov. 12:22)  
"God is our refuge—a very present help in trouble" (Ps 46:1)

"For this my son was dead, and is alive again" (Luke 15:24)

"Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity." (Eccl. 12:8)

"And Gideon...did as the Lord said unto him" (Judges 6-8)

"And Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel...until he left him none remaining" (2 Kings 10)