

# Series Summary

The Bible Bassline series is a four-week journey through the significance and structure of the Bible. In session one, we explore how the Bible is put together and reflect on its importance, even in places where reading it is risky. Session two dives into the Bible's origins, uncovering ancient manuscripts and the formation of God's word. The final two sessions examine the Bible's diverse writing styles and its relevance to our lives today, challenging us to focus on Jesus rather than ourselves when engaging with Scripture.



## Session 1: What's in the Bible?

### Bible Ref: 1 Thessalonians 2:13, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

This week we kick off a four-week series exploring the Bible. In session one of Bible Bassline we'll look at how the Bible is put together and what we, as members of the Salvation Army, believe about its contents. We'll also get the chance to think about the places in the world where reading the Bible can get you into a lot of trouble.

## Session 2: Origin Story

#### Bible Ref: Psalm 119:105

This week Bassline dives into the origin story of the Bible. We'll see fragments of the Dead Sea Scrolls and evidence of manuscripts building the content of God's word. Like pieces of a jigsaw, they were placed together to create the book we call the Bible, and this session explores its origin story.

## Session 3: Writing Styles of the Bible

#### Bible Ref: Selected scripture, Habakkuk 2-3

When we walk into a bookshop we usually know what to expect. Each section brings with it a selection of books within a specific genre and we'd be surprised to find a biography nestled within the cookery section. In this week's Bassline, we're thinking about the different writing styles found in the Bible and exploring how they impact our understanding of God's word

## Session 4: Is the Bible relevant to us today?

#### Bible Ref: Luke 24:13-27

This week's Bassline session pulls together the themes of whole series and explores the question, 'Is the Bible relevant to us today?' We'll think about the different ways we approach the Bible and consider how we sometimes make God's word about us, rather than focusing on Jesus.