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## *The Introductory Study Package*

—an adventure in the Land of the Bible

The *Introductory Study Package* contains the following three parts:

***Regions on the Run (RR)***—maps, charts and discussions of arenas in the land of the Bible

Each section of this book introduces a major factor in the land of the Bible

*pp 6-7* The land of the Bible is a '**Land Between**'—between the powerful physical forces of sea and desert and wet and dry, and the powerful centers of Egypt and Aram (northwestern Mesopotamia).

*pp 8-9* The land's story is overshadowed by **Imperial Highways** linking Egypt and Aram.

*pp 10-15* The land's well-watered and heavily traveled **Northern Arena** has major battlefields surrounded by Phoenicia, Damascus and the northern kingdom of Israel.

*pp 16-21* The land's arid and more difficult **Southern Arena** hosts major trade routes disputed by Edom, the land of the Philistines and the southern kingdom of Judah.

*pp 22-29* The land's strategic **Central Arena** is the battlefield of the Central Hill Country and Jerusalem. Gateways in and out of this arena make it the focal point of biblical history.

*Regions on the Run* treats each arena separately and illustrates them by short essays called **Field Trips through History**. Biblical events in the 'Field Trips' illuminate the dynamic of each arena, and each 'Field Trip' is carefully linked to an easy to use interpretive time-line (chart) that leads the reader through 4000 years of history.

*pp 30-40* Background discussion for reading the four Gospels, linked to a six-page **Regional Outline of the Gospels** and the large, fold-out **4000 Year Overview** chart.

***Regional Study Maps (RSM)***—seven large format, 3-D maps of the land in color

Actual relief, regional/site names, roads, elevations, other features (17x22inch/43x56cm)

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	7	BEN	Land of Benjamin

***Regional Study Guide (RSG)***—a free 108-page, 8.5x11inch downloadable textbook

Thorough discussion of twenty-four major events in the land of the Bible presented on the seven maps listed above. The discussions and marking instructions on these maps create an interactive learning experience. The *Regional Study Guide* carefully integrates the above materials and leads the student in a personal exploration of the maps and charts. Frequent use is made of the large, fold-out **4000 Year Overview** chart in the back of *RR*. The temporal context of the biblical period emerges *without* having to memorize historical facts.

Download the ***Regional Study Guide*** free of charge from [www.bibback.com](http://www.bibback.com).



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