Mary Jones and Her Bible

Discussion Questions

Chapter 1

- 1. What book was the Jones family unable to afford?
- 2. How much did Mary know about the Bible?
- 3. What does the word "scarce" mean?
- 4. Who are the sheep and lambs in the Church?

Chapter 2

- 1. How was Mary diligent in being helpful around the house?
- 2. What did Mary desperately want to learn?
- 3. What does the word "Discernment" mean?
- 4. Who is the Bread of Life?

Chapter 3

- 1. What opened near where Mary lived as an answer to her prayer?
- 2. Name one example of how Mary was kind to other children in the school.
- 3. What does the word "drudgery" mean?

Chapter 4

- 1. What did Mary desperately want after visiting the Evans's?
- 2. This chapter included the word "providence." What does the word "providence" mean?
- 3. Discuss with your parents: "Where do we see God's providence in our lives?"

Chapter 5

- 1. What did Mary do to get her own Bible?
- 2. Why do you think Mary worked hard for six long years for a Bible?
- 3. What does the word "humility" mean?
- 4. Discuss with your parents: "How can I be faithful in 'that which is least'? What can I do?"



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Discussion Questions

Chapter 6

- 1. How many miles did Mary have to walk to get her Bible?
- 2. What does the word "despair" mean?
- 3. This chapter mentioned that Mary was discouraged, but not in despair. Discuss with your parents: "What should I do when I feel discouraged and almost in despair?"

Chapter 7

- 1. Did Mr. Charles have the Bible to give to Mary?
- 2. What were Mr. Charles' instructions to Mary?
- 3. What does the word "diligent" mean?
- 4. Discuss with your parents: "In what ways can I study the Word of God diligently?"

Chapter 8

- 1. What work did Mr. Charles do for the Welsh people?
- 2. Discuss with your parents: "How important is it that everyone in the whole world has a Bible?"

Chapter 9

- 1. Even though many things changed in Mary's life, what remained the same year after year?
- 2. What does the word "steadfast" mean?
- 3. Discuss with your parents: "How can I be steadfast and consistent in my walk with the Lord Jesus?"

Chapter 10

- 1. What was the name of the society that distributed Bibles?
- 2. Discuss with your parents: "Why is it important for me to study the Bible?"



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Answer Key

Chapter 1

- 1. The Jones family could not afford to have a Bible in their home.
- Mary knew everything her parents could teach her about the Bible.
- 3. The word "scarce" means rare, not easily obtained, not common, or limited in availability.
- 4. The sheep and the lambs in the church are the believers in the church.

Chapter 2

- 1. Mary took charge of all the chores that needed to be done in the house like sweeping, scrubbing, and weeding.
- 2. How to read
- 3. The word "discernment" means to see, find out, understand, and recognize the choices we need to make in our lives. As believers, our discernment comes through the aid of God's Word.
- The Bread of Life is Jesus who is the source of all Truth and wisdom.

Chapter 3

- 1. A school where Mary could learn reading.
- A.) Mary comforted a girl whose lunch was snatched away from her by a dog. Mary shared her lunch with her while others laughed, mocked, and made fun of her. B.) Mary set aside her time to help a little boy with his school work
- 3. The word "drudgery" means unlikeable, hard, and difficult work. Learning how to read God's Word is never drudgery!

Chapter 4

- 1. A Bible
- God's care and control over all of nature and all the creatures of the earth.
- 3. We see God's Providence everywhere!

Chapter 5

- 1. She worked hard for six long years and saved every penny.
- Mary knew how valuable God's Word was. It was worth all the work.
- 3. "Humility" means to view yourself rightly before God. It means to count others more significant than yourself.
- 4. Answers will vary.

Chapter 6

- 1. 25 miles
- 2. To lose hope. Hopelessness.
- 3. Answers will vary. We run to Christ who is the source of all hope!

Chapter 7

- 1. Yes
- 2. Read it carefully, study it, diligently, treasure up the sacred Words in your memory, and act upon its teachings.
- 3. Working hard, persevering to accomplish something.
- 4. Answers will vary.

Chapter 8

1. He provided Bibles for the Welsh people.

2. It is very important because the Bible is God's Word, His revelation to all of us, so all can know Him, and believe in His wonderful saving news of the Gospel.

Chapter 9

- 1. Mary's love for God's Word did not change.
- Firm and unmovable. Fixed on a goal and not easily shaken.
- 3. Answers will vary.

Chapter 10

- 1. British and Foreign Bible Society
- To have a Bible you can read and study is the most important opportunity and privilege to grow in your life! The Bible is important because it is God's holy and inspired Word. It is profitable for us to learn the truth and to be trained in righteousness (2 Tim. 3:15-17).

