



Eat *This Book* – Why *This One*?

EAT THIS BOOK, PART 1

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Series — Experiencing the God OF the Bible ... IN the Bible!

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- ✓ It's accurate — It's a reliable historical document.
- ✓ It's truthful — This stuff happened...and changed the world.
- ✓ It's tested — It's been lived out in real life.
- ✓ It's unique — Fulfilled prophecy and attestation.
- ✓ It's tough — Survived relentless attack.

- No place for smugness.
- “Got Bible?” More like the Bible Got us!

2. IMMERSION — Eat ... fabric

- Some great news: The more you “Get” the Bible... the more you GET the Bible! (Also, the more fun it becomes.)

3. JESUS — If you are reading right, this is where you end up!

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