~PAPER (26)

In Bible times, a thin writing material made into sheets from strips obtained from the papyrus plant.

See Also PAPYRUS

- The Egyptians are credited with being the first manufacturers of papyrus paper for writing purposes, using papyrus plants that then grew along the banks of the Nile River. Some archaeologists would place such paper production as far back as Abraham's time.
- Early Christians used papyrus paper for their letters, scrolls, and codices. It also played an important part in the production of Bible manuscripts, until it was replaced by vellum, fine-grained animal skin, in the Fourth Century C.E.
- Because of the truth that remains in us, and it will be with us forever. (2 John 1:2)
- The apostle wrote that he would rather convey his message face to face than with paper and ink. Here the word paper translates the Greek word *khar'tes*, which is said to mean a sheet of paper made of papyrus.