

*The Hobbit Worksheet / Study Guide*  
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**Chapter 13: Not at Home**

**Vocabulary** Define the following words with only 1-2 words

persuade \_\_\_\_\_

pallid \_\_\_\_\_

wary \_\_\_\_\_

slithered \_\_\_\_\_

prosperity \_\_\_\_\_

dominion \_\_\_\_\_

**Bonus Vocabulary**

perpetually

**Comprehension Questions** Answer the questions briefly (full sentences are unnecessary)

1) Why did Mr. Bilbo Baggins and the dwarves decide to go down into the cave? \_\_\_\_\_

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2) What did Mr. Bilbo Baggins find at the top of the great mound of treasure? \_\_\_\_\_

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3) What happens to a dwarf when its heart is wakened by treasure? \_\_\_\_\_

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4) What did Fili and Kili find in the great mound of treasure? \_\_\_\_\_

5) What did Thorin Oakenshield give to Mr. Bilbo Baggins? \_\_\_\_\_

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6) *Comic Relief*. Again, J.R.R. Tolkien delights us with *comic relief*. Mr. Bilbo Baggins wishes he had a looking-glass handy. What is Mr. J.R.R. Tolkien relieving his readers from?

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7) Where did Thorin Oakenshield lead the adventurers and why? \_\_\_\_\_

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8) Where did Balin lead Thorin & Company? \_\_\_\_\_

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9) Balin tells the company that watchmen were posted in several places around the mountain and were provided with guardrooms. Why does Balin think that the watchmen failed in their duty to warn of the coming of the dragon?

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### ***Christian Worldview***

1) Compare and contrast the armour hanging in the hall and putting on the whole armor of God.

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil ...Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God ...  
Ephesians 6: 11, 13-17

But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation ... 1 Thessalonians 3:8

2) No retreat. Thorin and Company were still looking for a way backward as evidenced by checking the door after Smaug had smashed it. However, "*Neither key nor the magic it had once obeyed would ever open the door again.*" Compare and contrast this with how the Hebrews in the wilderness kept yearning for Egyptian slavery. Also, discuss this in terms of Lot's wife.

3) Thorin & Company go to one of the watch towers. Balin relates to Bilbo that due to prosperity the watchmen were complacent and relaxed their guard. What happened as a result of faithless watchmen? Who are our watchmen? ministers? military? statesmen? us? Discuss.

### ***Optional Activities***

1) An instructor at *Gandalf's Academy of Elocution and Phraseology* wants you to practice the following tongue twisters before he gives them to his students.

Smaug's slightly selected snails will shortly sell small statutes at Sally Simple sister's Shoppe.

Hobbits' handsome handkerchiefs are handy in a haversack.

Dwarfs' dogs don't drown, dunk donuts or don doleful, dour dresses during Durin's Day.

Grinningly gape at Gandalf's garnet glasses gracefully garnishing the gaudy gathering gazing at the gauntlet.

Thorin thrice thanks the thrush's thrifty thoughtfulness trilling at the theater's threshold thinking things through thoroughly.

2) The other dwarves (Balin, Kili, Fili, Bofur, Bomfur, etc.) are deeply hurt that they do not have their own personal tongue twisters that sharpen not only one's speech skills but alliteration abilities. Quickly, develop tongue twisters for at least one dwarf before a filibustering field fight forments a fire-alarm in this finicky, fictitious firm!

*Note: alliteration = repetition of initial consonant sounds in two or more neighboring words or syllables*

- 3) Gloin and Oin have decided to start Illumination Light Ltd. after hearing Mr. Bilbo Baggins' cries for help begging for a light in Smaug's lair. They have asked you to develop a motto and logo for them.
- 4) It is true that the pen is mightier than the sword; however, Middle Earth Armour wants you to draw a sketch of Mr. Bilbo Baggins' *mithril* coat of mail so they may duplicate it for others. They also request that you sketch Orcrist, Glamdring, and Sting if you have the time.
- 5) The Savvy Map Company became distressed when they heard that Mr. Bilbo Baggins could not discern east, south, north or west in the cave. They have commissioned you to not only draw the cave, but to chart it.

### ***What does Scripture say?***

Light --- the absence of darkness

#### A. Kinds of light

Cosmic ... Genesis 1:3-5

Natural ... Judges 19:26

Miraculous ... Acts 12:7

Artificial ... Acts 16:29

#### B. Light descriptive of God's

Nature ... 1 John 1:5

Word ... Psalm 43:3

Wisdom ... Daniel 2:22

Guidance ... Psalm 78:14, Psalm 89:15

Favor ... Psalm 4:6