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Cracking the Code

One of the important ideas to come out of the Protestant Reformation was the idea that everyone should be able to read the Bible and hear worship services in his or her own language. Up until the Reformation, the Bible was usually printed in Latin, which is the same language used in worship services. The problem is that most people didn't understand Latin—only the priests and maybe a few wealthy and educated men at the time. Imagine trying to read the Bible in a language you didn't know! Or sit through a church service! To be able to hear and read the Word of God in your own language is indeed a blessing of the Reformation!

Martin Luther translated the Bible into German, his language. It was a difficult and complicated task, sort of like cracking a code. Use the key to crack this code, just like Martin Luther!

