

all things new

God's Ways for Making all Things New BIBLE STUDY

*I rejoice in following your statutes as one rejoices in great riches.
Psalm 119:14*

*I love your commands more than gold, more than pure gold
Psalm 119:127*

Why Study the Bible?

God does something _____

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Heb. 4:12

- Transforms _____
- Gives us **guidance** Psalm 119:105
Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.
- Gives us **wisdom** Psalm 119:98-100
*Your commands are always with me
and make me wiser than my enemies.
I have more insight than all my teachers,
for I meditate on your statutes.
I have more understanding than the elders,
for I obey your precepts.*
- **Protects** us Psalm 119:11
I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
- **Strengthens** us Psalm 119:28
My soul is weary with sorrow; strengthen me according to your word.
- **Comforts** us Psalm 119:50, 52

*My comfort in my suffering is this:
Your promise preserves my life.
I remember, LORD, your ancient laws,
and I find comfort in them.*

- Gives us **peace** Psalm 119:165
Great peace have those who love your law
- Thoroughly **equips us** 1 Timothy 3:16-17
All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

My soul is consumed with longing for your laws at all times. Ps. 119:20

How Do We Study?

Step 1 Study _____

Blessed is the one...whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night. Psalm 1:1-2

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Colossians 3:16a

Step 2 _____

*Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law.
Psalm 119:18*

Step 3 _____

Observe: Ask *who, what, where and how* questions.

Probe for meaning: Ask “*why*” questions.

Clarify: *What is the point?*

Step 4 _____

“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. Matthew 7:24-27

Daily Growth

Use these 4-C questions below to help you study each day's scripture.

CELEBRATE: What can you praise God for from this passage?

CONFESS: Are you convicted of something you need to confess to God?

COMMIT: What commitment does this passage challenge you to make?

COMMUNICATE: What did you learn that you can share with someone?

Day 1: Read Psalm 19:7-11. According to each of the passages, what does the Bible accomplish in our lives? What benefits if any would these things have in your life? What is God saying to you (use the "4 C" questions)?

Day 2: Read 2 Timothy 3:14-17 and John 8:31-32. According to each of the passages, what does the Bible accomplish in our lives? What benefits if any would these things have in your life? What is God saying to you (use the "4 C" questions)?

Day 3: Read Psalm 119:9-16, 97-105. How does the psalmist approach and handle God's word? What can you learn from this? What benefits did the psalmist gain from these approaches? What is God saying to you (use the "4 C" questions)?

Day 4: Read Philippians 4:4-9. Observe: What is Paul saying can be experienced? How does Paul say we can experience it? Probe: Why is this important to Paul? Why does the "how" result in the "what"? Clarify: What is the point? Apply: Use the "4 C" questions. What is God saying to you? Be specific!

Day 5: Read Matthew 13:44-45. Observe: What is happening? What does the treasure and pearl represent? Probe: Why do the finders behave the way they do? Why is Jesus telling this parable? Clarify: What is the point Jesus wants to make? How does he want you to respond? Apply: Use the "4 C" questions. What is God saying to you? Be specific!

Day 6: Read Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. This is a parable about four attitudes we can have toward studying the Bible. Observe: What does the seed represent? What kind of attitude does each soil represent? What happens to the seed with each soil/attitude? Probe: Why does each soil cause the result mentioned? Why is Jesus sharing this parable? Clarify: What is the point? How and when can you see each attitude in your life? Apply: Use the "4 C" questions. What is God saying to you? Be specific!