How To Study The Bible

Study 1 — Why Study the Bible?
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Why *Do You* Want To Learn How To Study The Bible?
Assumption #1 — You A Christian

Unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” John 3:3

... understand the Bible either!

(1 Corinthians 2:14)
Assumption #2 — You Long To Know The Bible

• Psalm 19:10
  “Where there is life, there is likely to be appetite. A dead man never hungerers.”
  – R. A. Torrey

• Job 23:12

• Jeremiah 15:16

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Why Study the Bible?

Know The Truth ➔ Receive Blessings
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Discovery #1 — About The Bible

What is the Bible according to these verses?

- John 17:17b
- Colossians 1:5
- 2 Timothy 2:15
Discovery #2 — About Salvation

How does someone obtain salvation?

- 2 Timothy 3:15-17
- Luke 16:30-31
- Romans 15:4
- Ephesians 2:8-9
We Are Saved By Faith In Christ

— Not By —
Baptism or Works
Discovery #3 — About Spiritual Growth

1 John 2:12-14 . . .

**Little Children**
"Sins forgiven"
1 John 2:12

**Young Man**
"Strong, Word of God abides, overcomes the evil one"
1 John 2:14

**Father**
"Known Him Who is from the beginning"
1 John 2:13
Discovery #4 — About Ultimate Goal In Spiritual Growth

What does the Bible reveal God wants from you?

- Exodus 33:18-20; John 1:18; 1 John 4:12
- Colossians 1:15; 1 Timothy 1:17
- Job 26: 7-14
- Jer. 29:13-14
- Prov. 25:2
- Hebrews 11:6
Discovery #4 — About Ultimate Goal In Spiritual Growth

What is the Ultimate Goal in spiritual growth?

- Philippians 3:8
- 1 Corinthians 10:31
- Revelation 21:2-3, 22-24
Why Study the Bible?

Know The Truth

Receive Blessings
Discovery #1 — About Blessings

What should a believer experience?

- 1 John 1:4
- Revelation 1:3
- John 14:27; 15:11
Discovery #2 — About Pleasing God

Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so. Acts 17:11

- Why did God praise the people in the city of Berea?
- How can you please God?
Things To Do
Assignment

1. Memorize the books of the Bible in order.

2. Can you discover the truth revealed in the two charts titled “The Old Testament.”
The Old Testament

What Do These Passages Reveal? — Compare Them

Genesis  
- Matt 19:4-5; Gen. 1:27; 2:24

Exodus  
- Eph. 6:1-2; Exodus 20:12

Leviticus  
- Matt. 8:4; Lev. 14:2-9*

Numbers  
- Heb. 3:5; Num. 12:7

Deuteronomy  
- Matt. 4:10; Deut. 6:13-16*

Joshua  
- Heb. 13:5; Josh. 1:5

Judges and Ruth  

1 & 2 Samuel  
- Matt. 12:3-4; 1 Sam. 21:1-6

1 & 2 Kings  
- Rom. 11:4; 1 Kings 19:18

1 & 2 Chronicles  
- Matt. 23:35; 2 Chron. 24:20-22
The Old Testament

Ezra & Nehemiah
- John 6:31; Neh. 9:15

Job
- 1 Cor. 3:19; Job 5:13*; James 5:11

Psalms
- Matt. 21:42; Ps. 118:22-23

Proverbs
- James 4:6; Prov. 3:34

Isaiah
- John 1:23; Isa. 40:3

Jeremiah
- Matt. 2:17-18; Jer. 31:15

Ezekiel
- 2 Cor. 6:16*; Ezek. 37:27-28

Daniel

The Twelve
- Rom. 1:17; Habakkuk 2:4

The Twelve
- Heb. 12:26; Haggai 2:6