

How to Study the Bible
Part One
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- To Understand the Bible:
 - We must have the _____ of the Holy Spirit.
 - We must work hard.
 - We must let the Bible _____ for itself.
 - We must apply the principles of correct interpretation.
 - “_____”
- The Help of the Holy Spirit
 - He is the Spirit of _____.
 - He lives within every believer.
 - John 14:16-17: _____
 - He _____ us to a correct understanding of God’s Word.
 - John 16:13
 - An initial guiding = the _____ of the Word through the apostles and prophets
 - A continuing guiding = the _____ of the Word to the believer
 - We _____ have His help to rightly understand the Scriptures.
 - I Cor. 2:9-16: _____
 - Vs. 9-12 = divine _____
 - Vs. 13 = divine inspiration
 - See 2 Pet 1:20-21: _____
 - Vs. 14-16 = divine illumination
 - Includes both:
 - _____ (“know” vs. 14)
 - Application (“discerned, judgeth, judged” vs. 14-15)
- How do we receive His help?
 - By being _____!
 - 1 John 2:20, 27: _____
 - Unction = the _____ of the Holy Spirit
 - By being _____ with God!
 - Prov. 1:22-23: _____
 - By getting God’s Word into our minds and hearts by every possible means.
 - Reading, meditating, memorizing, studying, etc.
 - Psalm 119:130: _____

- We must be willing to _____ deep if we want to understand.
 - Prov. 2:4-5 Seek, search
 - Prov. 8:17 _____ (early, diligently)
 - Prov. 8:34 _____, wait (daily)
 - Psalm 19:10 Desired
 - Psalm 1:2 _____
 - Psalm 119:11 _____
 - Rom. 12:2 Renew
 - James 1:21 Receive, _____
- By asking for it.
 - Prov. 2:3-6: _____
 - James 1:5: _____
 - A great prayer to pray:
 - Psalm 119:18-19: *“Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold
_____ things out of thy law. I am a stranger in the earth:
hide not thy commandments from me.”*
- Next Week:
 - The hard _____ required to understand the Bible
 - You must depend 100% on God’s help.
 - You must bring 100% of your own effort to the task.