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Message Title: How to Study the Bible

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works." *(2 Timothy 3:15–17)*

QUOTE: "Exegesis precedes exposition, just as baking a cake comes before serving it." **—Roy Zuck**

1. _____ the importance of Bible study.

"My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation." (James 3:1)

QUOTE: "We must know the meaning of the Bible before we can know its message for today."**—Roy Zuck**

2. _____ the goal of Bible study.

A. We don't want to conform the Bible to our thinking but to conform our thinking to the Bible.

B. Heart appropriation, not merely head apprehension, is the true goal of Bible study.

3. _____ to the process of disciplined Bible Study

A. Consider the context

WHAT'S THE MESSAGE OF THE BIBLE?

WHAT'S THE MESSAGE OF THE BOOK?

WHAT'S THE MESSAGE OF THE PERICOPE
OR PARAGRAPH?

B. Seek to understand the original message

WHO WAS THE WRITER?

WHO WAS THE ORIGINAL AUDIENCE?

WHAT WAS THE OCCASION FOR THE WRITING?

C. Note the genre: Narrative, Prophecy, Letters, Gospels, or Poetry

D. Seek application to yourself and those you teach.

"For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope." (Romans 15:4)

4. _____ Common Mistakes

A. Word studies

QUOTE: "Give context priority over etymology and you will be on solid ground."**—Duvall & Hays**

B. Narrative to imperative

C. Never ask, "What does this text mean to me?" It is always better to ask, "What does this passage mean, and how does it apply to me?"

Conclusion: _____

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