

## SERIES: HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

### *“The Priorities in Bible Study” (Deuteronomy 6:1-9)*

#### I. BIBLE STUDY SHOULD BE SOUNDLY INDOCTRINATED (DEUT. 6:4-5)

- A. MONOTHEISM IS A FOUNDATIONAL DOCTRINE OF THE BIBLE  
(DEUTERONOMY 6:4)

*Acts 5:42, “And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.”*

*II Timothy 2:2, “And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.”*

- B. SOUND DOCTRINE PRODUCES GODLY BEHAVIOR  
(DEUTERONOMY 6:5)

*Romans 8:9, “But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.”*

#### II. BIBLE STUDY SHOULD BE DAILY DESIGNATED (DEUTERONOMY 6:6-7)

#### III. BIBLE STUDY SHOULD BE POST-MEDITATED (DEUTERONOMY 6:8-9)

- A. WRITE IT DOWN AND BRING IT WITH YOU.  
B. MAKE A LIST OF BEHAVIORAL CHANGES BASED ON A PRECEPT.  
C. LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO BRING IT UP IN CONVERSATION

3 things happen when you talk to others about what you read in your devotions:

1. **SOLIDITY:** The more opportunities you have to talk about what you read in your daily devotions, the more that precept will solidify in your mind and the less likely the devil will be able to snatch it away from you.
2. **ACCOUNTIBILITY:** The more you talk about it, the more you challenge others to begin reading and meditating on the Bible as well.
3. **EXPANDABILITY:** The more you talk about it with people who already do meditate on the Bible, the more they will add to that thought and expand your understanding of it.

*“People tend to talk about the things they know about.” – unknown*

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### *“The Right Results of Personal Bible Study” (Psalm 119:6-9)*

#### I. THE RESULT OF PURITY (PSALM 119:6-9)

##### A. THE RESULT OF RESPECT (PSALM 119:6)

1. **FAVOR:** David didn't read the scriptures out of desire, not duty.
2. **CARE:** David took care in reading God's Word.
3. **BEHOLD:** David read with awe and amazement.

*I Thessalonians 2:13, “For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.”*

*I Corinthians 3:1, “And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ.”*

*I Corinthians 2:11, “For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.”*

4. **RESPECT:** This is not just lip service.

##### B. THE PATTERN FOR PRAISE (119:7)

##### C. THE CONDITION FOR CLEANSING (119:9)

#### II. THE RESULT OF PRODUCTIVITY

- A. IT PRODUCES CONVICTION (PSALM 119:11, 17, 38-40, 59-60, 104, 120, 128)

*“Either sin will keep you from the Bible or the Bible will keep you from sin.”*

##### B. IT PRODUCES DIRECTION (PSALM 119:3-5, 35, 67, 133)

- Notice the words, “directed”, “path”, “went astray”, and “order my steps.” These have to do with direction.

*Proverbs 3:5-6, “<sup>5</sup> Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. <sup>6</sup> In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”*

##### C. IT PRODUCES WORSHIP (PSALM 119:46-48, 54, 108, 137, 171-175)

*John 4:23, “But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.”*

#### III. THE RESULT OF PROFITABILITY (II TIMOTHY 3:15-17)

##### A. DOCTRINE – WHAT IS RIGHT

##### B. REPROOF – WHAT IS WRONG

##### C. CORRECTION –HOW TO GET RIGHT

##### D. INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS – HOW TO STAY RIGHT