

What does the Bible say about Bible Study?

1. What does it mean to study? Discuss among your table, look on google, etc.

2. What is the goal of Bible Study and Bible Reading?

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

John 6:35

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

3. Below each of the following passages write the attributes that are given to the Word of God

Psalm 19:7-11

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; ⁸ the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. ¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

Revelation 22:18-19

I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

John 20:31

but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Psalm 119:89

Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Isaiah 55:11

so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Proverbs 30:5-6

Every word of God proves true; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. Do not add to his words, lest he rebuke you and you be found a liar.

Psalm 119:72

The law of your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

4. Below each of the following passages write the benefits of Bible Study:

Psalm 119:1-11

Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD! ²Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart, ³who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways! ⁴You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently. ⁵Oh that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! ⁶Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments. ⁷I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous rules. ⁸I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me! ⁹How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. ¹⁰With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! ¹¹I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

John 8:47

Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God.”

Psalms 119:103-105

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! ¹⁰⁴Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way. ¹⁰⁵Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Proverbs 3:1-4

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, ²for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. ³Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

NOTES

Matthew 4:1-4

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴But he answered, “It is written, “‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

Context:

How does Jesus Himself use scripture?

5. What does a desire to study scripture look like?

Ezra in Ezra 7:10

“For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.”

Paul and Silas in Acts 17:11

“Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.”

Paul in 2 Timothy 4:13.

“When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.”

6. What work does the Holy Spirit carry out through scripture?

2 Timothy 3:14-17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Acts 20:32

“I commend you to the Word of His grace, which is able to build you up.”

John 17:17

“Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth”

Luke 11:28

But he said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

Ephesians 6:17

"...and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God"

" Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation"
(1 Pet. 2:2).

Romans 1:16

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

Psalms 119:105

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path"

7. Why is it important to study God's Law – The Bible?

Deuteronomy 8:1-3

"The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers. ² And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³ And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

Jeremiah 15:16, Jeremiah said, "Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and the word became within me the joy and rejoicing of my heart." So, Jeremiah consumed the Word of God as it was food to him.

APPLICATION:

1. What keeps you from Bible reading and Bible study?
2. What are practical ways you can incorporate Bible Study into your daily life?
3. How will the discipline of Bible study prepare you for daily life? Remind yourself of how Jesus uses the Bible.
4. How does Bible Study affect your walk with God?

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John Piper: "From Genesis to Revelation, God's words and God's deeds reveal God himself for our knowledge and our enjoyment.... we must pause to contemplate what we understand and, by the Spirit, to feel and express the appropriate response of the heart."