

Lesson 02 – HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE

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BIBLE APPROVAL OF PERSONAL STUDY

QUESTION #1

What Did Christ say concerning the study of the Scriptures? John 5:39

John 5:39 NKJV

³⁹You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.

QUESTION #2

For what were the Bereans commended? Acts 17:11

Acts 17:11 NKJV

¹¹These were more ^[a]fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily *to find out* whether these things were so.

THE SPIRIT OF GOD AND THE BIBLE

QUESTION #3

Who alone comprehends the things of God? 1 Corinthians 2:11

1 Corinthians 2:11 NKJV

¹¹For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.

QUESTION #4

How thoroughly does the Spirit search out the hidden treasures of God? 1 Corinthians 2:10

1 Corinthians 2:10 NKJV

¹⁰But God has revealed *them* to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

QUESTION #5

What is one purpose for which the Holy Spirit was sent? John 14:26

John 14:26 NKJV

²⁶ But the ^[a]Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

QUESTION #6

Why cannot the natural man receive the things of the Spirit? 1 Corinthians 2:14

1 Corinthians 2:14 NKJV

¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

PLACE OF PRAYER IN BIBLE STUDY

QUESTION #7

For what spiritual enlightenment should everyone pray? Psalm 119:18

Psalm 119:18 NKJV

Open my eyes, that I may see
Wondrous things from Your law.

QUESTION #8

For what spiritual gift did the apostle Paul pray? Ephesians 1:17

Ephesians 1:17 NKJV

¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,

QUESTION #9

Upon what conditions is an understanding of divine things promised? Proverbs 2:3-5

Proverbs 2:3-5 NKJV

³ Yes, if you cry out for discernment,
And lift up your voice for understanding,
⁴ If you seek her as silver,
And search for her as *for* hidden treasures;
⁵ Then you will understand the fear of the Lord,
And find the knowledge of God.

RESULTS OF SINCERE BIBLE STUDY

QUESTION #10

What are the Scriptures able to do for one who believes them? 2 Timothy 3:15

2 Timothy 3:15 NKJV

¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

QUESTION #11

What great blessing did Christ confer upon His disciples after His resurrection? Luke 24:45

Luke 24:45 NKJV

⁴⁵ And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures.

QUESTION #12

How did Christ reprove those who, though familiar with the letter of the Scriptures, failed to understand them? Matthew 22:29

Matthew 22:29 NKJV

²⁹ Jesus answered and said to them, "You are ^[a] mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God.

QUESTION #13

Whom did Jesus pronounce blessed? Luke 11:28

Luke 11:28 NKJV

²⁸ But He said, "More than that, blessed *are* those who hear the word of God and keep it!"