



How to Read Your Bible

Prayer

Lord God, thank You for Your living Word. I believe everything in Your Word, for Your Word is truth. Holy Spirit, open my eyes to see, ears to hear, and mind to understand the Word of God as I read. Give me a Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation. Help me to keep Your Word in my heart every day of my life. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Tips on How to Start Studying the Word

1. Read the Word: Start with a verse, a chapter, or one whole book (depending on how the Holy Spirit leads you).
2. Listen to that scripture/chapter/book audibly (recorded version—either CD or through a Bible app).
3. Start to pick out the words of scriptures that stand out most to you (highlight them or write them separately in a notebook).
4. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal its meaning to your spirit. Listen carefully for His answer. Write His answer down next to that scripture.
5. Pick out words and phrases and look them up in other Bible translations, including Greek and Hebrew, to learn the origins or other meanings of words (many words in the Bible have several meanings, including the one the Holy Spirit will give to you personally).
6. Meditate on the scripture you studied throughout the day. Think about it repeatedly or declare the scripture audibly over your life.

Scriptures about the Word of God

Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

John 1:1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Psalms 119:105

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever.

Luke 11:28

He replied, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it."

Matthew 4:4

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Matthew 7:24

Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.



Matthew 24:35

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

Psalms 119:130

The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

Deuteronomy 8:3

He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

James 1:21

Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.