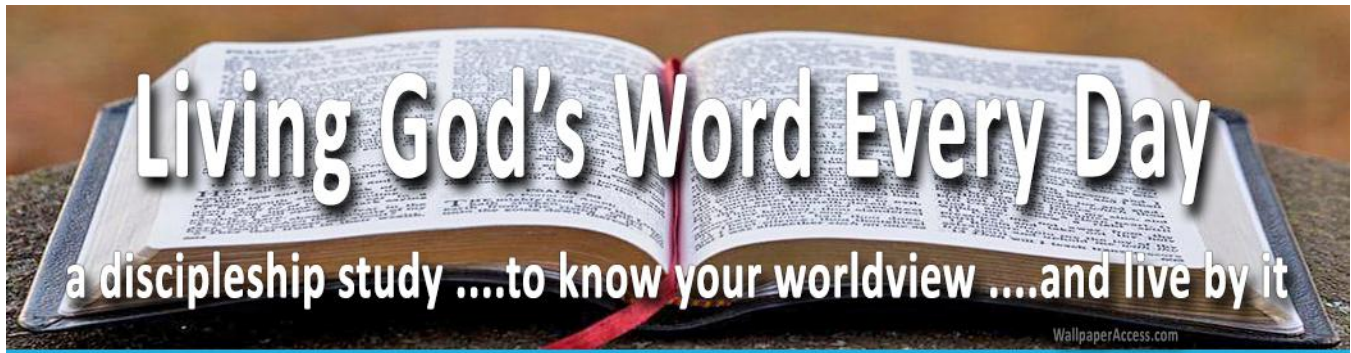




Know the “Why?” & “What?” of Bible study

STUDY ASSIGNMENT

Go to website ***KnowYourWorldview.org*** and read **Chapters 18 – 19**. Notice as we study God’s Word, we hunger and thirst for more of Him in our lives.The more we know God, the more we love Himand want to be with Him.



God’s Word teaches us how purposefully, intentionally be Jesus’ Disciple....

We learn a “disciple of Jesus” is a person who decided the most important thing in life is to learn how to be and dowhat Jesus said to be and do. **Because, knowing Jesusand just knowing about Jesus are two completely different kinds of “knowing”.** Knowledge itself is not life. Or to put it another way, **knowledge without a relationship with Jesus is a waste of a life.**



Life’s Core Learning Goal:

....is to “EXPERIENCE KNOWING GOD”and GET and KEEP OUR LIVES IN loving, intimate RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST our Savior, Lord and cherished Friend. **Because....**

Jesus’ Mission

If Jesus is "the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE" (John 14:6),then we should **look for, even expect "God-Moments"** in our lives, when He **SHOWS US THE WAY,TELLS US THE TRUTH,and REVEALS HIS LIVING PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES**. These are the consequences of living with Jesus,searching His Word to know Him more.

....THIS IS WHY WE STUDY OUR BIBLESLEARNING TO BE JESUS’ DISCIPLE.

Let’s talk about it...

Question 1: Why study God’s Word? ...Because it’s life changing!

Chapter 18 discusses being ACTIVELY ENGAGED with God. As we study God’s Word, we hunger and thirst for more of Him.And the more we know God, the more we love Him. >>>

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness *(the approval of God)*, for they shall be filled *(satisfied)*."

— Matthew 5:6 NKJV

The Bible is God’s love letter to us.

WHEN READING A LOVE LETTER, you can only "feel its heartbeat" and "understand its desires", ...if you KNOW THE INTENT of the sender who wrote it. Such is true reading the Bible.



How would you describe God’s intent in giving His Word to you?

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To know God, meditate on His Attributes.

IF YOU DESIRE A RELATIONSHIP WITH SOMEONE, you would want to know something about their character, attitudes, motives, desires,as much as you can learn about their “person”.



Knowing God’s attributes, how would you describe God? What do you know about Him?

The Bible teaches us how to actively engaged with God.

Every meaningful, loyal relationship REQUIRES BOTH PARTIES BE ACTIVELY ENGAGED in supporting their mutual relationship. **The Bible describes God’s part in considerable detail.**



How would you describe “your part” in supporting your relationship with God?

Question 2: What does God's TRUTH look like in Scripture?

In Chapter 19, we learn **life changing Bible study** is....

....asking the Holy Spirit to help you **1. SEE spiritual TRUTH** as you **READ** the Bible. So, you can **2. BELIEVE** what God's Word says as you **RELATE Biblical TRUTH**to your life's circumstances. Then **3. APPLY knowledge of God's TRUTH** in your life as you **RESPOND**, **4. asking in PRAYER** for God to change youto be more like Jesus.

"Read > Relate > Respond"
Bible Study Approach



God's Word overflows with an abundance of **TRUTHS**. Depending on **SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT**, they are **written in VARIOUS EXPRESSIONS**....

....stated as a **1 Truth**, a **2 Principle**, a **3 Commandment**, or **4 Promise**.

Let's take another look at scripture examples of these **TRUTHS in Chapter 19 online**. Consider the following questions, expressing answers in your wordsas God's Word speaks to you.

1. Truth

....**DEFINITION**: true or actual state of a matter; verified or indisputable fact or principle

Scripture Example:

Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me." — John 14:6 NLT

 **1** Meditate on the above scripture and describe the TRUTH you SEE expressed.

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 **2** Explain how you **BELIEVE** this **TRUTH** relates to your life's circumstances.

 **3** Write a prayer asking God to help you apply this TRUTH in your life.

....continue Question 2: answering what does God’s TRUTH look like in Scripture?

2. Principle

....DEFINITION: true or actual state of a matter; verified or indisputable fact or principle

NOTE: "Principles" are TRUTHS we "see" and understand FROM BIBLE STORIES that are narratives of historical events. We see how God's TRUTH worked out in someone else's life,believing those principles can work in our lives too.

Scripture Example – for the full story read 2 Chronicles 20:1-30:

God said: “...THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAYS TO YOU: ‘Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s’” — 2 Chronicles 20:15 NIV

 **1** Meditate on all of 2 Chronicles 20:1-30, and describe the TRUTH you SEE expressed.

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 **2** Explain how you BELIEVE this TRUTH relates to your life’s circumstances.

 **3** Write a prayer asking God to help you apply this TRUTH in your life.

....continue Question 2: answering what does God’s TRUTH look like in Scripture?

3. Commandment

....DEFINITION: a statement of what to do that must be obeyed by those concerned

Scripture Example:

Just ask and it will be given to you; seek after it and you will find. Continue to knock and the door will be opened for you. All who ask receive. Those who seek, find what they seek. And he who knocks, will have the door opened. — Matthew 7:7-8 The Voice

 **1** Meditate on the above scripture and describe the TRUTH you SEE expressed.

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 **2** Explain how you BELIEVE this TRUTH relates to your life’s circumstances.

 **3** Write a prayer asking God to help you apply this TRUTH in your life.

....continue Question 2: answering what does God’s TRUTH look like in Scripture?

4. Promise

....DEFINITION: a solemn declaration of intent of what one will do or not do

Scripture Example:

The Lord says, “**I will guide you** along the best pathway for your life.
I will advise you and watch over you.” — Psalm 3:8 NLT

 **1** Meditate on the above scripture and **describe the TRUTH you SEE expressed.**

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 **2** Explain how you BELIEVE this TRUTH **relates to your life’s circumstances.**

 **3** Write a prayer **asking God to help you apply this TRUTH in your life.**



“Living God’s Word Every Day” is a discipleship study to think and write about your worldview. Writing is a processing step to express personal beliefs and values for making choices in life. Ask a friend or study group to “challenge you” as a safe-space to learn how to tell your story about “Why?” you believe “What?” about life with Jesus as Savior, Lord, and Friend. **Acts 1:8**