

# The Bible: How Do We Study It?

## 2 Timothy 3:10-17

# BIBLE

- (1) The Bible is meant to be learned, understood and applied in the context of \_\_\_\_\_ with other believers (a local Church!).
- (2) Growing and being transformed by the Word of God is not an event but a \_\_\_\_\_ that builds off of previously learned Biblical knowledge and transformation.
- (3) You must interpret the Bible through its intended \_\_\_\_\_/context.
  - A. The \_\_\_\_\_ context.
  - B. The \_\_\_\_\_ context.
  - C. The \_\_\_\_\_ context.

CHALLENGE: If you don't make and \_\_\_\_\_ a plan to personally study, learn and be transformed by the Bible then you are planning to fail. Based on the Biblical principles we have studied, the following is a plan I recommend for your personal study of the Bible.

- (1) Don't be a religious legalist with your Bible study (i.e. God will strike me down if it's not an hour a day!) but also remember the universal law that you only get out of something what you put into it. \_\_\_\_\_ when you are going to study your Bible!
- (2) When you read and study the Bible walk away from all the \_\_\_\_\_ devices.
- (3) Commit some of your study time(s) to focus on the \_\_\_\_\_ preached on Sunday. Reread the passage and the handout then go to our website and read Jonathan's Discussion Guide and at least the first reference I published in the study notes.
- (4) Commit your other study times to reading a \_\_\_\_\_ book in the Bible. For those that are brand new to the Bible here is a reading plan for you to get you started – Mark, Philippians, Matthew, Ephesians, John, Colossians, Luke, Romans, Genesis, Exodus, Galatians and Hebrews.
- (5) Be consistent but don't be in a \_\_\_\_\_. Meditate on what you read! It's not a race to see how fast you can read but a process to grow and be transformed. Do the context study work, journal your thoughts about what the passage is directly teaching, write something down you learned, make a note of questions that came to mind, etc.