

**Bible Answers For Life's Questions**  
**How Do I Study The Bible So It Changes My Life?**  
**Application-What is God Saying to Me?**

**PERSONAL APPLICATION**

Review the main lesson outline briefly

1. Discuss your understanding of the “basics” in point number 2 of the outline? Do you have a firm understanding of these and if not what can you do to strengthen them in your life?
2. Share the last time God used His Word to change something in your life. Be specific and share the details of how it came about and what that did to strengthen your personal relationship with the Lord.
3. What is your greatest challenge in having a meaningful Bible study time and what can you do to change this?

**PRIVATE MEDITATION**

Read the Scripture and identify 1 thought to take with you for that day  
Write down your daily thought under each day

**Monday** – Hebrews 4:11-114

*Thought:*

**Tuesday** – 1 Peter 3:18

*Thought:*

**Wednesday** – 1 Corinthians 3:1-3

*Thought:*

**Thursday** – Ephesians 4:11-16

*Thought:*

**Friday** – Acts 11:19-26

*Thought:*

**Saturday** – 1 Corinthians 7:1-9

**Sunday** – “*Sexuality, Marriage & the Bible*”

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**How Do I Study the Bible**  
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Hebrews 5:11-14

- I. The Principle of Spiritual Growth** – 5:11-13; 1 Peter 2:1-2; Matthew 28:20; 1 Corinthians 3:1-3
  - a. Spiritual truth must be learned-5:8, 11
  - b. We need a good hold on the basics before moving on to the more mature aspects of spiritual truth – 5:12-13; Ephesians 4:11-16
  - c. We need teachers & life experience to help us learn – 5:8, 12; Acts 2:41-42
- II. The Basics we need to learn** – Hebrews 6:1-3
  - a. Christ – who he is & what he has done for us
  - b. Salvation – repentance & faith
  - c. Identification & purpose – baptism & laying on of hands (Acts 1-7 The first deacons)
  - d. The reality & hope of accountability to God
- III. Where do we go from here?** – John 15:1-8
  - a. Inward growth – developing the character of Christ – 5:13; Romans 8:28-29; 1 Peter 2:21
  - b. Outward growth – our testimony & affect on others – 5:12; Matthew 5:16; John 13:35; Acts 11:19-26
- IV. Practical questions to ask when studying the Bible**
  - a. When you first read the passage
    - i. What does it say?
    - ii. What does it mean?
    - iii. What does it matter?
  - b. Is this reinforcing the basics in my life?

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- c. Is this teaching me something about the character of Christ?
- d. Is this directing me in a specific decision I need to make?
- e. Is this speaking to my outward testimony & effectiveness for the Lord?
- f. What do I need to do? Joshua 1:8; James 1:22-25

**NOTES**