

**FEEDING YOURSELF FROM GOD'S WORD**

Matthew 4:4 (NLT) 'Jesus said, "People need more than bread from their life; they must feed on every Word of God."

- One important mark of maturity: learning to \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 5:12 (NLT) "You have been Christians a long time now and you ought to be teaching others. Instead, you still need someone to teach you....You are like babies who drink only milk and cannot eat solid food."

- Two important points about the Bible:

1. I must accept the \_\_\_\_\_ as my authority.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NIV) "We thank God continually because, when you received the Word of God which you heard from us, you accepted it, not as the word of men, but actually as it is, the Word of God, which is at work in you who believe."

- Four unreliable sources of authority:

1. \_\_\_\_\_.

Exodus 23:2 (NIB) "Do not follow the crowd in doing wrong.

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

Mark 7:8 (NIB) "You have let go of the commands of God and you are holding on to the tradition of men."

3. \_\_\_\_\_.

Proverbs 16:25 (NIB) "There is a way that seems right unto man but in the end it leads to death."

4. \_\_\_\_\_.

Judges 21:25 (JB) "At that time there was no King of Israel and people did whatever they felt like doing."

- One reliable source of authority: \_\_\_\_\_.

2. I must learn to \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word.

II Timothy 2:15 (KJV) "Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that is not ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth."

- The difference between reading and studying: \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Key to Bible Study: learning to \_\_\_\_\_.

**A FOUR STEP DEVOTIONAL METHOD OF BIBLE STUDY**

**STEP 1. YOU \_\_\_\_\_ .**

Psalms 119:18(NIV) "Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in Your Law."

**STEP 2. YOU \_\_\_\_\_ ON IT.**

II Timothy 2:7 (NIV) "Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this."

- P \_\_\_\_\_ it. Visualize the scene.
- P \_\_\_\_\_ it. Say words out loud.
- P \_\_\_\_\_ it. Rewrite it in your words.
- P \_\_\_\_\_ it. Put your name into the verse.
- P \_\_\_\_\_ it. S.P.A.C.E.P.E.T.S (Second Base)

**STEP 3. YOU \_\_\_\_\_ IT.**

John 13:17 (NIV) "Once you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them."

- Personal, Practical, Possible, Provable.

**STEP 4. YOU \_\_\_\_\_ IT.**

Colossians 3:16 (LB) "Remember what Christ taught and let His Word enrich your lives and make you wise...."

- First Base Class 101-Six week study on membership
- Second Base Class 201-Six week study on habits of spiritual growth.