

Personal Spiritual Development 3

How do I Study the Bible?

Week Three: Daily Scripture Reading

Monday	2 Timothy 3:14-17
Tuesday	Ephesians 3:1-13
Wednesday	James 1:18-27
Thursday	2 Corinthians 3:1-18
Friday	2 Peter 1:16-21
Saturday	2 Peter 3:14-18
Sunday	Psalms 1:1-6

Why is the Bible so difficult to understand? Many make resolutions every year to read the Bible through from Genesis to Revelation or portions of it on a daily basis. The majority make a valiant start but do not finish. Somewhere along the way they get discouraged and begin to question their own motives. The Bible is really not just one book but a collection of 66 books written by over 40 different people over a period of 1500 years. It contains all different kinds of literature that is more “appealing” to different people at different times. Understanding this will create opportunity to develop healthy reading habits to enable one to complete big GOALS.

Questions to consider as you read each daily scripture reading.

1. Can you recall things that people have said are in the Bible and you discovered later they were not there?
2. Share with someone a scripture you read this week that was very meaningful to you.
3. What are some things I can do that will help me not to misread what is in scripture.
4. What are some of the different types of literature that is represented in the Bible? Write them down.
5. As you read the text have a blank note book with you. Record the questions that come up as you read so that you can go back and study that particular topic at a different time. This way you will not be interrupted in your reading plan and be tempted to “chase rabbits”.