Bible Study Brinciples



## Bible Study Approach

In every conceivable way the Bible is <u>above</u> all other books, <u>unequaled</u>, and <u>unmatched</u>, and absolutely <u>superior!</u> IT IS THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY OF BOOKS! No book is written in such a manner as the Bible; "All scripture is given by inspiration of God" (II Timothy 3:16), and "holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" (II Peter 1:21). The Bible is the <u>expression</u>, a <u>manifestation</u>, a <u>presentation</u>, a <u>communication</u>, and a <u>revelation</u> of the very <u>thoughts</u>, <u>counsels</u>, and <u>ways</u> of God; THE VERY TESTIMONY OF GOD! And therefore, no book <u>contains such important matter as the Bible!</u> All the <u>sayings</u> and <u>writings</u> of man combined cannot equal in <u>value</u> or <u>importance</u> one single verse of the Bible! No book has had the <u>universal</u> and <u>lasting impact that the Bible has had! THE BIBLE IS NO ORDINARY BOOK!</u>

The Bible is to have a place of daily prominence in life, and is to be <u>read</u>, <u>searched</u>, <u>studied</u>, <u>meditated</u> upon, and <u>applied</u> to our lives! In each of these duties; THE BIBLE IS NEVER TO BE TREATED OR LOOKED UPON AS AN ORDINARY BOOK! Each of these <u>duties</u> and <u>privileges</u> require A PROPER <u>APPROACH!</u> Our <u>APPROACH</u> is;

"the preliminary steps that we take prior to opening the Word of God, as well as the attitude that we must maintain, while reading, searching, studying, meditating upon, and applying the Word of God"

Again, Paul told Timothy; "all scripture......is profitable" (II Timothy 3:16). The entire process of reading, searching, studying, meditating, upon, and the applying of the Bible is to be spiritually profitable, and IT BEGINS WITH A PROPER APPROACH!

Our **APPROACH** should promote, advance, and result in:



ACCURACY OF OBSERVATION
DISCOVERY OF MEANING
APPLICATION TO LIFE AND SELF

An improper **APPROACH** is a detriment and a tremendous hindrance to proper **reading**, **searching**, and **studying**, which in turn, is a detriment and hindrance to proper **meditation** and **application!** An improper **APPROACH** is a hindrance to "rightly (correctly, precisely, and accurately) dividing (sorting) the word of truth" (II Timothy 2:15). An improper **APPROACH** blinds the eyes to precise **OBSERVATION**, which in turn hinders right **INTERPRETATION**,

which in turn **cripples one's ability to make proper** <u>APPLICATION!</u> A proper <u>APPROACH</u> **is to begin Bible study correctly**, and such cannot be overstated or overestimated!