Bible Study Principles



The Method Of Bible Study

Our *Method* is:

"the systematic <u>procedure</u>, <u>process</u>, <u>plan</u>, or <u>technique</u> that we use in **reading**, **searching**, and **studying** the Word of God"

Like APPROACH, an improper <u>METHOD</u> is detrimental to proper <u>reading</u>, <u>searching</u>, and <u>studying</u> of the Word of God, which in turn is a hindrance to relevant <u>meditation</u> and <u>application!</u> Like an improper APPROACH, an incorrect <u>METHOD</u> <u>blinds</u> the eyes to precise OBSERVATION, which in turn is a great obstacle to right INTERPRETATION, which in turn <u>cripples</u> one's ability to make proper APPLICATION! A PROPER <u>METHOD</u> IS INDISPENSABLE TO PROFITABLE BIBLE STUDY!

All <u>reading</u>, <u>searching</u> and <u>studying</u> of the Bible should consist of a drawing from, and not a adding to! THIS DRAWING FROM IS THE PROCESS OF THE DISCOVERY OF MEANING! A proper <u>METHOD</u> will be based upon sound Bible study principles, and the entire process of profitable Bible study will involve these principles:

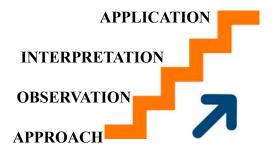


APPROACH➤The preparation and maintaining of the heart to receive the studied word.

OBSERVATION➤ The discovery of what a passage says.

INTERPRETATION➤ The discovery of what a passage means.

APPLICATION➤ The discovery of how a passage can be put to personal use.



These four steps proceed and grow from each other and are a cycle. A proper APPROACH leads to precise OBSERVATION, which leads to an accurate INTERPRETATION, which enables one to make profitable and relevant APPLICATION! The making of a profitable and relevant

APPLICATION is to <u>receive</u> into the heart and to <u>conform</u> to the teaching of Scripture, which enhances one's ability to have a proper **APPROACH**, which starts the cycle over again!

