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5 Tips to Get the Most out of Your Bible Study Time

1. *Begin Your Study Time in Prayer.*

We believe God has something He wants to speak into us individually each and every day. We best position ourselves to hear His voice and sense His leading when we seek Him first in prayer and invite Him into our study time.

2. *Stop & Look Up Scripture When It's Mentioned.*

When you come across a Scripture reference in your study, don't skip past it! Take the time to look it up, see what it says, and how it applies to what you're learning. As an added bonus, consider keeping a journal on hand to jot down any thoughts that come to mind.

3. *Read Scripture Aloud.*

Silent Scripture reading is powerful, but reading Scripture aloud and hearing yourself speak the truths found within it adds a whole new dimension. Engaging both your sight and hearing together is a great way to help cement what you're reading in your heart and mind.

4. *Circle and Define.*

When you come across a Scripture you want to take deeper, begin by copying it down in your journal, circling all the words that stand out to you. Next, look up the definition of each of those words, and copy the meanings down. Use your new understanding of that Scripture to write out a prayer to God.

5. *Don't Feel Stuck in Just One Bible Translation.*

Sometimes we read Scripture and we understand it, but sometimes we don't. Reading in a few different translations can help with comprehension and can also give you a fresh understanding and new appreciation of familiar verses.

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4 Tips to Get the Most Out of Your Study

1. Remember Your Why for Joining.

You signed up for a reason, so hang onto that “why” and use it as encouragement on those days you feel like giving up.

2. Make a Plan for Your Study.

Taking the time to figure out and write down the what, when, where, and how of study will help you stick to it.

3. Engage in Community.

It’s way easier to give in to discouragement when you’re feeling alone, so invest in yourself by investing in others in the blog comment section and/or the Facebook Community Group.

4. Utilize the End of Week Resources to Catch Up When You’re Behind.

Each Saturday, we’ll be sharing an audio teaching and a PDF cheat sheet, both highlighting the major themes of the week. Use these to wrap up your week and catch up as needed.

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