

# 5 BIBLE STUDY TIPS FOR BEGINNERS

#### WHY STUDYING THE WORD OF GOD IS BENEFICIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN

Studying Gods word is beneficial to the every day Christian because it's one of the ways God communicates with us. Through reading and studying Gods word we can have a deeper understanding of Him and what our daily lives should look like.

Here are five tips that I have learned through my own growth during my Bible study time.

# Tip 1: Read one book at a time.

By reading one book at a time from beginning to end you can walk away with a better understanding of the context. And instead of flipping through the Bible every morning you're able to know where to begin reading the next day. \*Knowing the style of writing will be helpful in knowing how to read a passage. The Bible was written in different styles such as: law, history, poetry, prophecy, genealogy, and narrative.

#### Tip 2: Exegesis

Exegesis is the critical explanation or interpretation of a text, especially scripture. (Webster's Dictionary) By having an understanding of what the author meant at the time of the writing and who the audience was will help you to know how it applies in your life today.

## Tip 3: Go to trusted resources.

This may vary depending on your denomination but a few ideas would be, a study Bible, a commentary such as The Bible Knowledge Commentary, blueletterbible.com, or an in real life friend or pastor.

#### Tip 4: Take notes.

You could highlight a passage that stands out to you or if you feel uncomfortable writing in your Bible you could use sticky notes or a separate notebook. Write out why it stood out to you or a question you may have about it.

## Tip 5: Keep reading.

Being consistent in your Bible reading can be hard but it's worth taking the 5 or 10 minutes out of your day to sit with the Lord and read His word. As you continue to read and make this a daily habit you may find yourself craving that time and spending longer amounts at a time in the word.

## Bonus tip: Study with a friend.

By studying with others you may find parts of the story you missed or just different perspectives. You may even need someone to help you break down a verse and let you know what the verse really means with the correct context.

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