

Fundamentals of the Faith
Lesson Two—How To Know The Bible, Part Two

Remember Our Goal: To Paint A Clearer, More-Vivid Picture Of God

- I. Different Types Of Engagement
 - A. Whole Bible Read Through (Daily)
 - 1. Goals
 - a) Reading through the entire Bible
 - b) Seeing the story in its entirety
 - 2. Tools
 - a) Bible Reading Plan
 - (1) Robert Murray M'Cheyne
 - (2) Bible Apps
 - B. Devotional Reading (Daily)
 - 1. Goals
 - a) Short passage read daily
 - b) A transforming engagement
 - c) SPECS
 - (1) Sin to forsake?
 - (2) Promise to claim?
 - (3) Example to follow?
 - (4) Command to obey?
 - (5) Stumbling block to avoid?
 - C. Book/Passage/Theme Study (Weekly)
 - 1. Goals
 - a) Deeper engagement
 - b) Understanding context, background, authorial intent
 - 2. Spring-board from pulpit messages
 - 3. Requires some further resources
 - a) Bible dictionaries
 - b) Concordances
 - c) Bible handbooks
 - d) Bible encyclopedias
 - e) Bible commentaries

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! 5 Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. 6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:4-7 (NASB)

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