

Studying the Word of God

~ Three Important Books in the Bible:

1. _____ answers, *Where did I come from?*
2. _____ answers, *Why am I here?*
3. _____ answers, *Where am I going?*

~ Three Important Books for the Believer:

1. _____ will keep you sweet, keep your **heart** right.
2. _____ will keep you **mind** right.
3. _____ will keep you serving – keep your **feet** right

~ Important Elements in Real Bible Study

1. _____ Looking at the text to discover all the clues.

You must get into the habit of **ASKING QUESTIONS** as you read and study God's Word.

- What is the author's _____?
 - What _____ are presented that bring out that purpose?
 - What literary forms are in the passage (prose, discussion, sermon, parable, dissertation).
 - What are the key _____?
 - What places, events, and _____ are mentioned and described?
 - What verbs are used and what are their tenses?
 - What _____ are presented?
 - What _____ are given?
 - What _____ (exhortation is given)?
 - What _____ are recorded for me to claim?
 - What _____ is given?
 - What comparisons and contrasts exist in the passage?
 - What _____ are asked?
2. _____ Investigation to determine what the author means.
 3. _____ Determining how this should personally apply to me.
 4. _____ Bringing together every part of the Word of God.

~ Two very simple principle of Bible Study:

1. KEEP IT SIMPLE – This will keep you from giving up.
2. Do not let it become RITUAL.

~ Five Fundamentals as to Your Approach in Bible Study

1. _____ A serious mindset (I Peter 2:2).
2. _____ A necessary craving for truth.
3. _____ A desire to grow in your relationship with the Lord.
4. _____ An understanding of what God has revealed in His Word.
5. _____ The result of genuine Bible Study.