

1) It will make you a strong Christian

1 John 2:14

There is only one way to grow strong spiritually by reading and studying the Bible.

All failures could be avoided if we learn to study the Bible for ourselves.

2) It will assure you of salvation

There are promises in the Bible and we need to get those imbedded in our head.

1 John 5:13

A vast majority of Christians with fears, worries, and other emotional foibles have these troubles because of heeding their minds instead of reading their Bibles.

1 Corinthians 1:21 If you want assurance of salvation then begin to study the Bible regularly, for this is the only place to find it.

3) It will give you confidence and power in prayer

1 John 5:14,15 and John 15:7

Meaning that Bible Study gives us power in prayer, because as we study the Bible we become known of his will and consequently learn how to pray.

4) It will cleanse you from sin

John 15:3 and John 17:17

The Bible has a powerful cleansing effect on the Christian who studies it.

Psalm 119:9 - Studying the Bible will cleanse you from sin and warn you of sin.

"This Book (Bible) will keep you from sin or sin will keep you from this Book"

5) It will give you joy

John 15:11

It is the Word of God that puts joy in your heart regardless of the circumstances

6) It will produce peace in your life

If the Word of God does not dwell in you richly by reading and studying it will not produce peace.

Colossians 3:15-Peace is not automatic.

God wants to flood our heart with peace through the daily reading of His Word.

7) It will guide you in making important decisions of life.

As you fill your mind daily with the Bible it will enlighten the dark paths of the future with divine guidance.

8) It will enable you to articulate your faith

1 Peter 3:15-The only way to witness and answer the questions of seekers is by reading and studying the Word.

It is totally impossible to be effective in sharing the gospel without at least an elementary knowledge of the Bible.

9) It will guarantee your success

Joshua 1:8-Daily meditation (thinking) on the Word of God produces the success that everyone desires.

Psalm 1:1-3-That kind of daily productivity comes from daily feeding one's mind on the Word of God.

Daily quiet time costs you nothing in the long run b/c the rest of our day will be more successful than if we had ignored their Bible

How To Read The Bible

"If you can read you can learn anything."

If you are going to learn the Bible, you will have to develop the habit of reading large portions of the Scriptures.

Bible study is essential to become "approved unto God" (2 Timothy 2:15).

Unless you have a regular habit of reading the Bible, You will never develop a regular study habit.

1) Read Daily

Daily Bible reading is to your spiritual life what daily eating is to your physical life. (Job 23:12)

If you don't set a time to study your Bible daily your good intentions will never be realized and you will only occasionally read your Bible.

2) Set a regular reading time

How much time should I devote to reading the Bible each day?

If you mean business with God and really want to develop a working knowledge of the Word, you had better plan on a minimum of 15 minutes daily.

Most people who do this daily say that after 1-2 months they develop the reading habit to the extent that frequently they became so into God's Word that they lost track of time and went much longer than 15 minutes.

3) Set a regular place

Better concentration in a regular place
Reading done in a sitting position and preferably at a desk, as it aids in concentration.

4) Read with a pencil or pen at hand.

Many Christians read the bible but don't allow their mind to catch it all. Their eyes read the word but their brain wasn't turned on.

The best way to dial your brain into a vital attitude is to pick up a pencil and be ready to receive a message from God.