



↓
Search for Him with
all your heart!

CREATED BY
Kim Sorgius

AND THE
NOT CONSUMED TEAM

CONTRIBUTORS:
JESSICA SCHAAL
LEAH SORGIUS

DESIGNER:
EMILY SHEEDER

ILLUSTRATOR:
RAMONA KURTEN

EDITORS:
CRYSTAL MARCUM
AMY SPIERS
SOPHIA STOUFFER
ELIZABETH QUIZON
SAMANTHA BELL
KIM ALEXANDER

COPYRIGHT © 2024
NOT CONSUMED MINISTRIES, LLC

WHAT'S IN THIS Study?

» Why We Study the Bible

DAY 1: What Do You Know About the Bible?

DAY 2: Why We Trust the Bible

DAY 3: Why We Trust God

DAY 4: Why Studying the Bible Is Important

» Study Skills

DAY 5: Time to Study

DAY 6: Observation

DAY 7: Interrogation

DAY 8: Interpretation

DAY 9: Application

DAY 10: Meditating and Memorizing

» Genres of Scripture

DAY 11: The Old Testament

DAY 12: The Books of the Law

DAY 13: The Books of History

DAY 14: The Books of Poetry

DAY 15: The Books of Prophecy

DAY 16: The New Testament

DAY 17: The Gospels

DAY 18: The Epistles

DAY 19: Revelation

DAY 20: Lifelong Learners



Junior Level

Ages 8-12

Now that we have laid the groundwork for our understanding of why we study God's Word, it's time to prepare to study. Let's take today to get our minds set in the right direction.

What have you done to study the Bible before? _____

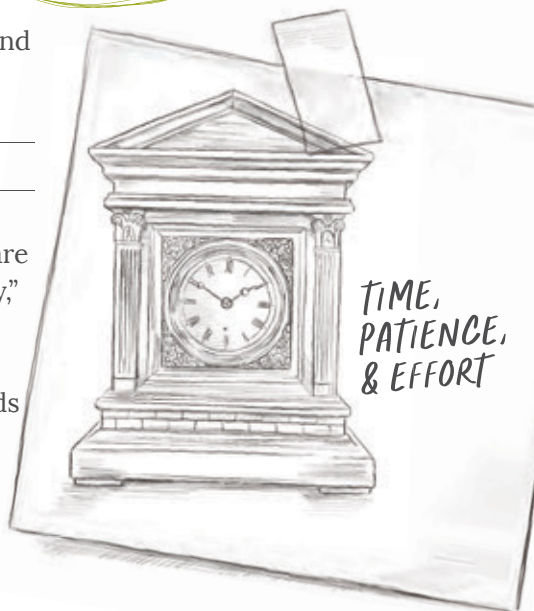
Were these strategies helpful to you?

☐ YES ☐ NO

Read ^{KEY VERSE} **2 Timothy 2:15**. What command is given to Christians in this verse?

Depending on what Bible translation you are using, you may see the command to "study," "do your best," or even "be diligent." The reason for these commands is so that you can be someone who correctly understands and handles the word of truth (the Bible).

Just like you can't learn a new language without much study, effort, and practice, we cannot understand and learn how to interpret Scripture without diligence and careful work!



Studying God's Word takes time,
patience, and intentional effort.

Read **Jeremiah 29:13**. What does God promise?

We don't need to be overwhelmed at the thought of having to diligently study to understand God's Word. He promises that when we seek Him, we will find Him! Not only does God promise to be found when we seek Him, but He also gives us help so that we can learn and understand His Word.

Read **1 Corinthians 2:8-10**.
What help do Christians have to understand Scripture?

Those who are not saved can't understand God's Word, and they may think that those of us who believe God's Word are foolish. This is because they do not have the Holy Spirit in their hearts! As believers, we have the Holy Spirit who helps us understand the truth of God's Word. We can't understand the Bible without the Holy Spirit!

Just like with everything else in life, we need God's help to study His Word. The first thing we should do when we sit down with our Bibles is pray for help to understand what we will read that day. This will focus our minds to be prepared to study and work through the steps we will discuss in the following lessons.

Today, write a prayer to God asking Him to help you understand His Word. Thank Him for giving you His Word and His Spirit!

Youth Level

Ages 13 and up

Now that we have laid the groundwork for our understanding of why we study God's Word, it's time to prepare to study. Let's take today to get our minds set in the right direction.

What have you done to study the Bible before?

How did the method or methods you listed work for you? Were any especially successful or helpful?

Read ^{KEY VERSE}  **2 Timothy 2:15**. What command is given to Christians in this verse?

Depending on what Bible translation you are using, you may see the command to “study,” “do your best,” or even “be diligent” so that you can present yourself to God as a worker who can correctly understand and handle the word of truth (the Bible). God places a high value on diligent effort to study and understand His Word.

Something I didn't understand when I was younger was that studying God's Word doesn't happen easily, quickly, or without careful attention. Just like you can't learn a new language or memorize the periodic table without much study, effort, and practice, we cannot understand and learn how to interpret Scripture without endurance and careful work!

Studying God's Word takes time,
patience, and *intentional* effort.

Read *Jeremiah 29:13*. What does God promise?

We don't need to be afraid or overwhelmed at the thought of having to diligently study and work hard to understand God's Word. God shows favor and love to those who seek Him. He promises that when we seek Him, we will find Him!

Not only does God promise to be found when we seek Him, but He also gives us help so that we can learn and understand His Word.

Read *1 Corinthians 2:6-16*. What help do Christians have to understand Scripture?

To those who are not saved by Jesus Christ, the Bible seems like foolishness. They can't understand it, and they may think that those of us who believe God's Word are foolish as well. This is because they do not have the Holy Spirit in their hearts! As believers, we have the Holy Spirit who helps us understand the truth of God's Word. We have the mind of Christ in us!

Just like with everything else in life, we need God's help to study His Word. The first thing we should do when we sit down with our Bibles is pray for help to understand what we will read that day. This will quiet and focus our minds to be prepared to study and work through the steps we will discuss in the following lessons.

Today, write a prayer to God asking Him to open your eyes to the truth in His Word. Tell Him how you desire to seek Him, and thank Him for the opportunity to get to know Him through Scripture.



Parent Guide

Now that we have laid the groundwork for our understanding of why we study God's Word, it's time to prepare to study. Let's take today to get our minds set in the right direction.

What have you done to study the Bible before?

How did the method or methods you listed work for you? Were any especially successful or helpful?

Read ^{KEY VERSE} *2 Timothy 2:15*. What command is given to Christians in this verse?

Depending on what Bible translation you are using, you may see the command to “study,” “do your best,” or even “be diligent” so that you can present yourself to God as a worker who can correctly understand and handle the word of truth (the Bible). God places a high value on diligent effort to study and understand His Word.

Something I didn't understand when I was younger was that studying God's Word doesn't happen easily, quickly, or without careful attention. Just like you can't learn a new language or memorize the periodic table without much study, effort, and practice, we cannot understand and learn how to interpret Scripture without endurance and careful work!

This is a tricky concept for kids, especially young ones, to learn. One way you can help your children learn to study God's Word is by modeling it. Take some time as a family every week to read a passage and work through it. Guide them through questions that will help them understand it, and encourage every little step of progress you see!



Studying God's Word takes time, patience, and *intentional* effort.

Read *Jeremiah 29:13*. What does God promise?

We don't need to be afraid or overwhelmed at the thought of having to diligently study and work hard to understand God's Word. God shows favor and love to those who seek Him. He promises that when we seek Him, we will find Him!

Not only does God promise to be found when we seek Him, but He also gives us help so that we can learn and understand His Word.

Read *1 Corinthians 2:6-16*. What help do Christians have to understand Scripture?

To those who are not saved by Jesus Christ, the Bible seems like foolishness. They can't understand it, and they may think that those of us who believe God's Word are foolish as well. This is because they do not have the Holy Spirit in their hearts! As believers, we have the Holy Spirit who helps us understand the truth of God's Word. We have the mind of Christ in us!

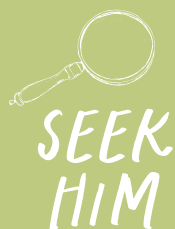
Just like with everything else in life, we need God's help to study His Word. The first thing we should do when we sit down with our Bibles is pray for help to understand what we will read that day. This will quiet and focus our minds to be prepared to study and work through the steps we will discuss in the following lessons.

Today, write a prayer to God asking Him to open your eyes to the truth in His Word. Tell Him how you desire to seek Him, and thank Him for the opportunity to get to know Him through Scripture.

Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:15

Key Truth: Studying God's Word takes time, patience, and intentional effort.

Discussion: What is the difference between a Christian's view of God's Word and an unsaved person's view of the Bible? Why is it good that studying the Bible takes effort and hard work? How will you be intentional about studying God's Word?



Most Christians know they are supposed to be reading their Bibles. Yet this is one of the most difficult spiritual disciplines to master. Bible study can seem confusing and overwhelming, so that's where *Seek Him* comes in!

In this study, we will examine the **value** of God's Word in our lives, learn **skills** to help us study it, and finally, put those skills to use by exploring the **genres** that make up the Bible. Are you ready? Let's go!



SEE-J

