

**Bible Study Rocket Fuel**  
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In Hebrews 10:7, the Lord says, "In the volume of the book it is written of Me."

When I got saved, all I wanted was more of Jesus! I found Him ... in methodical, systematic, consistent, and disciplined Bible study!

**There are five progressive stages to Bible study:**

- 1) **QUIET YOURSELF!** Take all that you know and yield to the authority of the Word of God (many folks fall off right here).
- 2) **HEAR!** This is what you are doing while being taught the Word of God by someone else (e.g., church service, a friend, the radio, etc.)
- 3) **READ.** On your own ... read the Word of God.
- 4) **STUDY.** This is what I will describe to you below. Less than 1% of Bible believers ever make it this far (my statistic).
- 5) **TEACH/SHARE.** Teach it to your friend, coworker, or kids. Once you teach it - once you share something that you've learned, YOU OWN IT, and when the truth of the Word is needed, it will be there for you, stored safely in your heart.

Now, **here is some ROCKET FUEL for your Bible study** maturity and spiritual profit!

I believe that this will advance you very quickly in your understanding of Biblical principles and foundational theology as well as simply lay out a structure of discipline and consistency in your Biblical studies, which I believe is absolutely critical. Having order in your pursuit of God is God-honoring as He Himself is the God of order.

**Here are the tools you'll need:**

- 1) Highlighter
- 2) Pen
- 3) Wide margin Bible or notebook
- 4) Computer or tablet
- 5) Bible
- 6) At least half an hour

Why the highlighter? I have found that as I am reading through the Bible, if I highlight those verses which really impact me, then when I'm looking for them in the future for ministry reasons, they're easier to locate. Also, sometimes if I have a quick minute, I'll crack the Bible and just read what I have highlighted in the past. Highlighting is good for a myriad of reasons - I recommend it.

Open your Bible to the Gospel of John, a good place to start. Read a bit, one chapter at the most, and then go to the following website:

[https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/smith\\_chuck/c2000\\_Jhn/Jhn\\_001.cfm?a=998001](https://www.blueletterbible.org/Comm/smith_chuck/c2000_Jhn/Jhn_001.cfm?a=998001)

To get to this without a link and on your own, simply go to [blueletterbible.org](http://blueletterbible.org). In the "Search the Bible" box, enter wherever you are in the scriptures (e.g., John 1), click Tools, click Commentaries, then click c2000 series under Chuck Smith.

**Read along with Chuck, and make notes either in your notebook or Bible as you learn.** If possible, I greatly recommend that you make notes in your Bible. Get a WIDE MARGIN Bible! The idea is to record for yourself those things which impact you personally or those things which you believe you may be able to use or remember in the future for ministry purposes.

As you do this **consistently**, you will find that you are learning a lot, and, if you do this faithfully, you will **want it** more and more. The Bible is interesting that way - the more time you spend in it, the more time you want to spend in it. This works in the reverse also.

**Remember, pray** that the Lord will bless your time in His Word each and every time you sit down to study, and also pray that the Holy Spirit would reveal to you the truth contained therein. Without the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we can learn nothing that will last, and we ourselves are lost.

**BONUS! Take a look at the Hebrew or Greek!**

Go to [blueletterbible.org](http://blueletterbible.org).

Enter a Bible verse of your choosing where it says, "Verse or Word(s)."

Once your verse comes up, click the bolded blue verse address.

BOOM, there's the Hebrew or Greek!

To deep dive, click the Strong's "g" number, and you'll learn that word's transliteration, pronunciation, part of speech, root word, dictionary definition, and outline of Biblical usage!

**Imagine if you did this for a year.** You'd chew through maybe 10 books of the Bible, and you'd be borderline masterful at what the books teach and how they interact with each other. Now, imagine 2 years, 5 years ... oh man, oh man, oh man ... **ROCKET FUEL!**