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PASTOR BRAD WICKS

“WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?”

1 Thessalonians 1:8 ESV

8 For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.

Acts 17:10 ESV

10 The brothers immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived they went into the Jewish synagogue.

Acts 17:11a ESV

“Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica...”

“_____” - To more open minded and willing to learn

Acts 17:11b ESV

“they received the word with all eagerness...”

Acts 17:11 ESV

11 Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

“_____” - To learn the truth of something by the process of careful study or evaluation.

Acts 17:12 ESV

12 Many of them therefore believed, with not a few Greek women of high standing as well as men.

Acts 17:13 ESV

13 But when the Jews from Thessalonica learned that the word of God was proclaimed by Paul at Berea also, they came there too, agitating and stirring up the crowds.

Psalms 119:105–112 ESV

105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. 106 I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to keep your righteous rules. 107 I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word! 108 Accept my freewill offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your rules. 109 I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law. 110 The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts. 111 Your testimonies are my heritage forever, for they are the joy of my heart. 112 I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

1. Make reading your Bible a _____ habit.

Acts 17:11b ESV

“....examining the Scriptures daily...”

_____ % said they read it a few times a week.

_____ % said once a week.

_____ % a few times a month.

_____ % once a month.

_____ % said rarely or they never read the Bible.

Psalms 1:1–3 ESV

1 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; 2 but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. 3 He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

Hebrews 4:12 ESV

12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

2. Don't just read the Bible, _____ the Bible.

Acts 17:11b ESV

“....examining the Scriptures daily...”

Tip #1 - _____ before you read.

Tip #2 - Read for _____ not quantity.

Tip #3 - Ask the Lord to give you _____ and _____.

Tip #4 - Invest in a good _____ Bible.

Tip #5 - Sign up for a “_____” class.

Tip #6 - Don't just read, _____ what the Bible says to your life.

James 1:22–25 ESV

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. 24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. 25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

James 2:14–17 ESV

14 What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? 15 If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, 16 and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? 17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

Proverbs 3:27–28 ESV

27 Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it. 28 Do not say to your neighbor, “Go, and come again, tomorrow I will give it”—when you have it with you.