

## “Reading the Holy Scriptures” Matthew 5:17-20

### **Other things JESUS said about the Scriptures:**

1. “The Scripture \_\_\_\_\_.” John 10:35
2. “You are \_\_\_\_\_ because you know neither the Scriptures or the Power of GOD.” Mt. 22:29
3. “And beginning with Moses and all the prophets HE explained to them the things concerning \_\_\_\_\_ in all the Scriptures.” Luke 24:27
4. “Man shall not live by bread alone, but \_\_\_\_\_ that comes from the mouth of GOD.” Mt. 4:4
5. “Sanctify them in the Truth. \_\_\_\_\_.” Jn. 17:17
6. JESUS said \_\_\_\_\_, 23 times in the Gospels.
7. “You examine the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is those very Scriptures that \_\_\_\_\_ about \_\_\_\_\_.” John 5:39
8. JESUS viewed the Scriptures as \_\_\_\_\_, life-giving, and \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Think about this:**

1. Over your lifetime, the most important thing to strive for, is to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ GOD. **Jeremiah 9:23-24**
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ are the primary means to know HIM personally. (learn to \_\_\_\_\_ yourself)  
\* HIS Book teaches you \_\_\_\_\_. And what GOD thinks about any subject is far more important than what \_\_\_\_\_ thinks. **Isaiah 55:10-16**
3. The Scriptures are your greatest antidote for \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, because the WORDS of the Bible are \_\_\_\_\_ and will \_\_\_\_\_. (mind, will, and emotions) **Psalms 19:7, Hebrews 4:12**
4. The Scriptures are your greatest weapon to resist the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_. **Ephesians 6:12-17**
  - A. Do you have \_\_\_\_\_? **2 Timothy 2:15**
  - B. Do you know \_\_\_\_\_ your Weapon?
  - C. Are you \_\_\_\_\_ in using your Weapon?

### **Suggestions on How to Read the Bible:**

1. Get a Bible that you \_\_\_\_\_ . (start with a paperback)
2. Start with the New Testament, and read from \_\_\_\_\_ to the

- end of \_\_\_\_\_. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times before you start in the Old Testament.
3. Set \_\_\_\_\_. Keep a card as a bookmark, and \_\_\_\_\_ what you read each day. (NO \_\_\_\_\_; NO \_\_\_\_\_)
  4. \_\_\_\_\_ (colored pens, markers, underline) - and \_\_\_\_\_ in your Bible every time.
  5. Before you read each day, ask the Holy Spirit to \_\_\_\_\_ you.  
John 14:26
  6. Read \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ you are at your \_\_\_\_\_ and most alert.
  7. Avoid distractions:
    - A. By being \_\_\_\_\_ as you read. No \_\_\_\_\_.
    - B. Don't get too comfortable or you'll get \_\_\_\_\_.
    - C. Have a \_\_\_\_\_ with you to jot down thoughts. Rom. 8:14
    - D. Worship \_\_\_\_\_ can be helpful (instrumental).
  8. Buy a good study Bible to help you \_\_\_\_\_ what you are reading. (The Life Application Bible is a great choice and is in several versions)
  9. Reading even without comprehension will still \_\_\_\_\_.
  10. Don't get \_\_\_\_\_ on what you don't understand (the Devil's ploy to \_\_\_\_\_ you and cause you to stop reading.  
- \_\_\_\_\_ and keep moving.
  11. Try to retain \_\_\_\_\_ from your reading that day, and think (\_\_\_\_\_) about it over the day. Write it down.
  12. Have your Prayer Time \_\_\_\_\_ your Bible reading. Your mind will be \_\_\_\_\_ by your time in Scripture, which will make your prayer time much more meaningful. Romans 12:2

\* Will you read through the Bible?

\* Will you make this a lifetime commitment?

