

“Read Your Bibles” Part 2 Psalm 106:30-31

Consistently reading your Bible will change your Life like nothing else can.

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 is 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

Each year your Pastor requests that you ask the Holy Spirit to give you a verse or section of Scripture that you need to _____, meditate on, and then live.

(“Logos” vs “Ramah”) Your Pastor's Verse for the Year is _____.

“Then Phinehas _____ and _____, and the plague was stayed. That was counted to him as _____ from generation to generation forever.”

These verses refer to the account from **Numbers 25, Num. 22-24**

1. _____, a false priest from Midian, was paid money to curse Israel. His efforts failed, for GOD's heart was to _____ HIS People, not curse them.
2. Balaam concocted a far more _____ plan. He suggested to the Midianite Rulers that they send beautiful young women under the cover of darkness to the fringes of the Israelite camp, to _____ young Israelite men to their camp. There these young innocent men first experienced: **V.1-2**
 - A. Addictive _____ beyond description.
 - B. That led them into the worship of _____, the chief Canaanite god, seen as the deity responsible for _____. More and more men started _____ out for rendezvous at the Midianite Camp. **V.3** (_____ was the downfall of Israel)
3. GOD sent a _____ to begin to kill the people. GOD told Moses to act by commanding the Israelite judges in each tribe to _____ the leaders of this rebellion. (_____ people died) **V.4-5** One more act of _____ would finally stop the plague and save the Nation.
4. _____, a leader in the tribe of Simeon, defiantly led the daughter of a Midianite prince (_____) down the main avenue of the Israelite Camp into a tent to have physical relations with her. **V.6,14-15**
5. Aaron's grandson, _____, did what his grandfather would not do. (Ex.32) Phineas acted out of his _____. He killed both of these _____ with one thrust of a spear. His actions made _____ for Israel's Sin. The plague stopped. He acted as a Priest, a person who _____ GOD to Man. 1 Peter 2:9

Application:

1. Sin _____ people. GOD is not _____ at disobedience. Sin is a _____ to your life, your family, and your future. Gen. 4:7
2. _____ poor behavior is never good. Never let your love for _____ outweigh your love for _____. Prov. 29:25 Are you going to _____ people? OR please GOD?
3. Doing the right thing is never _____, but _____, and difficult.
4. Do not be _____. Take responsibility. Speak up. Stand up for righteousness.
5. Like JESUS we are to be full of _____ and full of _____. John 1:14
6. Our _____ can endanger the lives and souls of multitudes of others.
7. Your courageous obedience on Earth will reverberate through the Halls _____ forever.

