

HOW DO I STUDY?

2 TIMOTHY 2:15

STUDYING

STUDIED



Definitions

Study:

- application of the mental faculties to the acquisition of knowledge
- careful or extended consideration
- such application in a particular field or to a specific subject

Definitions

σπουδάζω spoudazo, spoo-dad'-zo

- to use speed, i.e. to make effort, be prompt or earnest
- do (give) diligence, be diligent (forward), endeavour, labour, study.

The Adverbs of Studying

- ◆ Who? (Who is studying?)
- ◆ Why? (Why are they studying?)
- ◆ Those who are effected by something or can be effected
 - ◆ Those who have something at stake
 - ◆ 2 Pet. 3:14

2 PETER 3:14

Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

The Adverbs of Studying

- ◆ What? (What is being studied?)
- ◆ Truth. Something true.
 - ◆ 2 Pet. 1:10-12, 15-16, 19-21

2 PETER 1:10-12

Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.

2 PETER 1:15-16

Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

2 PETER 1:19-21

We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

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- ◆ We may study a topic until we have come to a full understanding of it.
- ◆ Acts 18:24-25

ACTS 18:24-25

And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, and mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus. This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

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- ◆ But we must continuously look to God's word against what we know, because there may be things that we don't know, things that we have not connected, and other people who have found what we have not.
 - ◆ Acts 18:26, 28

ACTS 18:26-28

And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto them, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly. And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace: For he mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, shewing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.

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 - ◆ Earnestly/Honestly (Jer. 42:1-6, 43:1-3)

JEREMIAH 42:1-6

... And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, even for all this remnant; (for we are left but a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:) That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

...Then they said to Jeremiah, The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us. Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

JEREMIAH 43:1-3

And it came to pass, that when Jeremia^h had made an end of speaking unto all the people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, even all these words, Then spake Azaria^h the son of Hoshaia^h, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremia^h, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:

2 THESSALONIANS 2:8-12

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

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MATTHEW 15:21-28

Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

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2 CHRONICLES 34:19-21

And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his clothes. And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying, Go, enquire of the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found: for great is the wrath of the LORD that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

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 - ◆ With Effort (Acts 9:4-6, 15-16)

ACTS 9:4-6, 10-11

And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

The Result of Study

- ◆ Study should produce:
 - ◆ Knowledge, wisdom, growth, discernment (questions and answers)
 - ◆ Heb. 5:12-14; 2 Tim. 2:15

HEBREWS 5:12-14

For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

2 TIMOTHY 2:15

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Types of Studies

- ◆ Topical - study of a specific topic (find all that is said about a topic to come to harmonious conclusion)
- ◆ Baptism
 - ◆ Mk. 1:4, Matt. 3:14, Mk. 16:16, Acts 2:38, 1 Cor. 10:2
 - ◆ Lk. 23:41-43

Types of Studies

- ◆ Character - study of a person/place/event in scripture (look at it's importance in light of a larger or smaller picture)
- ◆ Baptism
- ◆ Matt. 3:6, Acts 1:5, Acts 8:36, 1 Cor. 10:2, 1 Pet. 3:20-21
- ◆ Mk. 1:4

Types of Studies

- ◆ Chronological Study - study of chronological timeline of a subject or topic, not necessarily order listed in bible.
- ◆ Baptism
- ◆ 1 Cor. 10:2, Matt. 3:6, Acts 2:38->
- ◆ Rom. 10:9

Types of Studies

- ◆ Book - study of a particular book (understand events from context of that book based on writer, purpose, location, etc)
- ◆ Baptism
- ◆ Acts
- ◆ Acts 19:5, Acts 8:12, Acts 2:38
- ◆ Acts 19:18 -> Mk. 1:5

Types of Studies

- ♦ Word - study of a word (understand what a word means by looking at how it was used, how it was translated, who it was used by, etc)
- ♦ Baptism
- ♦ Baptize used 59 times in New Testament

βάπτω baptō, bap'-to; a primary verb; to overwhelm, i.e. cover wholly with a fluid; in the New Testament only in a qualified or special sense, i.e. (literally) to moisten (a part of one's person), or (by implication) to stain (as with dye): — dip.

- ♦ baptō/baptizo used 65 times in New Testament.
- ♦ Matt. 20:22-23

βάπτισμα baptismā, bap'-tis-mah; baptism (technically or figuratively): — baptism.

- ♦ baptismā used 22 times in the New Testament.