



Have You Not Read?

Matthew 12:3 – “...**Have you not read** what David did, when he was hungred, and they that were with him, (v5) or have ye not read in the law, how that on the Sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the Sabbath, and are blameless.”

Matthew 19: 4 – “And he answered and said unto them, **have you not read**, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female.”

Matthew 21: 16 – “**have you not read**, out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise.”



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Different Types Of Readers

- Those who never read
- Those who read sparingly
- Those who read selectively
- Those who read defensively
- Those who read regularly

What kind of reader are you?



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Importance Of Good Reading

- **To Be blessed** – **Rev. 1:3** – “Blesses is he that readeth and they that that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein, for the time is at hand.”
- **To Gain Understanding** **Ep 3:3-5-** “How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; as I wrote afore in few words. Whereby when you **read**, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, that the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his **promise** in Christ by the Gospel.”

- **To Be Challenge – Hebrew 4: 12** – “For the word of God is quick and powerful, and sharper than any two edged

sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

- **John 6: 63** – “ It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life”

- **1 Peter 1: 23** – “being born of God again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.”

- **To Grow In Hope – Romans 15: 4** – “For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.”

- **1 Peter 1: 13** – “Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”



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Steps To Better Reading

- **Read regularly – 1 Timothy 4: 13** – “Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.”
- **Read with Intent – 1 Peter 2: 2** – “As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that you may grow thereby.”
- **Read devotionally – James 1: 25** – “But whoso looketh into the law of liberty, and continue therein, be being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deeds.”

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“This Book...you shall meditate in it
day and night...**to do all that is written**”

Joshua 1:8

What Must I Do To Be

Hear The Gospel – Romans 10: 17

Saved? “Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God.”

Believe The Gospel – Mark 16: 16

“ He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, and he that believeth not shall be damned.”

Repent of Sins – Luke 13: 3

“Repent or You will Perish”

Confess Christ – Romans 10: 9-10

“That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”

Be Baptized – Acts 2: 38

“Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ