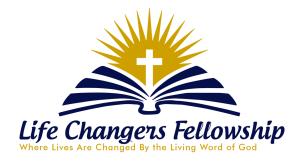


SERIES TITLE	STUDYING THE BIBLE FOR UNDERSTANDING & PRACTICE
SERIES FOUNDATION SCRIPTURE	John 6:63 HOLMAN CHRISTIAN STANDARD BIBLE (HCSB) The Spirit is the One who gives life. The flesh doesn't help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.
SERIES REFERENCES	How to Study the Bible: Practical Advice for Receiving Light From God's Word Watchman Nee, 1999, Living Stream Ministry (ISBN: 978-0-7363-0407-8) How to Study the Bible Robert M. West, 2007, Barbour Publishing (ISBN: 978-1-59789-706-8) How to Study the Bible Dwight L. Moody, 2017 Updated Edition, Aneko Press (ISBN: 978-1-62245-456-3)
OUR STUDY POINTS FOR THIS LESSON	MAIN STUDY POINT One must settle with oneself that the Word of God is God truly showing Himself to us, and by doing so, He offers us life via the Spirit and infusing our spirits. John 6:60-63 METHODS PHASE Main Method Principle (Not a Method): Understand the Structure and Layout of the Bible Understanding the structure and layout of the Bible helps us with understanding what is being said, to whom it is being said, and what was intended by the Spirit. This leads us to understanding ultimately how a scripture, verse, or passage may be applied to our own lives. Total Number of Books in the Bible = 66 Bible is divided into two major parts = Old Testament and New Testament Within the major parts are sections (if you will) OLD TESTAMENT The Books of the Law (also known as The Pentateuch) Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy Historical Books Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther Poetry Books (or Poetical) Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon



Major Prophets

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel

Minor Prophets

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

NEW TESTAMENT

The Gospels

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

The Early Church

Acts

The Letters of Paul

Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon

OUR STUDY POINTS FOR THIS LESSON

Other Letters

Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude

Prophetic Book

Revelation

- Books are divided into chapters.
- Chapters are divided into verses.
- When we look at Scriptures, we must pay attention to references. These are the letters and footnotes to Scripture which provide additional understanding.

We want to understand what the Bible means, and interpreting the Bible requires an approach.

1. Pay attention to the words, the facts in a verse, passage, or book.

- Words matter, and we must understand what we are reading in order to get to what the Spirit intended. The Spirit intends for us to ultimately be equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 / Hebrews 10:23-24
- Our level of observation when studying the Bible is classic reading comprehension.
 When we read the Word of God, we need to ask: Who? What? When? Where?
 How? Why? Luke 13:10-17

THOUGHTS ON THE LESSON

Holy Spirit is our Helper when it comes to studying the Bible. We do not have to do this (i.e., study the Bible) alone. We have Help! Indeed, we have Divine Help available to ushelping us to grow and mature in God's Word so that we can carry out our Kingdom Assignments in confidence (knowing that our Helper helps us all along the way).