

Rejoicing in Revelation #2 - Understanding

Rightly understanding the Bible.

• The Bible _____.

• Discern the meaning _____.

• The Holy Spirit _____.

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Review & Study

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- A. Seek to memorize the following Bible verse:
2 Peter 1:21: *For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.* ^{ESV}
- B. Answer the following questions about **Psalm 119:130**.
 - 1. What kind of literature (genre) is Psalms? What does the Psalmist say about God's Word?
 - 2. What does this say about who is able to understand and apply the Bible?
- C. Answer the following questions about **1 Corinthians 2:12-13**.
 - 1. What kind of literature is this passage in? What have the true followers of Jesus received according to verse 12? What is one reason why the Holy Spirit is given? What difference does this make in understanding the Bible?
 - 2. What does verse 13 say about the source of the truth that is being shared here?
- D. Answer the following questions about **Hebrews 4:12**.
 - 1. How is the Word of God described in this letter to the Hebrews? Who gives God's Word this living characteristic?
 - 2. What does this mean for the effectiveness of the Bible?
- E. Answer the following questions about **John 16:7-9**.
 - 1. Why does Jesus say that it is good for him to go away (v.7)? Who is this "Helper" that Jesus refers to (hint: v. 13)?
 - 2. What will "the Helper" do when He comes according to verses 8 and 9? How might He go about doing this?
- F. Answer the following questions about **John 17:17**.
 - 1. What does Jesus pray for his followers in this verse?
 - 2. What truth does Jesus reveal in regard to how his prayer will be fulfilled?
- G. Application:
 - 1. Do you ever find reading the Bible difficult? If so why?
 - 2. How much effort do you put into correctly understanding the Bible?
 - 3. What is one thing that you can do to better understand what the Bible is saying?