WHY STUDY THE BIBLE

INTRODUCTION: Even though Timothy had a supernatural gift imparted to him by the laying of the hands of the Apostle Paul, he was still required to study the Word of God:

- 1. Study to show thyself approved unto God. 2 Tim. 2:15
- 2. He had been well taught by his mother and grandmother as we read in 2 Tim. 1:5.
- 3. He had known the holy scriptures from childhood we are told in 2 Tim. 3:15.

THERE ARE MANY REASON WHY WE SHOULD STUDY THE BIBLE. WE SUGGEST FOUR:

- 1. We should study the Bible because it is the one living and eternal book.
 - 1. The Word of God will outlast the heavens. Matt24:35
 - 4. Peter said, "The Wrod of God abideth forever."1:25 1. Infidels through the ages have laughed, scoffed, and mocked at the Word of God but it is still with us.
- 2. We should study the Bible in order to know God. 1. God is not found in the Ouija Board nor in the
 - laboratory.
 - 2. The knowledge of God is not found in science.
 - 3. The great philosopers of Athens did not know God. Acts 17:16-31 l Cor.
 - 4. The world through its wisdom knew not God. 1:21
- 3. We should study the Bible because of the fruit it has borne, and is bearing in the lives of people who have allowed the Word of God "to run and have free course in their lives." 2 Thess. 3:1
 - 1. Look about: Psalms 19:1; "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiworl."
- 4. We should study the Word of God because we are going to be judged by it. John 12:48
 - I. Paul said,
 - In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men...
 - 2. By jesus Christ according to my gospel.Romm2:16
 - 2. John said, "And I saw the dead both small and great Rev.20:12 stand before God; and the books were

opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their work



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