

**Introduction:**

1. What is the least enjoyable thing you have ever had to study for? What is the most enjoyable thing you ever had to study for? Why the difference?
2. Outside of the Bible what are you the most passionate about learning? Does this thing ever become a rival to Bible study?

**Understanding:**

3. How would you counter someone who says, "The Bible is not accurate. People have changed and rewritten it a lot over the centuries."
4. A new believer says to you "God told me to....." and it is something mean and weird. How could you go about connecting them to Scripture?
5. Some critics think that calling the Bible God-breathed means that the people who wrote it were like robots taking dictation. How would you use scripture to show that that is not true?
6. Read John 5:39. What exciting thing should we always be aware of as we study the Old Testament?
7. The scripture leaves us "equipped for every good work". It's sufficient for us in everything pertaining to godly decisions. Does this mean there is an exact verse for each and every situation that comes up? Explain.
8. The idea of having a Bible habit might seem to be just a mental exercise. But read Romans 15:4. How are we moved from mental exercise to deep hope?
9. Here's a chance to read the Bible deeply. No skimming and no speed reading allowed. Read Psalm 19:7-14. Take the time to savor this passage. Thank the Lord aloud for each of the benefits of scripture reading that you find here.

**Application:**

10. Consider Pastor Dave's suggestion for habitual Bible study. Block off 20-30 minutes every day to read the Bible and pray. Say, "This is my time to connect with God." Block out the time. Your choice.
11. Where in the Bible should I read? Here's Dave's suggestion: come up with a plan, and stick to it. There are many great plans to choose from. If you choose Bible in a year don't get discouraged if you don't complete the whole Bible in the year! There is even a good 3-year plan called Search the Scriptures.
12. Have you ever done scripture memory? There are Christians in their 60's who still recall verses in their verse packs from when they were in their 20's. These verses are indelible grace!