

The Foundation of Our Faith - Bibliology
The Clarity of the Bible

PERSONAL APPLICATION

Review the main lesson outline briefly

1. How do you currently study the Bible? What resources do you use?
2. How have you seen the Holy Spirit use God's Word in your life? Give some examples of when He brought Biblical principles to your mind that changed a decision or influenced a decision you made.

PRIVATE MEDITATION

Read the Scripture and identify 1 thought to take with you for that day
Write down your daily thought under each day

Monday – Psalm 19:7-8

Thought:

Tuesday – 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

Thought:

Wednesday – Joshua 1:8, James 1:22-25

Thought:

Thursday – Hebrews 5:11-14

Thought:

Friday – John 14:26, 16:13-14

Thought:

Saturday – Matthew 4:1-4, Job 23:12

Sunday – *“The Necessity of the Bible”*

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1 Corinthians 2:6-16

- I. A Doctrinal Statement** - The Bible is God's Word to us. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is the truth without any mixture of error.

(Riverland Hills Baptist Church Statement of Faith)

II. Illumination – John 14:26

A. Basic Definition = the work of the Holy Spirit to help mankind understand God's word.

B. Explanation

1. He convinces the world of sin – John 16:5-11, 15:26
2. He teaches the truth to God's people – John 14:26, 16:13-14
3. He empowers others to teach the truth – 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-7, 28; Romans 12:6-7; Ephesians 4:11-12

III. Interpretation – 2 Timothy 2:14-16

- A.** Basic Definition – to explain, give an explanation
B. Basic question to be answered - What is God saying? – 2 Timothy 2:14-16; Psalm 1:1-3
C. Biblical Hermeneutics – the study of how to interpret the Bible.
D. Basic principles of Biblical Hermeneutics
1. Literally
 2. Grammatically
 3. Contextually

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4. Completely – compare all Scriptures
5. Practically

IV. Application – Joshua 1:8; James 1:22-25

- A.** Obedience enhances understanding – John 12:16, 7:16-17
B. Maturity enhances understanding – Hebrews 5:11-14
C. Wisdom enhances understanding – Proverbs 9:6-11; Psalm 19:7-8, 119:130
1. "Simple" = one who lacks sound judgment, prone to bad decisions, led astray easily.

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