

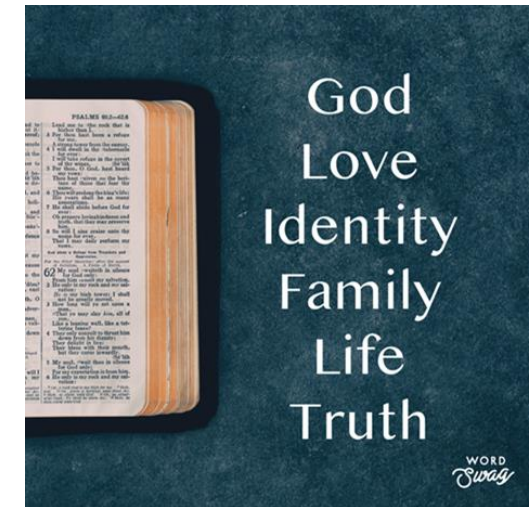
HOW TO: STUDY THE BIBLE PART 3

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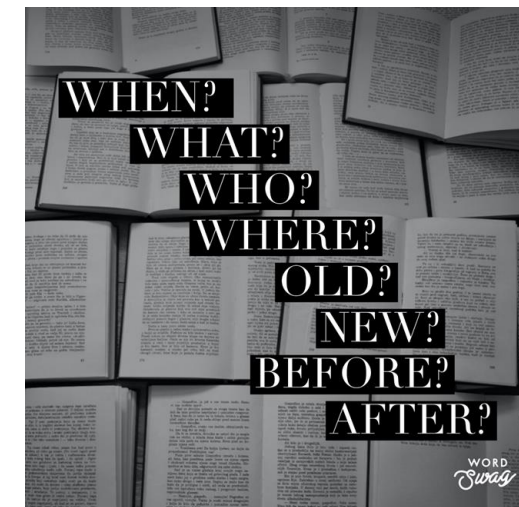
HOW TO: STUDY THE BIBLE — RECAP

So far we have looked at:

- 4 Steps to unpack a bible passage
- What the Bible is and why we read it
- Important of bible context



Parts 1&2 are available on the church website,
check out the [“catch up”](#) session for direct links.



MY BIBLE ONION - RECAP

“Ogres are like Onions” from Shrek
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-FtCTW2rVFM>

Just as an onion has layers – so does the way we read the Bible.

There is so much more to reading the Bible than just what is on the surface.



MY BIBLE ONION - RECAP

When we just read a passage, without looking deeper we are just exploring the outside – the outer layer of the “onion”.

But when we start looking deeper, looking at the biblical context, historical context and life applications – we find so much more – like the inner layers of the “onion”.

Finding these “inner layers” enhances our life and relationship with God – just as an onion enhances a meal!



HOW TO: STUDY THE BIBLE — PART 3

In this final part we look at :

1. The types of **resources and tools** to help us access the bible
2. Examples of resources and tools



RESOURCES AND TOOLS - TYPES



A verse and short explanation each day via app, email etc.



Accessing the Bible for yourself.

Reading different translations, listening to an audio bible etc.



Engaging with teaching about a passage via podcasts, videos, study notes, commentaries etc.

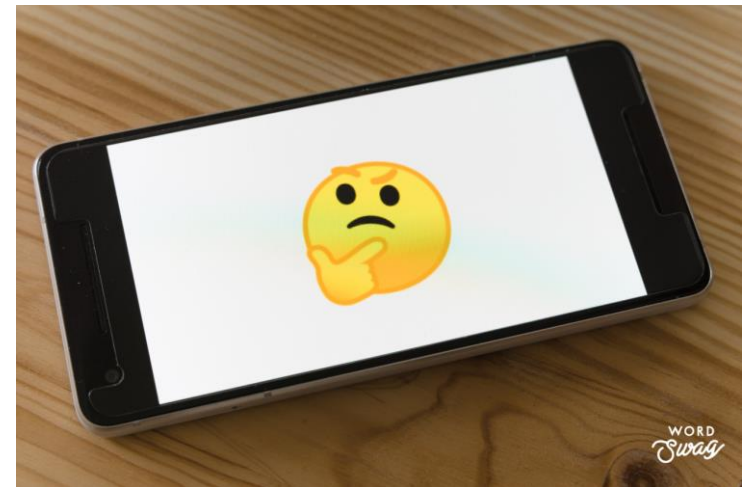
THINK ABOUT

Come up with a list of “pros” and “cons” for each type of resource.

Remember what we said about why it is important to read the Bible, how we can unlock a passage and also the importance of context.

Think about how they help you:

- Read the bible regularly?
- Better understand the meaning?
- Better understand the context?
- Remember the biblical truths?



RESOURCES AND TOOLS - EXAMPLES

What do **you** use?

What do your **friends** use?

Is there anything you would **recommend**?



RESOURCES AND TOOLS - EXAMPLES

There are many resources and tools available to help us read and understand the Bible.

Jon Jorgensen @ A Day in the Word, produces a popular weekly YouTube Bible study.

In this clip he shares some of his favourite Bible study resources that he uses when making his videos.

[My 4 Favorite Bible Study Resources](#)



RESOURCES AND TOOLS — USEFUL LINKS

Bible Gateway: <https://www.biblegateway.com>

The Bible Project: <https://www.youtube.com/user/jointheb...>

Desiring God: <https://www.desiringgod.org>

The Bible Society <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/>

Blue Letter Bible <https://www.blueletterbible.org/>

Cris Rogers <https://www.wearemakingdisciples.com/blog.aspx>

Soul Survivor <https://www.soulsurvivor.com/bible>

YouVersion Bible App <https://www.youversion.com/>

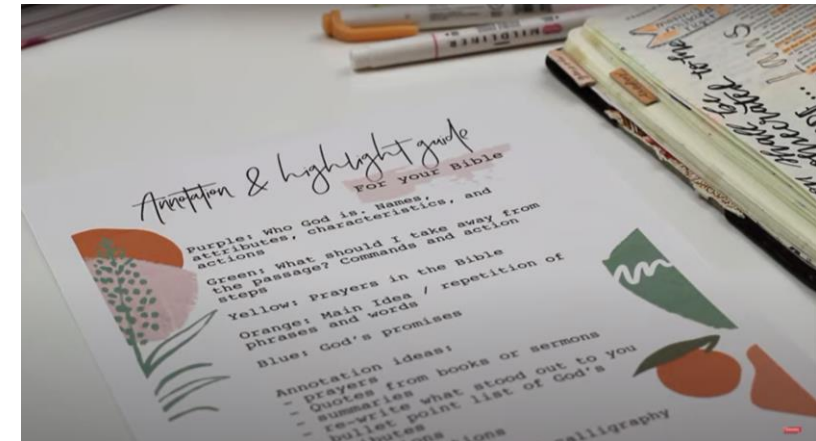
Freedom in Christ <https://www.ficm.org.uk/>



RESOURCES AND TOOLS — HELPFUL YOUTUBE VIDEOS



15 FREE Christian Resources -
Apps, Websites, Books,
Devotionals



How I Highlight & Annotate in my Bible!

How I Study My
Bible (Beginner
Tips For Bible
Study)

WARNING!!

“But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them – bringing swift destruction on themselves.”
2 Peter 2:1

It is important to remember to be careful when reading or listening to any teaching. We are human – we are flawed and there are incorrect interpretations of the Bible which sound very true.

*Always ask yourself – is this interpretation correct?
Does this fit with the rest of the Bible? Can I trust this teaching?*

And if you are not sure – ask someone!



FINAL THOUGHTS

Remember that whenever or however you read the Bible you are spending time with God and reading His word.

The Bible tells us about who God is and who God says we are. And above all it tells us that we are loved.

When I was at university I stuck up on my wall any verses that spoke to me when I was reading my Bible. I still write them down in a notebook. Maybe you could try the same?

Pick out a verse, save it somewhere and let it inspire you.

And finally, before you open your Bible each day, or listen to a devotional, ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you and to help you understand God's word better.

Take care all and may God bless you as you read His word.

