

BELIEVE

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INTRODUCTION

Open with prayer then watch part thirteen—Bible Study—of the BELIEVE DVD Study

KEY QUESTION

How do I study God's Word?

KEY IDEA

I study the Bible to know God and his truth and to find direction for my daily life.

KEY VERSE

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12)

QUESTIONS

1. How many ways does God's Word get into you in a typical week? How does that compare to rival voices and influences from the world? How can you practically give the Bible priority as an authority and influencer in your life?
2. What difference do you see between Bible reading and Bible study? What obstacles hinder a person from practicing consistent Bible study? Discuss ways to overcome this challenge.
3. a) In what ways has the Bible proved to be "alive and active" (Heb 4:12)—God speaking to you and into your life situation?
b) In what ways has God's Word been "a lamp for your feet and a light on your path" (Ps 119:105)?
4. Read Psalm 119:9-24 together.
 - a) What are some practical ways to "hide God's Word in your heart"?
 - b) Our culture doesn't typically like rules and laws, but the psalmist rejoices and delights in God's statutes, precepts, and decrees. Why, do you think? How can we have this same heart-attitude?

PRAYER

Ask God to plant his Word (Scripture verses, messages, etc.) in your heart every time you read it or listen to a message. Ask God to bring his Word to your mind every time it's applicable.