

## KNOWING AND APPLYING YOUR BIBLE

- Who or what are you trusting to live the Christian life?

### A. WHY SHOULD YOU KNOW AND APPLY THE BIBLE?

#### 1. You Should Know and Apply the Bible Because It Is God’s Word to You

a) The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21), and therefore it is \_\_\_\_\_ as God’s means of \_\_\_\_\_ with you.

- Five reasons to believe the bible:

b) The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 5:17-18), and therefore it is \_\_\_\_\_.

c) The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ (Josh. 1:8), and therefore it \_\_\_\_\_.

d) The Bible is \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 22:18-19), and therefore it is \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 2. You Should Know and Apply the Bible Because of Its Benefits to You

*The Bible likens itself to . . .*

a) \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 2:2) and \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 5:12-14) for our spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_.

b) a \_\_\_\_\_ (Jam. 1:22-25) to know and do the \_\_\_\_\_.

c) a \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 119:105) to direct our \_\_\_\_\_ in life.

d) \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 5:26) for our spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ (John 15:3; Ps. 119:11).

e) a \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 6:17) for spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

f) \_\_\_\_\_ (Jer. 15:16) for our soul's \_\_\_\_\_.

g) a \_\_\_\_\_ (Jer. 20:9) that \_\_\_\_\_ us.

h) a \_\_\_\_\_ (Jer. 23:29) that shatters \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

i) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (Isa. 55:8-10) for spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

j) \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Tim. 3:17) for every \_\_\_\_\_ in the Christian life.

## **B. HOW CAN YOU KNOW AND APPLY THE BIBLE?**

1. The Bible can only be applied in your life as you approach it \_\_\_\_\_ (Isa. 66:2), with a \_\_\_\_\_ of heart and mind (Acts 17:11) to \_\_\_\_\_ it by \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Thess. 2:13).

*\* What does this say about the importance of your spiritual posture?*

2. Knowing and applying your Bible involves actually \_\_\_\_\_ it—\_\_\_\_\_. (Isa. 34:16; 1 Tim. 4:13; Rev. 1:3)

*\* What are some practical ways you can start doing this?*

3. In order for you to truly know God's Word and apply it to your life, you should read it \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 119:18), \_\_\_\_\_ (Ps. 1:2), with a desire to \_\_\_\_\_ (Ezek. 33:31-32; John 7:17; Jam. 1:22-25).

*\* How does memorization fit into this? (Deut. 6:6-9; Josh. 1:8)*

*\* What promise do you have from God in all of this? (Prov. 2:1-5; Col. 3:16)*