

You Can Do This!

Most of us would like to go deeper in our Bible study, but we don't know where to begin. There are, after all, 66 books of the Bible, 1,189 chapters, and 31,173 verses. That's a lot. In our quest to find the "RIGHT WAY" to study the Bible, we've discovered there is not just ONE way, but there are many. Have you found yourself getting overwhelmed with not just the Bible's size but all the various Bible study methods out there? The truth is that there may be multiple ways to study the Bible, but there is only one way to get started.

OPEN IT!

That's right. Open your Bible and read. Bible study shouldn't be intimidating. We may not all have PhDs in theology, but we have one thing in common even with the most renowned biblical scholars: the Holy Spirit that lives in them lives in us, too. The same Spirit that teaches them teaches us. Jesus confirms this when He says:

*"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will **teach you all things** and will remind you of everything I have said to you" (John 14:26).*

The same Spirit that gives them everything they need to study and understand the Word of God gives us everything we need to understand the Word of God, too. So what are you waiting for? **YOU CAN DO THIS!** You can learn to study the Bible for yourself!



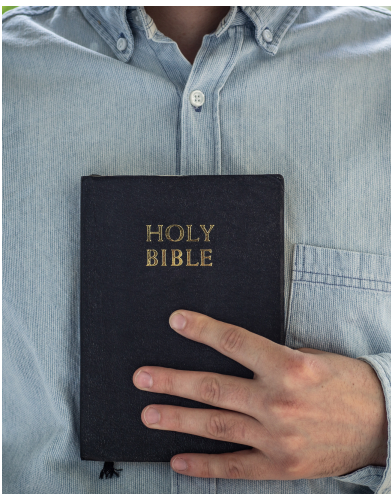
QUICK START GUIDE:

How to Get Started Studying the Bible for Yourself



Have a Set Time and Place

As with any habit, Bible study must be consistent. Choose a time that you can commit to every day and study then. Find a set place you designate as “your Bible study place” and study there. Same time, same place, every day. For us at Making Him Known, first things first. Before we do anything else in the morning, we get up, find our comfy spot, and dive deep into His Word.



Have a Bible

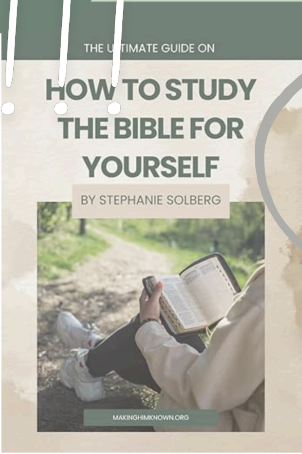
Have at least one Bible. But if you want to take your Bible study to the next level, read from at least two translations; three is even better. If you don't want to juggle three paper Bibles, there are many good free internet Bibles: We like biblehub.com and biblegateway.com. We recommend starting with a literal or near-literal translation like the ESV, then moving to a thought-for-thought translation like the NIV, and finally, to more of a paraphrase translation like the NLT. Reading in multiple translations can deepen your understanding of the passage. We also highly recommend a good Bible dictionary. Again, you can find free Bible dictionaries online at biblehub.com and biblegateway.com.



Have A Plan

Bible study is a life-long process. God's Word is for soaking, not dipping. We don't read the Bible just to read it; we meditate on it and soak up its life-giving truth. Many plans like devotional reading ENCOURAGE AND INSPIRE US but only skim the surface of the Scriptures. That is why we recommend reading **one book of the Bible at a time**. We spend about one week on each chapter of our chosen book. Depending on the book's length, it might take three months to get through it. And that is OK! We really need to take a meditative approach to Bible Study to take our study to the next level.

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