

Some Guidelines On Searching The Scriptures

1 - Always Remember The Purpose Of The Scriptures (John 5:39)

You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me

2 - Always Read With Both Humility And Openness Like A Child (1 Peter 2:1-3)

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. 2 Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

3 - Always Read The Scriptures With A Genuine Intention To Apply What You Read Into Your Daily Life (Galatians 2:20)

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

4 - Try To Grasp The Spirit That Inspired Their Writing (Exodus 13:17-22) (Abridged)

17 When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them by way of the land of the Philistines, although that was near. For God said, “Lest the people change their minds when they see war and return to Egypt.” 18 But God led the people around by the way of the wilderness toward the Red Sea. 21 And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night. 22 The pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night did not depart from before the people.

5 - Before You Begin To Read The Bible - PRAY! (John 16:13)

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

Additional Scriptures From Today's Message

John 3:4 - Psalm 1:2 - Joshua 1:8