

The key to becoming a better Bible student

These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. - Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Pastor Joseph Parker ministered for years at City Temple in London, England. One morning, an elderly woman walked up to him after a service and thanked him for shedding some much-needed light on a particular Bible story.

“Dr. Parker,” the woman began, “you do such a wonderful job explaining the Bible. Did you know until this morning, I had always thought Sodom and Gomorrah were husband and wife?”

Biblical ignorance can sometimes make people feel uneasy, especially if they’re around others who seem to know more than they. This uneasiness can sometimes lead to discouragement, causing a person to think, “I’ll never be as well-versed in the Scriptures as that person.”

The truth, however, is that no one is born knowing the Bible. And for every person you think about who seems to be a “super-Christian” and know all the right verses, there are others who know much more.

Don’t be discouraged if you’re not as knowledgeable about the Bible as you’d like to be. Start today and spend time getting to know it better. When you do that, you’ll take the first step toward becoming a better student of the Word of God!

Prayer Challenge

Pray that God would help you become a better student of His Word by reading it daily.

Questions for Thought

Think of one person whom you regard as well-versed in the Scriptures. How do you think he/she got to that point?

Can you think of someone you know who can hold you accountable to spending daily, intentional time in God’s Word?

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