

How to Read the Bible With Fresh Eyes!

The process is simple:

- 1) **Get** a fresh Bible, preferably in a translation you haven't read before or for a while.
- 2) **Ask** God to open your eyes, your ears and your heart as He speaks to you through His Word each time you read.
- 3) **Read** the chapters on the included schedule each day out loud, slowly. (Available for free at *EaglesInLeadership.org*)
- 4) **Create** 2 lists. One list is about the "5 Hopes and Dreams God Has Given to Me" and the other list is about the "5 Issues or Problems That I Need God's Wisdom Concerning (*Be sure to include the issue of money!*)
- 5) **Search** for what the Bible says on those 10 issues. (Here are some samples from Doc's 2020 lists with starting questions. *There is NO LIMIT on the questions you can ask on each item.*):
 - a. **Issue or Problem: How God Gives Money** – How does one obtain it? What do I have to do to receive it? What do I do with it once I have it?
 - b. **Issue or Problem: Greater Faith** – What does it look like? How do I get it? What will I do when I have it?
 - c. **Issue or Problem: Prayer That Changes Things** – What kind of prayers does God listen and respond to? What kind of prayers does God ignore? How does my attitudes, actions, desperation, anxiety, and faith affect God answering my prayers?
 - d. **Issue or Problem: Courage** – How does it come to me? How do I keep it? What does it look like? What will I do when I have it?
 - e. **Hope or Dream: Expansion** – How does God expand my life? What parts of my life does God want to

expand? What is the process I must go through when God starts to expand my life? What does God do to others when He expands my life?

- f. **Hope or Dream: Health** – How does God give health? What do I need to do to be healthy? Are there foods I should and shouldn't eat according to God? How do I live a long and healthy life? What else should I know in order to be healthy?
 - g. **Hope or Dream: Sons** – To whom does God give sons? Why does He give them? What should I do to have sons? Once I have sons, what does God want me to do with them?
 - h. **Hope or Dream: Visions** – To whom does God give visions? Why does He give them? Once He gives a vision, what should I do about it?
- 6) **Listen** to the whispers of the Spirit as you read, as He reveals God's will concerning your hopes and dreams and issues and problems.
 - 7) **Write down** what you discover in a notebook or on a document file in your computer to review, ponder and pray about.
 - 8) **Share** what you are learning with others in the church, and with family and friends to encourage them in the Lord.

Each time I read the Word of God, I am amazed at how practical His will and whim is. It encourages the soul, transforming us into His image each day we step into His presence through His Word.

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