

The Bible For Grown-ups

Part 4: Read It
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INTRODUCTION

At the dinner table. During a church service. In the middle of a business meeting. It doesn't matter where you are or what you're doing, it's incredibly hard to ignore a text message. Why? Because it's personal. It's relevant. It conveys immediate information. And often time it's from someone you know. Have you ever thought of the Bible in the same way? Personal, relevant and provides us with immediate information for our lives? We receive text messages from God on a daily basis. But are we reading the texts sent from God?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why do we give so much attention to a text message or a snapchat message we receive yet pay so little attention to what God has texted us?
2. When have you ever heard something said about the Bible or God without ever checking it out for yourself in Scripture?
3. Read Psalm 119:97-105. The author of this psalm spends a lot of time listening to God and reading His words. How does meditating on God's word affect your everyday life?
4. As you think back on your life, what situations would have developed differently if you had paid more attention to the Bible?
5. Buck said when he misses reading the Bible he notices 4 things. (Lean towards greed / selfishness, hold onto my anger, lose eternal perspective and blame others for my problems) Do you notice any patterns that develop in your life when you ignore the Bible? If so, what are they?
6. Buck gave us several ideas to help all of us begin to read the Bible. Which of these will you begin? Honestly, how can this group help you begin to make reading the Bible become a habit?
 - Try the Passion Translation
 - The Bible Card (Chronological)
 - Ask Questions: npaustin.com/bible
 - S.O.A.P. (Scripture, Observation, Application, Pray)

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105