

The Bible is the most important book to exist. When you read it, you begin to discover who God is and what to expect from Him. That puts you in the best position to trust Him with your life.

Here's a couple of quick tips:

- Schedule a daily meeting with God. Put it in your phone and refuse to break it.
- Read from a version you can easily understand: NIV, NLT, AMP, CSB.
- Read the Bible out loud as you read or listen to it on the Bible app.
- Be sure you have a pencil/pen and a notebook ready.

1. PRAY

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand the passage, how to think about it, and what He is inviting you to do in response.
- You might even use Psalm 119:18 as a prayer before you begin: *"Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law."*

2. READ

- Read the passage. If it's shorter, read it 2-3 times.
- Take notes on what grabs your attention as you read.
- Write down any questions you have that you can research later or ask a friend.

3. THINK

- What does this passage teach me about God, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit?
- Why would God want me to read this passage and think about it today?
 - Think about situations you're facing, prayers you prayed, and people you may encounter later.
- How does this speak into my life?

4. APPLY

- The big question is: How will I use this truth today and in my life?
- Is there:
 - A truth to believe?
 - A command to obey?
 - A sin to confess and repent of?
 - A promise to trust?
 - An action to take?

Remember: the goal of reading and studying the Bible is to know God and what to expect from Him so that you can trust Him. You were made to trust God in every area of your life.

Enjoy God's gift to you: the Bible!