HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF BIBLE STUDY

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3 POINTS FOR PLANNING

- 1. Gotta plan out WHEN you're going to study
- 2. Gotta plan out WHERE you're going to study
- 3. Gotta plan out WHAT you're going to study

PHIL. 2:12-13

"Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."

"THERE IS A PLACE FOR 'RAKING' IN BIBLE READING AND GATHERING UP THE LEAVES AT A SWIFT PACE, BUT WHEN WE 'DIG' IN BIBLE STUDY, WE UNEARTH THE DIAMONDS. IN MEDITATION, WE MARVEL AT THE JEWELS." -

- 1. Sometimes you gotta rake the leaves
 - Covering large portions of Scripture
 - Needed often
 - Not too much depth
- 2. Sometimes you gotta dig
 - Going deeper in one passage or one book

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PHIL. 2:17

"Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all."

3. Meditate

- Joshua - 1:7-8 - "Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success

"THE REASON WE COME AWAY SO COLD FROM READING THE WORD IS -BECAUSE WE DO NOT WARM **OURSELVES AT THE FIRES** OF MEDITATION." - THOMAS WATSON

4. Obey

- James 1:22 - "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

5. Find Jesus

- Find out what it meant originally, what it says about God, and THEN see how it applies to YOU.

2 COR. 3:18 - "AND WE ALL, WITH UNVEILED FACE, BEHOLDING THE GLORY OF THE LORD, ARE BEING TRANSFORMED INTO THE SAME IMAGE FROM ONE DEGREE OF GLORY TO ANOTHER. FOR THIS COMES FROM THE LORD WHO IS THE SPIRIT."

LUKE 10:38-42

"Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."