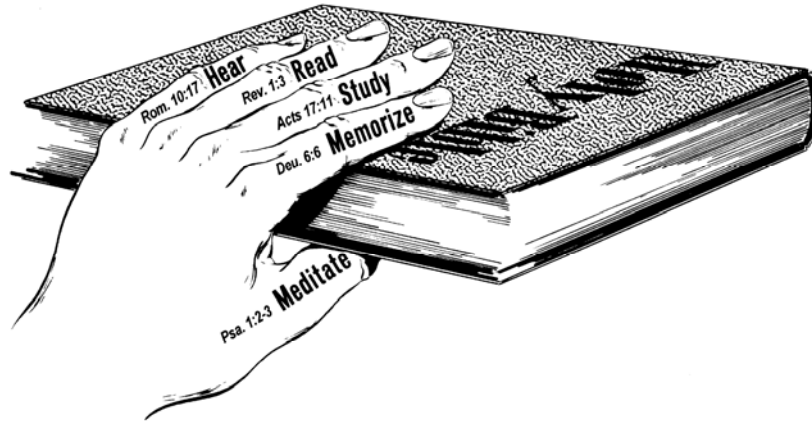


THE WORD HAND

Abiding in the Word of God



Hear to be informed - *Romans 10:17; Jeremiah 3:15*

- Hearing the Word from godly pastors and teachers provides us insight into other's study of the Scriptures as well as stimulating our own appetites for the Word.

Read to be healthy - *Revelation 1:3; Deuteronomy 17:19*

- Reading the Bible gives us an overall picture of God's Word. Many find helpful a daily reading program which takes them systematically through the Bible.

Study to be intelligent - *Acts 17:11; II Timothy 2:15*

- Studying the Scriptures leads us into personal discoveries of God's truths. Writing down these discoveries helps us organize and remember them better

Memorize to be skillful - *Deuteronomy 6:6-7; Proverbs 7:1-3*

- Memorizing God's Word enables us to use the Sword of the Spirit to overcome Satan and temptations, to have it readily available for witnessing or helping others with a "word in season."

Meditate to be fruitful - *Psalms 1:2-3; I Timothy 4:15*

- Meditation is the thumb of the Word Hand, for it is used in conjunction with each of the other four methods of intake. Only as we meditate on God's Word, thinking of its meaning and application to our life, will we discover its transforming power at work within us.

Apply to be obedient - *Ezra 7:10; James 1:22*

- Application of the Word of God to our daily life is a continual process that enables us to obediently walk in close personal fellowship with Him

Proclaim to be reproductive - *Colossians 1:28-29; II Timothy 2:2*

- Our objective: to know, love and glorify God and to be used of Him to raise up qualified laborers in significant numbers, as fast as possible, to help fulfill the Great Commission.