

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth (2Tim. 2:15; NAS).

Bible study is not always easy. God has not laid out His Book in perfect chronological order. Neither has He grouped all that there is on a particular subject together in one place. To know what the Bible says concerning any given topic one must study and "rightly divide" what they find.

The old idea of "just let the Bible plop open and begin reading" can lead to disastrous results! For example, a truth seeker plops open his Bible and reads from Job 2:9 which says; "Curse God and die!"

Dissatisfied he plops his Bible open again and finds Jn. 13:27 which says; "Go thou and do likewise."

Even though both of these "commands" are found in Scripture they are not to be used together. One must learn to rightly divide the word of truth to understand each sentence in its context so that it can be properly applied.

Bible study is rich and rewarding. I encourage everyone to spend time in God's word on a regular basis. It is food for the soul. There may be times when you won't fully understand what you read, but rest assured you will understand the love of God for mankind; His precious gift of His Son, and the hope of eternal life. May God richly bless you as you read and study His word.

See you Sunday!
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