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Hey all, it's a new year and some people are again thinking reading through the Bible or how to continue their Bible reading. But, as often is the case, some are asking - how do they do it? It's a fair question and a very common one. So I thought I'd write up a very short sets of tips.

First off, we need to have a version of the Bible that is accurate and one that we can understand, otherwise reading will be very hard to do. I personally like to read mine with a Hebrew/Greek interlinear, but when I'm just trying to read (or hear) an English translation, I typically refer to KJV and NKJV (based off the 500yr old British dialect KJV). Both the KJV and the NKJV are based off of the "Textus Receptus" and though both are simplistic in translation, they are seemingly among the 4 best translations we currently have in the English. Those who are new to the Bible and Jesus, will likely do better reading the ESV. It's not as accurate, but it is still fairly accurate and it's slightly simplistic wording and yet not too simplistic wording makes it another easy option. The only other one that I would slightly recommend would be the ASV or NASB (American Standard Version, or the updated New American Standard Bible). Both of those are somewhat based on the Vatican's altered texts as well as the "Textus Receptus", but it is a deeper translation than many. I know that we have 15 to 30 English translations, while most other languages only have 1 (or at most 2). Know that all of the languages being translated around the globe right now are from the Vatican's altered texts thanks to the cruel heirarchy and control of the IBS/UBS5 - International Bible (Control) Society, now just called United Bible Society, controlled by the likes of such wicked people as the Vatican families/tyrants, the hidden Jesuits, the Rothschilds (not their real name, and no they are not Jewish), the Rockefellers, etc...

But, again, as I said in the beginning, my favorite text is the literal Hebrew/Greek interlinear - the difference between that and the English language is simply amazing. You see, the Hebrew and Greek are about 6-level or 7-level languages as far as complexity and depth. The English language is like a 2-level, maybe 3-level language. The Hebrew and Greek are different, but both alphabets have numbers assigned to them, as well as masculine or feminine, as well as a letter can also be a word. There's more, but you get the idea - they are very complex languages, and the current English translations we have right now are not that deep, but we are grateful to have them, because the Vatican didn't want us to have anything - only Latin, which required them to rely on their "experts" to teach us what the Bible supposedly said. Translating God's Word into our common languages cost some amazingly faithful saints their lives - and for that we are fully grateful. But, as you continue to study, you will find that God preserved His Word in the original, and sometimes the English language just can't keep up.

So, study. That is as simple as reading it - or playing it. If you can play it somehow and go around the house with it, or in your car or at work, etc, you can learn the Bible a whole lot faster and also learn the

whole scope of the Bible. If you can't, I encourage people to read-through books, not play hop-scotch and open wherever. I also encourage people to become really familiar with the New Testament, especially the Gospels - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The New Testament fills in what the Old Testament was looking forward to - Jesus' coming, and His teachings, miracles, death, burial, resurrection, and His establishment of His apostles to continue leading and growing His church-body

Also realize that God's Word is always in contradiction to such famous satanic cults as the Vatican (also known as the "Roman Catholic Church" and it's many other copies of itself, including the Orthodox "churches", the Coptics, and the so-called "Protestant" denominations (ie, Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Sovereign Grace, Reformed, etc., even the denomination called "non-denomination"). All "denominations" are about control or "domination", whether it's money or "church". So, be very wary of getting your teaching from rich religious hypocrites who seemingly teach some of the truth, but deny Jesus with how they live, the sins they pursue, and their peddling God's Word for profit. Please avoid spending much (or hopefully any time) listening to their "sermons" or reading their "books". They are wasting your time and confusing you about what the Scriptures actually say, often-times making God's Word sound "too complicated to understand" so that you "need their help" to make you disciples after them.

When you are studying your Bible, I encourage you to write down things as you read. Take a section that you can read at a steady pace and even re-read to fully understand. Rushing through the whole Scriptures can have its place, but it certainly doesn't help with comprehension when it forces a person to read faster than they can process. If you choose to use the "read the Bible in a year" then don't condemn yourself if it takes longer - reading the Bible through in 5 years and understanding it, is far better than reading it through in 1 year and not understanding it.

When you're writing down notes, I encourage people to look for key things. Pray when you read it that God would explain things to you so you can seek and please Him better. I also suggest people ask questions of themselves and the text they are reading, like these:

- > What can I learn from this?
- > How does this help me understand God better?
- > How does this help me understand sin better including mine?
- > What does this teach me to change?
- > What other verses can help me understand how to apply this to my life?

A concordance is helpful thing, but only as a quick resource of "where" to look. Often-times, some of their definitions contradict God's Word and confuse the readers. So, just be aware of that.

I'm sure I'll probably be updating this list over time, but that gives you some short notes. I hope and pray it helps. As always, if you have any questions, ask anytime! Message, comment, email or call. I'm always glad to help as time and work and life allow.

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