

Listening Guide

This Listening Guide is designed to help you ask questions and take notes on what you're learning. The process will accomplish two things: first, it will help process the information in the lecture by keeping your mind engaged with the material. Second, it will allow you to collect your notes in one place for a summary of the lesson's content. If you choose to do additional study or want to teach the material to others, you will have a thorough set of notes to guide you.

You may print these Listening Guide pages separately and complete the information as you read, listen to, or watch the lessons. Or as an alternative, you can fill in the fields in this digital version and save to your computer once you are finished.

Introduction

[1] What are two ways we can read the Bible?

[2] What are two reasons given for why we should read the Bible well?

[3] What two things will we learn to do with the Bible in this course?

[4] What will we learn in this lesson?

[5] What are the other five lessons about?

[6] What do we mean that this course never ends?

[7] Why is it important to read the Bible devotionally and academically?

[8] How do we read God's Word? With our mind? With our heart? With our will?

Why take the *Bible Study Basics* Course?

[9] As you consider the reasons listed in the notes – and as you add other reasons . . . Write a paragraph explaining what you hope to gain from taking this course in Bible Study Basics.

[10] Before looking at the three Bible passages in the lesson, reflect for a moment on what you know about the Bible already. Do any Bible passages come to your mind that would encourage a person to read it?

[11] As you read this passage, jot down any ideas you see that would encourage someone to read the Bible.

[12] What three facts does the passage tell us about what it means to be God's people?

[13] How does the third command of Deuteronomy 6 relate to the first two?

The Bible Is Essential to Serving God

[14] What is the first claim 2 Timothy 3 makes about the Bible?

[15] Summarize each of the five benefits listed in this paragraph in your own words.

The Bible is Essential for Growing Up in God

[16] In one paragraph, summarize how you define your “age” as a growing Christian. Are you a babe, an adolescent, an adult, etc., and explain why you identify yourself as you do.

[17] Given the amount of time you have followed Christ do you consider your “maturity” and your “age” to be appropriate?

[18] What is your response to this teaching in Hebrews?

[19] Do you believe most Christians are maturing and able to receive God’s deeper truths?

[20] Are you a regular student of God’s teachings contained in the Bible?

[21] Is this course a first-time exposure to how you can understand the Bible better?

[22] As you read the various purposes this course is designed to serve do any stand out as more to your liking than others? Any less appealing than the others?

[23] In a paragraph or two, explain your reasons for studying the Bible.

[24] Name the three Bible passages presented in the lesson and state the reason it gave for studying the Bible.

Reflection

Record one new fact or insight you discovered in this lesson.

Application

Select a book of the Bible you would like to explore and read it two or three times.