

EQUIP

Tools that build great disciples
Book IV of the One Word Discipleship series

"Study/search/seek:
Learning to dive deep into the ways and words of God"
Ezra 7:10

"For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the LORD, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel."

Ezra 7:10 NIV

1. Studying God's Word is like searching for hidden treasure.



- Treasure hunting truths (Proverbs 2:1-6)
 - Believe the treasure truly exists
 - Know where to look
 - Utilize the right tools
 - Tools that impacted me
 - Thompson Chain Reference Bible
 - Scofield wide margin Bible
 - Young's or Strong's Analytical Concordance
 - Online tools
 - Biblegateway.com / biblegateway app
 - Bible.com / youversion app
 - Blueletterbible.org / blueletterbible app
 - Bibles
 - Translations (NIV; NLT; ESV; NET; KJV; NKJV)
 - ESV Study Bible
 - NIV Study Bible
 - Invest the time and effort required

2. Studying God's Word is like cross-examining an important witness.



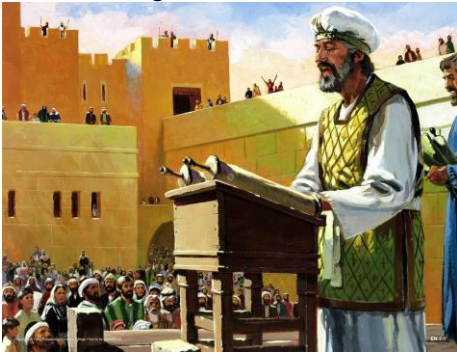
- Cross-examination (Acts 17:11; 12:19)
- Carly's delightful desire to inquire

3. Studying God's Word is like learning a new language from an expert tutor.



- Learning from the divine tutor, the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:14; 1 John 2:27)
- Brother Henry's evidence of divine tutoring

4. Following the Ezra mantra is the best way to study God's word.



- "For Ezra had devoted himself ..."
 - Lift it up
- "... to the study ..."
 - Soak it in
- "... and observance of the law of the Lord ..."
 - Live it out
- "... and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel."
 - Give it away