

# GET READY FOR *REVELATION*

*It's coming next Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>*

## REVIEW

Last week we were challenged as a church family to consider some questions before we enter into this study. Today they have been personalized for your contemplation:

- Are *you* ready for Revelation?
- Are *you* prepared to respond to the truth when you hear it?
- Are *you* representing the Bible properly?

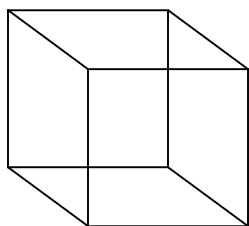
In order to be prepared for our study we have to go “back to the basics.” We learned that we must first approach the book with the understanding that what we read is dependable and can be \_\_\_\_\_.

*Psalm 138:2 – I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.*

To help us get ready for Revelation, we will again be reminded of the fundamentals as we go...

## BACK TO THE BASICS ... Understanding the Bible – Part Two

1. The Bible is not difficult to understand. We make it difficult by not believing \_\_\_\_\_ word that we read.
  - Most Christians do not understand that simple statement...



- When you truly “\_\_\_\_\_” what the Bible says, it will work effectively in your life –

*For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. 1 Thess. 2:13*

2. Although the Bible is not difficult to understand, it must be approached \_\_\_\_\_ to be understood.

- The Bible must be revealed by the \_\_\_\_\_ of God – 1 Co. 2:9-12, 14

*The Spirit of God reveals the Bible as we \_\_\_\_\_ scripture with scripture – 1 Co. 2:13; Isaiah 28:9-10; 2 Co. 13:1; Num. 35:30; Deut. 17:6; 19:15*

- The word of truth must be rightly \_\_\_\_\_ – 2 Timothy 2:15

*Negative observations: It is possible to be \_\_\_\_\_ before God concerning His Word  
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It is possible to \_\_\_\_\_ divide the Word*

*Positive observations: To be approved and not ashamed requires \_\_\_\_\_  
To be approved and not ashamed takes \_\_\_\_\_  
To be approved and not ashamed includes making \_\_\_\_\_ divisions*

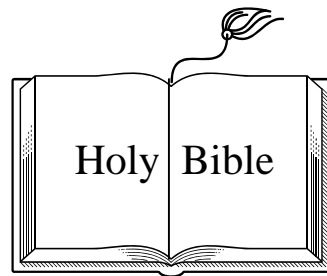
- What we must have a \_\_\_\_\_ toward God's Word before we will ever understand it – Psalm 119

*It is the longest chapter in the Bible with 176 verses...*

*It was written by King David, a man "after God's own heart" ...*

*Every verse speaks of a man's love toward the Word of God...*

*David had a love relationship with God that could not be broken, not even by his heinous sin...*



Read it  
Believe it  
Love it

*With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.*

*Psalm 119:10-12*