

PRINCIPLES OF BIBLE STUDY #6 - CROSS REFERENCING

1 Corinthians 2:11-14

v. 11 - “the things of a man” → “the _____ of man”
“the things of God” → “the _____ of God”

v. 13 - The Holy Ghost teaches with _____. The teaching method is _____ spiritual things with spiritual.

v. 14 - Spiritual discernment is only possible through the _____
_____.

cf. 2 Peter 1:20, 21

- The Scripture is not to be _____ interpreted.
 - Throw out: “I think it means...”
 - Adopt: “This Scripture sheds light on that Scripture.”
- Since learning the Bible requires _____ (2 Timothy 2:15), God would have us use _____ referencing to put “the pieces of the puzzle” together.
 - The best interpreter of the Bible is _____.

I. CROSS-REFERENCING & DEFINITIONS

- The Bible has its own built-in _____. Terms are defined by comparing one Scripture with another.

Example #1: cf. Luke 14:26, 27

The word “**HATE**” in Luke 14:26 - Does the Lord want me to HATE my family?

- Let’s allow the Bible to define the term.
 - **cf. Matthew 10:37-39** - by cross-referencing, we learn that the word “hate” is defined as: _____

Example #2: cf. Luke 9:2-5

The word “**SCRIP**” - what is it?

- Again, let the Bible define the term.
 - **cf. 1 Samuel 17:40** - a “scip” is simply a _____

II. CROSS REFERENCING & DETAILS

Sometimes, several references must be connected for the complete story to come together.

Example #1: cf. Exodus 7:11 and 8:7

What were the names of the magicians who withstood Moses?

- We CAN know by cross-referencing - cf. 2 Timothy 3:8
 - The names of the magicians were _____ & _____

Example #2: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John are the four _____. These are four accounts of the life of Christ. They are similar, yet different. Only by comparing the four is the complete _____ of Christ revealed.

- What was the superscription above Jesus on the cross?
 - cf. Matthew 27:37 - _____
 - cf. Mark 15:26 - _____
 - cf. Luke 23:38 - _____
 - cf. John 19:19 - _____

Only by comparing the four do you obtain the FULL SUPERScription:

III. CROSS REFERENCING & DOCTRINES

Question: Is Jesus Christ God?

Answer: Allow multiple cross references to answer the question.

- **cf. 1 Timothy 2:5** - “the _____ Christ Jesus”
 - Looking at ONE passage is NOT enough!
- **cf. 1 Timothy 3:16** - “God was _____ in the flesh”
- **cf. Philippians 2:5, 6** - Christ Jesus IS _____ with God.
 - Other references on the DEITY OF CHRIST: John 1:1, 14, 20:28; Romans 8:9; Hebrews 1:8; 1 John 5:20

Question: How long will Jesus Christ reign on Earth when he returns at his Second Coming?

Answer: Allow MULTIPLE VERSE to answer the question.

- cf. Revelation 20:1-7 - the OBVIOUS answer is _____ years!
 - A total of _____ verses reveals the number of years.