How to Enjoy Being a Christian





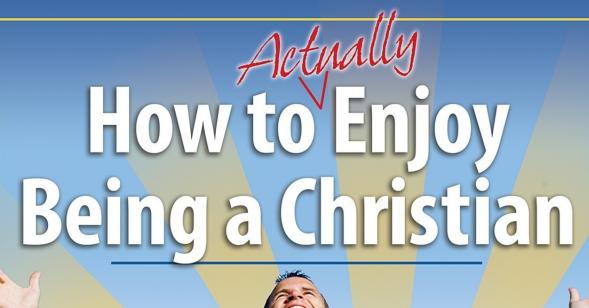
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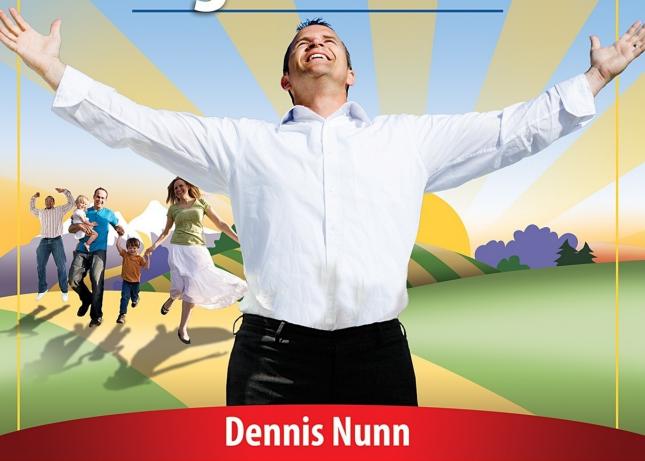
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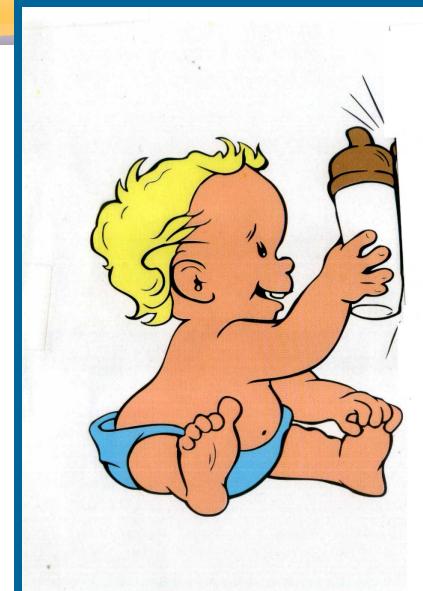


# Study and obey your Bible daily!

### 1.Because it provides <u>spiritual</u> nourishment.

#### "Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation."

1 Peter 2:2



## 2. Because it transforms your thinking.

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will."

**Romans 12:1-2** 

## 3. Because it equips you to serve God.

"All scripture is God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

### 4. Because it prepares you for the <u>storms</u> of life.

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

Matthew 7:24

"The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock."

Matthew 7:25

## 5. Because it is essential for your <u>survival</u>.

#### "Jesus answered, 'It is written: Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God'."

Matthew 4:4

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 Vine's Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words says "the significance of rhema (as distinct from logos) is exemplified in Ephesians 6:17...here the reference is not to the whole Bible as such, but to the individual Scripture which the Spirit brings to our remembrance in time of need."

# "Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."

1 Peter 5:8

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### HOW to Study Your Bible

## 1. Schedule a set time each day.

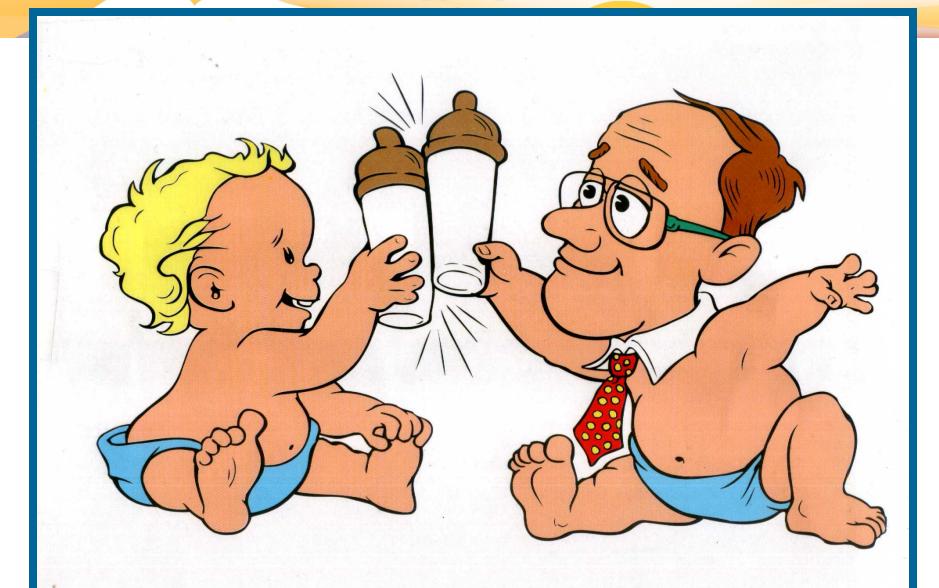
### 2. Select a spot/place.

### 3. Use an easy to read translation.

### 4. Read systematically.

# 5. Move from reading devotionally to actually studying.





### 6. Consider the CONTEXT - CONTEXT - CONTEXT.

### 7. Meditate on the Scriptures.

"Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he mediates day and night."

**Psalm 1:1-2** 

## 8. Pray and ask for understanding.

"I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth."

**Jesus in John 16:12-13** 

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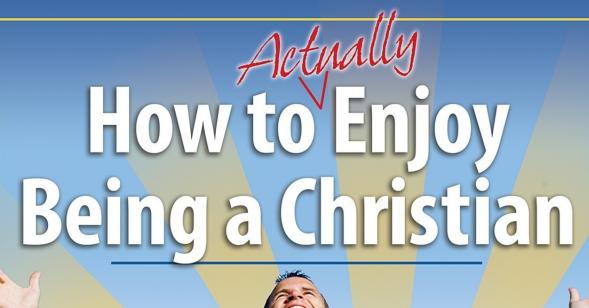
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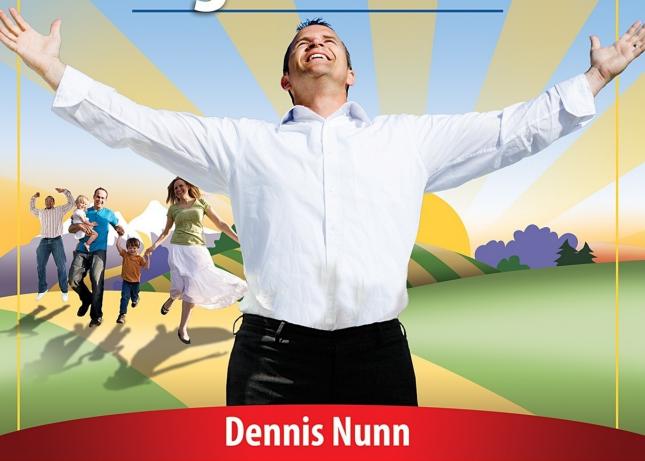
# "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

**James 1:22** 

"But Samuel replied, 'Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams'."

1 Samuel 15:22





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