

Newsletter

MONTHLY READING PLAN NOVEMBER 15 – DECEMBER 11

TAPP THROUGH PHILIPPIANS

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SAVE THE
DATE!

MISSIONS MOMENT

Lottie Moon:

"Is not the festive season when families and friends exchange gifts in memory of The Gift laid on the altar of the world for the redemption of the human race, the most appropriate time to consecrate a portion from abounding riches and scant poverty to send forth the good tidings of great joy into all the earth?"

- September 15, 1887,
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How To TAPP

You can use the divisions on the outline below for using the TAPP method to study Philippians, or create your own. For each section of scripture you read, ask yourself:

T- What does the passage TEACH?

What is the main point or principle Paul is trying to convey?

A- How can I ADJUST my life to the truth of this passage?

What do I need to "PUT OFF" (what is revealed in this passage that needs to be removed from my life: sin, habit, wrong thinking)?

What do I need to "PUT ON" (Christ-like characteristic)?

What do I need to "PUT IN" (what habit or discipline needs to be built into my life to help me obey the teaching of this passage)?

P- How does this truth PREPARE me to minister to others?

In other words, what can I take from my understanding of this passage to share with someone else?

Who might that be?

P- Pray the scripture back to God; personalize it; pray it for someone else that God lays on your heart.

BOOK CLUB

The AHBC Women's Ministry Book Club meets monthly in the home of Susan Reynolds. This month's selection is Hearts of Fire available from Voice of the Martyrs. Join the club December 6th at 7:00pm.

Why TAPP?

TAPP is more than just reading the Bible.

Sometimes we can do this without engaging with God if we simply read without reflection, check it off our list, and go on about the day.

TAPP is different than a Bible study (though it does involve studying the Bible)! In our Bible studies, we can be caught up in looking for “the right answer” to write on our lesson or to fill in the blank. If we’re not careful, we can complete the assignment finding the right answers, digging out the truth, but never having engaged with the Author....especially if we’re “down to the wire” on getting it completed before class! We can come away with head knowledge without heart change.

The TAPP method is designed to facilitate a believer’s interaction with God through His Word as we read and ponder it, relying on the Holy Spirit for understanding. As we work through the TAPP questions, we are looking for principles (general truths) that God reveals. When truth is revealed, we are to respond to it by examining ourselves and making adjustments so that we grow in Christ-likeness and obedience. Finally, but importantly, we are responsible for being the light and shining the light of God’s truth wherever we go! What we learn is never just for us.

SAMPLE DIVISIONS FOR PHILIPPIANS

*Divided into 21 days with an average of 5 verses a day

I. Put The Gospel First 1:1-26

A. Put the fellowship of the Gospel at the center of your relationships with

believers 1:3-8

B. 1:9-11

C. 1:12-18a

D. 1:18b-26

II. Focus On The Cross 1:27-2:18

A. We are called to believe on Christ and also to suffer for Him 1:27-2:18

B. 2:1-4

C. 2:5-11

D. 2:12-18

III. Imitate Worthy Christian Leaders 2:19-3:21

A. Imitate those who are interested in the well-being of others 2:19-21

B. 2:22-30

C. 3:1-9

D. 3:10-16

E. 3:17-21

IV. Never Give Up The Christian Walk 4:1-23

A. Resolve to pursue like-mindedness with other believers 4:2-3

B. 4:4

C. 4:5

D. 4:6-7

E. 4:8-9

F. 4:10-13

G. 4:14-23

JUST A FEW SUGGESTIONS TO HELP!

*Have a notebook or journal and write down your answers each day as you go through the TAPP questions. This gives you a record of your conversations with God, and will remind you of the truth you have learned and your commitment to it.

*Also have a notepad (not your cell phone!!) where you can record things you need to do that come to your mind while you’re focusing on God’s Word. We have an enemy who loves to interrupt us at such times! Write them down set them aside; take care of them when you finish. Some of us are so used to constant interruption that we must train ourselves to focus.

*Put your cell phone on silent and place it in another room!!

*PRAY before you begin, asking God to help you focus, to speak to you through His Word and give you understanding. Jer. 33:3 says, “Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.”

A Little Note from Laurie

For further reading on some issues related to LGBTQ+, check out the following books:

Is God Anti-gay?: And other questions about homosexuality, the Bible, and same-sex attraction

By Sam Allberry

What Does the Bible Really Teach about Homosexuality?

By Kevin DeYoung

The Secret Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert

By Rosaria Butterfield



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