

Formed by God's Word

<u>Definition</u>: Consistent discovery & formation from the study of the Bible.

Relevant Scripture:

Psalm 119:11

2 Timothy 3:16

Hebrews 4:12

Suggested study:

How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth (2014, 4th edition) by Gordon D. Fee et al.

On-going Practice/Spiritual Disciplines:

- 1. Regularly attend worship service as a primary way to understand Scripture.
- 2. Regularly participate in a small group as a primary way to apply Scripture in your life.
- 3. Regularly practice personal Bible study as a way to become more like Christ.
- 4. Be acquainted with memorization and meditation upon Scripture.
- 5. Set goals to regularly read a good amount of Scripture (daily, weekly, monthly, yearly goals.)

Suggested experiences:

- Take part in in a Bible overview learning experience that helps piece together the "big story" of salvation history.
- Learn about the different kinds of Biblical literature and how to interpret Scripture accordingly.
- Experience Lectio Divina retreat or workshop.

Additional resources:

Eat This Book: A Conversation in the Art of Spiritual Reading (2009) by Eugene Peterson

Grasping God's Word: A Hands-On Approach to Reading, Interpreting and Applying the Bible (2012) by J. Scott Duvall et al.

