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The Bible-Teaching Ministry of Pastor Chuck Swindoll



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Welcome to Our Biblical Kitchen!

Studying God's Word for Spiritual Nourishment

People hunger for spiritual truth, but they often have trouble finding it. Pastor Chuck Swindoll counts it his profound privilege to offer spiritual nutrition found only in God's Word—nutrition every soul needs and craves. Solid Bible-teaching stirs people to follow Jesus, praise God, trust in God's plan, and rest in His care. A constant supply of such spiritual nourishment is vital for walking with Christ.

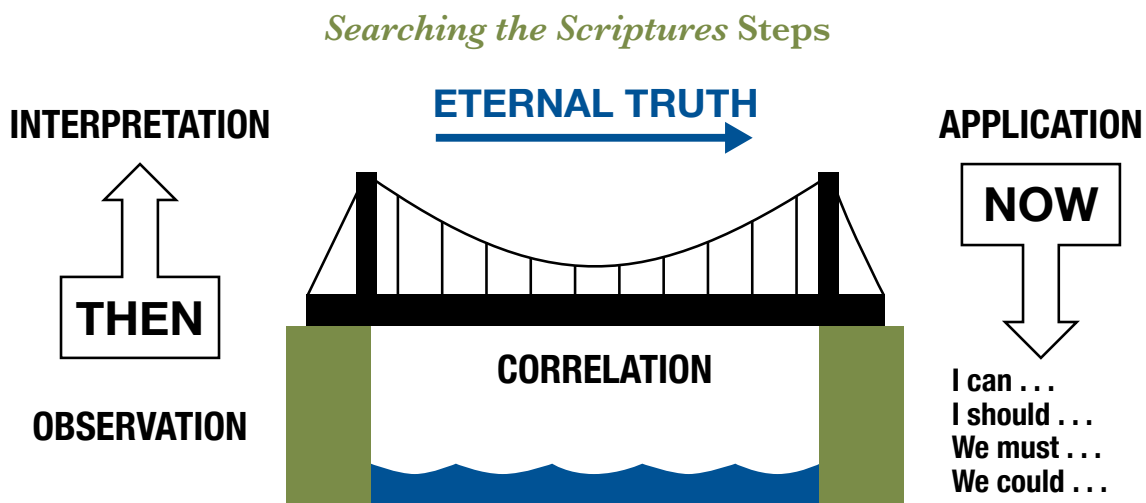
But wouldn't you like to cook up your own biblical meals?

It's easier than you think! Don't be intimidated. You can become your own spiritual chef, and Insight for Living Ministries wants to help you in this journey. The first thing you need is the right method. In his book, *Searching the Scriptures: Find the Nourishment Your Soul Needs*, Pastor Chuck helpfully explains his simple and reliable Bible-study process, which he learned in seminary and cultivated through his decades of ministry.

In the book, he explains four steps to always use to study a passage from God's Word:

- 1) **Observation:** Thoroughly reading the passage to discover what it says
- 2) **Interpretation:** Deeply understanding the passage to determine what it means
- 3) **Correlation:** Carefully comparing multiple passages to know how they relate
- 4) **Application:** Personally applying the passage to live by its truth

It's important to follow these steps without skipping or rushing. Would a chef leave out an ingredient in his recipe, skip a step in the cooking process, or cut the required bake-time short? No. The meal wouldn't taste as good. Likewise, it's important to perform all four steps to really grasp a biblical passage and incorporate it into your life. Here's a diagram to illustrate the process, and on the next page is a chart to summarize how you can apply each of the four steps.



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Bible-Study Review Chart

OBSERVATION

Read the passage thoroughly.

Observe the passage by examining:

- 1) The who, what, where, when, why, and how components
- 2) What you can see, touch, taste, hear, and smell
- 3) The logical connections, flow of thoughts, and range of subjects
- 4) What's repeated, emphasized, related, alike, and unlike
- 5) What's written before and after

INTERPRETATION

Understand the passage deeply.

Interpret the passage by studying:

- 1) The cultural, biblical, and historical context
- 2) The literary genre and use of language
- 3) The author's intent for writing
- 4) The author's beliefs, assumed and stated, about God and life

CORRELATION

Compare the passage carefully.

Correlate the passage by comparing it with:

- 1) Scriptures that correspond in historical events
- 2) Scriptures that correspond in theological principles
- 3) Scriptures that correspond in application points

APPLICATION

Internalize the passage personally.

Apply the passage by:

- 1) Reflecting on your daily habits, attitudes, and relationships
- 2) Inviting the Lord to reveal what you should stop and start
- 3) Asking specific questions about how you should respond
- 4) Pursuing new paths that lead to wholeness and spiritual health
- 5) Aligning your beliefs, desires, thoughts, and actions with God's truth and way

*I have rejoiced in your laws as much as in riches.
I will study your commandments and reflect on your ways.
I will delight in your decrees and not forget your word.
(Psalm 119:14–16 NLT)*

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What Are *Searching the Scriptures* Bible Studies?

Insight for Living Ministries creates *Searching the Scriptures* studies using the Bible-study methods from Chuck's book. These studies accompany each of Chuck's sermons, focusing on the same Bible passages Chuck focused on, and are like recipes for using your biblical cooking skills. They help you navigate your way through God's Word so that you can better understand God's truth and deepen your relationship with Jesus.

Each study follows this path:

- 1) **Introduction**—learn the topic and relevance of the study
- 2) **Prepare Your Heart**—open yourself to God to receive His Word
- 3) **Turn to the Scriptures**—step into the context of the passage
- 4) **Observation**—look at what the passage says
- 5) **Interpretation**—determine what the passage means
- 6) **Correlation**—compare the passage to other passages
- 7) **Application**—respond to the truth you learned
- 8) **Final prayer**—pray to conclude your time in His Word

How Can You Use *Searching the Scriptures* Studies?

Insight for Living Ministries creates these studies to be used in a variety of ways. They are available as downloadable PDFs at insight.org/studies and through our mobile app. You can type your notes directly into the digital file, or you can print them. Here are the ways folks like to use these resources:

- 1) **Overview.** In 15 minutes, you can read through a *Searching the Scriptures* study to glean Chuck's key points from his sermon and the biblical passage.
- 2) **Deep Study.** You can spend 2–3 hours, all at once or across a few days, digging into the biblical verses and consulting our recommended resources.
- 3) **Small Groups.** These studies ask questions focused on the biblical text as well as on life application. They're perfect for guiding and fostering a small-group discussion.
- 4) **Sermon Preparation.** Pastors and teachers can use these studies for generating ideas during their sermon preparation.
- 5) **Bible-Study Training.** Those who are preparing for ministry can learn how to study the Bible and use these studies for practice or for help delivering a devotional.

Download the Digital File of this Study Guide





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Fifteen Studies on Revelation 14–22

Pastor Chuck Swindoll's final segment of a three-part series on Revelation wraps up his deep dive into the last book of the Bible.

Revelation—Unveiling the End, Act 3: The Final Curtain reveals Jesus in His full splendor as the King of kings, the first and the last, and the only door to heaven.

Renew your mind with the truth of God's Word and cling to the joyful, hope-filled ending for those who put their faith in Christ!

1. A Surprising Preview of Coming Attractions

Revelation 14:1–13

2. God's Terrible, Swift Sword

Revelation 14:14–20

3. The Original Temple of Doom

Revelation 15:1–8

4. The Final Seven Super Bowls

Revelation 16

5. Shock and Awe Revisited

Revelation 16:12–16

6. The Final Exit of Worldwide Religion

Revelation 17:1–18

7. From Earthly Horrors to Celestial Hallelujahs

Selections from Revelation 18; 19:1–10

8. Here Comes the King of Kings

Revelation 19:11–21

9. Turning the World Right-Side Up

Revelation 20:1–10

10. The Final Exit Interview

Revelation 20:11–15

11. Heaven at Last

Revelation 21:1–8

12. Open House at the Celestial City

Revelation 21:9–22

13. Heaven's Magnificent Negatives

Revelation 21:21–22:5

14. Compelling Words for a Confused Culture

Revelation 22:6–16

15. Come, Lord Jesus

Revelation 22:17–21



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