

How To Study The Bible (IN CONTEXT)

We have said/heard that we must keep the words of the Bible in context. What does that mean in a practical sense? Consider this:

1. First, the word we are considering from the Bible.
2. Then, the sentence from where the word was found.
3. Next, the paragraph from which the word is found is considered. (We are obviously broadening our study.)
4. Next, we find the book where the word was found. Which of the 66 books of the Bible was the word found?
5. Next, we must consider the covenant that the word is under. This is extremely important to know. God has different covenants or institutions for a particular people. Errors are made when people bring previous covenants forward, when God had no intention of such.
6. Next, the Bible as a whole is considered. We have heard, scripture must interpret scripture. This is a basic rule to understand all scripture.
7. Finally, the context of the *culture* in that day needs considered.

Therefore, the word and sentence studied for meaning will enlarge to what is indeed a contextual study. The value of contextual study is that it makes the interpreter/student, determine the intent and purpose of the author.

An enormous amount of false interpretation has been taught because the frame of reference by the author was ignored. The contextual study is a powerful way to avoid error.

God holds us – each – accountable to proper interpretation. But we can properly handle the word of truth!

--In Him, *Gary*.

Medical & Prayer Needs

Kathy Carter – More tests.

Tom Carter – Arm injury.

James Justice – Many health issues. Per Rosa.

Glen Priddy – Hospital.

Rita Ward – Hospital. Friend of Laura Kuhn.

Extended Prayer List:

Susan Buck, Adele Gall (Lisa's mother), Joyce Herring (Kathy L. sister), Jessi Hruss (Kathy Carter's niece), Barb King (Eileen's niece), Alice Moreland, Jerry Mullins, Haliee O'Connor (Eileen's niece), Glen Priddy, Ruth Watson.

Notes

NOTE: Money donations for widows/widowers' gifts can be given to Gail or Nancy. By 12/7.

Teacher Appreciation Meal
December 21st, in a.m.

New Year's Eve Fellowship.
December 31st after Wednesday Bible Study. Bring an appetizer or finger food and a dessert or pop. Also, bring a "white elephant" gift (wrapped) for a fun exchange. Family friendly games are welcome. Punch and coffee provided.

Secret Sister Tea
Sunday January 4th at 4:30 PM.
Secret sisters of 2025 will receive a final gift and an opportunity to guess her Secret Sister. Secret sisters for 2026 will be assigned.

Secret Sisters for 2026.
Sign-up sheets for 2026 will soon be available. Deadline to return to Terry is December 28th.

Trivia Answers & Scriptures are given to Gary on paper with your name OR by texting him. C'mon, join in!

Trivia: In Luke 21, Jesus speaks of the future. Jesus tells of wars, earthquakes, and famines that are to come. By standing firm, He says, we will gain _____. **Answer:** life/soul. **Answerers:** Linda Ropog, Sharon Woodrum, Eileen Kerns, Anita Mattingly, Terry & Gail Priestersbach, Aiden Scarborough, Wyatt Jordan, Zah'Rai Porter, Kathy Lindsey, Becky Kois.

New Trivia: According to Esther 9, what annual celebration was instituted to commemorate the Jew's victory over their enemies in Queen Esther's time?

November Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mary Davis	30
Beau Masterson	30

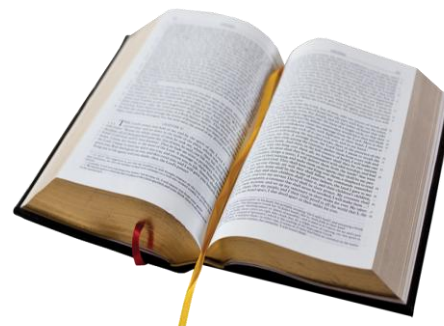
December Birthdays & Anniversaries

Lloyd Cisco	2
Charlotte Brown	4
Tommy Carter	9
Brian Thompson	10
Shannon Ryan	10
Randy Kuhn	12
Evelyn Scarborough	16
Beth Miller	19
Eric Truskolaski	23
Noel Letso	24
Liney Woodrum	29
Gary Standen	30
Steve & Beth Miller	11
Greg & Denise Anderson	31

Widows & Widowers

Lola Anderson, Joyce Brewer, Frances Brown, Kathy Carter, Linda Caldwell, Joyce Fetzer, Margaret Jordan, Elaine Leonhardt, Kathy Lindsey, Maxine Mathes, Alice Moreland, Jerry Mullins, Shirley Sarver, Dora Talbert, Ruth Watson, Diana Wirth, Sharon Woodrum.

East Broad St. Church of Christ



November 30, 2025

For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and not delay; but my righteous one shall live by faith, and If he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."

Hebrews 10:37-38. ESV.

All the churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16. ESV.

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Assembly Times

Sun. Bible Class	10:00 am
Sun. Worship	11:00 am
Sun. PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study	7:00 pm

WELCOME

We welcome our visitors to the worship services today as our honored guests. Please fill out a Visitors Card and put it in the offering plate. We hope & pray you will return soon.