

“Education by the Word” Colossians 3:16

1. What is the “word or Christ”?
 - a. The word of Christ refers especially to Christ’s teaching.
 - b. A disciple of Jesus should focus on the teachings of Jesus.
 - c. We are blessed to have our Bible.

2. What does “ dwell” in you richly mean?
 - a. It should be visible.
 - b. It should be audible.

3. Who is the “you”?
 - a. The “you” is corporate.
 - b. The “you” is individual.

“It is better in one year to have ten good verses transferred into the substance of our lives than to have every word of the Bible flash before our eyes.”

- Dallas Willard

“Read it through
Pray it in
Live it out
Pass it on”

For further study:

*“*Playing with Fire*” by Walt Russell

“*The Divine Inspiration of the Bible*” by Arthur Pink

“*How to Read the Bible for all it’s Worth*” by Gordon Fee and Douglas Stuart

“*Spiritual Discipleship*” by Oswald Sanders

Cell Group Questions...

1. Do you think the accessibility of the word of God helps or hurts our devotion to it?
2. Would you say that your devotional reading focuses on the teachings of Christ? Why or why not? What balance do you feel we have between the teachings of Christ and the rest of scripture? In other words... Do you feel the word of Christ dwells in you richly?
3. What success have you had over the years in your habit of reading the word? Where do you need to improve?
4. How do you feel when someone shares a passage of scripture with you that God is using in their life.
5. Have you thought much about corporate “independence” related to your habit of the word?