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twisting (2 Timothy 2:18; 2 Peter 3:16), etc.

Instead of studying and misusing the Bible (not properly defining words, not observing the context, not accepting all of the what Bible says about a subject, etc.), why not seek to handle rightly the word of God (2 Timothy 3:15).

Many people are studying the Bible with the wrong attitudes. They have in their lives sin (John 3:21), prejudice (John 5:33,8:45; 18:37), unrighteousness (Romans 1:18), a lack of love (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12), corruption (1 Timothy 6:5; 2 Timothy 3:8), etc.

Instead of studying with these wrong attitudes, why not study with a love for truth (Proverbs 23:23; John 7:17).

Let us not go through life simply learning some things without really knowing God's word. Let us all learn and obey the truth of God's word (Romans 2:8).

- Chris Reeves -

Sentence Sermons

- Say the right thing and then shut up before you say the wrong thing.
- A Christian is free from sin, but not free to sin.
- Before you can stand fast in the faith, you must firmly believe the faith.
- There is no need to try and cross a river before you get to the river.
- Be patient and kind to all.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

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*For of these are they that creep into houses, and take captive silly women laden with sins, led away by divers lusts, ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2 Timothy 3:6-7 -*

Have you ever known of anyone who studied a lot, but really didn't know anything when they got done? There are actually people like that.

The Truth of God's Word

We can know the truth of God's word if we will hear it, read it, and study it. Jesus, in the gospel of John especially, said that we can know the truth:

*But he that doeth the truth cometh to the light, that his works may be made manifest, that they have been wrought in God
- John 3:21 -*

*God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth
- John 4:24 -*

and ye shall know the truth, and the

*truth shall make you free
- John 8:32 -*

*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me
- John 14:6 -*

*Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he shall guide you into all the truth: for he shall not speak from himself; but what things soever he shall hear, these shall he speak: and he shall declare unto you the things that are to come
- John 16:13 -*

*Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the Father, but by me
- John 17:17 -*

Paul and John also wrote that we can know the truth (1 Timothy 2:4; 4:3; 2 Timothy 2:25; 1 John 2:21; 2 John 1).

However, many study and learn but never know the truth of God's word. Why? What causes a person to be ever learning and never able to come to a knowledge of the truth?

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Many people are studying the wrong subjects. They study things like politics, economics, sports, science, history, philosophy, etc. There are a lot of books out there, Solomon says (Ecclesiastes 12:12). Many people are studying from these books instead of the Bible.

Instead of being interested in a secular education only, why not work on your spiritual education (2 Timothy 3:15-16)?

Many people are studying the Bible from the wrong sources. They study the creeds, confessions, traditions, commentaries, stories, lies, etc., of men (Jeremiah 9:5; Romans 1:25; 2 Timothy 4:4; Titus 1:14).

Instead of reading what man has said about the Bible, why not just read the Bible itself (Isaiah 34:16).

Many people are studying the Bible with the wrong use of scripture. They study scripture trivia (Deuteronomy 29:29), scripture