

HOW TO: READ THE BIBLE

1. STUDY THE CONTEXT

The Bible has 66 books. They were written by different people, to different audiences, and for different purposes. Understanding the context will help you understand the message the author is trying to send.

- WHO wrote the book?
- WHEN was it written?
- WHO was the book written for?
- WHY was it written?

2. READ AND REFLECT

Each book within the Bible contains chapters. Each chapter contains passages. After reading each passage, take a break to reflect on and pray about the meaning.

- What happened in this passage?
- What questions does it raise?
- What does this teach me about God?
- How can I apply this to my life?