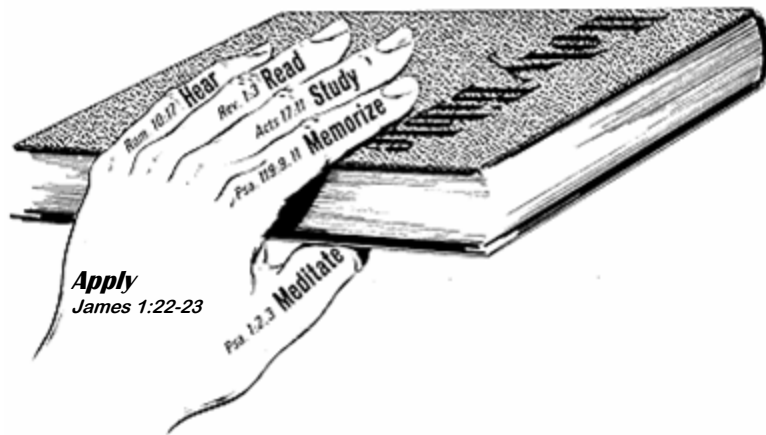


The Hand Illustration



Methods of Learning from the Bible

Hear – *to be exhorted and encouraged.* Hearing the Word from godly teachers provides us insight into other's study of the Scriptures as well as stimulating our own appetites for the Word.

Read – *to be healthy.* Reading the Bible gives us an overall picture of God's Word. Many find helpful a daily reading program which takes them systematically through the Bible.

Study – *to be intelligent and informed.* Studying the Scriptures leads us into personal discoveries of God's truths. Writing down these discoveries helps us organize and remember them better.

Memorize – *to be skillful* in applying God's Word to your life and in outreach. Memorizing God's Word enables us to have it readily available for personal meditation, for witnessing to and helping others, and for overcoming temptations.

Meditate – *to be fruitful.* Meditating on God's Word - thinking of its meaning and application to our daily life - enables its transforming power to continually work within us.

Apply – *to be obedient.* Application of the Word of God to our daily life is a continual process that enables us to obediently walk in close fellowship with Him.

Proclaim – *to be reproductive.* To know and be used by God to raise up qualified laborers to help fulfill the Great Commission.