

4. A saved person with the Holy Spirit's understanding will _____ the word of God, _____ the word of God and be _____ to the word of God.

❖ One's _____ to the scriptures reveal a lot about a person's understanding of the scriptures given by the Holy Spirit.

5. The Holy Spirit will work in the Christian's life to give them _____ and _____ understanding of the scriptures as they _____ to what the Holy Spirit has taught them.

"Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long."

Psalms 25:4-5 (NIV)

"Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law."

Psalms 119:18 (NIV)

"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth."

2 Timothy 2:15

"Are You Saved?"

Romans 8:8-17

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V. Who is in you.

A. The Holy Spirit _____ you to the _____ of Christ in _____.

B. The Holy Spirit _____ you by his _____.

C. The Holy Spirit _____ and _____ the scriptures to the Christian so that he _____.

(1 Corinthians 2:6-16)

1. A lost person cannot truly _____ the things of God.

❖ The things of God are _____ the lost person's understanding.

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Isaiah 55:8-9 (NIV)

"these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God."

1 Corinthians 2:10-11

(NIV)

❖ The lost person is spiritually _____ which means he cannot understand spiritual things.

"As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath."

Ephesians 2:1-3 (NIV)

"The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God."

Romans 8:6-8 (NIV)

"They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts."

Ephesians 4:18 (NIV)

"And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God."

2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (NIV)

❖ The lost person cannot understand the _____ of God that is _____ of him.

"For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God."

1. Corinthians 2:11 (NIV)

2. A lost person may have a lot of _____ of the scriptures but not truly _____ the scriptures.

"And the Father who sent me has himself testified concerning me. You have never heard his voice nor seen his form, nor does his word dwell in you, for you do not believe the one he sent. You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me,"

John 5:37-39 (NIV)

"The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So, it is with everyone born of the Spirit." "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things?"

John 3:8-10 (NIV)

(Matthew 13)

"This is why I speak to them in parables: "Though seeing, they do not see; though hearing, they do not hear or understand. In them is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah:" 'You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving.' ... When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path... But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

Matthew 13:13-14, 19, 23 (NIV)

3. A Christian has the Holy Spirit of God _____ and the Holy Spirit gives the Christian the _____ to understand scripture and the things of God.

"What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us."

1 Corinthians 2:12 (NIV)

"We have the mind of Christ"

1 Corinthians 2:16c (NIV)

"the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him... But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

John 14:17a, 26 (NIV)