

SITTING

A. Learn at the feet of Jesus

1. Examples

- a. Mary - Luke 10:39 *And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.*
- b. Abraham - Gen. 18:1 *And the Lord appeared unto (Abraham) in the plains of Mature: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day.*
- c. Children of Israel - Deut. 33:3 *Yes. He loves the people; All His saints are in Your hand; They sit down at Your feet; everyone receives Your words.*
- d. Bride - Song of Sol. 2:3,4 *As the apple tree among the trees of the wood. so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.*
- e. Man from Gadara - Luke 8:35 *Then they went Out to see what was done: and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.*
- f. Paul - Acts 22:3 *I am verily a man which am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.*

2. Attitude

- a. Isaiah - Is. 6:1 *In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple.*
- b. Ps. 1:1-3 *Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water; that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither: and whatever he does shall prosper.*
- c. Jeremiah - Jer. 15:16 *Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hams.*

3. Frequency

- a. The Lord - Is. 50:4 *The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, That I should know how to speak a word in season to him who is weary. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear to hear as the learned.*
- b. David Ps. 63:1,6 *A Psalm of David when he was in the wilderness of Judah. O God, You are my God; Early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. When I remember You on my bed. I meditate on You in the night watches.*
- c. Joshua 1:8 *This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.*

4. Result

- a. II Tim. 3:14-17 *But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.*
- b. Matt. 11:28-30 *Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.*

5. Helpful tools

- a. Daily Bible Reader — read one or more chapters every day and find the phrase in each chapter
- b. The One Year Bible — read the Bible in a year
- c. Believer's Bible Commentary — William MacDonald's commentary of entire Bible
- d. biblegateway.com — online Bible, many translations
- e. blueletterbible.org — online Bible, many translations and notes
- f. trotbrook.org — Document Library — Dig Deeper — commentary by Ron Canner
- g. christianlibrary.info — online hymns, articles from Christian periodicals
- h. stempublishing.com — online Bible dictionary, online writings
- i. mwtb.org — Read and order tracts, books, calendar cards and more

“I Am The Bible”

I am God's wonderful library.
I am always—and above all—The Truth.
To the weary pilgrim, I am a good strong staff.

To the one who sits in gloom, I am a glorious light.
To those who stoop beneath heavy burdens, I am sweet rest.
To those who have been hurt by sin, I am a healing balm.

To the discouraged, I whisper glad messages of hope.
To those who are distressed by the storms of life, I am an anchor.
To those who suffer in lonely solitude,
I am a cool, soft resting on a fevered brow.
O, child of man, to best defend me, just use me!

—John Clifford

The Bible—Yet It Lives

Generation follows generation—yet it lives.
Nations rise and fall—yet it lives.
Kings, dictators, presidents come and go—yet it lives.
Torn, condemned, burned —yet it lives.
Hated, despised, cursed—yet it lives.
Doubted, suspected, criticized—yet it lives.
Damned by atheists— yet it lives.
Scoffed at by scorners—yet it lives.
Exaggerated by fanatics—yet it lives.
Misconstrued and misstated—yet it lives.
Ranted and raved about—yet it lives.
Its inspiration denied—yet it lives.

Yet it lives—as a lamp to our feet.
Yet it lives—as a light to our paths.
Yet it lives—as the gate to heaven.
Yet it lives—as a standard for childhood.
Yet it lives—as a guide for youth.
Yet it lives—as an inspiration for the matured.
Yet it lives—as a comfort for the aged.
Yet it lives—as food for the hungry.
Yet it lives—as water for the thirsty.
Yet it lives—as rest for the weary.
Yet it lives—as light for the heathen.
Yet it lives—as salvation for the sinner.
Yet it lives—as grace for the Christian.
.....To know it is to love it.
.....To love it is to accept it.
.....To accept it means life eternal.

—Willard L. Johnson

The Bible

**It is the traveler's map,
The pilgrim's staff,
The pilot's compass,
The soldier's sword,
And the Christian's character.**

**Here Heaven is opened,
The gates of hell disclosed.**

**Christ is the object,
Our good its design,
The glory of God its end.**

**It should fill the memory,
Rule the heart
And guide the feet.**

**Read it carefully,
Frequently, prayerfully.**

**It is a mine of wealth,
And a river of pleasure.**

**It is given to you here in this life,
Will be opened at the judgment
And is established forever.**

**It involves the highest responsibility,
Will reward the greatest labor,
And condemn all who trifle with its
Sacred Contents.**

~Anonymous

B. Rest in your security in Christ

Christ's Bell

THE BELL

I KNOW WHO I AM

I am God's child (John 1:12)
I am Christ's friend (John 15:15)
I am united with the Lord (1 Cor. 6:17)
I am bought with a price (1 Cor 6:19-20)
I am a saint (set apart for God). (Eph. 1:1)
I am a personal witness of Christ. (Acts 1:8)
I am the salt & light of the earth (Matt 5:13-14)
I am a member of the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)
I am free forever from condemnation (Rom. 8:1-2)
I am a citizen of Heaven. I am significant (Phil 3:20)
I am free from any charge against me (Rom. 8:31 -34)
I am a minister of reconciliation for God (2 Cor 5:17-21)
I have access to God through the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18)
I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (Eph. 2:6)
I cannot be separated from the love of God (Rom 8:35-39)
I am established, anointed, sealed by God (2 Cor 1:21-22)
I am assured all things work together for good (Rom. 8:28)
I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit (John 15:16)
I may approach God with freedom and confidence (Eph. 3:12)
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me (Phil. 4:13)
I am the branch of the true vine, a channel of His life (John 15:1-5)
I am God's temple (1 Cor. 3:16). I am complete in Christ (Col. 2:10)
I am hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:3). I have been justified (Romans 5:1)
I am God's co-worker (1 Cor. 3:9; 2 Cor 6:1). I am God's workmanship (Eph. 2:10)
I am confident that the good works God has begun in me will be perfected. (Phil. 1:6)
I have been redeemed and forgiven (Col 1:14). I have been adopted as God's child (Eph 1:5)
I belong to God
Do you know
Who you are?

Unknown