

**#2: Your Next Spiritual Step: The Bible
Psalm 1**

Dis-moi ce que tu manges, je te dirai ce que tu es.

"Tell me what you eat and I will tell you what you are."

Brillat-Savarin, 1826

"It is a common temptation of Satan to make us give up the reading of the Word and prayer when our enjoyment is gone; as if it were of no use to read the Scriptures when we do not enjoy them ... The truth is that, in order to enjoy the Word, we must continue to read it, and the way to obtain a spirit of prayer is to continue praying. The less we read the Word of God, the less we desire to read it, and the less we pray, the less we desire to pray."

George Muller, 1885



Two Options.

1-2

***something to _____**

v. 1 **negatively**

v. 2 **positively**



Two Outcomes.

3-5

***something to hope for**

v. 3-4 **in the present**

v. 5 **in the future**



One Principle.

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***something to live by**

The Lord personally blesses those who live by His Word, but those who abandon it He allows to fail.

Two good options:

* Read through the Bible in 2008. (RttB guides in Welcome Center)

* Attend Hunter & Casey's *NextStep 101-102* 12-week 9:30 am class

"Bible Study Basics" and "Core Beliefs of Christianity" starting 2/17

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.

The second best time is now." Chinese proverb