

Getting Started

Lifestyle Pattern 6: Study to Show Thyself Approved

Most people in the church world, both in catholicism and christianity, believe that either the priest or the preacher is supposed to study to show himself approved to the congregation which results in most people sitting on their blessed assurances and polishing the pews. Once they leave the church building or wherever they worship they take their Scriptures and store them until the following week where they once again retrieve and carry them, but never take the time or the opportunity to open these Scriptures and study for themselves with the guidance of Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit).

They allow the clergy to do the preparation and then fill them with whatever their theological beliefs or persuasions might be. We see the evidence of such a process today with those who have allowed others to promote their agenda which is seldom in compliance with Scriptural doctrines and dictates and as a result of this system, people are being led down the path of death and destruction.

Mishle (Proverbs) 16: 25

There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Please remember that the decisions we live by and the patterns by which we structure our lives must be based upon correct doctrines and principles and when we stand before Yahuah/Yahweh, we cannot use the excuse that we did not understand that we were being taught incorrectly when we have failed to test Ha Ruach (the Spirit) to determine whether these teachings are in compliance with Father's Divine Word.

In order to test Ha Ruach (the Spirit) we must first have studied and learned the Scriptures so that when a teaching is in error, Ha Ruach can trigger within us the alarm that something is in error and to study in earnest to be able to resolve this schism. Remember that ignorance of the Scriptures is no excuse.

Here are some Scriptures that will clarify this point:

Timotiyos Bet (2 Timothy) 2: 15-16

Do your utmost to present yourself approved to Elohim, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly handling the Word of Truth.

But keep away from profane, empty babblings, for they go on to more wickedness,

Tehillim (Psalms) 119: 10-13

I have sought You with all my heart; Let me not stray from Your commands!

I have treasured up Your word in my heart, That I might not sin against You.

Blessed are You, O יהוה! Teach me Your laws.

With my lips I have recounted All the right-rulings of Your mouth.

Mishle (Proverbs) 2: 1-12

My son, if you accept my words, And treasure up my commands with you,

So that you make your ear attend to wisdom, Incline your heart to understanding;

For if you cry for discernment, Lift up your voice for understanding,

If you seek her as silver, And search for her as hidden treasures,

Then you would understand the fear of יהוה, And find the knowledge of Elohim.
For יהוה gives wisdom; Out of His mouth come knowledge and understanding.
And He treasures up stability for the straight, A shield to those walking blamelessly,
To watch over the paths of right-ruling, And the way of His kind ones He guards.
Then you would understand righteousness And right-ruling, and straightness – Every good path.

For wisdom would enter your heart, And knowledge be pleasant to your being,
Discretion would guard you; Understanding would watch over you,
To deliver you from the evil way, From the man who speaks perversities,

Yermeyahu (Jeremiah) 29: 12-13

**'Then you shall call on Me, and shall come and pray to Me, and I shall listen to you.
'And you shall seek Me, and shall find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.**

Remember that just because it feels good or it seems right is not an excuse or reason to go in the wrong direction. Hawwah (Eve) was convinced by the evil one that it was okay to eat the fruit and then she convinced her husband, Adam, to do likewise, yet they had both been commanded not to eat of the fruit.

We are not supposed to be looking for a warm fuzzy or a teddy bear theology, but the Truth, because as Scripture states, the Truth shall set you free.

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