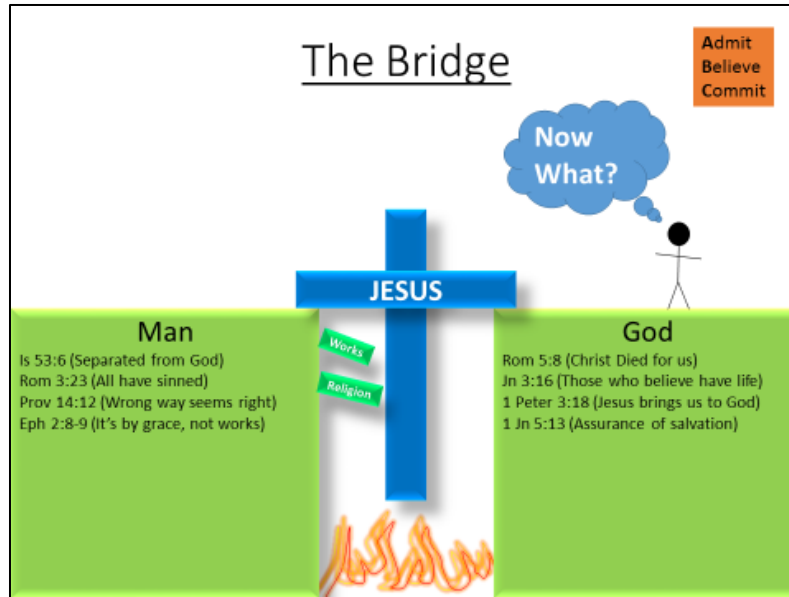


Maturing in Christ



The Bible our _____ document

¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. **2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)**

⁴ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. **Romans 15:4 (ESV)**

3 Principles to _____ to _____.

1. Spend _____ time with _____

⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:6-7 (ESV)**

⁷ If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. **John 15:7-8 (ESV)**

- How to apply it? What would I tell myself to do?
 - Carve out time for prayer----Hobby-----lifestyle
 - Seek the Lord’s counsel about decisions
 - Talk to Jesus about your fears---- develop trust
 - Spend time thanking Jesus for what he has done

2. Become “ _____ ” in the _____

¹⁰ For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.

Ezra 7:10 (ESV)

¹¹ Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

Acts 17:11 (ESV)

- How to apply it? What would I tell myself to do?
 - Start by knowing what it says
 - Spend time understanding why it says what it says
 - Apply the teachings to your life

3. _____ in healthy _____

³³ Do not be deceived: “Bad company ruins good morals.”

1 Corinthians 15:33 (ESV)

²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV)

- How to apply it? What would I tell myself to do?
 - Find someone to help you grow spiritually
 - Look for people who you can help both physically and spiritually
 - Look for opportunities to share your faith