

- Needed Attitudes:
 - Recognize the Bible for what it is. 2 Timothy 3:16
 - An earnest desire. Psalm 1:1-3; 119:97
 - The Bible <u>CAN</u> be understood. Ephesians 3:4
 - It takes time and patience. 2 Timothy 2:15; 2 Peter 3:16; Acts 17:11

- How To Understand the Text:
 - Need the right approach. [2 Timothy 3:16] Hebrews 4:12-13
 - •Asking and looking:
 - What do I and what don't I understand?
 - Ask while I'm reading:
 - Who is speaking?
 - To whom are they speaking?
 - What is being said?
 - Why is it being said?

- How To Understand the Text:
 - On <u>what</u> is being said, look for:
 - God Telling me something directly Mark 16:16
 - God showing me something He approves of Acts 20:7
 - And for when God is telling me to take the hint Hebrews 10:25
 - •An example Acts 8:27-35

- Some Practical Tips:
 - Get you a Bible you <u>can</u> read!
 - Take notes. Deuteronomy 17:18-20
 - Make the time. Psalm 63:6
 - •Think on these things Philippians 4:8

