



Seeing the Worth of Scripture

Reading, pondering, memorizing and studying the Bible will yield more joy in this life and the next than all the things that lure us from it. Here's 10 benefits:

1. The Word of God awakens and strengthens *faith*.
2. Through hearing the Word, God supplies the *Holy Spirit*.
3. The Word of God creates and sustains *life*.
4. The Word of God gives *hope* (more than this world can offer).
5. The Word of God leads us to *freedom*.
6. The Word of God is the key to *answered prayer*.
7. The Word of God is the source of *wisdom*.
8. The Word of God gives us crucial *warnings*.
9. The Word of God enables us to *defeat the devil*.
10. The Word of God is, therefore, the source of great and lasting *joy*.

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Christian Websites and Apps to Enhance Your Love of Scripture

- ESV Study Bible: <http://about.esvbible.org/> and app. Online ESV access, highlighting, personal notes, devotions, Bible reading plans and more.
- Bible Gateway: biblegateway.com and app. A multitude of Bible versions, Daily reading plans, study aids, commentaries, devotions (i.e., Morning and Evening, CS Lewis), etc.
- Christian Classics Ethereal Library: ccel.org. Many Christian classics such as John Calvin's commentaries and Spurgeon's sermons.
- Grace to You: gtv.org and app. John MacArthur's sermons on almost every verse in the NT and many in the OT.
- Desiring God: desiringgod.org. John Piper's sermons, articles and more.
- Ligonier Ministries: ligonier.org and app. R. C. Sproul's ministry providing sermons, articles, teaching series and more.
- Truth for Life: truthforlife.org. Alistair Begg's ministry site containing devotions, sermons, etc.
- Spurgeon's Morning and Evening: several apps are available depending on your phone.
- Martyn Lloyd-Jones sermons: <http://www.mljtrust.org/>
- C. Ryle's commentaries on the gospels: http://www.monergism.com/thethreshold/sdg/expository_web.html. J. C. Ryle was a favorite of Martyn Lloyd-Jones.
- The Gospel Coalition: <http://www.thegospelcoalition.org/> and app. Many resources, blogs, etc.