



Welcome

Thank you for devoting your time to studying the book of Romans. In order for us to become the women of faith God desires us to be, we must choose to spend time with Him and learn His ways. Listed below are some valuable tools to help get the most from the time spent in His word.

- ◆ *Each study chapter contains: Observation questions that are intended to help the reader spot important details, as well as Application questions that are intended to help the reader pause and consider a personal application of the text. God's word is His love letter to His children. Taking time for personal application enables us to hear the Holy Spirit speak to our hearts and increase our understanding of the text. Plus, included is a helpful tool at the back of the Guide, all 16 chapters of the book of Romans (NIV) for you to read, highlight, mark words and make notes.*
- ◆ *Approach His word with reverence and a heart ready to obey. Remember, He is the Sovereign God of the universe, the Creator, and Sustainer of all things. Please stop for a few minutes, before beginning your study to pray. Thank God for giving us the treasure of the Bible. It is filled with every answer, encouragement, and warning needed to succeed. Ask God to speak to you, and then listen intently for His voice.*
- ◆ *Set aside a planned time with the Lord. "Come near to God and he will come near to you," says James 4:8. "Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him," says Psalm 34:8. Those who study the word of God are witnesses to how the Word is living and active and teaching and guiding. How do you get to know and feel close to a new friend—spend time with them. It's the same with our Heavenly Father, but the harvest you will reap will be with you always and will serve as a light in your life at all times. He will never leave or forsake you.*
- ◆ *Keep Scripture in context. We can build Scripture on Scripture, as long as we do not change the intent of God's word.*
- ◆ *Thank God each time for meeting with you. Come away from your time with Him with something to personally ponder and apply. We should never stop seeking to have our minds renewed by the Holy Spirit. As Christians, we are being transformed into the image of Christ.*
- ◆ *Look for ways to share something you have seen in God's word each day with someone else. This is the gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ from Genesis 1:1 to Revelation 22:21—share it!!!*

We love you, but more importantly, God loves you.

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