

# ***DRILLING BIBLE BASICS (1)***

## **THE NEED FOR BASIC TRAINING**

### Introduction

- 1) **Drilling** – constant repetition of foundational principles to increase learning and ability for further study and application
- 2) Secular education is grounded in **drilling the basics**: reading, writing, arithmetic, etc
- 3) Successful athletes constantly drill the basics of their sport in repeated practices
- 4) The military provides basic training to drill the learning and conditioning processes of becoming an effective soldier
- 5) The Christian who desires to be mature and successful must begin with basic training in Bible principles and constantly drill these to remain in top form (see 2 Tim. 2:3-5, 15)

### **I) Those Who Need Teaching and Drilling in Bible Basics**

- A) Young congregations and new converts that lack knowledge (Tius 1:5)
- B) Dull of hearing, asleep, immature Christians (Heb. 5:11-12)
- C) Spiritually-dying Christians (Rev. 3:2-3; 1 Cor. 15:34)
- D) As a reminder to all to remain established in the present truth (2 Pet. 1:12-15)
- E) There are those who need to learn, who need to wake up, and who need to be reminded of the foundational principles of truth – why we must constantly teach and drill Bible basics

### **II) The Goals of Spiritual Basic Training**

#### **A) Learning**

- 1) We must learn Christ and His ways (Matt. 11:28-29; Eph. 4:20-21; Col. 1:28)
- 2) Ignorance only leads to error and sin (Jer. 4:22; Hos. 4:6)

#### **B) Growing**

- 1) Growing up in knowledge and obedience to Christ (Eph. 4:14-15; 1 Pet. 2:2; 2 Pet. 3:18)

#### **C) Guarding**

- 1) Learn how to defend the truth and our faith (Phil. 1:17; 1 Tim. 6:20-21)
- 2) Learn how to resist and escape the devil (2 Cor. 2:11; 1 Pet. 5:8-9; 1 Cor. 10:13)

### **III) The Activity of Spiritual Basic Training**

#### **A) Studying**

- 1) Constant advancement in knowledge (2 Tim. 2:15)

#### **B) Exercising**

- 1) Constant repetition and use of acquired knowledge and skills (1 Tim. 4:6-9; Heb. 5:14)

#### **C) Doing**

- 1) Application of principles and truths to real life situations (Jas. 1:21-22, 25)

### **Basic Training Lessons for the Christian**

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| A) <b>Kingdom of God</b> – God’s Sovereign Rule           | F) <b>Salvation</b> – How We Are Saved from Sin          |
| B) <b>Truth</b> – Absolute, Complete, and Knowable        | G) <b>Church</b> – Prophecy, Establishment, Nature, Work |
| C) <b>Bible</b> – Divinely Inspired and All Sufficient    | H) <b>Worship/Fellowship</b> – Spiritual Obligations     |
| D) <b>Authority</b> – How Established and Applied         | I) <b>Morality</b> – Godly Living                        |
| E) <b>Scheme of Redemption</b> – God’s Great Plan for Man |  |

### Conclusion

The righteous man is to glory in understanding and knowing the Lord (Jer. 9:23-24). We need a heart to know the Lord and be His people (Jer. 24:7). This is accomplished by understanding what the will of the Lord is (Eph. 5:17). Drilling Bible basics will keep us on the right path.