

The five questions addressed in this Bible study are:

[2 Pet. 1:3-8]

1. What is the author's main point in this passage? (MAIN POINT)

The target of the question is what the author actually said (and did not say), not our 'want it to say'.

What things do we need for life and godliness?

2. What new light do I find in this particular reading of this passage of the text? (NEW LIGHT)

This question provides opportunity for the working of the Spirit during this particular reading of this passage on this particular occasion.

Compare these qualities to the fruit of the Spirit - Gal 5:22+

3. Is this passage true to my experience? (TRUTH)

Our spiritual journeys are ``experimental" as we search toward fuller understanding.

Do you have any (special) promises that encourage you?

4. What are the implications of this passage for my life? (IMPLICATIONS)

The center of the question is, "What difference, if any, does the passage make for my life?"

What does diligence mean to you in a day-to-day way?

5. What problems do I have with this passage? (PROBLEMS)

Understanding is never complete at any one time; it is a continuing dialogue between the text and life.

Is faith just the beginning?