



## Precept

**Precept-** a general rule intended to regulate behavior or thought. A command or principle intended as a general rule of action. Any commandment, instruction, or order intended as a rule of action or conduct; especially, a practical rule guiding behavior, technique, etc. in the scriptures the word which is translated “Precept” is a general term for the responsibility God places upon His people. The moral principle that behavior should be determined by duty. Type of; prescript, rule prescribed guide for conduct or action; a doctrine that is taught. Precept exists to engage people in relationship with God through knowing His Word, using the Precept Bible Study Method.

### How do you study the Bible precepts?

1. Precept Bible
2. Begin with Prayer,
3. Ask the “5 W’s and an H”
4. Mark key words and phrases.
5. A key word is one that is essential to the text.
6. Making lists can be one of the most enlightening things you do as you study.
7. Contrasts and comparisons use highly descriptive language to make it easier to remember what you’ve learned.

**Spiritual meaning** of precepts- a precept is a rule or direction, often with some religious basis, dictating a way you should act or behave. Precepts are little life lessons that are usually passed down to children by authority figures such as parents, teachers, or religious figures.

Studying the Bible is about more than head knowledge; **it’s about life-changing relationship with God.**

**Three Basic components:** Observation; Interpretation; Application.

Psalms 119:15 “I will **meditate** in thy **precepts** and have **respect** unto thy ways.”

**Meditate-** to complain, to muse, study, to talk; to meditate, consider, put forth thoughts.

**Precept-** commandment, statute; mandate of God.

**Respect-** favor or care; behold, consider, regard, have respect.