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"Study to shew thyself Approved Unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

2 Timothy 2:15 KJV

Apostle Paul is urging Timothy to study the Word of God. Why should we study the Word? To be Approved Unto God, that we may not be ashamed and know how to rightly handle the word of God. For Paul, theology was not just the science and study of God (Not Theos - Logos) but for him, it was knowing God for His Praise (Theos- Eulogeo). It is not just cerebral knowledge only but the learner should also practice what he learns. A good driver who has already learnt and practiced the art of driving can drive anywhere on road. A surgeon who has thoroughly learnt the principles and practiced surgery is not afraid to handle any complicated problems. That is what Paul says as the goal of bible study - to help people to develop a hermeneutically trained judgement as Jeff Reed puts it "*whose minds are trained by reason of experience to discern what is good and evil.*" (Hebrews 5:14) When we think about serious bible study, many may feel that the only way we can get is to go to a seminary and do theological education.

Many believe that theological education is meant for only a few holy men and women who are called out for a holy profession! I asked this question to a young Christian "who needs theological education?" and she did not hesitate to say "I do not need it because I am not going to become a Pastor's wife". Martin Luther looking at the people in his congregation said. "*Good God, what wretchedness I behold!*" *The common people especially those who live in the country have no knowledge whatever of the Christian teaching. Unfortunately, many pastors are quite incompetent and unfitted for teaching.*" Is this not true even today in most of our churches and so much more in the emerging churches?

As I write this, I am sharing our deep concern that unless we equip the leaders of the emerging churches, they will not be able to equip the new believers into mature disciples. That is the only way to ensure that the churches we plant are established as strong, healthy and reproducible. *As we are planning to start our New Batch in September would you please considerably join us in prayer as we seek the Lord's guidance as to how to go forward?*

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Pictures of our Church Believers in Rajasthan



Few Pictures from the Evangelism work



With our Pastors and Bible Women



Ministering during our Pastors Fellowship

Special Prayer Request

My Dear Respected Pastor/ friends, Greetings. As all of you are aware of and watching Media that Kerala is Reeling under Heavy rain, Land Slides and floods , people have lost their homes, Cloths and properties, lacking food grains and Drinking water. Many of our friends, relatives and fellow Believers are suffering very badly. Along with our Prayers, We must reach out these Victims in any Possible way Like Money, Cloths or food Items. Rehoboth Bible Church and Maters Plan Social Development Organizations Humbly request all of you to contribute whatever way so that we can reach out them at the earliest you can make your contribution. If you are able to help let us know we can send our Account Details if you e mail towards us.

Pray for

The people who are affected by flood and heavy rain in Kerala

The ministry of Rehoboth Bible Church

All our Pastors who are working in 9 States of India and Regional Directors

Pastor Johnly have completed 25 year in ministry in North India, also for his family and Ministry

Rehoboth School of Theology is starting its new batch in September also for the Financial needs of this school.

The convention and Pastors meeting in the month of October for 3 days also on 21st celebrating silver Jubilee, and for its needs we are praying for \$2500 for the tent, Chair, food, the rent of the premises

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