

Vital Knowledge

1. From how many different sources are you drawing your spiritual nourishment? What is the importance of drawing from more than one source?
2. Is your grip on Bible knowledge strong enough to help a friend cope with a sudden tragedy? What if they asked you for the source of the hope they see in you? Could you lead them to Christ?
3. Look at the teaching opportunities listed in Deuteronomy 6:4-9. How might some of these opportunities be captured for God in your home and in your schedule? How might this principle of teaching our children be translated into our fast-paced, freeway driving culture?
4. Gaining biblical knowledge seems to have at least two build-in dangers...the danger of pride and the danger of becoming rigid and narrow-minded. In what ways can you guard yourself against these twin spiritual hazards as you seek to grow in your knowledge of the truth?
5. Take another look at Paul's wholehearted prayer for believers in Philippians 1:9-11. What does it mean to "love with discernment"? How does this "way of seeing" affect your relationship with the world? With your family? With fellow believers? Take time to think and pray through a situation in your own life where you might apply this truth.
6. First Timothy 4:6 (New American Standard translation) speaks of being "*constantly nourished on the words of the faith and ...sound doctrine.*" What can you change in your daily schedule that would make it easier to draw this kind of nourishment from God's Word?