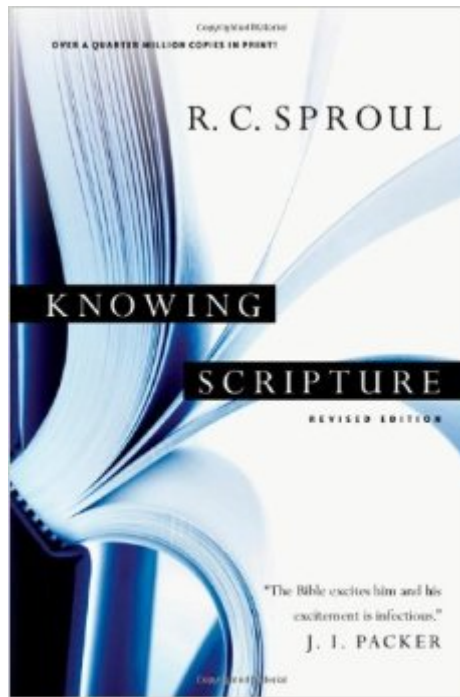


The book was found

Knowing Scripture



Synopsis

The Bible is the written Word of God, and it is treasured by many. But it is also an ancient book about people and cultures very different than us. Thus, while we know we should read it, many of us have a hard time understanding the Bible. In this updated edition of *Knowing Scripture*, R. C. Sproul helps us dig out the meaning of Scripture for ourselves. The author says, "The theme of this book is not how to read the Bible but how to study the Bible." He presents in simple, basic terms a commonsense approach to studying Scripture and gives eleven practical guidelines for biblical interpretation and applying what we learn. With a minimum of technical jargon, Sproul tackles some of the knotty questions regarding differences of interpreting the Bible, including discovering the meanings of biblical words, understanding Hebrew poetry, proverbs and parables, approaching historical and didactic passages, being careful with predictive prophecy, discerning how culture conditions the Bible, choosing and using Bible translations, commentaries, Bible software and other helps. *Knowing Scripture* is a basic book for both beginning Bible readers and experienced students of Scripture.

Book Information

Paperback: 152 pages

Publisher: IVP Books; Revised edition (March 25, 2009)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 083083723X

ISBN-13: 978-0830837236

Product Dimensions: 5.5 x 0.5 x 8.2 inches

Shipping Weight: 8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.8 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (85 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #28,683 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) [#18 in Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Bible Study & Reference > Criticism & Interpretation > Exegesis & Hermeneutics](#) [#294 in Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Bible Study & Reference > Bible Study](#) [#7059 in Books > Religion & Spirituality](#)

Customer Reviews

One of Satan's greatest triumphs is in convincing Christians to abandon the Bible, or at least keeping them from really mining its depths. He tries to convince us that the Bible is outdated, unimportant or less important than many other things. He tries to convince us that it is difficult to understand and that we should rely on others to interpret it for us. R.C. Sproul wrote *Knowing*

Scripture early in his career to address these concerns and out of a desire to see Christians dedicate themselves to a systematic study of the Bible. Written in 1977, this is one of Sproul's earliest but most important and highly recommended books. Sproul begins with an introduction to why we should read the Bible. He dispels myths regarding Scripture being too difficult to understand or too boring to hold our attention. From that foundation he shows how the principle of private interpretation was a pillar of the Reformation and thus remains a pillar of Protestantism. He explains what private interpretation is and what it is not. He shows, for example, that it does not preclude us from verifying our interpretations against those of others. He also stresses the need for objectivity as we read the Scripture. In short, he keeps us from viewing private interpretation as being a method of forcing Scripture to say what we want it to say. He dedicates a chapter to an introduction to hermeneutics. Do not be scared by this technical word as it simply means "a list of rules and guidelines for interpreting Scripture." Some of the concepts he introduces are: * The analogy of faith. This says that Scripture interprets Scripture, or that one passage supports and explains another. It also means that one part of Scripture never corrects another part, for Scripture needs to correction.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Knowing Scripture The Great Themes of Scripture: Old Testament (Great Themes of Scripture Series) Genesis to Jesus: Studying Scripture from the Heart of the Church (Journey Through Scripture) A Designer's Research Manual: Succeed in Design by Knowing Your Clients and What They Really Need (Design Field Guide) Design Elements, 2nd Edition: Understanding the rules and knowing when to break them - Updated and Expanded Knowing When to Stop: A Memoir Knowing Dance The Book: On the Taboo Against Knowing Who You Are Knowing the Enemy: Jihadist Ideology and the War on Terror Gizmos & Gadgets: Creating Science Contraptions That Work (& Knowing Why) (Williamson Kids Can!) Hebrews: A 12-Week Study (Knowing the Bible) Psalms: A 12-Week Study (Knowing the Bible) Experiencing God - Leader Guide: Knowing and Doing the Will of God Knowing & Seeing, 4th Edition The Book of Not Knowing: Exploring the True Nature of Self, Mind, and Consciousness Take Your Eye Off the Puck: How to Watch Hockey By Knowing Where to Look Knowing the Imams Becoming Acquainted with the Imams Volume 3 Click!: The Girl's Guide to Knowing What You Want and Making It Happen FOREX Currency Pairs Explained: Knowing The Foreign Exchange Pairs and how to trade them without shrinking your balance The Book on Estimating Rehab Costs: The Investor's Guide to Defining Your Renovation Plan, Building Your Budget, and Knowing Exactly How Much It All Costs (BiggerPockets Presents...)

[Dmca](#)