

"Expansion and Refinement"

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At this point we have considered six of the seven steps you may take in an in-depth bible study. Those steps thus far have been – surveying the text, analyzing the text (Contextual, formal, & detailed), synthesis, and the one we looked at last week, reflection. If the bible student has followed these steps there should be a better understanding of the text, then when they first started. This understanding may not be perfect or without flaw, but hopefully it is more developed than when first began.

The last step is expansion and refinement. Unfortunately, this is where some bible students begin, but it is error to do so. Expansion and refinement are where one considers outside writings in relation to their study. This would be where one might look at a commentary, study bible, or maybe even sermons. It is not a bad thing to consider these sources, but it should be the last step in the study after you have already begun to grasp the text yourself.

The reason this should be your last step instead of the first step is found in II Timothy 4:3,4. There are plenty of wonderful sources you can find to enhance your studies, however there are also many sources that promote false doctrines. If you do not have a grasp on the text for yourself when you go to an outside source, it may be easier for a bible student to be led astray. It may also be more difficult to clear the mind and develop your own thoughts in studying a text if there are already someone else's thoughts swirling in your head. Expansion and refinement is an important step but it is a step that most not be done out of order.



Welcome

TO
KOUNTZE
CHURCH OF CHRIST

Nov.

“Let the word of
Christ dwell in you
richly in all wisdom”
Colossians 3:16

5th

Meeting Times

Sunday Bible Class – 9:30

AM Worship – 10:30

PM Worship – 1:30

Wednesday Night Bible Class – 7:00

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Kountze Church of Christ

Today's Lessons

AM.....Structure of the Church
PM.....Singing

Those to Serve

Greeters..... Trish Fisher & Beverly Welch
Announcements.....Bud Wolcott
Song Leader..... Sterling McDonald
Opening Prayer.....
Communion Leader.....
Sermon.....Corey Tackett
Closing Prayer.....

NEXT Weeks Greeters.....Bud Wolcott & Marie Smith

Announcements

- Join us @6:00PM on Wednesdays at the Kountze Nursing Home for singing.
- TODAY is first Sunday Fellowship!
- Camp Red Oak Springs will have their Fall Retreat on the 17th-19th. Sign-up is online.
- If your know of someone who could benefit from the Thanksgiving Care Bags please let Steve or Cindy know. They will be delivered on the 19th after second service.

Records

Sunday AM.....70	Wednesday PM.....25
Sunday PM.....21	Contribution.....\$2934

Upcoming Events:

November

- 5th Daylight Savings Time
- 19th Thanksgiving Care Bag Delivery
- 17th-19th CROS Fall Retreat
- 23rd Thanksgiving Day

Visitors,

You are welcome and wanted. We are glad you made the decision to be with us.

If you have any questions or needs, please reach out to any of our members and we'll be more than happy to help you.

If you're looking for a Church home, we'd love the opportunity to study with you and have you join our congregation's family.

Prayer Requests and Updates

Members:

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| - Ed & Linda Bumstead. | Ruth Young |
| - Gaylon Williams. | Carolyn & Newal Yarbrough |
| - Fred Johnson | |
| - Dwaine Baker | |
| - Ray Tyrone | |
| Shirly Morris | |
| Tommy Williams | |

Family and Friends:

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| - Tony Wright | - Sandra Golden |
| - Mary Ann Hatton | - Tammy Wright |
| - Ella Thomas | - Jordan Whatley |
| | - Jaunita Hatton |