Good Students

"How to" books are popular sellers in many stores. It we want to "do-it-ourself" we generally look to a book written that will help us accomplish our task. The concept of books dealing with _____ for Dummies has also increased in popularity because they are written in a much simpler language for those of us who struggle with a given task.

As we apply these facts to a spiritual topic, we see the pertinence of becoming a good student. We have been given the greatest "How to" book ever delivered to man. However, if we are going to benefit from it, we must develop our skills as students. We must first have a desire to learn. If not, we will be wasting our time reading it. We must recognize the book as inspired, which will cause us to take it more seriously than other books. We will read open-mindedly and will eagerly put into practice the things we have learned.

The Hebrew writer refers to those who were expected to have progressed in their knowledge of God's Word, but had not done so (Heb. 5:12-14). I believe the same can be said for a majority of Christians today. Many have failed to progress in their faith because they have not been good students of the Word. If that characterizes our approach to study, may we correct such things by becoming better students of His Word.

Sermon Outline:

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A Good Student Must...

- 1. Desire to Learn
- 2. Rid Himself of Preconceived Ideas
- 3. Love the Truth
- 4. Be Persistent
- 5. Be Courageous