

## Community Group Questions

1. How did Jesus get to know the O.T so well? Did he know everything he did about Scripture from the moment of his birth, or did he have to learn the O.T like everyone else? (See Luke 2:40-52).
2. Knowledge of the Word was a high priority for Jesus. If we are to walk as he walked, then the Word must be a high priority for us as well. How well do you know the Word of God? Have you read through the entire Bible? Do you study it daily? How can you increase your knowledge of the Word of God?
3. What should be our goal(s) in studying Scripture?
4. Think through the messages in the series 'Walking as Jesus Walked'. Put together a picture of Jesus' priorities based on the various messages. What were the things he was devoted to? How does an understanding of Jesus' priorities shape your priorities?
5. According to Jesus the Bible is inspired by God (See Matthew 22:41-44; 2 Peter 1:20-21; 2 Timothy 3:15-17). What does 'inspiration' mean in 2 Timothy 3:16? What does it not mean?
6. How significant is Jesus' statement in Matthew 23:35 for his belief in the Word of God? Why is this passage so significant?
7. How might you respond to someone who says the Bible has been corrupted? If the Bible is corrupted, then what does this say about Jesus' teaching in the following passages (Matthew 5:17-18, John 10:34-36)?
8. What can we learn from Jesus about using the Bible in defending ourselves against spiritual attack (Read Matthew 4:1-11)? What O.T passages did Jesus quote from? What does this tell you about how well Jesus knew the Word? How important is it to know the Word of God in light of what Jesus modeled for us in Matthew 4?
9. What goal(s) could you establish for yourself regarding the reading of the Word of God? How can you challenge yourself? How can you push yourself?
10. How can you keep yourself from merely the pursuit of knowing the Word and not knowing the Lord?