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Fundamentals of a Very Personal, Meaningful and
Productive Relationship with God

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PART 1

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1. The Battle for the human soul

- Adam and Eve's soul
- Death by sin
- Current battle for the human soul: 2 Co. 4:3-4
- It's Christ alone, completely apart from works: Ro: 4:5
- BUT: Romans 10:17!!

2. The Battle for the Truth of God

- Adam and Eve created and in the Garden of Eden: Genesis 1:26-29; 2:7-9, 15-17
- Satan deceives and tricks Eve: she and Adam sin: Genesis 3:1-4
- Jesus and Satan: Matthew 4:1-10
- Warning: You can be Biblical and be totally wrong!

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3. The intended effect of Bible Study

- Keys that unlock the door to every passage of scripture
- 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Benefits only unique to scripture:
 - 1) Doctrine: content of what we are to believe
 - 2) Reproof: chiding, rebuke, bringing conviction
 - 3) Correction: correct inaccurate beliefs, interpretation, and application of God's Word
 - 4) Instruction in Righteousness: training and education

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4. God's prescribed approach to Bible study

- Profitable: 2 Timothy 2:15 = Rightly divide
- The Bible is *not* whatever it means to me!
- Study; workman
- Two outcomes: approved
- Ashamed

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- For us: Romans 15:4

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- The three key divisions:

- 1) Ephesians 2:4-7 – The ages to come

- 2) Ephesians 2:11-12 – Time Past

- 3) Ephesians 2:13-16; 4-6 – But now

- Other “But Now”: Romans 3:21; 6:22; 7:6

- I Corinthians 12:18-20

6. Things Revealed, Things Hidden

- Acts 3:21, Ro. 16:25