

A LOOK AT "LEARN"

John 6:44-45

INTRODUCTION

- A. Define: Strong's #3129 *μανθάνω* [*manthano* /man-than-o; "1 to learn, be appraised. 1A to increase one's knowledge, to be increased in knowledge. 1B to hear, be informed. 1C to learn by use and practice. 1c1 to be in the habit of, accustomed to."
- B. To "learn" is to progress. When fully considered, learning can involve intellection, moral and general character advancement.
- C. What does the Bible teach about learning?
 - 1. To learn implies teaching. PS 119:33.
 - 2. The state of learning and lack of learning are both recognized. RO 15:14.
 - 3. Learning is required. 2 PE 3:16.
 - 4. Learning is possible. CO 1:10.
 - 5. God has provided the means for learning. EP 3:4.

DISCUSSION

- I. WE ARE TO LEARN OF JESUS.
 - A. MT 11:29.
 - B. JN 6:44-45.
- II. WE ARE TO LEARN THE MEANING.
 - A. MT 9:13.
 - B. It is not enough to just memorize scripture or read it; we are to learn the meaning. Learning in this sense involves imbibing with our understanding and heart; it implies practical and full application.
- III. WE ARE TO LEARN DOCTRINE.
 - A. Too many are attempting to de-emphasize doctrine!
 - B. RO 16:17-18.
- IV. ALL MAY LEARN.
 - A. It is God's design and desire that the assembly be used for education. In general, all of God's people are to learn.
 - B. 1 CO 14:31, 35.
- V. WE ARE TO LEARN TO SHOW PIETY AT HOME.
 - A. 1 TI 5:4.
 - B. To show piety at home means to address the physical needs of those within our households and those such as parents and grandparents. What a sweeping change this would make (if all did it) regarding the financial draw involving America (relief programs, etc.).
- VI. WE ARE TO LEARN OBEDIENCE.
 - A. Many in America and even in the church today are defiant. Suffering is needed to produce a contrite spirit of obedience.
 - B. HE 5:8-9.
- VII. WE ARE TO CONTINUE IN LEARNING.
 - A. 2 TI 3:14.
 - B. "Continue" – It's not a suggestion – it is a command (Present Active Imperative).

CONCLUSION

- A. 2 PE 3:16.
- B. The importance and urgency of learning is seen in 2 PE 3: 16. We need knowledge to avoid spiritual destruction.