



Lesson I Study Guide

How Firm a Foundation

Introduction

Prepare for this study by reading the scriptures we will be referring to in Lesson I. Begin at the beginning by reading *2 Timothy 2: 14, 15* and *Genesis, Chapter 1*.

After you read *2 Timothy 2: 14, 15* and *Genesis, Chapter 1*, answer the following questions as thoughtfully as you can. *Make notes about any questions you have about what you read:*

1. Read *2 Timothy 2: 14, 15*. What can you say about your reasons for studying the Bible?

2. What do you hope to gain from the time you spend in this Bible Study? We will use this section after completing this series of lessons to evaluate how your expectations were/were not met:

3. Read about the history, lyrics and scriptural influence of the well know Christian hymn *How Firm a Foundation* by clicking on this link: [How Firm a Foundation](#). What do you think is meant by the word “foundation” as it is used in this Hymn?





4. Read *Matthew 13:34-35* and *Luke 6:48*. What do you observe about the difference in the way the word “foundation” is used in these two verses?

5. Refer to *Genesis 1*. How did God produce all that He created as described in these verses? What action did He take?

6. Read *Deuteronomy 8:3*. According to this verse how does man live? How does this scripture add meaning to the Genesis account of creation?

7. Read *Luke 6:45*. According to this verse what is the source of what comes out of our mouth (what we speak)?





8. List the creative activity of God in order, by day: start with Day 1 – what did God create on each day? For reference you might want to include the verse where each activity is recorded.

Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Day 4

Day 5

Day 6

9. In the first chapter of Genesis – the account of God’s creation in six days – how many times does the word “good” appear? What might be the significance, if any, of the number of times “good” appears in this account?

10. Consider what you have read in *Deuteronomy 8: 3* and *Luke 6: 45*. What must have been God’s intention as He spoke in Genesis 1?





11. Read *Hebrews 13: 8* and *Malachi 3: 6*. According to these two verses what is God's intention towards man today?

12. What conclusion can you draw about God's attitude toward you, as an individual, based on this study and the answers you found in Scripture?

13. Think about why it might be important to begin a bible study in Genesis? What might we discover about God's plan for us by starting at the beginning?

