

## ***Attitudes We Bring When We Engage and Engaged By Scripture***

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We as a church are committed to opening Scripture together and joining the conversation. As we do this we are invited to come to this encounter with a certain attitude.

- \*\*Come prayerfully asking that the Holy Spirit might guide our study and that Christ might be among us.
- \*\*Come to the Bible humbly, asking for the gift of faith and ever mindful of our own capacity for sin and self-deceit.
- \*\*Come mindfully, bringing to our study the gifts of reason, the tools of scholarship, and the insights of others.
- \*\*Come attentively, reading Scripture carefully and closely, and listening to those with us and around us.
- \*\*Come in the context of a faithful community, letting our own stories interact with the stories of the Bible.
- \*\*Come expectantly, listening for the voice of God working through the text to inspire, shape, and enliven us individually and as a community of faith.

May we be deeply enriched by our conversations as we engage and are engaged by the Bible again and again. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all as we walk together with the Spirit on the journey to which God is calling us.



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