

Literal/Living Bible Study

For this study, you will need a resource such as a study Bible or commentary. If you don't own one, Biblegateway.com provides free online resources.

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<p>Literal <i>Use a resource to study the passage's meaning based on history, context, culture, etc.</i></p>	
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Living/Literal Bible Study Sample

<p>Passage <i>Write the scripture in your own words or, if a longer section, summarize.</i></p>	<p>2 Corinthians 2:14-17 God uses us to spread his knowledge everywhere. Our lives are like perfume wafting up to him. Unbelievers don't smell the good fragrance but, instead, smell decay from the Gospel. We, ministers, take our job seriously because God is watching.</p>
<p>Literal <i>Use a resource to study the passage's meaning based on history, context, culture, etc.</i></p>	<p>Some people in the Corinthian church have spread rumors about Paul. They accuse him of being unreliable and a liar. Paul is defending himself and his actions before Christ and this congregation.</p>
<p>Living <i>How is the Holy Spirit using this passage to speak to you? How does the HS want you to apply this passage to your life?</i></p>	<p>Am I living my life in a way that rises up to God like a "sweet perfume?" Also, I need to be sure that what I teach is grounded in God's Word and not my opinions. That way I know I am "preaching the word of God with sincerity and with Christ's authority."</p>