

In Search of True Believers  
(Part 1) The Dangers of Biblical Illiteracy

Most people who \_\_\_\_\_ to be believers, do not know much about that which they claim to believe

*“the Christian body in America is immersed in a crisis of biblical illiteracy.” (George Barna)*

Most “Christians do not know or understand the basic tenets or \_\_\_\_\_ of the bible

There is a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ within the church

(Amos 8:1–14) Wickedness, mourning and weeping

(v.1-3) A people \_\_\_\_\_ for punishment

God has had enough

(v.4-10) God does not \_\_\_\_\_ unrepentant sin

Anyone who rejects God’s \_\_\_\_\_ deliberately and knowingly puts himself/herself under God’s judgment

(v.11-12) Amos paints a picture of people without \_\_\_\_\_ to God’s revelation searching for a message from God

They resemble desperate people — \_\_\_\_\_ and dehydrated — in search of food and water.

God’s people are under God’s \_\_\_\_\_

They want a message from God, but are not \_\_\_\_\_ it - time is up

In our case, we have \_\_\_\_\_ access to the Good News, we often don’t want it.

(v.13-14) \_\_\_\_\_ will escape the judgment

How do we \_\_\_\_\_ our trajectory?

Remove time consuming \_\_\_\_\_ to find balance

These fun and interesting or empty activities occupy time \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ away from God’s Word.

\_\_\_\_\_ your life to find a proper balance of activities in relationship to one another

Unless we decided at some point to begin to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible on our own, we will never be able to find anything in the Bible, not even the stories.