

Prayer before reading scripture.

Shine in my heart, loving master, with the pure light of Your divine knowledge, and open the eyes of my mind that I may comprehend the message of Your Gospel. Instill in me also deep respect for Your blessed commandments so that, having conquered sinful desires, I may pursue a spiritual life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing to You. For You, Christ our Lord, are the light of our souls and bodies, and to You we give glory together with Your Father who is without beginning, and Your All Holy, Good and Life-Giving Spirit, now and for evermore. Amen