

## THE DECALOGUE OF ILLITERATE EVANGELICALS

Evangelicals, including both church leadership and Christian parents in the home, who do not give utmost appreciation, attention, and respect to thoroughly understanding & teaching the Bible, are in fact, teaching future generations a powerful set of beliefs with terrible consequences:

<b>1</b>	It is not important for you to know the whole counsel of Scripture.	Studying all 66 books of the Bible makes no difference to your spiritual life.	<b>6</b>
<b>2</b>	The questions which you naturally ask about God requires no serious study of Scripture.	By implication what God says in His written Word does not make any difference either.	<b>7</b>
<b>3</b>	There's not much about Scripture that is worth passing on to you.	Teaching you how to study the Scripture <i>in context</i> requires no training.	<b>8</b>
<b>4</b>	To think about God and His ways adequately at church or at home, no diligent & purposeful study of the Scripture is required.	There is no important relationship between having a Scripture-filled mind and being spiritual.	<b>9</b>
<b>5</b>	A healthy physical body and intellectual acuity is <i>more</i> important than a healthy spiritual life.	Competent understanding and application of Scripture may marginalize your social status as a Christian and/or hinder your evangelistic testimony to a non-believing world.	<b>10</b>