



# Scripture and Franciscans

A number of things are required of Secular Franciscans in relation to the Bible.

1. Our guidebook is the Bible – we use it!
2. Jesus and his words have special value to us. We listen to Him.
3. In Fraternal Gatherings we share insights and reflections for implementing the Gospel in everyday life.
4. When we are puzzled about texts, we seek competent help.
5. We avoid literalistic attitudes that limit the power of Scripture.
6. We work to deepen our understanding of Scripture.
7. We avoid attitudes that use Scripture to condemn others or identify them as non-salvageable.
8. The circle of our love must never become narrow. We seek to include rather than exclude people.
9. We use Scripture for prayer as well as study, letting its power touch us and soak into our lives!

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