

LIFETIME SCRIPTURE MEMORY

I. CONVICTION AND COMMITMENT

THE TWO MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IN SCRIPTURE MEMORY:

- 1. THAT YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD WANTS YOU TO DO IT
AND**
- 2. THAT YOU MAKE THE DECISION TO COMMIT YOURSELF TO LIFETIME SCRIPTURE MEMORY.**

A. Conviction

1. What does the Bible say about whether we should memorize scripture?

Prov. 7:1-3 "My son, keep my words, and treasure my commandments within you. Keep my commandments and live, and my teaching as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers; write them on the tablet of your heart.

Deut. 6:6,7

And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart and you shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk in the way and when you lie down and when you rise."

Ps.119:11 "Thy Word have I hid in mine heart that I may not sin against Thee."

II. REASONS FOR SCRIPTURE MEMORY

A. IT BUILDS US UP SPIRITUALLY Acts 20:32

"And now I commend you to God and the Word of His

grace which is able to build you up and give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.”

1. It gives the Holy Spirit access to us 24 hours a day.
Eph. 6:17 "And take the helmet of salvation and the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God."

a. The Word Will Keep Us From Sin. **PS 119-9,11**

B. To Minister The Word To Others

I Cor.14:1 NASB "But he who prophecies speaks to men for edification and exhortation and consolation."

a. Edification Means It Builds Them Up Acts 20:32

b. Exhortation Means Admonition Or Encouragement

Acts 20:31 "Therefore be always alert and on your guard, being mindful that for three years I never stopped night or day seriously to admonish and advise and exhort you one by one with tears."

c. Consolation Means Calming Or Comforting I Th. 4:16-18

III. MOTIVATION IN SCRIPTURE MEMORY

1. THE IMPACT OF THE LIFE OF ANOTHER MAN'S LIFE

2. LIFETIME SCRIPTURE MEMORY WITH REVIEW GIVES 100% RETENTION - YOU CAN REMEMBER IT

3. People say, "I can't memorize" John 3:16

4. Some people say Scripture memory is for kids

Eph.6:17

5. The Key Is Repetition review, review, review

6. How To Memorize Scripture

THE METHOD FOR LIFETIME SUCCESS:

a. Carrying Navigator Size Cards 2 3/4" X 1 3/4"

b. How long should I remember a verse? The objective is to remember it for life.

In order to effectively memorize a verse you will have to review it every day for 8 weeks and then put it in a back review system that gets you through it weekly. In a moment I'll show you a review system that works for life.

IV. PRINCIPLES OF SCRIPTURE MEMORY

A. HOW TO MEMORIZE A VERSE

- 1) Print the verse on one side of a verse card.
- 2) Flip the card over (instead of turning it around) and print the reference in the middle.

Genesis 1:1

On the bottom left print the month and day you are memorizing it. On the bottom right print the month and day two months from the day you memorize it. In the bottom middle print the year.

Sep. 20 2003 Nov. 20

The date two months from now is the date you will stop reviewing daily and start reviewing it weekly.

- 3) Memorize by phrases in the verse. Memorize one phrase at a time, using the reference, adding phrase by phrase until the entire verse is committed to memory. Say each phrase 10 times by itself then add them together and say the whole

verse 10 times.

4) Say the reference before and after you quote the verse.
The reference is the hardest part to remember so we say it twice when quoting the verse.

5) Learning Genesis 1:1

Say "Genesis 1:1 In the beginning" 10 times.

Say "God created the heavens and the earth"

Genesis 1:1 10 times

Say "Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" Genesis 1:1 10 times

6) Review this verse each day for 2 months by looking only at the side with the reference. Get someone to check you.

Quote the verse aloud. Pray over the verse, asking God to make the meaning clear and applicable to you. then put it in a weekly review system.

7) When reviewing look at only the reference to prompt yourself. If you forget the verse, go through the above learning procedure again.

8) Commit yourself to never going to bed without getting your scripture memory review done.

C. How can we stay motivated to do it?

1) Be around others who are doing it.

2) It Takes Accountability

d. Where do I get the verses? Anyplace God Speaks To Your Heart.

Your Q.T. , Bible Reading, Bible Study,
Messages, T.M.S., Other Nav packs

e. Which translation?

- 1) Use your preferred carrying Bible or the one that got your attention on the verse.
Try to make sure it is accurate.
- 2) Memorize out of what God speaks out of.
- 3) Have a future memory page

f. What pace should I work at?

Set a goal that you can hit.

- 1) Begin with 1/wk
- 2) As you go along I'd encourage you to do more. Try for at least 2 per week
- 3) One a wk is 52/year, 520 in ten years
- 4) Two a wk is 104/yr, 1040 in ten years

f. When should I do this?

6. Be Alert To Opportunities To Get Unsaved People To Review You

B. HOW TO HAVE A LIFETIME BACK REVIEW

EFFECTIVE SCRIPTURE MEMORY COMES THROUGH DEVELOPING THE FOLLOWING GOOD HABITS.

1. Date The Verse When You Memorize It And Review It Every Day For 2 Months. This Is Called Your "Current Review". After The 2 Months Is Over, Take The Verses Out And Put Them In A Weekly "Back Review" System

USING A VERSE BOX.

a. How to make a verse box and dividers.

2. Divide The Number Of Verses In Your Back Review By The Number Of Days You Want To Review Them In.

**EXAMPLE: 35 VERSES / 5 DAYS = 7 VERSES PER DAY
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**

**OR... 35 VERSES / 7 DAYS = 5 VERSES PER DAY
SUNDAY THROUGH SATURDAY**

3. Put An Equal Number Into Each Day's "Back Review" And Put A Title Card In Front Of Each Group With The Day Of The Week Printed On It. Carry Your "Current Review" Verses In One Side Of The Verse pack And Your "Back Review" Verses In The Other Side. As You Begin Each Day, Put That Day's Back Review In Your Verse Pack And Always Carry Your Verse pack With You All The Time, Just Like Your Keys. That Way You Can "Redeem The Time" And The Spare Moments Of Your Life Can Count For Eternity.

4. Review Review Review

When Driving, Waiting, Exercising, Etc.

Have A Regular Time If Possible **But**
Don't Go To Bed Without Reviewing!

5. When You Get Behind, Always Do Today's "Back Review" Verses First Before Trying To Catch Up With Yesterday's Verses. That Way You Can Get Back On Track Today.

6. As You Continue To Memorize, Get A Verse Box To Hold Your Back Review. Make Tabs To Separate The Days.

7. When Your Back Review Is Too Much To Handle Or When You Get To 30 To 40 Verses Per Day, Go To A Two Week Review.

EXAMPLE: SUN I, MON I, ... SAT I
SUN II, MON II,...SAT II

8. Eventually You Will Need To Have A Three Week And Then A Four Week Review System.

Visualize Yourself Knowing 520 Verses

2 Verses Per Wk X 52 Wks = 104 Verses Per Yr

104 Verses Per Year X 5 Years = 520 Verses

520 Verses / 14 Days = 38 Verses To Review Per/Day

If You Really Want To Think Big....

Visualize Yourself Knowing 2080 Verses

2 Verses Per Wk X 52 Wks = 104 Verses Per Yr

104 Verses Per Year X 20 Years = 2080 Verses

2080 Verses / 28 Days = 75 Verses Per/Day

Be Encouraged, You Can Do It, One Verse At A Time.

Verse Packs and Verse Cards Are Available At.

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SUNDAY I

MONDAY I

TUESDAY I

WEDNESDAY I

THURSDAY I

FRIDAY I

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