

**2016 Key Men Invitational
Scripture Memory
Workshop**

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Why Memorize Scripture?

1. Do you wish that you knew the Bible better?
 2. Do you wish that you were better at applying specific scriptures to life's decisions? Scripture memory can help you "index" the Bible.
 3. We are rightly handle the word of truth (2 Timothy 2:15).
 4. We are to live on every word from God (Matthew 4:4).
 5. We are to abide in Christ's word (John 8:31).
 6. Scripture memory WILL help you with ...
- Wisdom
 - Faith
 - Perspective
 - Guarding your mind
 - Temptation
 - Prayer
 - Ministering to others
 - Fellowship with Jesus
 - Plus much more!



Scripture Memory is Easier Than You Think

“I know of no other single practice in the Christian life more rewarding, practically speaking, than memorizing Scripture . . . No other single exercise pays greater spiritual dividends! Your prayer life will be strengthened. Your witnessing will be sharper and much more effective. Your attitudes and outlook will begin to change. Your mind will become alert and observant. Your confidence and assurance will be enhanced. Your faith will be solidified.”

Chuck Swindoll
Seasons of Life

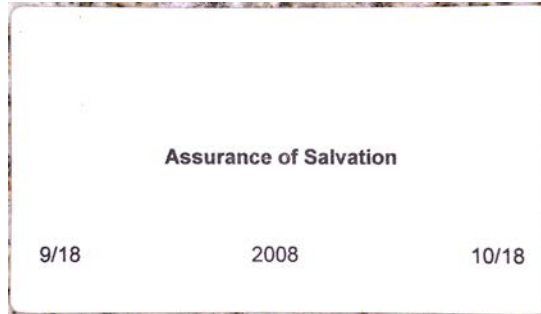
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memorizing your address
and phone number?

Play the Abby video.

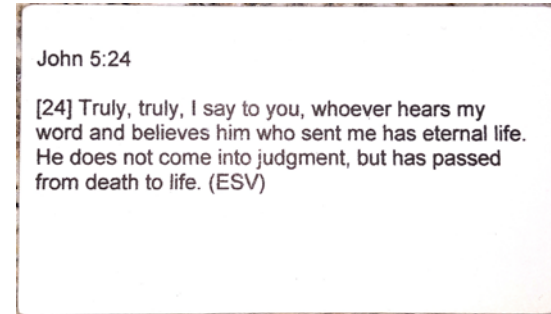


Scripture Memory Plan

Layout for verse cards



Front



Back

Review in this order:

Topic → Reference → Passage → Reference

- Write start date on left and finish date (30 or 60 days) on right.
- Fully memorize the scripture on the 1st day.
- Anchor first 2 words to topic/reference by repeating 10 times.
- Add a phrase and repeat 10 times.
- Add phrases until you say the complete verse 10 times.
- You can put the reference on the front instead of a topic.
- I like to put the translation in parentheses.
- Review the verse at least once a day until the finish date.
- Word perfect is the standard.

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Make This Method Your Own!

- If 10 times doesn't do it for you try 30/25/20
- Visual memorization or other mnemonics are powerful techniques.
 - The Hebrews 10:24-25 salad.
 - The Romans 1:16 for/to pattern.
- I know a man that never rewrites his hand written verses!
- I use an Excel spreadsheet and a Word mail merge document.
- I have friends that use a scripture memory app on their phone.



Scripture Memory

“You Learn Something; You Learn It!”



Play the Barney video.

Do you still remember all of your old addresses and phone numbers?

Strategy for a Lifetime of Review

Current Review

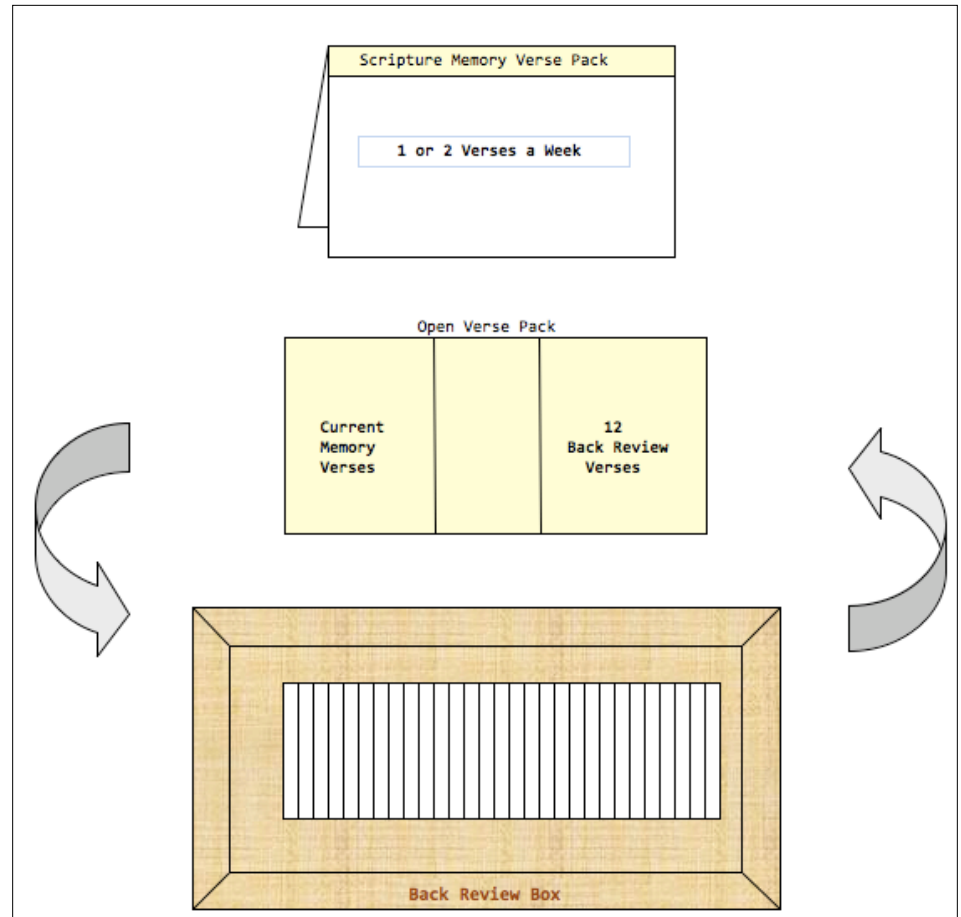
- Review every day for 1 month.
- One verse per week means only 4 new verses at a time.

Back Review

- Review once a week to keep them accurate in your mind.
- Divide your total set into 7 sections and swap out a section each day.

Daily Review

- Review verses during spare moments during the day.
- Finish the pack at night before you go to bed or the next day or punt.
- The goal is to review each scripture once/week.



Make Technology Work for You!

Memory Scripture List.xlsm - Microsoft Excel

Home Insert Page Layout Formulas Data Review View Developer Acrobat

Clipboard Font Alignment Number Styles Cells Editing

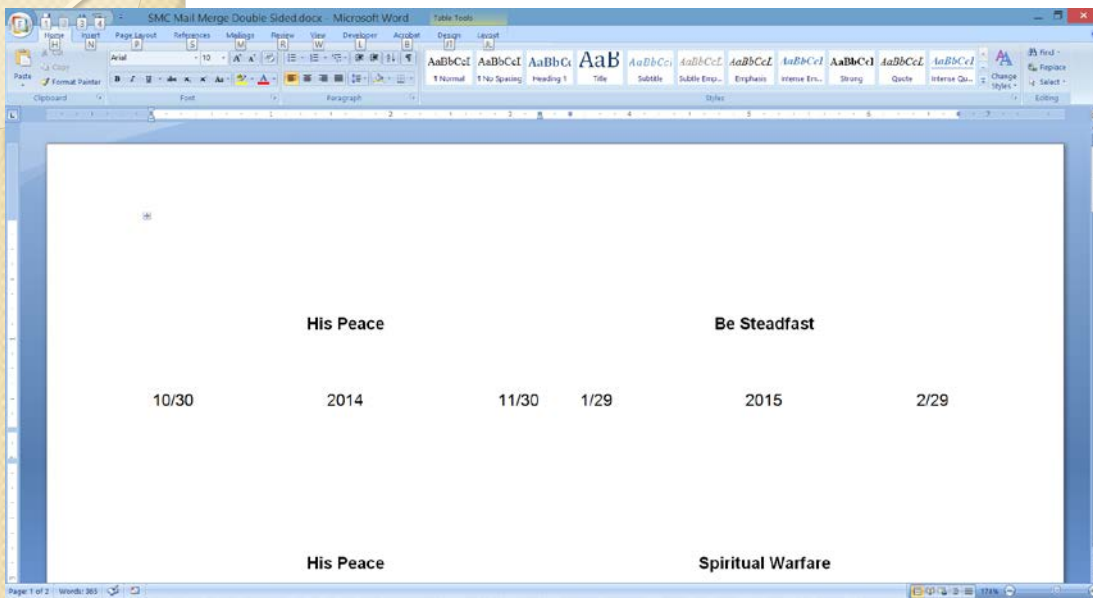
A1 Topic

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Topic	Reference	Year	Start Date	End Date	Alt. Ref.	Count	Alternate Passage
2	Assurance of Salvation	John 5:24	2008	9/18	10/18	These 9	399	This first field is necessary so that MS Word wi
3	Assurance of Answered Prayer	John 16:24	2008	9/25	10/25	rows are		This spreadsheet is a backup in case any or all
4	Assurance of Victory	1 Corinthians 10:13	2008	10/2	11/2	blank so		
5	Assurance of Forgiveness	1 John 1:9	2008	10/9	11/9	that a		
6	Assurance of Guidance	Proverbs 3:5-6	2008	10/16	11/16	single 2-page		
7	Walking with Christ	1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	2008	10/23	11/23	Word document		
8	Purity	Job 31:1	2008	11/23	12/23	can print		
9	Purity	Matthew 5:28	2008	12/30	1/30	both front		
10	Spiritual Warfare	Proverbs 17:9	2009	4/12	5/12	and back.		↓ If this column turns red, there are too many character
11	Peacemaker	Galations 6:1	2009	4/19	5/19	John 16:24	109	[24] Until now you have asked nothing in my n
12	Spiritual Warfare	2 Timothy 2:22-23	2009	4/26	5/26	John 5:24	174	[24] Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears m
13	Spiritual Warfare	2 Timothy 2:24-26	2009	5/2	6/2	1 John 1:9	124	[9] If we confess our sins, he is faithful and jus
14	Spiritual Warfare	Galations 5:22-23	2009	3/30	4/30	1 Corinthians 10:13	241	[13] No temptation has overtaken you that is i
15	Spiritual Warfare	Proverbs 18:13	2009	4/5	5/5	1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	145	[16] Rejoice always, [17] pray without ceasing
16	Christ the Center	2 Corinthians 5:17	2009	6/4	7/4	Proverbs 3:5-6	167	[5] Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and d
17	Christ the Center	Galations 2:20	2009	6/4	7/4	Matthew 5:28	136	[28] But I say to you that everyone who looks
18	Obedience to Christ	Romans 12:1-2	2009	6/11	7/11	Job 31:1	81	[1] "I made a covenant with my eyes not to lo
19	Obedience to Christ	John 14:21	2009	6/11	7/11	Galations 6:1	178	[1] Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgr

Sheet1

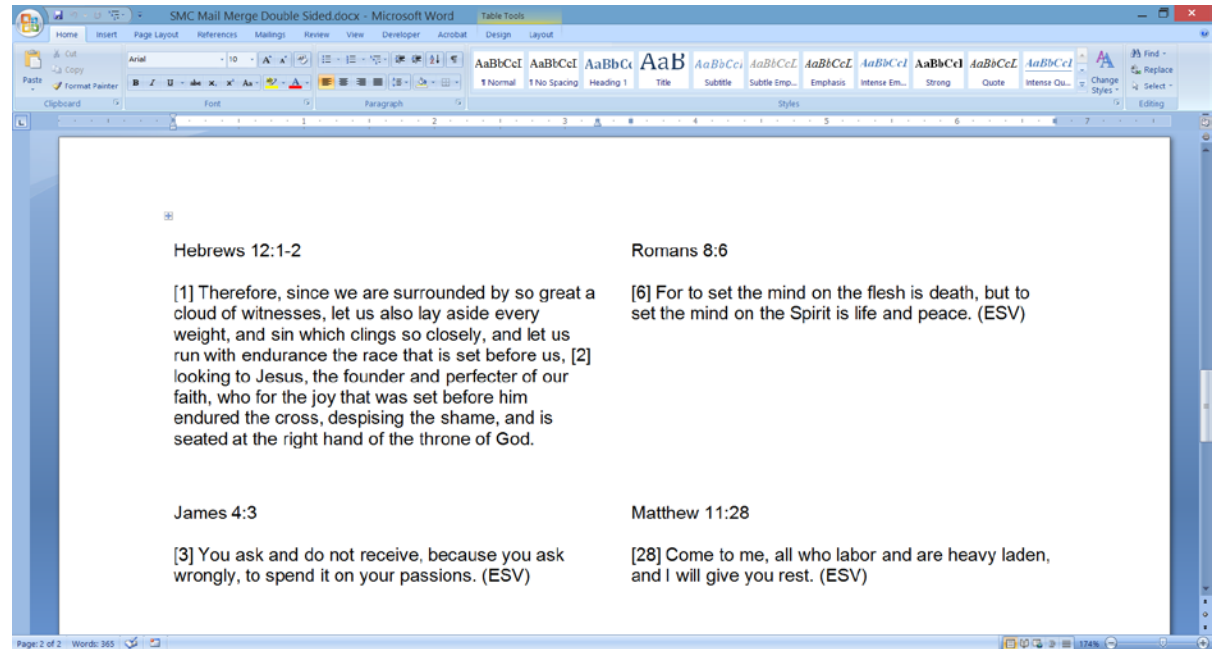
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Memorize † Meditate † Apply



MS Word pulls the info from spreadsheet.

I print it on 8½ x 11 business card sheets (10 cards).



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“Remember Me” App

New List

- Enter verses to memorize in the future.
- If God speaks to you about a verse, add it to the list!

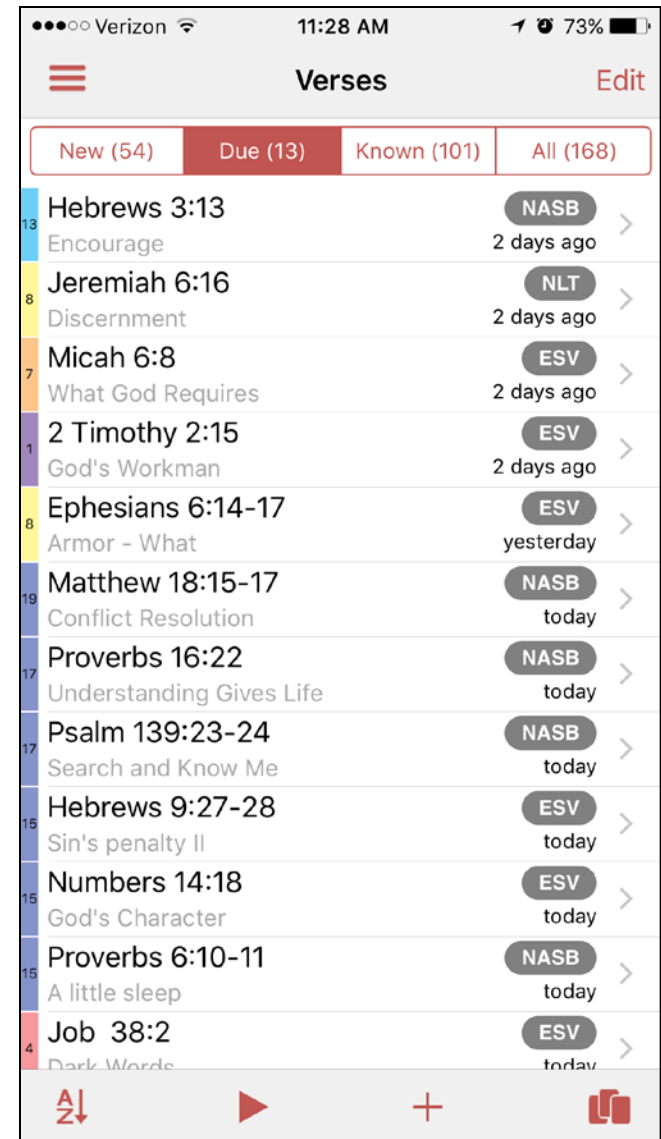
Due List

- These are the verses (committed or known) that you will review for the day.
- You can tell the app that you haven't memorized a committed verse (every day) to keep it in the Due list.

Known List

- These are the rest of the verses you know.

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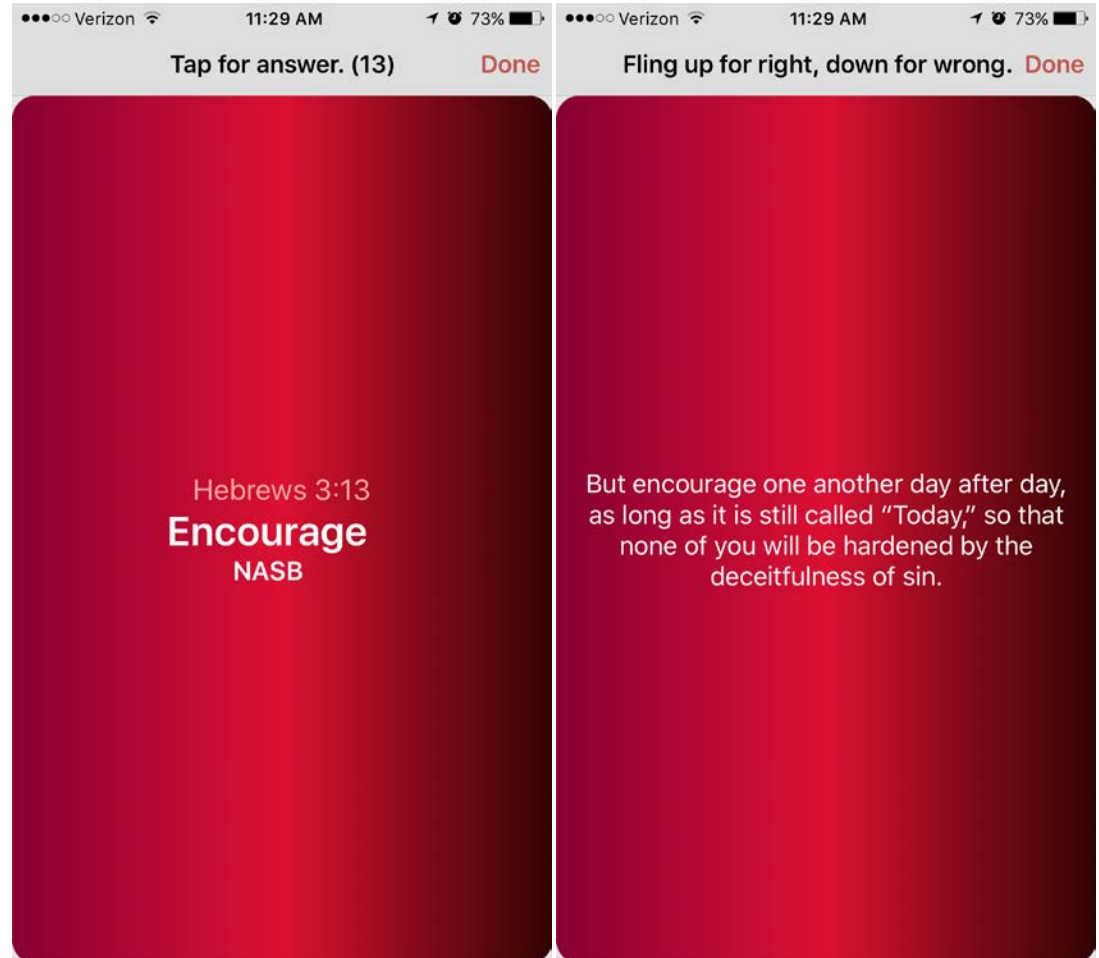
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Flash Cards

- You can put the topic on the back.
- On Android you should be able to put the reference on the back.

Other Tools

- There are games and audio tools for memorizing/reviewing your verses.



“Remember Me” App

Create Verse

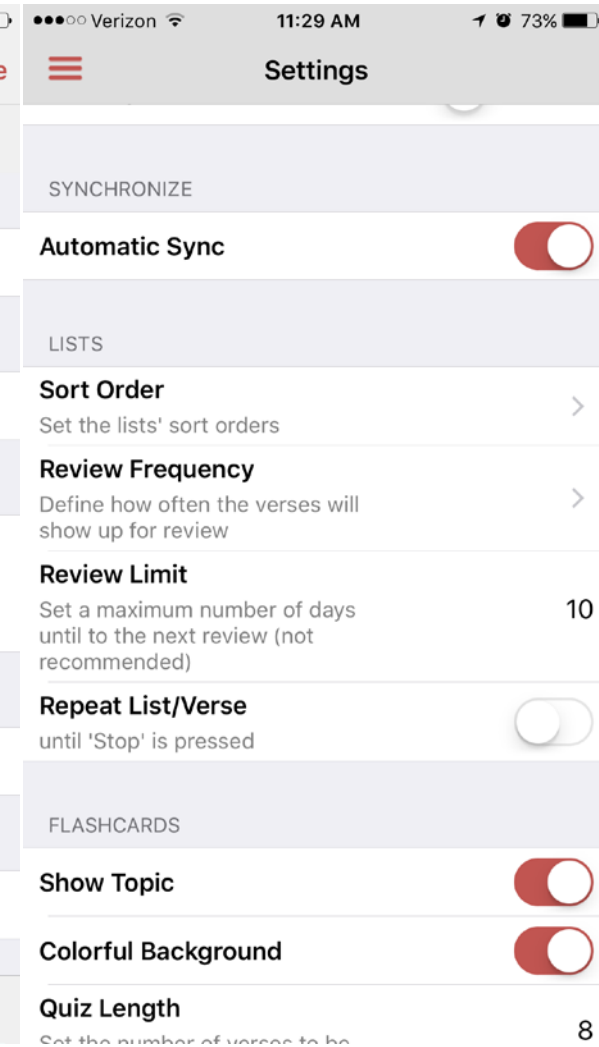
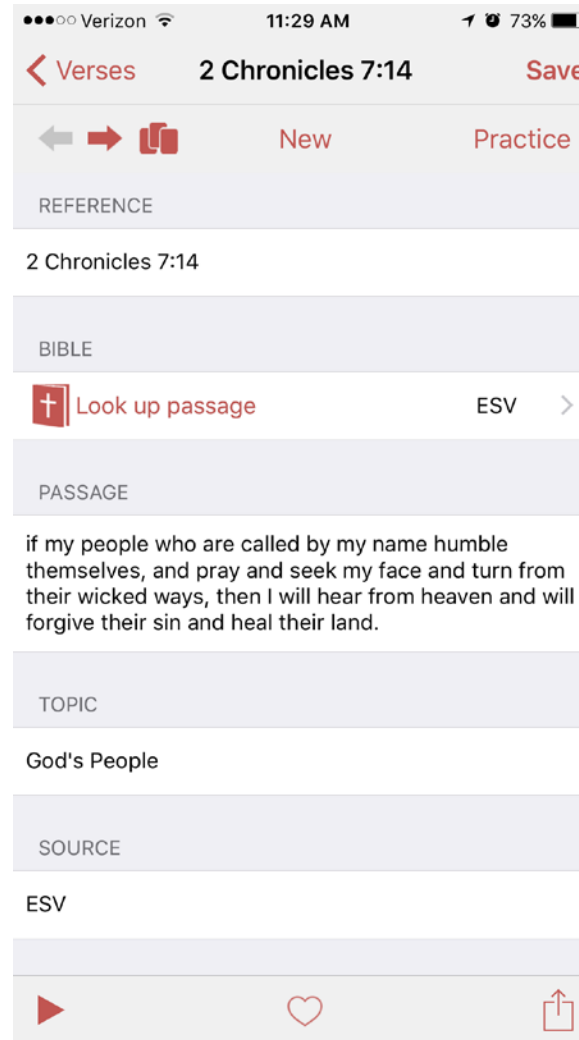
- Fill in the fields.

Settings

- The app automatically brings up the verse every x days.

Other Apps

- I have also heard good things about Scripture Typer and VerseByHeart.



What is Meditation and How Do We Do It?

“In fact, you are either in the Word and the Word is conforming you to the image of Jesus Christ, or you are in the world and the world is squeezing you into its mold.” Howard Hendricks *Living by the Book*

“Christian meditation is not emptying our mind as in some religions, but it is thinking deeply on a single topic. Meditation leads to exciting discoveries, a refreshed spirit, and transformation of character.” *Topical Memory System Course Workbook*

- Not emptying, but filling our minds.
- Reflecting, pondering, thinking ...
- Do you know how to worry?
 - Then you know how to meditate!
- There are lots of ways to meditate!
 - Paraphrasing
 - Asking Questions
 - Praying
 - Emphasizing different words or phrases
 - Finding cross-references
 - Reading the context
 - Different translations



Meditate † Apply † Succeed

What Do Others Say About Scripture Memroy?

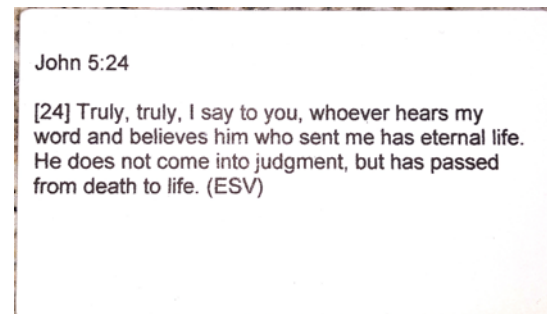
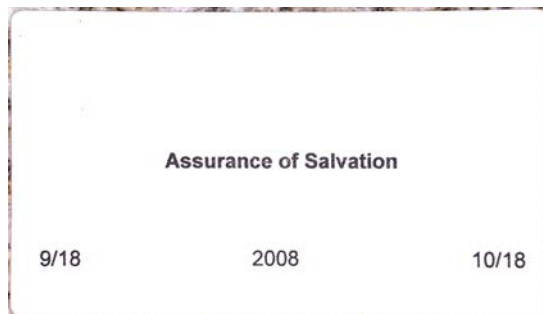
Rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. Colossians 2:7 (NIV)

Play the scripture memory video from www.2-7series.org.



Write God's Word into Your Heart Now!

- We will memorize 3 verses! 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
- Write the topic, year, start and stop dates on the front.
- Write the reference and passage on the back.
- Or you can skip the topic and put the reference on the front!
- My topic for these verses is "Walking with God."
- Anchor first 2 words to topic/reference by repeating 10 times.
- Add a phrase and repeat 10 times.
- Continue to add until you say the complete verse 10 times.
- You can put the reference on the front instead of a topic.
- I like to put the translation in parentheses.
- If you hand write the passage, you can flip the card vertically.
- Pick a scripture buddy to work with.
- We will meditate by praying over the verse. I like to start my prayer with praise and/or thanks.



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Final Encouragement

Bible memorization is absolutely fundamental to spiritual formation. If I had to choose between all the disciplines of the spiritual life, I would choose Bible memorization, because it is a fundamental way of filling our minds with what it needs. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth. That's where you need it! How does it get in your mouth? Memorization.

Dallas Willard

Play the John Piper video.



[**Scripture Memory: Sharpening and Carrying the Sword of the Spirit.** Memorizing scripture can help you gain deeper understanding, increase your faith, think like God, overcome temptation, guard your mind, protect yourself and your family, minister to others, and fellowship with Jesus. I know it sounds really hard, but it is a lot easier than you would think! Join us for a practical workshop to learn simple, but effective, techniques to help you sharpen and carry the sword of the Spirit with you wherever you go.]

PART I - WHY MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE: CHUCK MADDEN

PART II - HOW TO MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE: TOM YOUNG

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4. Add a phrase and repeat at least 10 times.
5. Continue to add until you say the complete verse at least 10 times.
6. You can put the reference on the front instead of a topic.
7. I like to put the translation in parentheses.
8. Review the verse at least once a day until the finish date.
9. Then review the verse once a week.