

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

READING GOD'S WORD

John 6:16-24; Psalm 44:1-16

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid'." – *John 6:19-20*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, with You, I can weather any storm! But without You, I am totally lost. No matter what else is going on around me, Your presence brings peace! You are the God of all comfort—comfort me with Your presence today. When the cares of this life threaten to overwhelm me, let me hear Your voice reminding me that You are nearby. Amen."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

READING GOD'S WORD

John 6:25-59; Psalm 44:17-26

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"Awake, Lord! Why do you sleep? Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever. Why do you hide your face and forget our misery and oppression?" ; John 6:37, "All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away." – *Psalm 44:23-24*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, what a treasure we have in Your Word! In it, we learn how You love for us to bring the deep things of our hearts and even our worries to You—which I am glad to bring before You today. Like the Psalmist, I sometimes wonder where You are, what You're doing, and if You really see what's going on in my life or all around me. And yet, while the Psalms teach me to bring these things before You, Your reply is found in the words of Your Son! Even when it seems dark and that You're far off, help me to remember that You will never drive away those that the Father has called near. Amen."

The Holy Spirit is the One who is making us more and more like Christ. He uses Scripture and everyday life to form Christlikeness in us.

Our job is to cooperate with God's grace at work in our life. One of the ways we can cooperate is by starting each day with the Word of God: **reading, studying, memorizing & praying God's Word**. The Holy Spirit will use the Word of God to release and form the life of Christ in us.

This is how we *"grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord."* -2 Peter 3:18.

Slowly and thoughtfully read the passage from God's Word each day. Think about it. Focus especially on the verse marked **Meditating on God's Word**. Then, say and repeat the memory verse several times. By the end of the week, you will have it memorized. Finally, in addition to whatever else you are talking to God about in your prayers each day, also pray through the Scripture you read, turning it into a prayer.



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MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

READING GOD'S WORD

John 5:1-15; Psalm 40:11-17

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"But as for me, I am poor and needy; may the Lord think of me. You are my help and my deliverer; you are my God, do not delay." – *Psalm 40:17*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, would I be found among those who say, 'The Lord is great!' You are great, and greatly to be praised. Every day that I draw breath is another day that You have given me! And yet, just as the Psalmist says, I am poor and needy—poor both because of my material needs that press me today, but also because of the little that my heart knows of you. And needy both because of my lack, but also because apart from You I have no good thing. So with the Psalmist, I ask not merely for Your deliverance today, but for You, the Deliverer, to Yourself think of me and come to me. Go before me today and make up for my lack, so that my heart can seek You and find You before the day is done. Amen."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

READING GOD'S WORD

John 5:16-30; Psalm 41

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"In his defense Jesus said to them, 'My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working'." – *John 5:17*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, what an amazing window You have into the life of the Father—into Your own divine life! And, what a great wealth of revelation we find in Your words! Just as He was in the First Century, the Father is always at His work to this very day. So, Father, allow me to have eyes to recognize that work today, and a heart that is willing to receive and join You in that work—even when it seems buried beneath darkness and difficulty. We trust Your work! Do it in us today, we pray. Amen."

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

READING GOD'S WORD

John 5:31-47; Psalm 42

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?" – *Psalm 42:2*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, in a world of schedules and calendars and missed calls and best laid plans, remind me that what I need the most today is to meet with You. You are the All in all, the Sustainer, the Maker and Keeper of my soul. My soul is thirsty—but let me be thirsty for You, the only Living Water that alone can satisfy. Forgive me for so often chasing after other things, people, achievements, or experiences, and for longing after them rather than longing after You. Instead, prompt my spirit to a deeper desire for You, so that I might find myself wondering, hoping, even daydreaming about the next moment I can spend time in Your presence. Amen."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

READING GOD'S WORD

John 6:1-15; Psalm 43

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. – *John 1:14*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself." – *John 6:15*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

"Lord Jesus, here in this verse we find yet another example of how You humbled Yourself. Even though You were King, You left the throne of Heaven to be born in humility. And even though You were the anointed King of kings as You walked this Earth, You did not allow the people to make You the kind of king they wanted. You were committed to Your mission, not theirs, and so You endured their rejection. Help me to learn this same humility and commitment in the task You have set before me today! Amen."