

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 12:18-40; Psalm 39:1-6

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. – *Ephesians 2:10*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions. – *Mark 12:34*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

Lord, may this be true of me. May I consider Your Word and live my life by the wisdom of Your commands. We are capable of this, but not in our own effort. May the Holy Spirit lead us in wisdom to remain close to the kingdom of God. Amen.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 12:41-13:23; Psalm 39:7-13

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

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MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

Everyone will hate you because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. – *Mark 13:13*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

God we so much want to be loved, yet that is not the metric of a Christ Follower. You warn us that we will be hated, and persecuted. May we not shy from this or fear this. You declare the promise that we will be saved, even in great peril. May we have the same courage to declare Your Name and Your truth, even when facing our aggressors, 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, MARCH 9

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 10:1-31; Psalm 37:12-26

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. – *Ephesians 2:10*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." – *Mark 10:15*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

Lord, may we be humble enough to understand your words here about being like a little child. You are our Father. You teach us and help us to continue growing. Just like a parent never stops being a parent, we as Your children, should never stop being your children. May we set aside our prideful attitudes of competence, and humbly accept our reliance on You for all things, Amen.

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 10:32-52; Psalm 37:27-40

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. – *Ephesians 2:10*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

Consider the blameless, observe the upright; a future awaits those who seek peace. – *Psalm 37:37*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

Lord if we do not know peace, may we reconcile that. May we seek peace even beyond what we understand, and may we seek guidance from those who live in peace. May we look to Your Word for peace and become disciples by those who are blameless and upright. Make this clear to us, Lord. Amen.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 11:1-26; Psalm 38:1-14

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. – *Ephesians 2:10*

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. – *Mark 11:24*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

God I still wrestle with the faith of a mustard seed, but I have seen you answer some incredibly raw prayers in powerful ways. God may my heart always be set on submitting to Your will, even in discomfort. Your ways are good, so may I fervently pray, not for my own ambitions, but that my prayers would be molded from Your Heart. May the Holy Spirit lead me to ponder how incredible You are and how loving and gracious You are. Amen.

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

READING GOD'S WORD

Mark 11:27-12:17; Psalm 38:15-22

MEMORIZING GOD'S WORD

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MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

"He had one left to send, a son, whom he loved. He sent him last of all, saying, 'They will respect my son.'" – *Mark 12:6*

PRAYING GOD'S WORD

Lord, we have sinned against You. We have caused pain to Your Son in the form of the sin that He bore on the cross. God we thank You for giving us Your Word, that we can look to Jesus and follow His steps, to live a life testifying to Your great love for mankind. Father, may we respect Your Son, even though we have transgressed against him. Forgive us, Amen.