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> Jerry y Marilyn Fine Autores



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Prólogo

A Solas Con Dios es un libro para entrenar discípulos. No sólo contiene verdades bíblicas sino cómo ponerlas en práctica. A lo largo de los años ha sido usado por miles de personas. En los últimos 30 años nada me ha ayudado más para hacer discípulos que A Solas Con Dios. No conozco a alguien que haya sido más eficaz y comprometido en hacer discípulos que los autores, Jerry y Marilyn Fine. El libro lleva al lector a conocer mejor a Dios, a desarrollar un estilo de vida de un verdadero discípulo del Señor Jesucristo, y pone en sus manos una herramienta para discipular a otros. Dios cambiará vidas en la aplicación de las verdades contenidas en A Solas Con Dios. No sólo los nuevos creyentes necesitan el estilo de vida y las disciplinas espirituales que nos presenta este libro, sino también los pastores, los líderes de la iglesia, y los que han sido cristianos por muchos años; el libro tiene algo para todos en la iglesia. Se lo recomiendo estimado hermano y lector como alguien quien lo ha aplicado y usado con gran bendición. De parte de los autores dedicamos esta cuarta impresión (la primera impresión salió en 1986, la segunda en 1995, y la tercera en 2000) al Señor Jesucristo. Quiero agradecerle a Dios por el autor cuya vida ejemplifica lo que el libro enseña y por el impacto de su vida en la mía.

> En el Servicio del Señor, Marcos McClellan, J.D., Ph.D. Decano, College de Teología y Ministerio Profesor de Teología y Misiones Oklahoma Baptist University Shawnee, OK Agosto 2005



One on One with God:

A **Path** that leads to knowing Jesus personally.

A *Lifestyle* of walking daily in intimate fellowship with Him.

A **Tool** for making disciples and producing disciple-makers.



"For my determined purpose is that I may know Him"

[For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him—that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding [the wonders of His Person] more strongly and more clearly. And that I may in that same way come to know the power outflowing from His resurrection [which it exerts over believers]; and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed [in spirit into His likeness even] to His death, [in the hope]

Philippians 3:10 AMP

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El libro *A Solas con Dios* personalmente me llevó a pensar y meditar en las áreas espirituales de mi vida y cómo mejorarlas. Me enseñó cómo llenar mi vida con la Palabra de Dios, oración, adoración, y comunión. Sobre todo a ponerlos en práctica; sentí un profundo llamado a ser cambiado por Cristo y vivir con el tipo de compromiso que Cristo nos enseñó cuando nos redimió. Al terminar este profundo estudio del discipulado, Dios me llamó a servirle a El y a otros con mi vida y hoy sirvo como un Misionero y Pastor.

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Four Parts of Knowing Jesus

Philippians 3:10 AMP

My determined purpose:

- 1. To *progressively become* more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him
- 2. To *perceive* and *recognize* and *understand* the wonders of His person
- 3. To *experience the power* outflowing from His resurrection (God's supernatural power)
- 4. To so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed in spirit into His likeness

Sometimes when you are meditating on several truths like this, it helps to meditate on them in reverse order. Try it and see if it helps you. Meditate on the four parts in this order: 4, 3, 2, 1.



My Commitment to Discipleship Training

- 1. I will attend all the classes unless prevented for a reason that I know God will approve.
- 2. I will faithfully do the homework assignments each day.
- 3. I will enlist one member of this class as my prayer partner.
- 4. I will contact and pray with my prayer partner each week for the duration of this class.
- 5. When my prayer partner is absent, I will make contact and seek to encourage him/her.

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General Lifetime Goals

I. To know Him:

Reference: Philippians 3:10 AMP

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II. To glorify Him:

A. Reference: 1 Corinthians 10:31

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, *do it all to the glory of God.*

B. Reference: John 17:4 NKJV

I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.

III. To be like Him:

As we yield, the Holy Spirit makes the changes:

• *Our selfish will* changes to a will that says not my will, but "*Your will be done*" (Matthew 6:10 NKJV).







A. Reference: 2 Corinthians 3:18 NLT

... we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect His glory even more.

B. Reference: Romans 12:2 RSV

Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

C. Reference: Romans 8:29 RSV

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to *be conformed to the image of his Son*, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren.





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A Look at This Class

I. Motive:

To help Christians walk in intimate fellowship with God through yielded, abiding, committed, disciplined, obedient, loving, trusting, Christ-centered lives.

II. Goal:

- A. Encourage
- B. Motivate
- C. Help by equipping and training with:
 - 1. Truth
 - 2. Lifestyle patterns
 - 3. Usable and "pass-on-able" tools

III. Plan:

- A. Introduce the subject.
- B. Tell them why—Matthew 4:18-19.
- C. Show them how—Mark 1:35.
- D. Get them started—Matthew 28:19-20.
- E. Follow-up—Matthew 26:40, 43, 45; Acts 15:36.

A Verse That Brought Peace

Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D.D.

How D. L. Moody Helped Me

I will tell you how to be saved and how you may know you are a Christian. I was studying for the ministry, and I heard that D. L. Moody was to preach in Chicago, and I went down to hear him. I finally got into his after-meeting, and I shall never forget the thrill that went through me when he came and sat down beside me as an inquirer. He asked me if I was a Christian. I said, "Mr. Moody, I am not sure whether I am a Christian or not."

He asked me some questions, as to whether I was a church member, and I said I was but was not always sure whether I was a Christian or not. He very kindly took his Bible and opened it at the *fifth chapter of John and the twenty-fourth verse*, which reads as follows: "Verily, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word and believeth on him that sent me hath everlasting life and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life."

Suppose you had read that for the first time, wouldn't you think it was wonderful? I read it through, and he said: "Do you believe it?" I said, "Yes." "Do you accept it?" I said, "Yes." "Well, are you a Christian?" "Mr. Moody, I sometimes think I am, and sometimes I am afraid I am not."

He very kindly said, "Read it again."

So I read it again. "Verily, verily I say unto you, He that *heareth* my word and *believeth* on him that sent me *hath* everlasting life, and *shall not come into condemnation*, but *is passed* from death unto life."

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Then he said, "Do you believe it?" I said, "Yes." "Do you receive Him?" I said, "Yes." "Well," he said, "are you a Christian?"

I just started to say over again that sometimes I was afraid I was not, when the only time in all the years I knew him and loved him, he was sharp with me. He turned on me with his eyes flashing and said, "See here, whom are you doubting?"

Then I saw it for the first time, that when I was afraid I was not a Christian, I was doubting God's Word. I read it again with my eyes overflowing with tears.

Since that day I have had many sorrows and many joys, but never have I doubted for a moment that I was a Christian because God said it.

Now what I ask you to do is to plant your feet upon this promise, and say, "Yes, from this moment I know I am a Christian."

A Verse That Brought Peace, the Pocket Testament League Gospel of John. Used by permission.





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Baptism

I. What does this mean?

It means immersion in the water, which is a symbol of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. It gives testimony to the fact that I am a follower of Jesus.

II. Why be baptized?

A. Reference: Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore *go and make disciples* of all nations, *baptizing* them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and *teaching* them to *obey everything* I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Answer...

Jesus personally instructed His disciples to do three very important things:

1.	Go and make
2.	them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
3.	these new disciples to
	Jesus has commanded them.

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B. Reference: Luke 6:46 NLT

So why do you call me "Lord," when you won't obey me?

Answer...

Why do you call me _____ when you won't _____ me?

If He is to be Lord, then He must be obeyed.

III. When should I be baptized?

Reference: Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore *go and make disciples* of all nations, *baptizing* them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and *teaching* them to *obey everything* I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Answer...

A person should be baptized A ____ T ___ R he or she becomes a believer (Christian).

IV. How can I be baptized?

If you have trusted Jesus as your personal Savior, then simply tell the pastor that you want to follow the Lord in baptism.

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First Month Daily Bible Reading Challenge

We encourage you to do your reading *this first year* in either the New International Bible, Living Bible, or New Living Translation.

Psalm 119

Day of Month	Verses	Day of Month	Verses
1	1–8	16	69–72
2	9–11	17	73–77
3	12–16	18	78–80
4	17–20	19	81–88
5	21–24	20	89–96
6	25-27	21	97–104
7	28-32	22	105–112
8	33–35	23	113–120
9	36-42	24	121–128
10	43–48	25	129–136
11	49-52	26	137–144
12	53-56	27	145–152
13	57-61	28	153–160
14	62-64	29	161–168
15	65–68	30	169–176

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- 1. Explain how to use the "Follow Up" sheet (page 22).
 - Print your *name*.
 - *Reporting Date* is your next meeting date.
 - *Session #* is the number of your next meeting.
 - *Start* time is just before you pray and ask God to speak to you as you read His Word.
 - *Stop* time is when you stop working on your *One on One with God* assignment for the day and have prayed to thank God for the time with Him.
- 2. Each day read the assigned verses on the *first month* "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 19).
- 3. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 21).
- 4. Ask one person in this class to be your *prayer partner* for the next 11 sessions (guys with guys and gals with gals).





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Prepare for Session No. 2 Assignment Review Questions

2.	What should be the three "General Lifetime Goals" a Christian?
	a)
	b)
	c)
3.	Why should a Christian be baptized?
4.	Have you shared something God is teaching you win someone this week?
	YES □ NO □

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Follow Up				
Name				
Reporting Da	te			
Session No. 2				
In your quiet time <i>each day this week</i> note the time you start and the time you stop. This will be the entire time you invest each day to complete your <i>One on One with God</i> assignment.				
Day	Start Time	Stop Time	Total Time	
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday				
Thursday				
Friday				
Saturday				
Sunday				

I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □

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Meditation Challenge

God speaks to us in the Old Testament and the New Testament to teach us the importance of meditation and how to meditate.

The word *mind* in Matthew 22:37 and Mark 12:30 comes from the Greek word *dianoia*, which means "deep thought or imagination." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Greek Dictionary of the New Testament, page 22, number 1271)

The word *meditate* in Joshua 1:8 and Psalm 1:2, 63:6, and 77:12 comes from the Hebrew word *hagah*, which means "to ponder or imagine and to speak or talk." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Hebrew and Chaldee Dictionary, page 32, number 1897)

The word *meditate* in Psalm 119:15, 23, 48, 78, and 148 comes from the Hebrew word *siyach*, which means "to ponder and pray." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Hebrew and Chaldee Dictionary, page 115, number 7878)

The word *meditation* in Psalm 119:97 and 99 comes from the Hebrew word *siychah*, which means "*reflection*, *devotion* and *prayer*." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Hebrew and Chaldee Dictionary, page 115, number 7881)

Jesus often spoke in parables. Sometimes He used these common life stories and illustrations to communicate spiritual truths by using words to paint pictures in the minds of those He taught. The Holy Spirit does the same for us today as we read and meditate on the written Word, the Bible.

Therefore, when God tells me to meditate He is telling me to do three things:

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- 1. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about this truth. What is God saying to me personally?
- 2. **Picture**—form a mental picture of this truth. See myself in the picture and imagine my response.
- 3. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying this truth. Pray this truth back to God as my personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.

Psalm 63 is a good example of how David practiced these three parts of meditation:

- 1. In verse 1, David begins by talking to God. (Pray)
- 2. In verse 2, David says, "to *see* thy power and thy glory," and "as I have *seen* thee":
 - a) **See** is from the Hebrew word *raah*, which means "gaze or view." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Hebrew and Chaldee Dictionary, page 106, number 7200) (Picture)
 - b) **Seen** is from the Hebrew word *chazah*, which means "to mentally gaze at." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Hebrew and Chaldee Dictionary, page 38, number 2372) (**Picture**)
- 3. From the text it is obvious that David had been *pondering*, *seriously thinking about*, the goodness of God. (**Ponder**)

Meditation involves 3 Ps:

Ponder

Picture

Pray

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Helps on How to Picture and Pray in Meditation

- Put myself in the picture. Ask the following questions: Who is in the picture with me and what are we doing? Is God in the picture? Is God speaking to me in the picture?
- Three ways to picture and pray in meditation:
 - 1. As I read God's Word, *I imagine that I am a painter*, painting the scene about which I am reading. When the picture I see is complete, I talk to God (pray) about what He is saying to me in the picture.
 - 2. As I read God's Word, I imagine the Lord sitting across a narrow table, directly in front of me. He looks me in the eye, calls me by name, and says, "Listen closely, this is personal and just for you. I want you to apply this truth in your life." The picture I see is the Lord speaking directly to me. I share with the group what He is saying to me and then talk to the Lord (pray) about the truth He wants me to apply to my life.
 - 3. As I read God's Word, *the picture I see is a daily situation (a modern-day experience)*, in which I can apply the truth He is sharing with me. Then I talk to the Lord (pray) about applying the truth.

Note:

Meditation is not
emptying my mind
but filling my mind with
a picture of God's truth
and how it applies to me.

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Now let's practice these **3** parts of meditation:

Read Matthew 27:33-39, then:

- 1. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about this truth. What is God saying to me personally?
- 2. **Picture**—form a mental picture of this truth. See myself in the picture and imagine my response.
- 3. **Pray**—talk to God about applying this truth. **Pray** this truth back to God as my personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.

Read Matthew 14:24-33, then:

- 1. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about this truth. What is God saying to me personally?
- 2. **Picture**—form a mental picture of this truth. See myself in the picture and imagine my response.
- 3. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying this truth. *Pray this truth back* to God as my personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.

In the coming weeks we will *Meditate* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the following:

- 1. The notes we make while reading God's Word,
- 2. The scriptures we memorize,
- 3. The *thoughts we write down* while studying God's Word, and
- 4. Our sermon or lesson notes.

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Prayer Challenge

Daily Hourly Moment by Moment

1. Reference: Ephesians 6:18 NLT

Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.

2. Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 RSV

Rejoice always, *pray constantly*, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Prayer is not to be confined to once a day. Rather, it is cultivating natural loving responses to God throughout each day. *True prayer becomes a lifestyle*, not an occasional thing.





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Prayer Challenge

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The following acrostic is offered merely as a guide to help you cultivate an active prayer life.

Adoration

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O Lord, and this is your kingdom. *We adore you* as the one who is over all things. 1 Chronicles 29:11 NLT

Confession

But if we *confess* our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to forgive us and to cleanse us from every wrong.

1 John 1:9 NLT

Thanksgiving

Always and for everything giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father. Ephesians 5:20 Rsv

$Supplication \ (\text{humble asking})$

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

Matthew 7:7 NKJV







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God gives us peace in outhe same thing (Matthewhy not twenty times? I <i>heart.</i> He received that p	ir hearts. In the garden Jow 26:36-46 NKJV). Why am convinced that <i>He pr</i> opeace because of His con	about a matter? We pray until esus prayed three times about didn't He just pray once—or ayed until He had peace in His infidence in the Father, which I will, but as You will Your
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Three Important Characteristics of True Disciples

True disciples have many common characteristics. You will find them to be men and women who trust Christ for the strength and then progressively become:

1. Reference: John 8:31 AMP

So Jesus said to those Jews who had believed in Him, If you abide in My Word—hold fast to My teachings and live in accordance with them—you are truly My disciples.

Answer.		
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2. Reference: Luke 9:23 NKJV

Then He said to them all, If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and *follow* Me.

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3. Reference: Matthew 11:29 NKJV

Take My yoke upon you and *learn from Me*, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Every true disciple of Jesus trusts in Him and is committed to applying the truths from God's Word. True disciples are progressively becoming obedient followers, and they never stop learning.

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Some Qualities a True Disciple Needs to Cultivate in His Life

1. Reference: Matthew 22:37 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Answer... Having a heart for the Lord.

2. Reference: Acts 17:11 RSV

Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica, for they *received the word with all eagerness*, examining the scriptures daily to see if these things were so.

Answer...Being open and teachable.

3. Reference: Matthew 11:28-30 AMP

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and over burdened, and I will cause you to rest—I will ease and relieve and refresh your souls. Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly) in heart, and you will find rest—relief, ease and refreshment and recreation and blessed quiet—for your souls. For My yoke is wholesome (useful, good)—not harsh, hard, sharp or pressing, but comfortable, gracious and pleasant; and My burden is light and easy to be borne.

Answer... Making oneself available for learning.

4. Reference: Luke 9:23 NKJV

Then He said to them all, If anyone desires to come after Me, let him *deny himself*, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.

Answer... Willing to sacrifice to learn.

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1. *Adoration*—Is there anything in this passage that reminds me to express my adoration to the Lord for some part of His moral character?

Holiness

Righteousness

Truth

Love

Faithfulness

- 2. *Confession*—Is there anything in this passage that calls to my attention a sin or sins I need to confess?
- 3. **Thanksgiving**—Is there anything in this passage that encourages me to express thanksgiving to God?
- 4. **Supplication**—Is there anything in this passage that reminds me of a need I have or needs of others that I should ask God to meet?





Daily Bible Reading (DBR) Notes

Date	Reference	Note
9/1/11	Psalm 119:2	"Happy ave (all) who (search) for God
		and (always) do (tis will.")
9/2/11	Psalm 119:11	Storing God's Word in my heart
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9/3/11	Psalm 119:12,	Lord, teach me your word and
	15	help me to (meditate) on it and give
		it my full (respect.)
9/4/11	Psalm 119:18	Open my eyes to see wonderful
		things in your word.")
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Daily Bible Reading (DBR) Notes

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Assignment Prepare for Session 3

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 42).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned first month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 19):
 - (1) *Read* the assigned verses (page 19).
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39). See the sample on page 35.
 - (3) *Meditate* on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) **Pray** the note back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.
 - b) Every day pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-32).
- 3. Review the "Meditation Challenge" (pages 24-25).
- 4. *Review* and *Meditate* on the "*Prayer Challenge*" (pages 28-29).
 - a) Ponder each thought in the challenge.
 - b) Picture each thought in the challenge.
 - c) **Pray** each thought in the challenge back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 5. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 41).
- 6. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.

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Prepare for Session 3 Assignment Review Questions

	1.	List three characteristics of true disciples.	
		a)	
		b)	
		c)	
	2.	What are four qualities a true disciple needs to cultivate in his/her life?	
		a)	
		b)	
		c)	
		d)	
	3.	What does it mean to Ponder ?	
•	4.	What does it mean to Picture ?	•
	5.	What does it mean to Pray back to God as your personal prayer what you have pondered and pictured?	
	6.	What do the letters in the acrostic C-A-S-A stand for?	
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	7.	Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week? YES □ NO □	
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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
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- 6. YES □ NO □
- 7. YES □ NO □

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Daily Bible Study Challenge

Instructions:

- 1. Read the assigned section carefully.
- 2. Fill in the blanks.
- 3. Pause to *meditate* (**Ponder, Picture,** and **Pray**) on each thought expressed in the assigned section, especially where you filled in the blanks.

Assignment:	Prepare for Session #:
1 and 2	No Bible study assignment
3	pages 46-52
4	pages 60-68
5	pages 90-102
6	pages 112-120
7	pages 132-138
8	pages 144-154
9	pages 160-166
10	pages 174-183
11	pages 198-210
12	pages 218-229



Assignment after Session 12:

Begin your own personal **Bible study**. In the "**Study**" section of your notebook, after the study on love, you will find pages that contain the following information which will be helpful to you as you launch out into your own personal **Bible study**:

- 1. "Daily Bible Study Challenge"—after Session 12 (page 230).
- 2. "Helps in Personal Bible Study" (page 231)
- 3. "Methods of Bible Study" (pages 232-265).
- 4. "Helpful Bible Study Tools" (pages 266-267).









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The key to living a victorious, Spirit-filled Christian life is Jesus Christ as the center and Lord of all we do. With Christ in control, life is balanced and effective. The wheel illustrates this Christ-centered life.

Just as the driving force in a wheel comes from the hub; so *the power to live the Christian life comes from Jesus Christ, the center.* He lives in us in the person of the Holy Spirit, whose express purpose is to glorify Christ. The rim represents the Christian responding to Christ's Lordship through wholehearted, day-by-day obedience to Him.

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Allowing Jesus Christ to Be

the Center and Lord of My Life

I. What does this mean?

It simply means that I voluntarily yield to God's control of my life and no longer desire to independently run my own life. Self is taken off the throne in my heart, and Jesus is crowned Lord.

II. Why allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of my life?

Search the following scriptures for answers, and fill in the blanks.

A. Reference: Colossians 1:15-19 LIV

Christ is the exact likeness of the unseen God. He existed before God made anything at all, and, in fact, *Christ Himself is the Creator who made everything in heaven and earth*, the things we can see and the things we can't; the spirit world with its kings and kingdoms, its rulers and authorities; all were made by Christ for His own *use* and *glory*. He was before all else began and *it is His power that holds everything together*. He is the Head of the body made up of His people—that is, His church—which He began; and He is the Leader of all those who arise from the dead, so that *He is first in everything;* for God wanted all of Himself to be in His Son.

Jesus Christ is 1	the central figure in	all creation.
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B. Reference: Revelation 4:11 NKJV
You are <i>worthy</i> , O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You <i>created</i> all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.
Jesus is of being the center and Lord of my life since I was by Him.
C. Reference: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NLT
Or don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? <i>You do not belong to yourself</i> , for God <i>bought</i> you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.
Jesus should be allowed to be the center and Lord of my life not only because He created me but also because He me at a great price. The price He paid was the sacrifice of His own life on the cross.
D. Reference: John 10:10 NKJV
The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more <i>abundantly</i> .
Jesus should be allowed to be the center and Lord of my life because I want to experience life.
E. Jesus should be allowed to be the center and Lord of my life, because He is the key to living a victorious, Spirit-filled Christian life (Galatians 2:20,

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Romans 6:13 and John 15:4).

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F. Jesus should be allowed to be the center and Lord of my life because *He can and will do a better job of running my life than I can*.

Three things convince me that Jesus can and will do a better job of running my life than I can:

1. Reference: Isaiah 45:22 NKJV

Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth! For *I am God*, and there is no other.

Reference: John 10:30 NKJV

I and My Father are one.

God claims to be God, and Jesus claims that He and the Father are one. Some say that Jesus was a good man but not God the Son. Jesus is either a lunatic or an impostor, or *He is God*, for He could not be a good man and lie about who he was. *He is God*. As God, He knows everything and is always with us, ready and able to guide and direct our lives.

Jesus can and will do a better job of running my life than I can because:

He is	

2. Reference: Matthew 28:18 NKJV

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

Reference: Ephesians 1:19-22 NKJV

And what is the *exceeding greatness of His power* toward us who believe, according to the working of *His mighty power* which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand

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in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He has put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church.

Reference: Mark 4:39-41 NKJV

Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that *even the wind and the sea obey Him!*"

Reference: 1 Timothy 6:15 JBP

God, who is the blessed *Controller of all things*, the King over all kings and the Master of all masters....

Jesus can and will do a better job of running my life than I can because:

He is the powerful CON___R_L_ER of all things.

3. Reference: Deuteronomy 7:9 NKJV

Therefore know that the LORD your God, He is God, the *faithful* God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments.

Reference: 1 Corinthians 1:9 NKJV

God is *faithful*, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Reference: 2 Thessalonians 3:3

But the Lord is **faithful**, who shall establish you, and keep you from evil.

Reference: 2 Timothy 2:13 NKJV

If we are faithless, He remains **faithful**; He cannot deny Himself.

I can trust Jesus to do a better job of running my life than I can because:

He is ______

Summary:

These three things convince me that Jesus can and will do a better job of running my life than I can:

Jesus is:

- 1. **G___D.**
- 2. The powerful **CON__R_L_ER** of all things.
- 3. **FA__THF__L**.

Summary

Why should I allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of my life?

- A. *Jesus* is the center and Lord of *all* creation; thus, He should be the center and Lord of my life.
- B. Jesus created me.
- C. Jesus bought me.
- D. Jesus rewards me with abundant life.
- E. *Jesus* is the key to living a victorious, Spirit-filled Christian life.
- F. *Jesus* can and will do a better job of running my life than I can because *He is:*
 - 1. God.
 - 2. The powerful Controller of all things.
 - 3. Faithful.





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Where Do You Find Worth and Significance?

Do you sometimes question your worth or significance? What happens when some or all of the world's indicators seem to be telling you that you're a failure and not worth much? Maybe you have just lost your job or experienced the deep hurt of a broken meaningful relationship, or you're just lonely and think that no one cares. Maybe someone is attacking your character or motives. Maybe you have failed in an important assignment or task. Maybe you're discouraged about your appearance, or you just don't see that your life is turning out like you expected. Maybe you can't even put your finger on the cause, but you still feel worthless and insignificant.

On the other hand, maybe at this particular time in your life everything seems to be going your way. You've experienced much success in life and often find yourself being complimented for your great talent, personality, graduation, promotion, fine possessions, or appearance. And maybe that has given you a false sense of worth and significance.

There is good news for those who will honestly ask the question, *How can I determine my true worth and significance?*

A tremendous burden will be lifted and a spirit of humility will come over us when we fully understand that our worth and significance is solely in our relationship to God through trusting Jesus as our personal Lord and Savior. We must understand that Jesus died on the cross for our sins because God considered that we were significant and worth saving (John 3:16). We were not saved by our performance, nor do we remain saved through our performance (Ephesians 2:8-9).

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To feel that we must perform to earn or deserve worth or significance from God or others is to totally misunderstand what Jesus did for us. It has already been settled. When Jesus took our place on the cross and died for our sins, He proved our worth and significance. Even if others should question our worth and significance, Jesus, who is greater, proved they are wrong by dying for us. Now let's get on with the task that is before us: Let's live for Him.

God prefers that our lives not be a performance but a reflection of Christ at work in us. ". . . we can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect His glory even more" (2 Corinthians 3:18 NLT).

The reflection of Jesus at work in us and through us is proof that we belong to Him.

We usually find ourselves trying to excel in the areas of our lives where we find the greatest significance and worth. Where is your significance? Is it in your spouse, children, home, yard, work, sports, school, intellect, hobby, status, achievement, position, recognition, possessions, money, reputation, popularity, or appearance, or is it solely in your relationship to God through trusting Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior? The point is not whether the above things are good or bad but where you find worth and significance.

We will all live out our frustrated lives running full speed on a treadmill going nowhere until we fully understand that our worth and significance is entirely in our relationship to God through trusting Jesus as our personal Lord and Savior.

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The reason we can feel good about ourselves is simply that Jesus died on the cross for our sins because God considered that we were significant and worth saving (John 3:16). And He is not only the judge but our star witness.

If you want victory in the area of significance and worth in your life, keep your focus on Jesus and be found faithful, looking to Him (Hebrews 12:2). A true reflection of Jesus will only come from our lives when we:

- 1. *Believe*—that our worth and significance is solely based on our relationship to God through trusting Jesus as our personal Lord and Savior (John 3:16, Ephesians 2:8-9).
- 2. *Yield*—the control of our lives to Jesus moment by moment (Romans 6:13).
- 3. *Abide*—in Jesus throughout each day (John 15:4).
- 4. *Apply*—the principles He teaches us in His Word throughout each day (James 1:22) in an effort to bring glory to God (1 Corinthians 10:31).



Assignment. Prepare for Session No. 4

- *Meditate on Philippians 3:10* AMP (page 7).
- 1. Every day fill in the information on the "Follow Up" sheet (page 58).
- 2. a) *Every day* do the following with the assigned *first month* "Daily Bible Reading Challenge."
 - (1) *Read* the assigned verses (page 19).
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) *Meditate* on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or **S**upplication.
 - b) Every day pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31).
- 3. *Study* "Allowing Jesus Christ to be the Center and Lord of My Life."
 - a) Do some of this study each day this week during your "Quiet Time" (pages 46-52).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on (**Ponder**, **Picture**, and **Pray**):
 - (1) The *summary* on page 52.
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks..
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 4. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 57).
- 5. Watch for opportunities to share what God is teaching you.
- 6. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God.

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Prepare for Session No. 4 **Assignment Review Questions**

1.	What does it mean to allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of your life?
2	In this week's study, we read about three reasons why Jesus can and will do a better job of running our lives than we can. What are the three reasons?
	a)
	b)
	c)
3.	Have you shared something God is teaching you with

someone this week?

YES□ NO□



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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □

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III. How can I allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of my life?

A. *Determine to just live one day at a time*. Concentrate on allowing Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of my life *just for today*.

Reference: Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

"In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us *this day* our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen"

B. *Apply the formula* God has given us for finding His *direction* and having our efforts crowned with *success*.

Reference: Proverbs 3:4-6 LIV

If you want favor with both God and man, and a reputation for good judgment and common sense, then trust the Lord completely; don't ever trust yourself. In everything you do, put God first, and He will direct you and crown your efforts with success.

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Trust Christ completely

Put Christ first in everything you do

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Let's pause here to discuss the importance of *trusting Christ completely*.

1. What does this mean?

It simply means to rely and depend upon Jesus, without reservation, for more than just salvation.

2. Why should I trust Christ completely?

a) Reference: Hebrews 11:6 NKJV

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Answer:

b) Reference: Habakkuk 2:4

Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

Reference: Romans 1:17 NKJV

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."

Reference: Galatians 3:11

But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, *The just shall live by faith*.

Reference: Hebrews 10:38 NKJV

Now *the just shall live by faith;* but if anyone draws back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him.







Answer:

c) Reference: Proverbs 3:4-6 LIV

If you want favor with both God and man, and a reputation for good judgment and common sense, then trust the Lord completely; don't ever trust yourself. In everything you do, put God first, and He will *direct* you and crown your efforts with *success*.

Answer:

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d) Reference: Mark 9:23 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who *believes*."

Reference: John 15:4-5 NKJV

"Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do *nothing*."

Answer:

All things are possible to him that _____. But without Him we can do

e) Reference: Psalm 62:8 NKJV

Trust in Him *at all times*, you people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a refuge for us.

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Answer:

The Word instructs us to trust Him

3. How can I trust the Lord completely?

a) *Just for today* don't depend on your own understanding, but rather *depend on God* for the following:

Reference: John 5:24 NKJV

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My Word and believes in Him who sent Me *has everlasting life*, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life."

Reference: John 10:28

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they *shall never perish*, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

Answer: SALV_T_O_

Reference: 1 Corinthians 10:13 JBP

No temptation has come your way that is too hard for flesh and blood to bear. But God can be trusted not to allow you to suffer any temptation beyond your powers of endurance. He will see to it that every temptation has a way out, so that it will never be impossible for you to bear it.

Answer: DELIV_R_NCE

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Reference: 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 JBP

His reply has been, "My grace is enough for you: for where there is weakness, my power is shown the more completely." Therefore, I have cheerfully made up my mind to be proud of my weaknesses, because they mean a deeper experience of the power of Christ. I can even enjoy weaknesses, suffering, privations, persecutions and difficulties for Christ's sake. For my very weakness makes me *strong in Him*.

Answer: STR__GTH

Reference: 1 Peter 5:5-7 NKJV

God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your *care* upon Him, for *He cares for you*.

Answer: CO_FORT

Reference: Philippians 4:19 NKJV

And my God shall supply all your *need* according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Answer:
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Reference: Proverbs 3:5-6 NKJV

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall **direct** your paths.

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Reference: 1 John 1:9 NKJV

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Answer:

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b) Let's assume that we see the importance of faith and have a desire for more faith. How do we increase or grow the faith God has given us?

Reference: Luke 17:5-9 NLT

One day the apostles said to the Lord, "We need more faith; tell us how to get it." Even if you had faith as small as a mustard seed," the Lord answered, "you could say to this mulberry tree, 'May God uproot you and throw you into the sea,' and it would obey you! When a servant comes in from plowing or taking care of sheep, he doesn't just sit down and eat. He must first prepare his master's meal and serve him his supper before eating his own. And the servant is not even thanked, because he is merely doing what he is supposed to do."

Answer:

Always put God first.

Notice:

- (1) The servant *always puts the Master first*.
- (2) This is part of the *formula* on page 60, which tells us how to find God-given direction and success.

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C. *Make a total life commitment* to allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of your life. The evidence of this commitment is cultivating a lifestyle of denying self and yielding to God's control.

1. Make a total life commitment.

Reference: Mark 8:34 NKJV

When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross, and follow Me."

Reference: Romans 6:13 TCNT

Do not offer any part of your bodies to Sin, in the cause of unrighteousness but *once for all offer yourselves to God* (as those who, though once dead, now have life) and devote every part of your bodies to the cause of righteousness.

2. Renew that commitment daily.

Reference: Luke 9:23 NKJV

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross *daily*, and follow Me."

3. The *result* of this total commitment, renewed daily, of denying self and yielding to God's control is the *filling of the Holy Spirit*, which simply means being controlled by God.





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God's control in our lives is in direct proportion to the degree of our commitment, yielding, and denial of self.

D. Realize the *greatest hindrance* to allowing Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of our lives is *sin*. When we sin, we grab back into our own hands the control we had yielded to God.

Now what do we do? We simply:

1. Confess the sin immediately.

Reference: 1 John 1:9 NKJV

If we *confess* our sins, He is *faithful* and just to *forgive* us our sins and to *cleanse* us from all unrighteousness.

2. Give (yield) the control back to God.

Reference: Romans 6:13

Yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

Reference: Joshua 24:23 NIV

"... yield your hearts to the LORD...."





Summary

How can we allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of our lives?

- A. Determine to just live one day at a time. Concentrate on allowing Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of our lives just for today.
- B. Apply the *formula* God has given us for finding His *direction* and having our efforts crowned with *success*.

Formula

Trust Christ completely
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Put Christ first in everything you do
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God-given direction and success

- C. Make a total life commitment to allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of our lives, and then renew that commitment daily.
- D. Realize that the *greatest hindrance* to allowing Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of our lives is *sin*.

Learn to:

- 1. *Confess* sin immediately.
- 2. Yield the control back to God.



Scripture Memory Challenge

Have these verses memorized for the following sessions:

1. Trusting Promises

These promises will become anchors for your soul, no matter how rough the water may get in the storms of life.

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2. Witnessing

Session #9	Romans 3:23 Romans 6:23 John 3:16
Session #10	John 1:12 Ephesians 2:8-9

3. Commitment - Yielding - Abiding

Session #11	Luke 9:23
	Romans 6:13
	John 15:4

4. Value of God's Word

Session #12	2 Timothy 3:16-17
	Hebrews 4·12

5. Encouragement

Week following Session #12	Isaiah 41:10
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In the coming weeks, continue memorizing two verses each week. You will probably choose these verses from what you've read, studied, or heard in a sermon or lesson.

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Scripture Memory Plan

- 1. Memorize two new verses each week.
- 2. Helps on how to memorize:
 - a) *Read the context of the verse in your Bible.* This helps you understand the verse in its proper setting.
 - b) *Read the verse through several times*, thoughtfully, aloud or in a whisper. This will help you grasp the verse as a whole.
 - c) It is helpful to write the verse out as part of the process of learning. Therefore, write the verse out on a verse card. Doing this makes a particularly strong impression on the mind. Some people find it helpful to write the verse down several times.
 - d) *Meditate on the verse*—Ponder the verse, Picture the verse, and then Pray the verse back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - e) *Break the passage into its natural phrases*. Learn the reference and the first phrase. Then repeat the reference and the first and second phrases. Continue adding phrases until the whole verse is memorized.
 - f) Review the verse immediately after you have initially memorized it by quoting reference, verse, reference 30 times, and then place the day's date on the card.
 - g) Share the verse with others—use it or lose it.
 - h) Review the verse every day for the next two months (approximately 60 days) quoting reference, verse, reference each day. This means that your maximum number of verses on any given day will total 16 verses—reviewing 14 past verses and two new verses. At the end of two months put the verse back for occasional review and/or future reference.

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The following are scriptural answers for the excuses men often use for not receiving Jesus as Savior and Lord.

Excuses & Scriptural Responses

	Excuse	Scriptural Response
1.	I'm not so bad.	Romans 3:10
2.	I'll take my chances.	Hebrews 10:31
3.	I can't understand.	1 Corinthians 2:14
4.	I don't see the need.	John 3:19-20
5.	I'm not good enough yet.	Ephesians 2:8-9
6.	I'm too great a sinner.	Isaiah 1:18
7.	I fear others.	Proverbs 29:25
8.	I couldn't hold out.	1 Peter 1:5
9.	I'll wait till later.	Proverbs 27:1
10.	I want my fun now.	Ecclesiastes 11:9
11.	Too many hypocrites.	Romans 14:12
12.	It doesn't sound reasonable.	Isaiah 55:8-9
13.	I don't believe in Christ.	Romans 3:3
14.	I am an atheist.	Psalm 14:1
15.	What about other religions?	Isaiah 43:11
16.	I don't believe in hell.	Matthew 25:41
17.	Man wrote the Bible.	2 Timothy 3:16
18.	Too much to give up.	Matthew 6:33
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Log of Verses Memorized

Date Memorized	Reference	Topic or Key Thought
	John 5:24	Salvation
	John 10:28	Salvation
	1 Cor. 10:13	Deliverance
	2 Cor. 12:9	Strength
	1 Peter 5:7	Comfort
	Phil. 4:19	Needs
	Prov. 3:5-6	Direction
	1 John 1:9	Forgiveness
	Romans 3:23	Witnessing
	Romans 6:23	Witnessing
	John 3:16	Witnessing
	John 1:12	Witnessing
	Eph. 2:8-9	Witnessing
	Luke 9:23	Commitment/Deny Self
	Romans 6:13	Yielding
	John 15:4	Abiding
	2 Tim. 3:16-17	Value of God's Word
	Heb. 4:12	Value of God's Word
	Isa. 41:10	Encouragement
	Jer. 29:11	Encouragement

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Daily Bible Reading Challenge

Second Month:

- 1. Read the *New Testament* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- *2. Read one chapter in Proverbs.

Third Month:

- Read the *New Testament* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- 2. Read the *Old Testament I* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- *3 Read one chapter in Proverbs.

Fourth Month And Thereafter:

- Read the *New Testament* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- 2. Read the *Old Testament I* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- 3. Read the *Old Testament II* section in the "Daily Bible Reading Calendar." (pages 74-85)
- *4. Read one chapter in Proverbs.
 - * Each day in Proverbs, read the chapter that has the same number as that day's date—the first day of the month read the first chapter, and the second day of the month read the second chapter, etc.

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JANUARY

And beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures (Luke 24:27).

Old'	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Genesis 1:1-2:3	Job 1:1-2:10	Matthew 1
2	Gen. 2:4-25	Job 2:11-3:26	Mt. 2
3	Gen. 3	Job 4, 5	Mt. 3
4	Gen. 4, 5	Job 6, 7	Mt. 4
5	Gen. 6:1-7:10	Job 8	Mt. 5:1-20
6	Gen. 7:11-8:19	Job 9, 10	Mt. 5:21-48
7	Gen. 8:20-9:29	Job 11, 12	Mt. 6:1-18
8	Gen.10:1-11:26	Job 13, 14	Mt. 6:19-7:6
9	Gen.11:27-12:20	Job 15	Mt. 7:7-29
10	Gen. 13, 14	Job 16, 17	Mt. 8:1-27
11	Gen. 15, 16	Job 18, 19	Mt. 8:28-9:17
12	Gen. 17	Job 20	Mt. 9:18-38
13	Gen. 18	Job 21	Mt. 10:1-25
14	Gen. 19	Job 22	Mt. 10:26-11:1
15	Gen. 20, 21	Job 23, 24	Mt. 11:2-30
16	Gen. 22	Job 25, 26, 27	Mt. 12:1-21
17	Gen. 23	Job 28	Mt. 12:22-50
18	Gen. 24	Job 29, 30	Mt. 13:1-23
19	Gen. 25	Job 31	Mt. 13:24-43
20	Gen. 26	Job 32, 33	Mt. 13:44-14:13
21	Gen. 27	Job 34, 35	Mt. 14:14-36
22	Gen. 28	Job 36, 37	Mt. 15:1-28
23	Gen. 29	Job 38, 39	Mt. 15:29-16:12
24	Gen. 30	Job 40, 41	Mt. 16:13-17:13
25	Gen. 31	Job 42	Mt. 17:14-18:14
26	Gen. 32:1-33:16	Psalms 1, 2, 3	Mt. 18:15-35
27	Gen. 33:17-34:31	Ps. 4, 5, 6	Mt. 19:1-15
28	Gen. 35	Ps. 7, 8	Mt. 19:16-20:16
29	Gen. 36	Ps. 9, 10	Mt. 20:17-34
30	Gen. 37	Ps. 11, 12, 13, 14	Mt. 21:1-32
31	Gen. 38	Ps. 15, 16	Mt. 21:33-22:14







FEBRUARY

The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple (Psalm 19:7).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Gen. 39	Ps. 17	Mt. 22:15-46
2	Gen. 40	Ps. 18:1-29	Mt. 23
3	Gen. 41:1-49	Ps. 18:30-50	Mt. 24:1-28
4	Gen. 41:50-42:38	Ps. 19	Mt. 24:29-51
5	Gen. 43	Ps. 20, 21	Mt. 25:1-30
6	Gen. 44	Ps. 22	Mt. 25:31-26:2
7	Gen. 45	Ps. 23, 24	Mt. 26:3-30
8	Gen. 46:1-47:26	Ps. 25	Mt. 26:31-57
9	Gen. 47:27-48:22	Ps. 26, 27	Mt. 26:58-75
10	Gen. 49	Ps. 28, 29	Mt. 27:1-26
11	Gen. 50	Ps. 30	Mt. 27:27-44
12	Exodus 1:1-2:22	Ps. 31	Mt. 27:45-66
13	Ex. 2:23-3:22	Ps. 32, 33	Mt. 28
14	Ex. 4	Ps. 34	Acts 1
15	Ex. 5:1-6:12	Ps. 35, 36	Acts 2:1-21
16	Ex. 6:13-7:25	Ps. 37	Acts 2:22-47
17	Ex. 8	Ps. 38, 39	Acts 3
18	Ex. 9	Ps. 40, 41	Acts 4:1-31
19	Ex. 10	Ps. 42, 43	Acts 4:32-5:11
20	Ex. 11:1-12:20	Ps. 44	Acts 5:12-42
21	Ex. 12:21-51	Ps. 45, 46	Acts 6
22	Ex. 13:1-14:4	Ps. 47, 48	Acts 7:1-29
23	Ex. 14:5-31	Ps. 49, 50	Acts 7:30-8:4
24	Ex. 15	Ps. 51	Acts 8:5-40
25	Ex. 16	Ps. 52, 53, 54	Acts 9:1-31
26	Ex. 17	Ps. 55	Acts 9:32-43
27	Ex. 18	Ps. 56, 57	Acts 10:1-23
28	Ex. 19	Ps. 58, 59	Acts 10:24-48







MARCH

How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Thy word (Psalm 119:9).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Ex. 20	Ps. 60, 61	Acts 11:1-18
2	Ex. 21	Ps. 62, 63	Acts 11:19-30
3	Ex. 22:1-23:9	Ps. 64, 65	Acts 12
4	Ex. 23:10-33	Ps. 66, 67	Acts 13:1-25
5	Ex. 24	Ps. 68	Acts 13:26-52
6	Ex. 25	Ps. 69	Acts 14
7	Ex. 26:1-30	Ps. 70, 71	Acts 15:1-21
8	Ex. 26:31-27:19	Ps. 72	Acts 15:22-35
9	Ex. 27:20-28:14	Ps. 73	Acts 15:36-16:15
10	Ex. 28:15-43	Ps. 74, 75	Acts 16:16-40
11	Ex. 29:1-37	Ps. 76, 77	Acts 17:1-15
12	Ex. 29:38-30:10	Ps. 78:1-31	Acts 17:16-34
13	Ex. 30:11-38	Ps. 78:32-72	Acts 18:1-22
14	Ex. 31	Ps. 79, 80	Acts 18:23-19:20
15	Ex. 32	Ps. 81, 82	Acts 19:21-41
16	Ex. 33:1-34:3	Ps. 83, 84	Acts 20:1-16
17	Ex. 34:4-35	Ps. 85, 86	Acts 20:17-38
18	Ex. 35	Ps. 87, 88	Acts 21:1-16
19	Ex. 36	Ps. 89:1-18	Acts 21:17-40
20	Ex. 37	Ps. 89:19-52	Acts 22:1-21
21	Ex. 38	Ps. 90, 91	Acts 22:22-23:11
22	Ex. 39	Ps. 92, 93	Acts 23:12-35
23	Ex. 40	Ps. 94, 95	Acts 24
24	Leviticus 1	Ps. 96, 97, 98	Acts 25:1-22
25	Lev. 2	Ps. 99, 100, 101	Acts 25:23-26:11
26	Lev. 3	Ps. 102	Acts 26:12-32
27	Lev. 4:1-26	Ps. 103	Acts 27:1-26
28	Lev. 4:27-5:13	Ps. 104	Acts 27:27-28:10
29	Lev. 5:14-6:7	Ps. 105	Acts 28:11-31
30	Lev. 6:8-7:10	Ps. 106	Mark 1:1-20
31	Lev. 7:11-38	Ps. 107	Mk. 1:21-45





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APRIL

But these have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name (John 20:31).

Old'	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Lev. 8	Ps. 108	Mk. 2:1-22
2	Lev. 9	Ps. 109	Mk. 2:23-3:12
3	Lev. 10	Ps. 110, 111	Mk. 3:13-35
4	Lev. 11	Ps. 112, 113, 114	Mk. 4:1-20
5	Lev. 12:1-13:23	Ps. 115, 116	Mk. 4:21-41
6	Lev. 13:24-59	Ps. 117, 118	Mk. 5:1-20
7	Lev. 14:1-32	Ps. 119:1-40	Mk. 5:21-43
8	Lev. 14:33-57	Ps. 119:41-72	Mk. 6:1-29
9	Lev. 15	Ps. 119:73-112	Mk. 6:30-56
10	Lev. 16	Ps. 119:113-144	Mk. 7:1-23
11	Lev. 17, 18	Ps. 119:145-176	Mk. 7:24-8:10
12	Lev. 19, 20	Ps. 120, 121, 122, 123	Mk. 8:11-26
13	Lev. 21	Ps. 124, 125, 126, 127	Mk. 8:27-9:13
14	Lev. 22	Ps. 128, 129, 130, 131	Mk. 9:14-32
15	Lev. 23:1-22	Ps. 132, 133	Mk. 9:33-50
16	Lev. 23:23-44	Ps. 134, 135	Mk. 10:1-31
17	Lev. 24	Ps. 136, 137	Mk. 10:32-52
18	Lev. 25	Ps. 138, 139	Mk. 11:1-26
19	Lev. 26	Ps. 140, 141	Mk. 11:27-12:17
20	Lev. 27	Ps. 142, 143	Mk. 12:18-44
21	Numbers 1	Ps. 144, 145	Mk. 13
22	Num. 2	Ps. 146, 147	Mk. 14:1-26
23	Num. 3	Ps. 148, 149, 150	Mk. 14:27-52
24	Num. 4	Proverbs 1	Mk. 14:53-72
25	Num. 5	Pr. 2	Mk. 15:1-23
26	Num. 6	Pr. 3	Mk. 15:24-47
27	Num. 7	Pr. 4	Mk. 16
28	Num. 8	Pr. 5:1-6:19	1 Peter 1:1-12
29	Num. 9:1-10:10	Pr. 6:20-7:27	1 Pet. 1:13-2:10
30	Num. 10:11-11:3	Pr. 8	1 Pet. 2:11-3:7







\mathbf{MAY}

Like newborn babes, long for the pure milk of the word, that by it you may grow in respect to salvation $(1\ \text{Peter }2\text{:}2).$

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Num. 11:4-35	Pr. 9	1 Pet. 3:8-22
2	Num. 12, 13	Pr. 10	1 Pet. 4
3	Num. 14	Pr. 11	1 Pet. 5
4	Num. 15	Pr. 12	2 Pet. 1
5	Num. 16:1-40	Pr. 13	2 Pet. 2
6	Num. 16:41-17:13	Pr. 14	2 Pet. 3
7	Num. 18	Pr. 15	James 1
8	Num. 19	Pr. 16	James 2
9	Num. 20	Pr. 17	James 3
10	Num. 21	Pr. 18	James 4
11	Num. 22:1-38	Pr. 19	James 5
12	Num. 22:39-23:26	Pr. 20:1-21:11	Jude
13	Num. 23:27-24:25	Pr. 21:12-22:16	Luke 1:1-25
	Nm. 25:1-26:51	Pr. 22:17-23:11	Lk. 1:26-56
15	Num. 26:52-27:23	Pr. 23:12-35	Lk. 1:57-80
16	Num. 28	Pr. 24	Lk. 2:1-21
17	Num. 29	Pr. 25:1-26:12	Lk. 2:22-52
18	Num. 30, 31	Pr. 26:13-27:27	Lk. 3
19	Num. 32	Pr. 28	Lk. 4:1-15
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21	Num. 34:1-35:8	Pr. 30	Lk. 5:1-16
22	Num. 35:9-36:13	Pr. 31	Lk. 5:17-39
23	Deuteronomy 1	Ecclesiastes 1:1-2:10	Lk. 6:1-19
	Dt. 2	Ec. 2:11-3:15	Lk. 6:20-49
	Dt. 3	Ec. 3:16-4:16	Lk. 7:1-29
	Dt. 4	Ec. 5, 6	Lk. 7:30-50
27	Dt. 5	Ec. 7	Lk. 8:1-21
	Dt. 6:1-7:10	Ec. 8:1-9:10	Lk. 8:22-39
	Dt. 7:11-8:20	Ec. 9:11-10:20	Lk. 8:40-56
	Dt. 9:1-10:11	Ec. 11, 12	Lk. 9:1-17
31	Dt. 10:12-11:32	Song of Sol. 1:1-2:7	Lk. 9:18-36







JUNE

The gospel of God, which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures (Romans 1:1-2).

Old Testament I		Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Dt. 12	Song 2:8-3:5	Lk. 9:37-62
2	Dt. 13:1-14:21	Song 3:6-5:1	Lk. 10:1-24
3	Dt. 14:22-15:23	Song 5:2-6:9	Lk. 10:25-42
4	Dt. 16	Song 6:10-8:14	Lk. 11:1-13
5	Dt. 17:1-18:8	Obadiah	Lk. 11:14-36
6	Dt. 18:9-19:21	Joel 1	Lk. 11:37-54
7	Dt. 20, 21	Joel 2	Lk. 12:1-21
8	Dt. 22:1-23:8	Joel 3	Lk. 12:22-40
9	Dt. 23:9-24:22	Jonah 1, 2	Lk. 12:41-59
10	Dt. 25:1-26:15	Jonah 3, 4	Lk. 13:1-21
11	Dt. 26:16-27:26	Amos 1, 2	Lk. 13:22-35
12	Dt. 28:1-37	Amos 3, 4	Lk. 14:1-24
13	Dt. 28:38-68	Amos 5, 6	Lk. 14:25-15:10
14	Dt. 29	Amos 7, 8	Lk. 15:11-32
	Dt. 30:1-31:13	Amos 9	Lk. 16
16	Dt. 31:14-32:14	Hosea 1:1-2:1	Lk. 17:1-19
17	Dt. 32:15-32	Hos. 2:2-3:5	Lk. 17:20-18:14
18	Dt. 33	Hos. 4:1-6:3	Lk. 18:15-43
19	Dt. 34	Hos. 6:4-7:16	Lk. 19:1-28
20	5	Hos. 8, 9	Lk. 19:29-48
21	2	Hos. 10:1-11:11	Lk. 20:1-19
22		Hos. 11:12-14:9	Lk. 20:20-21:4
23	5	Isaiah 1	Lk. 21:5-38
24	3	Is. 2	Lk. 22:1-30
25		Is. 3, 4	Lk. 22:31-53
26	2	Is. 5	Lk. 22:54-23:12
27	•	Is. 6	Lk. 23:13-46
28	5	Is. 7:1-8:4	Lk. 23:47-24:12
29	Josh. 11, 12	Is. 8:5-9:7	Lk. 24:13-53
30	Josh. 13	Is. 9:8-10:5	1 Thessalonians 1







JULY

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness (2 Timothy 3:16).

Old	l Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	Josh. 14, 15	Is. 10:6-34	1 Thess. 2:1-16
2	Josh. 16, 17	Is. 11, 12	1 Thess. 2:17-3:13
3	Josh. 18, 19	Is. 13	1 Thess. 4
4	Josh. 20, 21	Is. 14	1 Thess. 5
5	Josh. 22	Is. 15, 16	2 Thess. 1
6	Josh. 23	Is. 17, 18	2 Thess. 2
7	Josh. 24	Is. 19, 20	2 Thess. 3
8	Judges 1:1-2:5	Is. 21:1-22:14	1 Corinthians 1
9	Judges 2:6-3:4	Is. 22:15-23:18	1 Co. 2
10	Judges 3:5-31	Is. 24	1 Co. 3
11	Judges 4	Is. 25	1 Co. 4
12	Judges 5	Is. 26	1 Co. 5
13	Judges 6	Is. 27	1 Co. 6
14	Judges 7	Is. 28	1 Co. 7
15	Judges 8	Is. 29	1 Co. 8
16	Judges 9:1-10:5	Is. 30	1 Co. 9:1-23
17	Judges 10:6-11:28	Is. 31, 32	1 Co. 9:24-10:14
18	Judges 11:29-12:15	Is. 33	1 Co. 10:15-11:1
19	Judges 13	Is. 34, 35	1 Co. 11:2-34
20	Judges 14, 15	Is. 36:1-37:7	1 Co. 12
21	Judges 16	Is. 37:8-38	1 Co. 13
22	Judges 17, 18	Is. 38, 39	1 Co. 14
23	Judges 19	Is. 40	1 Co. 15:1-34
24	Judges 20	Is. 41:1-20	1 Co. 15:35-58
25	Judges 21	Is. 41:21-42:21	1 Co. 16
26	Ruth 1	Is. 42:22-43:10	2 Co. 1
27	Ruth 2	Is. 43:11-44:5	2 Co. 2
28	Ruth 3, 4	Is. 44:6-23	2 Co. 3:1-4:6
29	1 Samuel 1	Is. 44:24-45:8	2 Co. 4:7-5:10
30	1 Sam. 2	Is. 45:9-25	2 Co. 5:11-6:10
31	1 Sam. 3	Is. 46	2 Co. 6:11-7:16







AUGUST

But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God (2 Peter 1:20-21).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	1 Sam. 4, 5	Is. 47	2 Co. 8
2	1 Sam. 6, 7	Is. 48	2 Co. 9
3	1 Sam. 8:1-9:14	Is. 49	2 Co. 10
4	1 Sam. 9:15-10:27	Is. 50:1-51:8	2 Co. 11
5	1 Sam. 11, 12	Is. 51:9-23	2 Co. 12:1-13
6	1 Sam. 13	Is. 52:1-12	2 Co. 12:14-13:17
7	1 Sam. 14	Is. 52:13-53:12	Romans 1:1-16
8	1 Sam. 15	Is. 54	Ro. 1:17-32
9	1 Sam. 16	Is. 55:1-56:8	Ro. 2
10	1 Sam. 17:1-31	Is. 56:9-57:21	Ro. 3
11	1 Sam. 17:32-58	Is. 58	Ro. 4:1-22
12	1 Sam. 18:1-19:7	Is. 59	Ro. 4:23-5:11
13	1 Sam. 19:8-20:42	Is. 60	Ro. 5:12-21
14	1 Sam. 21, 22	Is. 61	Ro. 6:1-14
15	1 Sam. 23, 24	Is. 62:1-63:14	Ro. 6:15-7:6
16	1 Sam. 25	Is. 63:15-64:12	Ro. 7:7-25
17	1 Sam. 26, 27	Is. 65	Ro. 8:1-17
18	1 Sam. 28, 29	Is. 66	Ro. 8:18-39
19	1 Sam. 30, 31	Micah 1, 2	Ro. 9:1-29
20	2 Sam. 1	Mi. 3:1-4:8	Ro. 9:30-10:21
21	2 Sam. 2	Mi. 4:9-5:15	Ro. 11:1-15
22	2 Sam. 3	Mi. 6	Ro. 11:16-36
23	2 Sam. 4, 5	Mi. 7	Ro. 12
24	2 Sam. 6	Nahum 1	Ro. 13
25	2 Sam. 7	Nah. 2, 3	Ro. 14:1-18
26	2 Sam. 8, 9	Habakkuk 1	Ro. 14:19-15:13
27	2 Sam. 10, 11	Hab. 2	Ro. 15:14-33
28	2 Sam. 12	Hab. 3	Ro. 16
	2 Sam. 13	Zephaniah 1	Galatians 1
	2 Sam. 14	Zeph. 2	Gal. 2
31	2 Sam. 15	Zeph. 3	Gal. 3:1-14







SEPTEMBER

The Spirit of the Lord spoke by me, and His word was on my tongue (2 Samuel 23:2).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	2 Sam. 16, 17	Jeremiah 1	Gal. 3:15-29
2	2 Sam. 18:1-19:8	Jer. 2	Gal. 4:1-20
3	2 Sam. 19:9-43	Jer. 3:1-4:2	Gal. 4:21-5:9
4	2 Sam. 20	Jer. 4:3-31	Gal. 5:10-26
5	2 Sam. 21	Jer. 5	Gal. 6
6	2 Sam. 22	Jer. 6	Ephesians 1:1-14
7	2 Sam. 23	Jer. 7	Eph. 1:15-2:10
8	2 Sam. 24	Jer. 8	Eph. 2:11-22
9	1 Kings 1	Jer. 9	Eph. 3
10	1 Kings 2	Jer. 10	Eph. 4:1-16
11	1 Kings 3	Jer. 11	Eph. 4:17-32
12	1 Kings 4, 5	Jer. 12	Eph. 5:1-21
13	1 Kings 6	Jer. 13	Eph. 5:22-6:9
14	1 Kings 7	Jer. 14	Eph. 6:10-24
15	1 Kings 8:1-30	Jer. 15	Philippians 1:1-20
16	1 Kings 8:31-66	Jer. 16	Phil. 1:21-2:11
17	1 Kings 9	Jer. 17	Phil. 2:12-30
18	1 Kings 10	Jer. 18	Phil. 3:1-4:1
19	1 Kings 11	Jer. 19, 20	Phil. 4:2-23
20	1 Kings 12:1-24	Jer. 22	Colossians 1:1-20
21	1 Kings 12:25-13:32	Jer. 23	Col. 1:21-2:7
22	1 Kings 13:33-14:31	Jer. 25	Col. 2:8-3:4
23	1 Kings 15:1-32	Jer. 26	Col. 3:5-4:1
24	1 Kings 15:33-16:34	Jer. 35	Col. 4:2-18
25	1 Kings 17	Jer. 36, 45	Philemon
26	1 Kings 18	Jer. 46, 47	Hebrews 1
27	1 Kings 19	Jer. 48	Heb. 2
28	1 Kings 20	Jer. 49	Heb. 3
29	1 Kings 21	Jer. 50	Heb. 4:1-13
30	1 Kings 22	Jer. 51:1-24	Heb. 4:14-5:10





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OCTOBER

The Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit foretold by the mouth of David concerning Judas (Acts 1:16).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	2 Kings 1	Jer. 51:25-64	Heb. 5:11-6:20
2	2 Kings 2	Jer. 24, 29	Heb. 7
3	2 Kings 3	Jer. 30	Heb. 8
4	2 Kings 4	Jer. 31	Heb. 9:1-14
5	2 Kings 5	Jer. 27, 28	Heb. 9:15-28
6	2 Kings 6:1-23	Jer. 21, 34	Heb. 10:1-18
7	2 Kings 6:24-7:20	Jer. 37	Heb. 10:19-39
8	2 Kings 8	Jer. 32:1-25	Heb. 11:1-16
9	2 Kings 9	Jer. 32:26-44	Heb. 11:17-40
10	2 Kings 10	Jer. 33	Heb. 12:1-17
11	2 Kings 11, 12	Jer. 38	Heb. 12:18-13:6
12	2 Kings 13:1-14:22	Jer. 39	Heb. 13:7-25
13	2 Kings 14:23-15:31	Jer. 40	Titus 1:1-2:8
14	2 Kings 15:32-16:20	Jer. 41	Titus 2:9-3:15
15	2 Kings 17	Jer. 42, 43	1 Ti. 1
16	2 Kings 18	Jer. 44	1 Ti. 2
17	2 Kings 19	Jer. 52	1 Ti. 3
18	2 Kings 20:1-21:18	Lamentations 1	1 Ti. 4
19	2 Kings 21:19-22:20	Lam. 2	1 Ti. 5
20	2 Kings 23	Lam. 3	1 Ti. 6
21	2 Kings 24	Lam. 4, 5	2 Ti. 1
22	2 Kings 25	Ezekiel 1	2 Ti. 2
23	1 Chronicles 1	Eze. 2:1-3:15	2 Ti. 3
24	1 Chron. 2	Eze. 3:16-4:17	2 Ti. 4
25	1 Chron. 3:1-4:23	Eze. 5, 6	John 1:1-18
26	1 Chron. 4:24-5:26	Eze. 7	Jn. 1:19-51
27	1 Chron. 6	Eze. 8, 9	Jn. 2:1-22
28	1 Chron. 7	Eze. 10	Jn. 2:23-3:21
29	1 Chron. 8, 9	Eze. 11	Jn. 3:22-36
30	1 Chron. 10, 11	Eze. 12	Jn. 4:1-30
31	1 Chron. 12	Eze. 13	Jn. 4:31-54







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But the things which God announced beforehand by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ should suffer, He has thus fulfilled (Acts 3:18).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	1 Chron. 13, 14	Eze. 14, 15	In. 5:1-23
2	1 Chron. 15	Eze. 16:1-34	Jn. 5:24-47
3	1 Chron. 16	Eze. 16:35-63	Jn. 6:1-21
4	1 Chron. 17, 18	Eze. 17	Jn. 6:22-40
5	1 Chron. 19, 20	Eze. 18, 19	Jn. 6:41-7:1
6	1 Chron. 21	Eze. 20:1-44	Jn. 7:2-30
7	1 Chron. 22, 23	Eze. 20:45-21:32	Jn. 7:31-8:11
8	1 Chron. 24, 25	Eze. 22	Jn. 8:12-30
9	1 Chron. 26, 27	Eze. 23	Jn. 8:31-59
10	1 Chron. 28	Eze. 24, 25	Jn. 9:1-17
11	1 Chron. 29	Eze. 26	Jn. 9:18-38
12	2 Chron. 1, 2	Eze. 27	Jn. 9:39-10:18
13	2 Chron. 3, 4	Eze. 28	Jn. 10:19-42
14	2 Chron. 5:1-6:11	Eze. 29:1-30:19	Jn. 11:1-27
15	2 Chron. 6:12-42	Eze. 30:20-31:18	Jn. 11:28-54
16	2 Chron. 7	Eze. 32	Jn. 11:55-12:19
17	2 Chron. 8, 9	Eze. 33	Jn. 12:20-50
18	2 Chron. 10, 11	Eze. 34	Jn. 13:1-30
19	2 Chron. 12, 13	Eze. 35:1-36:15	Jn. 13:31-14:14
20	2 Chron. 14, 15	Eze. 36:16-38	Jn. 14:15-31
21	2 Chron. 16, 17	Eze. 37	Jn. 15:1-16
22	2 Chron. 18, 19	Eze. 38	Jn. 15:17-16:15
23	2 Chron. 20	Eze. 39	Jn. 16:16-33
24	2 Chron. 21, 22	Eze. 40	Jn. 17
25	2 Chron. 23, 24	Eze. 41	Jn. 18:1-27
26	2 Chron. 25	Eze. 42	Jn. 18:28-19:16
27	2 Chron. 26	Eze. 43	Jn. 19:17-42
28	2 Chron. 27, 28	Eze. 44	Jn. 20
29	2 Chron. 29	Eze. 45	Jn. 21
30	2 Chron. 30	Eze. 46	1 Jn. 1







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Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things which are written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fufilled" (Luke $24{:}44$).

Old	Testament I	Old Testament II	New Testament
1	2 Chron. 31	Eze. 47	1 Jn. 2:1-17
2	2 CrChron 32	Eze. 48	1 Jn. 2:18-29
3	2 Chron. 33	Daniel 1	1 Jn. 3
4	2 Chron. 34	Dan. 2:1-23	1 Jn. 4
5	2 Chron. 35	Dan. 2:24-49	1 Jn. 5
6	2 Chron. 36	Dan. 3	2 Jn.
7	Ezra 1, 2	Dan. 4	3 Jn.
8	Ezra 3, 4	Dan. 5	Revelation 1
9	Ezra 5	Dan. 6	Rev. 2:1-17
10	Ezra 6	Dan. 7	Rev. 2:18-3:6
11	Ezra 7	Dan. 8	Rev. 3:7-22
12	Ezra 8	Dan. 9	Rev. 4
13	Ezra 9	Dan. 10	Rev. 5
14	Ezra 10	Dan. 11:1-20	Rev. 6
15	Nehemiah 1, 2	Dan. 11:21-45	Rev. 7
16	Neh. 3	Dan. 12	Rev. 8
	Neh. 4	Haggai 1	Rev. 9
18	Neh. 5	Hag. 2	Rev. 10
19	Neh. 6	Zechariah 1	Rev. 11
20	Neh. 7	Zech. 2, 3	Rev. 12
21	Neh. 8	Zech. 4	Rev. 13
22	Neh. 9	Zech. 5, 6	Rev. 14
23	Neh. 10, 11	Zech. 7	Rev. 15
24	Neh. 12	Zech. 8	Rev. 16
25	Neh. 13	Zech. 9, 10	Rev. 17
26	Esther 1	Zech. 11	Rev. 18
27	Est. 2	Zech. 12:1-13:6	Rev. 19:1-10
28	Est. 3, 4	Zech. 13:7-14:21	Rev. 19:11-20:6
29	Est. 5, 6	Malachi 1:1-2:9	Rev. 20:7-21:8
30	Est. 7, 8	Mal. 2:10-3:6	Rev. 21:9-22:5
31	Est. 9, 10	Mal. 3:7-4:6	Rev. 22:6-21





Assignment Prepare for Session 5

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 88).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned second month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73):
 - (1) *Read* the assigned verses (page 73).
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) *Meditate* on your note:
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Every day pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31).
- 3. *Study* "How can I allow Jesus Christ to be the center and Lord of my Life?"
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 60-68).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* on page 68.
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 4. *Memorize* and *meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - John 5:24 Joh
 - John 10:28
- 5. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 87).
- 6. Watch for opportunities to share what God is teaching you.
- 7. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God.

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Prepare for Session 5 Assignment Review Questions

1.	What is the formula given to us in Proverbs 3:4-6?	
2.	Name seven things for which we are to trust God daily: a)	
	b)	
	c)	
	d)	
	e)	
	f)	•
	g)	
3.	How do we increase or grow the faith God has given us?	
4.	What is the "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" for the Second Month?	
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5.	Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week?	
	YES □ NO □	
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	Follo	w Up	
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the time you sto		week note the time entire time you in God assignment.	
Day	Start Time	Stop Time	Total Time
Monday			
Tuesday			
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			

I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □
- 5. YES □ NO □





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The spokes show the means by which Christ's power becomes operative in our lives. We maintain personal contact with God through the vertical spokes: the Word and prayer. The Word is our spiritual food as well as our sword for spiritual battle. It is the foundational spoke for effective Christian living.

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Saturating My Life with God's Word

I. What does this mean?

It simply means that by *consistent*, *daily intake of God's Word*, it somehow works itself, its words, its expressions, its teachings, its habits of thought, and its presentation of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit *into every part of my being*.

II. Why saturate my life with God's Word?

Search the following scriptures for answers, and fill in the blanks.

A. Reference: Matthew 4:4 NKJV

But He answered and said, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, *but by every word* that proceeds from the mouth of God."

I should saturate my life with God's Word because bread alone is not enough. God intends for us to feast on His **W**___**D**.

B. Reference: Philippians 2:16 NKJV

Holding fast *the word of life*, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain neither labored in vain.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because it is the Word of $L _ F _$.

C. Reference: Isaiah 55:11 NKJV

"So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."

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I should saturate my life with God's Word because it always accomplishes God's intended $P _ R P _ S _$.

D. Reference: 2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by *inspiration* of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

Reference: 2 Peter 1:21 NKJV

For prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because all scripture is given by

 $I _ S P _ R _ T _ O _$ of God.

E. Reference: John 17:17 NKJV

"Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth."

I should saturate my life with God's Word because God's Word is **T**_**U**_**H**.

F. Reference: Hebrews 4:12 RSV

For the Word of God is *living and active*, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and spirit, of joints and marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because His Word is _____ and

G. Reference: Isaiah 40:8

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand forever.

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I should saturate my life with God's Word because the Word of God will stand _____. It is enduring.

H. Reference: Psalm 19:7-11 NIV

The law of the LORD is *perfect*, reviving the soul. The statutes of the LORD are *trustworthy*, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are *right*, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are *radiant*, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The ordinances of the LORD are *sure* and altogether *righteous*. They are more *precious* than gold, than much pure gold; they are *sweeter* than honey, than honey from the comb. By them is your servant *warned*; in keeping them there is great *reward*.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because His Word is: P_RF_CT, TRU_TW_RT_Y, R_G_T, RAD_ANT, S__E, and RIG_T_US. It is more PRE_I_US than gold and SW__TER than honey, and by it we are WA_NED. In obeying God's Word there is great RE_A_D.

I. Reference: Psalm 107:20 NKJV

He sent His word and *healed* them, and delivered them from their destructions.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because the Word of God **H**_**A**_**S**.

J. Reference: Psalm 119:130 NKJV

The entrance of Your words gives *light*; it gives *understanding* to the simple.

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I should saturate my life with God's Word because the Word of God gives L_G_T and U_D_R_T_N_I_G.

K. Reference: John 8:31-32 AMP

So Jesus said to those Jews who had believed in Him, If you abide in My Word—hold fast to My teachings and live in accordance with them—you are truly My disciples. And you will know the *truth*, and the *truth* will set you *free*.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because we have God's promise that if we *stay in God's Word*, and *live in obedience* to His teachings, we will know the T_U_H , and the R_T will set us F_L_E . The only real freedom in life is found in Jesus and His Word.

L. Reference: Romans 10:17 NKJV

So then *faith* comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because the Word of God can produce **F**_**I**_**H**.

M. Reference: Psalm 119:162 NLT

I *rejoice* in your Word, like one who finds a great treasure.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because God's Word gives me cause to rejoice. I can $R _ J _ I _ E$ as one who has found a great treasure.

N. Reference: Psalm 119:9-11 LIV

How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your Word. I seek you with

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all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart *that I might not sin against you*.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because God's Word holds me back from **S**____.

O. Reference: Psalm 119:133 NIV

Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no *sin* rule over me.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because then God **DI**_E_TS my footsteps so that no **S**_N can rule over me.

P. Reference: 1 Peter 1:23

Being *born again*, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because God's Word is the source of new $L _ F _$.

Q. Reference: 1 Peter 2:2 NKJV

As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may *grow* thereby . . .

Reference: Acts 20:32 AMP

And now, brethren, I commit you to God—that is, I deposit you in His charge, entrusting you to His protection and care. And I commend you to the Word of His grace—to the commands and counsels and promises of His unmerited favor. *It is able to build you up* and to give you [your rightful] inheritance among all God's set-apart ones—those consecrated, purified and transformed of soul.

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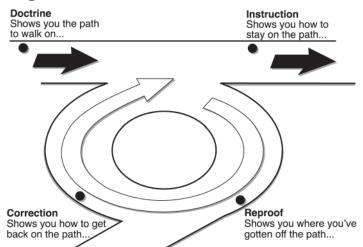


I should saturate my life with God's Word because the Word of God is able to **BU** _ **LD** me up.

R. Reference: 2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is *profitable for doctrine*, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

Diagram...



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In light of the above scripture, God's Word is profitable for:

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In light of the above diagram, the purpose of:
Doctrine is to show us:
Reproof is to show us:
Correction is to show us:
Instruction is to show us:
S. Reference: Jeremiah 15:16 NLT
Your words are what <i>sustain</i> me. They bring me great <i>joy</i> and are my heart's <i>delight</i> , for I bear your name, O Lord God Almighty.
I should saturate my life with God's Word because His words are what $S _ S _ A _ N$ me. They bring me great $J _ Y$ and are my heart's $D E _ I G _ T$.

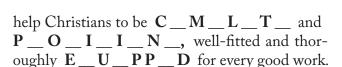
T. Reference: 2 Timothy 3:17 AMP

So that the man of God may be *complete* and *proficient*, well-fitted and thoroughly *equipped* for every good work.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because part of the intended purpose of God's Word is to

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- U. God uses His Word in our lives in many ways. The ways God uses His Word can be compared to:
 - 1. Reference: Psalm 119:105 NKJV

Your word is a *lamp* to my feet and a light to my path.

 $L_{-}P$

2. Reference: Jeremiah 23:29

Is not my word like as a *fire?* saith the LORD; and like a *hammer* that breaketh the rock in pieces?

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3. Reference: Luke 8:11

Now the parable is this: The *seed* is the word of God.

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4. Reference: Ephesians 6:17

And take the helmet of salvation, and the *sword* of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

 S_O_D

V. Reference: 1 John 5:13 NKJV

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have *eternal life*, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

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I should saturate my life with God's Word because His Word assures us that we have $E _ E _ N _ L \ L _ F _ .$

W. Reference: John 15:7 NIV

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, *ask* whatever you wish, and it will be given you.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because God's Word aids $PR _ Y _ R$.

X. Reference: Joshua 1:8 NLT

Study this Book of the Law continually. Meditate on it day and night so you may be sure to obey all that is written in it. Only then will you *succeed*.

I should saturate my life with God's Word, meditate on God's Word, and obey God's Word because only then will I SUC_E_D.

Y. Reference: Psalm 119:1-3 NLT

Happy are people of integrity, who *follow* the law of the Lord. Happy are those who *obey* His decrees and *search* for Him with all their hearts. They *do not compromise* with evil, and they *walk* only in His paths.

God gives true joy to those who SE_R_H for Him wholeheartedly and then FO_D_W and O_EY His Word without $CO_PR_M_SE$.

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Z. Reference: Proverbs 2:1-10 LIV

Every young man who *listens to Me and obeys* My instructions will be given wisdom and good sense. Yes, if you want better insight and discernment, and are searching for them as you would for lost money or hidden treasure, then wisdom will be given you, and *knowledge of God Himself*; you will soon learn the importance of reverence for the Lord and of trusting Him. For the Lord grants wisdom! His every Word is a treasure of knowledge and *understanding*. He grants good sense to the godly—His saints. He is their *shield*, protecting them and guarding their pathway. He shows how to distinguish right from wrong, how to find the right decision every time. For wisdom and truth will enter the very center of your being, filling your life with joy.

I should saturate my life with God's Word because of the promised results in the following *formula* taken from the above passage, Proverbs 2:1-10 LIV:



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Search the $W _RD$ diligently

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Listen to God and OB_Y

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A life blessed with the following:

- 1. W_SD_M
- 2. Good **S_N_E**
- 3. **INS_G_T**
- 4. DISC $_RM_NT$
- 5. KN_WL_D_E of G_D Himself
- 6. Learning the importance of REV_R_N_E for the LO_D
- 7. Learning the importance of TR_ST_NG the LO_D
- 8. $UND_R_TND_NG$
- 9. Being **SH_E_D_D** by **G_D**
- 10. Being PR_T_CT_D by G_D
- 11. Being **G**_**A**_**D**_**D** by God
- 12. The ability to distinguish R _ G _ T from W R _ N G
- 13. The ability to find the R_G_T DEC_S_ON every time
- 14. **J**_**Y**

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Summary

Why saturate my life with God's Word?

You write the summary for this section. List ten reasons why a Christian should saturate his or her life with God's Word.

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Encourage Yourself in the Lord

(1 Samuel 30:6; Romans 15:4 NIV)

- I. My Lord and Savior is *omnipotent (all-powerful)*. He possesses the ultimate power to meet my every need (Matthew 28:18).
 - A. I cast *all my care* upon my *omnipotent (all-power-ful)* Lord, for *He cares for me* (1 Peter 5:7). He will meet my every need (Philippians 4:19), for He says, "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me" (Psalm 50:15 NKJV).
 - B. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord will always draw a line over which the enemy (Satan) cannot step, for "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, *the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him*" (Isaiah 59:19).
 - C. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord tells me not to fear or be dismayed when the odds against me are great, for *the battle is not mine, but His* (2 Chronicles 20:15), and the Lord will fight for me (Exodus 14:14). "Ah, Lord God! Behold . . . Your great power . . . There is nothing too hard for You" (Jeremiah 32:17 NKJV).
 - D. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord encourages me *to fear Him and nothing else* (Isaiah 8:13 NLT), for He wants to leave me with His peace in exchange for my tormenting fear (John 14:27).
 - E. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord promises me that in the midst of every temptation He will intervene and not allow me to be tempted more than I can stand, but in the face of every temptation, *He will provide me with a way to escape* so that *I do not have to yield* to that temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13).

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- F. My *omnipotent* (all-powerful) Lord is the blessed Controller of all things (1 Timothy 6:15 JBP), and as long as I love Him and I am living in accordance with the purpose for which He called me, He has promised that He will not allow anything to touch my life except that which will work together for my good (Romans 8:28).
- G. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord is *faithful to exercise His power on my behalf* (Deuteronomy 7:9), and "...The things which are impossible with men are possible with God" (Luke 18:27).
- H. My *omnipotent (all-powerful)* Lord reminds me that "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, *but the Lord delivereth him (me) out of them all*" (Psalm 34:19).
- I. My omnipotent (all-powerful) Lord has even taken the fear and sting out of death, for through the Lord Jesus Christ and the resurrection (His and mine), I have victory (1 Corinthians 15:55, 57).
- II. My Lord and Savior is *omnipresent (always present)*. He is with me every moment of every day (Matthew 28:20).
 - A. My omnipresent (always present) Lord has promised that He will never leave me nor forsake me (Hebrews 13:5).
 - B. My omnipresent (always present) Lord tells me not to fear, for He will stay with me, strengthen me, help me, and uphold me (Isaiah 41:10).
 - C. My *omnipresent (always present)* Lord said, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, *for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go*" (Joshua 1:9 NKJV).

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- D. My *omnipresent (always present)* Lord said, "Since you are precious in My sight, since you are honored and I love you ... *Do not fear, for I am with you* ..." (Isaiah 43:4-5 NAS).
- E. My *omnipresent (always present)* Lord is always with me. "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, *I will fear no evil; for You are with me;* Your rod and Your staff they comfort me" (Psalm 23:4 NKJV).
- III. My Lord and Savior is *omniscient (all-knowing)*. He knows everything, past, present, and future (Colossians 2:3).
 - A. My *omniscient (all-knowing)* Lord knows everything about me (Psalm 139:1-6), and yet *He loves me with an everlasting love* (Jeremiah 31:3).
 - B. My omniscient (all-knowing) Lord, in all of His wisdom and knowledge, has ordained that various trials, tests, hard times, and difficult circumstances and situations will be a normal part of my Christian life (Romans 5:1-4 LIV; James 1:2-4 NLT; James 1:13-14 NLT). They are the channels God uses to bring me into the refining fires, where the impurities in my life will be brought to the surface for me to confess and be forgiven (1 John 1:9), and in the process I have the opportunity to become transformed in spirit into His likeness (Philippians 3:10 AMP).
 - C. *My omniscient (all-knowing)* Lord, in all His wisdom and knowledge, *has good plans for me.* These plans include a future for me and a hope for me; therefore, I recognize that *I have a significant place in God's plans* (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV).

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D. *My omniscient (all-knowing)* Lord knows all my weaknesses and all my needs, including my need for love (Psalm 139:1), so He has promised me His everlasting, eternal, unconditional love that is not dependent on my performance (Jeremiah 31:3; Romans 5:6-8). *God loves me*, even me, with "His great love," not because of who I am, or what I am, but because of "whose I am" (Acts 27:23; Deuteronomy 7:6-7) and because of His great mercy (Ephesians 2:4).

Beloved friend,

"We are all faced with a series of great opportunities brilliantly disguised as impossible situations."

—Charles Swindoll

Be encouraged! God uses His attributes to bring aid and comfort to those whose hearts are loyal to Him:

God's power
 God's presence
 God's knowledge
 (omnipresence)
 (omniscience)

You are His prized possession (Deuteronomy 7:6 MOF), and He is watching for opportunities to show Himself strong on your behalf if you are loyal to Him (2 Chronicles 16:9 NKJV).

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Assignment Prepare for Session 6

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 109).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned second month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73):
 - (1) *Read* the assigned verses (page 73).
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 - b) *Pray* through the "*Daily Prayer Reminder*" (pages 30-31).
- 3. Study "Saturating My Life with God's Word."
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 90-102).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on **(Ponder, Picture,** and **Pray**):
 - (1) The *summary* (page 102).
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 4. Memorize and meditate on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - 1 Corinthians 10:13 2 Corinthians 12:9
- 5. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 108).
- 6. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you...
- 7. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God.

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- 5. YES □ NO □





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A Solas con Dios me ayudó a aprender a nutrirme todos los días de la Palabra de Dios, no sólo leyéndola sino aprendiendo cómo meditar en la Palabra para llevarla a la práctica cada día. Hoy soy el Pastor de visitación y evangelismo, líder de la Escuela Dominical y estudios bíblicos en casas de mi iglesia. También, me capacitó para tener devocionales con mi familia, con mis compañeros de trabajo y cómo compartir el evangelio con ellos. Día a día tengo la oportunidad de compartir lo que aprendí de A Solas con Dios.

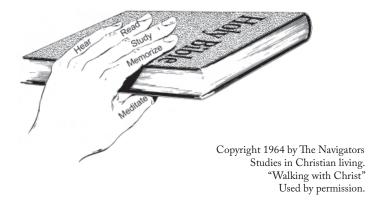
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II. How can I saturate my life with God's Word?

A. **Ponder and Picture** *what is involved.* One of the best ways to do this is with the *hand illustration*, which shows us five methods of learning from the Bible. Each of these methods is important.



1. Hear

Hearing the Word from godly pastors and teachers provides us insight into others' study of the scriptures as well as stimulating our own appetites for the Word.

a) Reference: Romans 10:17 NKJV

So then faith comes by hearing, and *hearing* by the word of God.

b) Reference: 1 Corinthians 1:21NAS

For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message *preached* to save those who believe.

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c)	Why do you think <i>hearing</i> God's Word preached and taught is important?			

2. Read

Reading God's Word daily allows the Word of God to flow over our lives to do its work of comforting in sorrow, guiding in perplexity, offering advice for our problems, rebuke for our sins, and daily inspiration for our every need. Of course, the greatest purpose of the written Word of God, the Bible, is to reveal the living Word of God, the Lord Jesus Christ.

a) Reference: Revelation 1:3 NKJV

Blessed is he who *reads*, and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

b) Reference: Deuteronomy 17:19 Rsv

and it shall be with him, and he shall *read* in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the Lord his God, by *keeping* all the words of this law and these statutes, and *doing* them.

c) Reference: 1 Timothy 4:13 NKJV

Till I come, give attention to *reading*, to exhortation, to doctrine.

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present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be

ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing—rightly handling and skillfully

b) Reference: Acts 17:11

teaching—the Word of Truth.

These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and *searched the scriptures daily*, whether those things were so.

c) One advantage of study is that we
W_I_E down our discoveries of God's truths, and this helps us
O_G_N_Z_ and
R_M_M_E_ them better.

4. Memorize

Memorizing God's Word *enables us* to use the sword of the Spirit to overcome Satan and temptations—to have it readily available for witnessing or helping others with a "word in season."

a) Reference: Proverbs 7:1-3 NKJV

My son, keep my words, and treasure my commandments within you. Keep my commands and live, and My law as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers; write them on the table of your heart.

b) Reference: Deuteronomy 6:6 NKJV

And these words which I command you today shall be *in your heart*.

c) Reference: Psalm 119:11 NIV

I have *hidden your word in my heart* that I might not sin against you.

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d) Why do you think a Christian should memorize God's Word?

5. Meditate

Meditation is the thumb of the hand illustration, for it is used in conjunction with each of the other four methods. Only as we meditate on God's Word—Ponder, Picture, and Pray—will we discover its transforming power at work in us. Meditation is the way we move truth from our heads to our hearts.

a) Reference: Joshua 1:8 NLT

"Study this Book of the Law continually. *Meditate on it day and night so you may be sure to obey all that is written in it.* Only then will you *succeed.*"

b) Reference: Psalm 1:2 NKJV

But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he *meditates day and night*.

c) Reference: Psalm 119:97 NKJV

Oh, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day.

d) Why do you think a Christian should *meditate* on God's Word?





- B. Commit yourself to a lifetime project of mastering the Bible, and you will find that it is mastering you and transforming your life by renewing your mind and heart.
 - 1. Reference: Psalm 37:5 LIV

Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him to help you do it and he will.

2. Reference: Romans 12:2 JBP

Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold, but *let God remold your minds from within*, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good, meets all his demands and moves toward the goal of true maturity.

3.	8. Why is a <i>commitment</i> to saturate my	life	with
	God's Word important?		

C. *Discipline yourself* to do the following:

Regularly hear the Word of God preached and taught.

Invest time alone with God each day—"quiet time." Try to meet with God for your quiet time at the same time and same place each day if possible. Talk with God through prayer, and allow Him time to talk to you through reading, studying, memorizing, and meditating on His Word.

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In a race, everyone runs but only one person gets first prize. So run your race to win. To win the contest you must deny yourselves many things that would keep you from doing your best. An athlete goes to all this trouble just to win a blue ribbon or a silver cup, but we do it for a heavenly reward that never disappears. So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. I fight to win. I'm not just shadow-boxing or playing around. Like an athlete I punish my body, treating it roughly, training it to do what it should, not what it wants to. Otherwise I fear that after enlisting others for the race, I myself might be declared unfit and ordered to stand aside.

2. Reference: Romans 12:1 AMP

I appeal to you therefore, brethren, and beg of you in view of [all] the mercies of God, to make a decisive dedication of your bodies—presenting all your members and faculties—as a living sacrifice, holy (devoted, consecrated) and well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable (rational, intelligent) service and spiritual worship.

3.	Is it likely that a Christian will saturate his life with God's Word without <i>discipline</i> ? Why?

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- D. *Concentrate on just one day at a time*. Don't worry about tomorrow. Just concentrate on getting some of the Word of God into your heart today.
 - 1. Reference: Matthew 6:11

Give us *this day* our daily bread.

2. Reference: Matthew 4:4

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

3. Why be so concerned about getting some of the Word of God into your life *today?*

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How can I saturate my life with God's Word?

- A. **Ponder and Picture** what is involved. Remember the hand illustration:
 - 1. Hear God's Word.
 - 2. Read God's Word.
 - 3. Study God's Word.
 - 4. Memorize God's Word.
 - 5. Meditate on God's Word.
- B. *Commit* yourself to the *lifetime project* of allowing the Bible to master you.
- C. *Discipline* yourself to:
 - 1. *Regularly hear* the Word of God preached and taught.
 - 2. Have a *quiet time* with God each day.
- D. *Concentrate* on getting some of the *Word of God* into your heart *today*.





Daily Commitment Reminder

Since God has good plans for me *today* that give me hope and a future. —Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

Since God loves me with an everlasting love **today**.

—Jeremiah 31:3

Since God is the blessed Controller of all things today.

—1 Timothy 6:15 JBP

Since God is the love of my life, and He has called me in accordance with His purpose, He has, therefore, promised that all things will work together today for my good.

—Romans 8:28

Since I am foreordained to be molded into the image of His Son (Jesus) today. —Romans 8:29

Since Nothing can separate me from the love of Christ today.—Romans 8:35, 38-39

Since Through Christ, I am more than a conqueror today over trouble, difficulty, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril of my life, or the sword of my enemies.

—Romans 8:35, 37

Since I can do all things *through Christ* who strengthens me *today*. —Philippians 4:13

Since I am responsible to bear much fruit *today* and thereby glorify the Father. —John 15:8



My Daily Commitment Prayer...

Lord, Today I Commit Myself to:

Know You more deeply and intimately and to keep my eyes fixed on You.	Phil. 3:10 AMP Hebrews 12:2 NIV
Trust You with all my heart and not myself and to obey You and receive Your blessing.	Proverbs 3:5 Luke 11:28
Love You with all my heart, soul, and mind and to serve You with gladness.	Matthew 22:37 Psalm 100:2
Yield to You and Your control of my life. In fact, right now I give You the full control of my life for the rest of today.	Romans 6:13
Abide in You just as a fruitful branch must continue to abide in (vitally united to) the vine.	John 15:4 amp
Glorify You in every area of my life, including every thought, word, attitude, and action.	1 Corinthians 10:31
Guard against the reasons for unfruitfulness:1. The cares (burdens) of this world.2. The deceitfulness of riches.3. The lusts of (for) other things.	Mark 4:19
Reflect You and the fruit of Your Spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.	Gal. 5:22-23 NIV
<i>Delight in You</i> and <i>Your plan</i> for my life—and Lord, help me to bring delight to You today.	Psalm 37:4; 40:8
Make disciples as I go.	Matt. 28:19 NKJV

Lord, You know that I cannot live out this commitment today in my own strength. Therefore, please live it out through me today as I yield to Your control.

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Assignment Prepare for Session 7

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 129).
- 2. a) *Every day* do the following with the assigned *second month* "*Daily Bible Reading Challenge*" (page 73):
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 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31).
- 3. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (pages 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 4. *Study* "How can I saturate my life with God's Word?"
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 112-120).
 - b) Fill in the blanks..
 - c) *Meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* (page 120).
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 5. *Read* and *meditate* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in the "*Daily Commitment Reminder*" (pages 121-122).
- 6. Memorize and meditate on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - 1 Peter 5:7 Philippians 4:19
- 7. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 128).
- 8. Watch for opportunities to share what God is teaching you.
- 9. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God.

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Prepare for Session 7 Assignment Review Questions

	 1. What are the five methods of saturating your life with God's Word in the "hand" illustration? a)	
	e) 2. Explain why the daily, consistent saturating of one's life with God's Word makes a measurable difference	
)	in his/her life.	•
	3. From the summary on page 120, which of the following do you think is the most important? A □ B □ C □ D □	
	 Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week? YES □ NO □ 	
	5. Are you presently leading someone through <i>One on One with God?</i>YES □ NO □	
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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □
- 5. YES □ NO □

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A Solas con Dios es el mejor estudio del discipulado y las disciplinas espirituales que he usado en los años de mi ministerio en el evangelismo, el entrenamiento de miembros en la iglesia, y en la formación de líderes en iniciar iglesias, como en iglesias establecidas. Da un enfoque para conocer a Dios y la multiplicación de discípulos. No hay un mejor estudio disponible del mismo tipo.

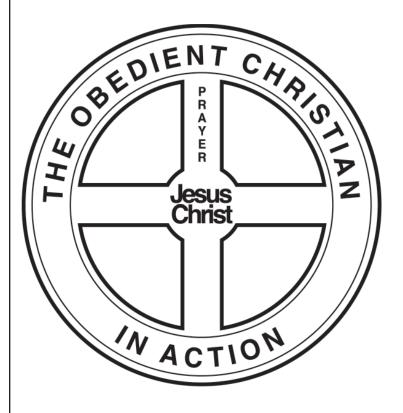
Multitudes lo han usado con éxito.

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This is the spoke representing prayer. *Through prayer* we have *direct communication* with our heavenly Father and *receive provision* for our needs. As we pray, we *show our dependence* upon and *trust* in Him.

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Saturating My Life with Prayer

I. What does this mean?

It simply means that conversation with God becomes a lifestyle and not just an occasional thing. We cultivate natural loving responses to God throughout each day. These responses are expressed with words or thoughts of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, or supplication, and the result is continuous fellowship with God.

II. Why saturate my life with prayer?

Search the following scriptures for answers, and fill in the blanks.

A. Reference: Proverbs 15:8

The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his *delight*.

I should saturate my life with prayer because the prayer of the upright is God's $D \perp L \subseteq G \perp T$.

B. Reference: Jeremiah 33:3 NKJV

"Call to Me, and I will **answer** you, and show you *great* and *mighty* things, which you do not know."

I should saturate my life with prayer because the Lord says, "Call unto me, and I will A_S_ER you, and show you G_E_T and M_GH_Y things, which you do not know."

C. Reference: John 14:14 NKJV

"If you ask anything in My name, I will do it."

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I should saturate my life with prayer because Jesus said, "If you ask A _ YT _ I _ G in My N _ M _, I will do it."

D. Reference: Philippians 4:6 JBP

Don't worry over anything whatever; tell God every detail of your needs *in earnest and thankful prayer*.

I should saturate my life with prayer because God's Word instructs me to let my requests be made known unto God by P_A_ER.

E. Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the *will of God* in Christ Jesus concerning you.

I should saturate my life with prayer because God's Word instructs me to pray without ceasing and give thanks in everything because this is the W L of G D.

F. Reference: Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain *mercy*, and find *grace* to help in time of need.

I should saturate my life with prayer because by prayer we obtain $M _ R _ Y$ and find $G _ A _ E$ to help in time of need.

G. Reference: Psalm 34:15, 17

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their *cry...*. The righteous cry, and the LORD *heareth*, and *delivereth* them out of *all* their troubles.

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I should saturate my life with prayer because when I am in trouble, the ears of the Lord are open to the C_Y of the righteous. The righteous cry, and the Lord H_A_E_H and D_L_V_R_T_ them out of A_L their troubles.

H. Reference: Matthew 7:7 NKJV

"Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."

I should saturate my life with prayer because Jesus instructed me to $\mathbf{A} \subseteq \mathbf{K}$.

I. Reference: 1 John 1:9 NKJV

If we *confess our sins*, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I should saturate my life with prayer because God's Word instructs me to $C _N _E _S$ my sins.

J. Reference: Ephesians 5:20 Rsv

Always and for everything giving *thanks* in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

I should saturate my life with prayer because God expects me to pray, giving $T _A _KS$ always and for everything.

K. Reference: 2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will *beal their land*.

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I should saturate my life with prayer because prayer is essential if we are to experience **REV_VAL**.

L. Reference: Psalm 145:18 RSV

The Lord is *near* to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in *truth*.

I should saturate my life with prayer because the Lord is $N _ A _$ to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in $T _ U _ H$.

M. Reference: James 5:16 NKJV

Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The *effectual*, *fervent* prayer of a *righteous* man avails *much*.

I should saturate my life with prayer because the $E_F_C_U_L$, $F_R_E_T$ prayer of a $R_G_T_O_S$ man avails $M_C_$.

Define the word *fervent:*

N. Reference: Psalm 86:7 NKJV

In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, for You will *answer* me.

I should saturate my life with prayer because in the day of trouble when I call upon God, He will A _ S _ E R me.

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O. Reference: Matthew 26:41 NKJV

"Watch and pray, lest you enter into *temptation*. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

I should saturate my life with prayer because prayer is an effective weapon in the face of $T _ M _ T _ T _ O _$, for it turns my attention to God at the very threshold of sin.

P. Reference: Matthew 21:22 NKJV

"And all things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."

I should saturate my life with prayer because Jesus promised *whatever* you ask in prayer, believing, you will R_C_I_E.







Summary

Why saturate my life with prayer?

You write the summary for this section. List seven reasons why a Christian should saturate his or her life with prayer.

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Assignment Prepare for Session 8

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 141).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned second month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73).
 - (1) *Read* the *assigned verses* (page 73), *plus* a chapter each day in *Proverbs*.
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
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- 4. Study "Saturating My Life with Prayer."
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "Quiet Time" (pages 132-138).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) Meditate on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* on page 138.
 - (2) The sentences in the study *where you filled in the blanks*.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 5. *Memorize* and *meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - Proverbs 3:5-6
- 1 John 1:9
- 6. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 140).
- 7. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.
- 8. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God.

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Prepare for Session 8 Assignment Review Questions

	What does it mean to saturate your life with prayer?
	On page 138, you listed seven reasons why a Christian should saturate his life with prayer. Which one do you think is the most important? Why?
•	From the "Scripture Memory Plan," we learned that it
	is helpful when we are memorizing a verse to review the verse immediately after we have initially memorized it by quoting reference, verse, referencetimes.
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5. YES □

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Marcos y Andrea Hernández Material Manager Oklahoma Heart Hospital



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III. How can I saturate my life with prayer?

A. Ponder and Picture what is involved:

- 1. Some things that will assure me of having a more effective prayer life:
 - a) Reference: Matthew 6:7 AMP

"And when you pray do not (multiply words, repeating the same ones over and over, and) heap up phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think they will be heard for their much speaking."

God does not hear us because we pray L___G prayers. We are simply to let our requests be known unto God, believing that we will receive.

b) Reference: Luke 11:8-10 AMP

I tell you, although he will not get up and supply him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his shameless *persistence* and *insistence*, he will get up and give him as much as he needs. So I say to you, *Ask* and keep on asking, and it shall be given you; *seek* and keep on seeking, and you shall find; *knock* and keep on knocking, and the door shall be opened to you. For every one who asks and keeps on asking receives, and he who seeks and keeps on seeking finds, and to him who knocks and keeps on knocking the door shall be opened.

Although God does not encourage long prayers just for long prayers' sake, He does encourage P _ R _ I _ T _ N _ E and I _ S _ S _ E _ C _ for He says A _ K and keep on asking, S _ _ K and keep on seeking, K _ O _ K and keep on knocking.

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	Define these words:
	Persistence
	Insistence
c)	Reference: Matthew 6:5 NIV
	"And when you pray, <i>do not be like the hypocrites</i> , for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full."
	I should pray S_N_E_E_Y .
d)	Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:17
	Pray without ceasing.
	I should go through each day fellowshipping with God in P_A_E all through the day.
e)	Reference: Hebrews 4:16
	Let us therefore come <i>boldly</i> unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.
	I should come B _ L _ L _ to God in prayer.
f)	Reference: Mark 11:25 NIV "And when you stand praying, if you hold

you your sins."

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anything against anyone, *forgive* him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive



Before praying I should **F**_**R**_**I**_**E** anyone I am holding a grudge against so that God will forgive me.

g) Reference: Isaiah 59:2 NKJV

But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your *sins* have hidden His face from you, *so that He will not hear*.

Your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your **S**_**N**_ have hidden His face from you so that He **W**_**L**_ not hear.

Reference: 1 John 1:9

If we *confess* our sins, he is *faithful* and just to *forgive* us our sins, and to *cleanse* us from *all* unrighteousness.

If we C_N_E_S our sins, He is F_I_H_U_ and just to F_R_I_E us our sins and to C_E_N_E us from A__ unrighteousness.

Therefore, by confessing my sins I receive forgiveness and cleansing, and fellowship with God is restored because the sins that once separated me from God have been forgiven and forgotten.

h) Reference: John 14:13 NKJV

"And *whatever* you ask *in My name*, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."

And W_A_E_E_ _ you ask I_ M_ N_M_, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. Therefore, I need to pray in the name of Jesus.

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i) Reference: James 1:6-7

But let him ask in **faith,** nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

But let him ask in **F**__**I**_**H.** The man who doubts that he will receive what he asks probably won't.

j) Reference: 1 John 5:14-15 NKJV

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

Always pray according to His **WI**___.

Reference: Matthew 26:39 NKJV

He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; *nevertheless*, *not as I will, but as You will.*"

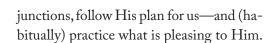
Here we have the great example of our Lord, who prayed specifically, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me." Then because of His great confidence in the Father, He was able to pray, "Nevetheless, not as I __ILL, but as You W__LL." We demonstrate great confidence in God when we seek His will alone.

k) Reference: 1 John 3:22 AMP

And we receive from Him whatever we ask for, because we (watchfully) *obey* His orders—observe His suggestions and in-

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O __ E __ I __ **N** __ E to what He has taught us is another key to receiving from Him whatever we ask.

- 2. The following are examples of prayers from the Bible. Based on the information we discussed in the acrostic on page 29, check the box(es) that describe the following prayers.
- a) Reference: Psalm 31:3 NKJV

For You are my rock and my fortress; therefore, for Your name's sake, lead me and guide me.

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

b) Reference: John 17:20-24 NKJV

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You, that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me and have loved them as You have loved Me. Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world."

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c) Reference: Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

d) Reference: Psalm 19:14 NKJV

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength, and my Redeemer.

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

e) Reference: Psalm 36:5-11 NKJV

Your mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the great mountains; Your judgments are a great deep; O LORD, You preserve man and beast. How precious is Your lovingkindness, O God! Therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of Your wings. They are abundantly satisfied with the fullness of Your house, and You give them drink from the river of Your pleasures. For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we see light. Oh, continue Your lovingkindness to those who know You, and Your righteousness to the upright in heart. Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked drive me away.

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

f) Reference: Ephesians 3:14-21 NKJV

For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that He

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would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man, that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

g) Reference: Psalm 51:1-2 NKJV

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

All of Psalm 51 is a prayer, and the above two verses show us what kind of prayer it is.

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h) Reference: Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

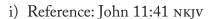
"In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

 $C \square A \square S \square A \square$

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Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me."

$C \square A \square S \square A \square$

B. Commit yourself to a lifetime project of cultivating a close personal fellowship with God through prayer.

Reference: Philippians 3:10 AMP

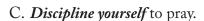
[For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him—that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding [the wonders of His Person] more strongly and more clearly. And that I may in that same way come to know the power outflowing from His resurrection [which it exerts over believers]; and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed [in spirit into His likeness even] to His death, [in the hope]

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1. Have a quiet time with God each day, starting that day with prayer.

Reference: Mark 1:35 NKJV

Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.

2. Cultivate natural loving responses of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication to God all through each day.

Reference: Ephesians 6:18 NLT

3. Define the word *discipline*.

Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.

Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rsv

Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

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4.	Is it likely that a Christian will saturate his life with prayer without discipline? Why?

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- D. Concentrate on just one day at a time. Don't worry about tomorrow. Just concentrate on cultivating natural loving responses of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication to God all through this day.
 - 1. Reference: Psalm 118:24 NKJV

This is the day the LORD has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

2. Reference: Matthew 6:9-13 NKJV

"In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us *this day* our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

3. Why be so concerned about cultivating those natural loving responses to God *today?*

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Summary

How can I saturate my life with prayer?

- A. **Ponder** and **Picture** what is involved.
- B. *Commit* yourself to the lifetime project of cultivating a close personal fellowship with God through prayer.
- C. *Discipline* yourself to pray:
 - 1. Have a *quiet time* with God *each day*, starting that day with prayer.
 - 2. *Cultivate* natural loving responses of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, and **S**upplication to God all through each day.
- D. *Concentrate* on cultivating that close personal fellowship with God today. The greatest hindrance to cultivating this fellowship is the sin of procrastination.







Assignment Prepare for Session 9

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 157).
- 2. a) *Every day* do the following with the assigned *third month* "*Daily Bible Reading Challenge*" (page 73).
 - (1) *Read* the *assigned verses* (pages 73), *plus* a chapter each day in *Proverbs*.
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) Meditate on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31).
 - c) *Read* and *meditate* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in the "*Daily Commitment Reminder*" (pages 121-122).
- 3. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (pages 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 4. **Study** "How can I saturate my life with prayer?"
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 144-154).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* (page 154).
 - (2) The sentences in the study *where you filled in the blanks*.
 - (3) Other concepts and thoughts in this study.
- 5. *Memorize* and *meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - Romans 3:23
- Romans 6:23
- John 3: 16
- 6. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 156).
- 7. Express your love to God three times every hour you are awake this week (Psalm 18:1 NIV).
- 8. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.
- 9. Go and make disciples (Matthew 28:19 NIV). Pray that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through One on One with God

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Prepare for Session 9 Assignment Review Questions

1. In prayer we are to be: Persistent in P_A_NG. Insistent on G'S W_LL.
2. What does it mean to commit yourself to something?
3. What is the important principle taught in Matthew 6:11?
4. What is the "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" for the Third Month?
5. Have you been consistent in expressing your love to God throughout each day this past week? YES NO
6. Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week?
YES □ NO □ 7. Are you presently leading someone through <i>One on One with God?</i>
YES D NO D
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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □
- 5. YES □ NO □
- 6. YES □ NO □
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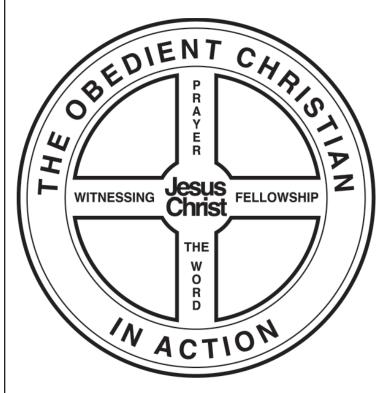
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The obedient Christian in action is a loving person. You will find that this person:

- 1. *Loves God* wholeheartedly and devotedly.
- 2. *Loves fellow Christians* everywhere with a depth of love that distinguishes him from non-Christians.
- 3. Loves the lost, following the example of Jesus.
- 4. *Loves and accepts himself* with a strong, healthy, *Christ-centered love*.

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Saturating My Life with Love

I. What does this mean?

It simply means that by deliberate choice, I allow the Holy Spirit to produce within me something that cannot be produced in its genuine form except by the Holy Spirit, and that is love. It is not an impulse from the emotions, nor does it always run with natural inclinations, for it tenderly, unselfishly, and kindly seeks the welfare of all, including the unlovely, and in fact, watches for opportunities to do good to all men. It is an attitude, but it can be recognized by the actions it prompts such as obedience to God and serving fellow men.

II. Why saturate my life with love?

Search the following scriptures for answers, and fill in the blanks.

A. Why saturate my life with love for God?

1. Reference: John 3:16 NIV

For God so loved the world that *he gave his one and only Son*, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

I should saturate my life with love for God because He loved me so much that He allowed J_S_S to die on the cross for my sins.

2. Reference: Romans 5:8 RSV

But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners *Christ* died for us.

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I should saturate my life with love for God because while we were yet sinners, CH_IT T died for us.

3. Reference: Psalm 31:23 NLT

Love the LORD, all you faithful ones! For the LORD *protects* those who are loyal to Him, but harshly punishes all who are arrogant.

I should saturate my life with love for God because the Lord **PRO_E_TS** those who are loyal to Him.

4. Reference: John 14:23 AMP

Jesus answered, If a person [really] *loves* Me, he will keep My word—*obey* My teaching; and My *Father* will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home (abode, special dwelling place) with him.

I should saturate my life with love for God because Jesus promises that if we really L__V_ Him, we will O__E_ Him, and the F__TH__R will love us, and Jesus and the Father will come to live with us.

5. Reference: Psalm 145:20 NKJV

The LORD *preserves* all who love Him, But all the wicked He will destroy.

I should saturate my life with love for God because He **PRE_E_V_S** all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy.

6. Reference: James 1:12 NKJV

Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he *will receive the crown of life* which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

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I should saturate my life with love for God because He has promised to **REW_RD** those who love Him and endure temptation.

7. Reference: 1 John 4:19

We love him, because he first *loved* us.

I should saturate my life with love for God because He first L__V_D me.

8. Reference: Ephesians 3:17 AMP

May Christ through your faith [actually] dwell (settle down, abide, make His permanent home) in your hearts! May you be rooted deep in *love* and founded securely on *love*.

I should saturate my life with love for God because I am to be rooted deep in $L_V_$ and founded securely on $L_V_$.

9. Reference: John 15:9-10 AMP

I have loved you [just] as the Father has loved Me; abide in My love—continue in His *love* with Me. If you keep My commandments—if you continue to *obey* My instructions—you will abide in My love and live on in it; just as I have obeyed My Father's commandments and live on in His love.

I should saturate my life with love for God because Jesus loves me deeply and has asked me to continue in His $L_V_$. The way I continue to abide in His love is through

 $OB_D_E_CE$ to His teachings.

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10. Reference: Deuteronomy 10:12 NKJV

And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul.

I should saturate my life with love for God because He requires that His people L_V_ Him.

11. Reference: Deuteronomy 6:5 NKJV

You shall *love the Lord your God with all* your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

Reference: Deuteronomy 11:13 NKJV

And it shall be that if you earnestly obey My commandments which I command you to-day, to *love the LORD your God and serve Him* with all your heart and with all your soul.

Reference: Joshua 22:5 NIV

But be very careful to keep the commandment and the law that Moses the servant of the Lord gave you: *to love the Lord your God*, to walk in all his ways, to obey his commands, to hold fast to him and to serve him *with all your heart* and all your soul.

Reference: Matthew 22:37 NKJV

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

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Reference: Mark 12:30 NKJV

And you shall *love the Lord your God with all your heart*, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment.

Reference: Luke 10:27 NIV

He answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself."

I should saturate my life with love for God because scripture teaches us to L_VE
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12. Reference: Joshua 23:10-11 NKJV

One man of you shall chase a thousand, for the Lord your God is He who *fights* for you, as He promised you. Therefore take careful heed to yourselves, that you *love the Lord your God*.

I should saturate my life with love for God because the Lord my God is the one who F _ GHT _ for His people.



Summary

Why saturate my life with love for God?

You write the summary for this section. List the three most important reasons why you think a Christian should saturate his life with love for God.

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Don't Be Disillusioned

Caution Caution Caution

Becoming a Christian does not make us immune to problems, trials, difficulties, temptations, and suffering.

1. Reference: Romans 5:1-4 LIV

So now, since we have been made right in God's sight by *faith* in His promises, we can have real *peace* with Him because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. For because of our faith, *He has* brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to actually *becoming* all that *God* has had in mind for us to be. We can rejoice, too, when we run into *problems* and *trials* for we know that they are *good* for us—they help us learn to be *patient*. And *patience* develops *strength* of *character* in us and helps us *trust God* more each time we use it until finally our *hope* and *faith* are strong and steady.

We are made right in God's sight by **FA**___**TH.**

We have real **PEA**___**E** with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

We confidently and joyfully look forward to actually $B __COM __NG$ all that $G __D$ has in mind for us to be.

Becoming a Christian will not eliminate the PR__BL__MS and TR__A_S in our lives. In fact, they are GO__D for us because they help us learn to be PA__IE__T.

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	As we become more PAIET, this develops STENTH of CHR_CTR in us and helps us TRST God more until finally our HPE and FATH are strong and steady.
2.	Reference: James 1:2-4 NLT
	Dear brothers and sisters, whenever <i>trouble</i> comes your way, let it be an opportunity for <i>joy</i> . For when your faith is <i>tested</i> , your <i>endurance</i> has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your <i>endurance</i> is fully developed, you will be strong in <i>character</i> and ready for <i>anything</i> .
	When the Christian's life is full of TRU_LE, he is not to get depressed and discouraged, but rather he is to see it as an opportunity for JY.
	Why see it as an opportunity for joy when trouble comes your way? When trouble comes your way, your END AN E has a chance to grow.
	Learning to respond to any situation in life with patient, steadfast endurance seems to be the key to being a Christian fully developed, strong in CH R CT R, ready for AN TH NG.
3.	Reference: James 1:13-14 NLT
	And remember, no one who wants to do wrong

should ever say, "God is tempting me." God is never tempted to do wrong, and He never tempts anyone else either. Temptation comes from the lure of our own evil desires.

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Remember this: When someone wants to do wrong, it is never $G __D$ who is $T __MPT __NG$ him.

We are lured into $TEM __T__TON$ by our own $E __IL$ desires; therefore, don't blame God.

Temptation is not sin, but yielding to temptation is sin.





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Assignment Prepare for Session 10

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 172).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned third month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73).
 - (1) **Read** the **assigned verses** (page 73), **plus** a chapter each day in **Proverbs**.
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) *Meditate* on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31)
 - c) Read and meditate (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in the "Daily Commitment Reminder" (pages 121-122).
- 3. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (page 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 4. **Study** "Saturating My Life with Love."
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 160-166).
 - b) Fill in the blanks.
 - c) Meditate on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The summary (página 166).
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 5. *Memorize* and *meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - John 1:12 Ephesians 2:8-9
- 6. *Read* and *meditate on* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) the truths in "Caution . . . Caution" (pages 167-169).
- 7. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 171).
- 8. Express your love to God three times every hour you are awake this week (Psalm 18:1 NIV).
- 9. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.
- 10. *Go and make disciples* (Matthew 28:19 NIV). *Pray* that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through *One on One with God*.

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Prepare for Session 10 Assignment Review Questions

On page 160, we find that the obedient Christian action is a loving person. Whom does he/she love?
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God throughout each day this past week?
YES □ NO □
Have you shared something God is teaching you wit someone this week?
YES □ NO □
Are you presently leading someone through <i>One of One with God?</i>
YES □ NO □



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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □
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B. Why saturate my life with love for fellow Christians?

1. Reference: Hebrews 13:1 AMP

Let love for your fellow believers continue and be a fixed practice with you—never let it fail.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because this is to be a practice that never **FA LS**.

2. Reference: John 15:12-13 NKJV

This is My *commandment*, that you love one another, as I have loved you. Greater *love* has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because this is Jesus'

C _ M M _ N D, that we L _ V _ one another as He loved us.

3. Reference: 1 John 4:7 AMP

Beloved, let us love one another; for love [springs] from God, and he who loves [his fellow men] is begotten (born) of God and is coming (progressively) to *know* and *understand* God—to perceive and recognize and get a better and clearer knowledge of Him.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because it shows that I am coming to K _ O _ and U N _ E _ S T _ N D God better.

4. Reference: 1 John 4:11

Beloved, if God so loved us, we *ought* also to love one another.

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I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because it is something I O__G_T to do since God loved me so much.

5. Reference: 1 Thessalonians 4:9 NKJV

But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are *taught by God* to love one another.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians. In fact, I should not have to be taught this lesson by someone, for this is $T _UG_T$ by God.

6. Reference: 1 Peter 1:22 AMP

Since by your obedience to the Truth through the [Holy] Spirit you have *purified* your hearts for the sincere affection of the brethren, [see that you] *love one another fervently from a pure heart*.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because it is the proof of a P _ R _ F I _ D heart.

7. Reference: 1 Peter 2:17 LIV

Show respect for everyone. *Love Christians everywhere.* Fear God and honor the government.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because I am instructed to L__V_

C_R_S_I_NS E_E_YW_E_E.

8. Reference: 1 Peter 3:8 NIV

Finally, all of you, live in *harmony* with one another; be sympathetic, **love** as brothers, be compassionate and humble.

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I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because I am instructed to live in HAR_ONY with them and LO_E them as brothers.

9. Reference: 1 John 3:23 JBP

His *orders* are that we should put our trust in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ, and *love one another*—as we used to hear Him say in person.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because God ORD_RS me to love others.

10. Reference: 1 John 4:21 AMP

And this command (charge, order, injunction) we have from Him, that he who loves God shall love his *brother* [believer] also.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because God's command is that those who love Him shall love their BR_TH_R also.

11. Reference: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 NIV

May the Lord make your love *increase* and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians, and that love should always be INC__E_SING.





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This is how all men will know that you are my disciples, because you have such love for one another.

I should saturate my life with love for fellow Christians because that is how others will **KN_W** that I am His disciple.





Summary

Why saturate my life with love for fellow Christians?

You write the summary for this section. List the three most important reasons why you think a Christian should saturate his life with love for fellow Christians.

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C. Why saturate my life with love for the lost?

1. Reference: 1 John 4:8 NIV

Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because if a person doesn't love others, it shows that he doesn't know God, for $G \underline{\hspace{0.1cm}} D$ is L_VE.

2. Reference: Ephesians 5:2 LIV

Be full of *love* for others, following the example of *Christ* who loved you and gave Himself to God as a sacrifice to take away your *sins*. And God was pleased, for Christ's love for you was like sweet perfume to Him.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because I am to be full of L_V_ for others, following the example of CH_I_T who loved me and gave Himself to God as a sacrifice to take away my $S _N$.

3. Reference: Leviticus 19:34 NKJV

The *stranger* who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because scripture instructs me to love the STR_N_ER .

4. Reference: Matthew 19:19 NKJV

"Honor your father and your mother," and, "You shall *love your neighbor* as yourself."

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I should saturate my life with love for the lost because scripture instructs me to L_V_ my NE_GH_OR.

5. Reference: Matthew 22:39 NKJV

And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because the second greatest commandment is YOU SH_LL L_V_ YOUR NE_GHB_R as yourself.

6. Reference: Luke 6:27 NKJV

But I say to you who hear: *Love* your *enemies*, do *good* to those who *hate* you.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because I am to L_V_ my EN_M_ES and to do G_OD to those who H_TE me.

7. Reference: Luke 6:35 NKJV

But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your *reward* will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is *kind* to the unthankful and evil.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because my **REW_RD** shall be great, and I will be responding like a true child of God, for He is **K_ND** to the unthankful and wicked.

8. Reference: Matthew 5:44 AMP

But I tell you, *Love* your *enemies* and *pray* for those who *persecute* you.

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I should saturate my life with love for the lost because scripture instructs me to L_VE my EN_M_ES and PR_Y for those who PER_E_U_E me.

9. Reference: Exodus 23:4 NKJV

If you meet your enemy's ox or his donkey going astray, you shall surely *bring it back* to him again.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because scripture instructs me to inconvenience myself if necessary to HE_P my enemy.

10. Reference: Proverbs 25:21 NKJV

If your enemy is hungry, give him *bread* to eat; and if he is *thirsty*, give him water to drink.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because scripture instructs me to give my enemy FO_D if he is hungry and water if he is TH_RS_Y.

11. Reference: Romans 12:19-21 NIV

Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but *overcome evil with good*.





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I should saturate my life with love for the lost and take every opportunity to do good, even to my enemies, for maybe this will make them ashamed of themselves for what they have done. I am to conquer evil with GO_D and leave the revenge to God.

12. Reference: Romans 13:9-10 NIV

The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one rule: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because love is the FUL_ILLM_NT of the law.

13. Reference: Galatians 5:14 NIV

The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

I should saturate my life with love for the lost because the entire law is summed up in this one command: LO_E your neighbor as yourself.





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Summary

Why saturate my life with love for the lost?

You write the summary for this section. List the three most important reasons why you think a Christian should saturate his life with love for the lost.

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The Principle of Displacement

A principle is a God-given truth that becomes a basis or reason prompting faith attitudes and actions.

I. *The principle of displacement* is found in:

Reference: Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are *true*, whatsoever things are *honest*, whatsoever things are *just*, whatsoever things are *pure*, whatsoever things are *lovely*, whatsoever things are of *good report*; if there be any *virtue*, and if there be any *praise*, *think on these things*.

II. By obeying the instruction to *think on these things*, we displace the ungodly thoughts and fears that crowd our minds and cause us to live defeated lives. We are actually crowding them out of our minds by filling our minds with pure, godly thoughts of *love*, *adoration*, *praise*, *and thanksgiving*. We are, in fact,

displacing them.

III. The *promise from God* for obeying and practicing this principle is:

Reference: Philippians 4:9

... the God of peace shall be with you.

- IV. You will find the *application of this principle* very helpful:
 - A. In cultivating a more loving fellowship with the Lord.
 - B. When facing trials or temptations.

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- C. In "bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:5).
- D. In obeying the command, "be transformed by the renewing of your mind ..." (Romans 12:2 NKJV).

V. Examples of application:

- A. Throughout the day express your love, adoration, praise, and thanksgiving to God.
- B. When facing a trial or temptation, do not focus on the trial or temptation, but rather *focus on Jesus* (Hebrews 12:2).
 - 1. Throughout the trial or temptation, express your love, adoration, praise, and thanks giving to God.
 - 2. If the trial demands a response from you, then face the trial *looking to Jesus* for deliverance, strength, comfort, needs, and direction.

VI. Result of application:

The daily practice of this principle can become a vital part of cultivating a more positive, optimistic, Christlike lifestyle.

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... Blood on Our Hands?

"... I have appointed you a *watchman*... (if) you do not *speak to warn* the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity (sin), but *his blood* will I require from your hand" (Ezekiel 33:1-8 NAS).

(*Watchman*—one responsible to warn others of approaching danger. *Warn*—springing from a heart of love and a spirit of humility. *Blood on our hands*—a reminder that God will hold Christians responsible and accountable if they do not care enough to share the good news about Jesus with the lost.)

Christians, we are the Lord's appointed "watchmen" today.

I. Why is it so urgent for us to share His message?

- A. God desires that everyone be saved. He is "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).
- B. Without Jesus there is no hope. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6 NKJV).

II. What is His message?

All of us have sinned and fallen short of God's desire for us (Romans 3:23). What we have earned and deserve (our wages) for our sin is death (eternal separation from God). But because of His great love, God has chosen to rescue us by offering us a free gift, which we neither earn or deserve, and that gift is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (Romans 6:23).

Why did God do this for you and me?

For God so loved the world (you and me) that He allowed His only Son (Jesus) to take our place on the cross and die for our sins, and whosoever believes in Him (Jesus) will not perish, but will have eternal life (John 3:16).

The believing that saves is not just intellectual assent, but it is receiving a person (Jesus Christ) as our personal Lord and Savior. At that instant we become

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God's children and join into an eternal relationship with Him (John 1:12).

III. Who are His messengers?

The messengers are all those who have believed and received Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. To believers who make up His church, He says, "... you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8 NKJV).

IV. What is His method?

A. Go:

- 1. So everywhere we **go** we **talk about Christ** to all who will listen, warning them and teaching them as well as we know how ... (Colossians 1:28 LIV).
- 2. As you *go...make disciples* (Matthew 28:19 NKJV).

B. Send:

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. And how then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? (Romans 10:13-15)

As we go through each day, we talk about Christ to those we are around and make disciples as we go. And we gladly support with our prayers and our finances those who go where we cannot go or when we cannot go.

V. What is our responsibility?

As we *pray* and as we *go*, we share His message.

A. The Holy Spirit's responsibility is to:

- 1. *Illuminate the mind* of the unbeliever (1 Corinthians 2:12-13).
- 2. *Convict the heart* of the unbeliever (John 16:8).

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B. Our responsibility is to:

- 1. *Obey*—"...you shall be witnesses to Me..." (Acts 1:8 NKJV).
- 2. Go in Jesus' POWER (Matthew 28:18-19).
- 3. *Adopt Jesus' PLAN*—as you go, share His message (Matthew 28:19-20).
- 4. *Stand on Jesus' PROMISE*—"… I am with you…" (Matthew 28:20).

VI. What is our motivation?

A. Love

There is no greater way to demonstrate our love for God and the lost than to follow the example of our Lord by laying down our lives and dying to our selfish desires so that the lost might be saved. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13).

B. Concern

The lost are missing the very thing they were created for, and that is *abundant life*. There is *no life apart from Jesus*; there is *only an existence*. For if man can really live apart from Jesus, then Jesus died in vain, for Jesus said, "...I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more *abundantly [in fullest measure]*" (John 10:10).

C. Obedience

How can we call Him Lord and not *speak to warn* the lost? "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46 NKJV).

D. Compassion

The lost are destined to a Christless eternity.

1. *Hell is a real place of constant and eternal torment.* It is filled with *real people* who may have been our relatives, neighbors, friends, or associates. "And these







shall go away into *everlasting punishment:* but the righteous into life eternal" (Matthew 25:46).

- 2. Hell is a real place where the inhabitants can see into heaven. They are in torment, forever dying, but never dead. "In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side" (Luke 16:23 NIV).
- 3. Hell is a real place, eternally separated from God, His mercy, His followers (Christians), and everything good. "... between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here [heaven] to you cannot, nor can those from there [hell] pass to us" (Luke 16:26 NKJV).
- 4. *Hell is a real place where all requests are denied.*"... send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment [hell]." But *the request was denied* (Luke 16:27-31).

E. Accountability

When life on earth has ended, we will be required to stand before the Lord and give account of how we used what God entrusted to us while on earth. Surely we will have to account for sharing the most important thing we were given, which was His message. "So then everyone of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12).

F. Repayment of a debt ...

Sharing His message is a debt of love I owe. "Yet the proof of God's amazing love is this: that it was while we were sinners that *Christ died for us*" (Romans 5:8 JBP).

- VII. How can we become more effective in sharing His message?
 - A. *Memorize verses* such as Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, John 3:16, John 1:12, Ephesians 2:8-9.

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- B. *Pray* for opportunities to *share these verses* with the lost.
- C. Ask God to help you think of questions that you feel comfortable asking the lost, questions that will help create opportunities for you to share His message.

Examples:

- 1. Have you ever had a time when you invited Jesus into your heart as your personal Lord and Savior?
- 2. Are you a Christian? How did you come to know the Lord? (These questions should be used together)
- 3. Were you saved in a worship service, or did someone personally lead you to Christ?
- 4. How did you come to the point of asking Jesus to come into your heart? Tell me about your experience.
- 5. How old were you when you invited Christ into your life? I would love to hear how it happened.
- D. Consider every opportunity to share His message as a divine encounter, an appointment arranged by God.
- E. *Don't wait until you think you can make a perfect presentation.* God usually chooses to show His strength through our weakness.

Several men once told me about a personal friend of theirs who had very little formal education. He had memorized only three scriptures, but in one year he led over 300 people to the Lord. It sounded to me like he was properly responding to the challenge—"So everywhere we go we talk about Christ to all who will listen . . ." (Colossians 1:28 LIV).

It is not how much we know or how eloquently we speak but how committed and willing we are to share what we know about whom we know: Jesus.

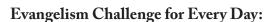






List below the reasons or excuses that you believe God will approve if you choose not to share the message (the good news) everywhere you go with all who will listen.				

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- **1.** *Be wise—"…he who is wise* captures human lives for God [as a fisher of men]—he gathers and receives them for eternity" (Proverbs 11:30 AMP).
- **2.** *Be open—talk about Jesus* (Colossians 1:28 NLT). Talk about His Word, who He is, what He means to you, what He has done for you, and what He wants to do for them.
- 3. Be available—If you are not already involved in evangelism visitation, start now. If your church offers FAITH, CWT, Evangelism Explosion, or some other type of evangelism training, enlist as soon as you have finished One on One with God. If evangelism training is not offered in your church, find someone in your church who is actively involved in leading people to the Lord. Ask him/her to allow you to make evangelistic visits with him/her for the next four months. "Be a vessel... for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work" (2 Timothy 2:21). [Note: If just two are visiting together, men should visit with men and women with women unless the visiting couple are husband and wife or they are both single.]
- 4. Be bold—"... for He (God) hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me" (Hebrews 13:5-6).
- 5. Be prepared—the gospel (good news) in a nutshell is simply this: Holy God came to earth as a man (Jesus) to die on a cruel cross to pay for your sins and mine. After His crucifixion He was buried, but even death could not defeat Him, for He arose from the grave. Now God gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ; therefore, we are to be steadfast, unmovable, and always abounding in the work of the Lord (1 Corinthians 15: 3-4, 57-58).







Assignment Prepare for Session 11

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 195).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned third month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73).
 - (1) *Read* the *assigned verses* (page 73), *plus* a chapter each day in *Proverbs*.
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) Meditate on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31)
 - c) *Read* and *meditate* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in the "*Daily Commitment Reminder*" (pages 121-122).
- 3. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (page 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 4. *Study* "Why saturate my life with love for fellow Christians?" and "Why saturate my life with love for the lost?"
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 174-183).
 - b) *Fill in* the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* (pages 178 and 183).
 - (2) The sentences in the study *where you filled in the blanks*.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 5. *Memorize* and *meditate* (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - Luke 9:23 Romans 6:13 John 15:4
- 6. Read and meditate (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in "...Blood on Our Hands?" (pages 186-192).
- 7. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 194).
- 8. Express your love to God three times every hour you are awake this week (Psalm 18:1 NIV).
- 9. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.
- 10. *Go and make disciples* (Matthew 28:19 NIV). *Pray* that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through *One on One with God*.

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Prepare for Session 11 Assignment Review Questions

2. What do you consider to be the most important reason why we should share the gospel? 3. Can you apply the "Principle of Displacement"? When? 4. What does God promise us if we will obey and practice the "Principle of Displacement"? 5. Have you been consistent in expressing your love to God throughout each day this past week? YES □ NO □ 6. Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week? YES □ NO □ 7. Are you presently leading someone through One on One with God? YES □ NO □	1.	What do you consider to be the most important reason why we should saturate our lives with love for fellow Christians?
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III. How can I saturate my life with love?

A. How can I saturate my life with love for God?

- 1. I can saturate my life with love for God by cultivating an intimate, loving fellowship with God.
 - a) I can *cultivate* an intimate, loving fellowship with God *by investing quality time with Him* and getting to know Him.
 - (1) Saturating my life with His Word.
 - (2) Saturating my life with prayer.

Reference: Philippians 3:10 AMP

[For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him—that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding [the wonders of His Person] more strongly and more clearly. And that I may in that same way come to know the power outflowing from His resurrection [which it exerts over believers]; and that I may so share His sufferings as to be continually transformed [in spirit into His likeness even] to His death, [in the hope]

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b) I can *cultivate* an intimate, loving fellowship with God by *learning to respond to God*

with natural loving responses of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication all through each day.

(1) Reference: Ephesians 6:18 NLT

Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.

(2) Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Rsv

Rejoice always, *pray constantly*, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

- (3) Learning to respond to God with natural loving responses of prayer all through each day will help me to cultivate an intimate, loving **F**_**L**L_**WSH**_**P** with God.
- c) I can *cultivate* an intimate, loving fellowship with God by yielding to the control of the Holy *Spirit,* for He is the one who produces the fruit of love.
 - (1) Reference: John 15:4 NKJV

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me.

(2) Reference: Philippians 2:13 AMP

[Not in your own strength] for it is God Who is all the while effectually at work in you—energizing and creating in you the *power* and *desire*—both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight.

(3) Reference: Galatians 5:22-25 LIV

But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives He will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,

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faithfulness, gentleness and self-control; and here there is no conflict with Jewish laws. Those who belong to Christ have nailed their natural evil desires to his cross and crucified them there. If we are living now by the Holy Spirit's power, let us follow the Holy Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

- (4) As I yield control of my life to the Holy Spirit, He is free to produce within me the fruit of L__V__. I simply bear the fruit as I abide in the vine. The Holy Spirit is the one who actually produces the fruit.
- Pausing to *evaluate* the quality of my love for God can help me saturate my life with love for God.
 - a) Reference: 1 John 3:23-24 AMP

And this is His order (His command, His injunction), that we should believe—put our faith and trust in and adhere to and rely—on the name of His Son Jesus Christ, the Messiah, and that we should love one another, just as He has commanded us. All who keep His commandments (who obey His orders and follow His plan, live and continue to live, to stay and) abide in Him, and He in them.—They let Christ be a home to them and they are the home of Christ. And by this we know and understand and have the proof that He [really] lives and makes His home in us, by the (Holy) Spirit Whom He has given us.

b) Reference: 1 John 2:4-5 AMP

Whoever says, I know Him—I perceive, recognize, understand and am acquainted with Him—but fails to keep and obey His commandments (teachings) is a liar, and the Truth [of the Gospel] is not in him. But he who keeps [treasures] His Word—who bears in mind His precepts, who observes His message in its entirety—truly in him has the love of and

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for God been perfected (completed, reached maturity). By this we may perceive and know and recognize and be sure that we are in Him:

- c) The quality of my love for God can be evaluated by measuring three things in my life:
 - (1) The degree to which I believe—put my FA_TH and TR_ST in and adhere to and rely on—J_S_S.
 - (2) The degree to which I L_V_ others.
 - (3) The degree to which I am **OBE_I_NT** to His commandments (teachings).
- 3. I can saturate my life with love for God by *demonstrating* my love for God.

Reference: John 14:15 AMP

If you [really] love Me you will *keep (obey) My* commands.

If I really love Jesus, I will demonstrate that love by $OB_{Y}NG$ His commands (teachings).

4. I can saturate my life with love for God by *concentrating* on loving God more *today*.

Reference: Matthew 22:36-38 NKJV

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the first and great commandment.

When Jesus was asked, "Which is the greatest commandment?" He replied, "You shall L__V_ the Lord your G__D with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." Jesus was talking about loving Him more *today* and not putting it off until tomorrow.

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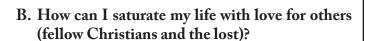
Summary

How can I saturate my life with love for God?

- 1. Cultivate an intimate, loving fellowship with God by:
 - a) *Investing quality time with God* and getting to know Him.
 - (1) Saturating my life with His Word.
 - (2) Saturating my life with prayer.
 - b) Learning to *respond to God with natural loving responses* of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication *all through each day*.
 - c) Yielding to the control of the Holy Spirit, for He is the one who produces the fruit of love.
- **2. Evaluate** the quality of my love for God by measuring:
 - My faith in God.
 - My love for others.
 - My obedience to God.
- **3. Demonstrate** my love for God by **obedience** to His teachings.
- 4. Concentrate on loving God more today.

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- 1. I can saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) *by cultivating a love for them.*
 - a) I can cultivate a love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) *by seeing them as God sees them.*

Reference: Ephesians 2:12 NLT

... living apart from Christ ... excluded from God's people ... without God and without hope.

Reference: John 10:10 NKJV

I have come that they may have *life*, and that they may have it more *abundantly*.

Jesus came that we may have LI_E. Therefore, a person who has not received Christ into his/her life as his/her personal Savior and Lord is not really living but just existing. He is lost and without hope.

And the *Christian* who is *not trusting the Lord for everything* has settled for life when he could have $AB _ N _ ANT$ life.

God saw our need and loved us enough to allow His only Son, Jesus, to die in our place that we might have abundant life.

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b) I can cultivate a love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) by learning how to respond to them.

Reference: Ephesians 4:31-32 NLT

Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of malicious behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

I can cultivate a love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) by always responding to them by being:

- c) I can cultivate a love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) by yielding to the control of the Holy Spirit, for He is the one who produces the fruit of love.
 - (1) Reference: John 15:4 NKJV

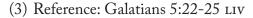
Abide in Me, and I in you. As *the branch cannot bear fruit of itself*, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in Me.

(2) Reference: Philippians 2:13 AMP

[Not in your own strength] for it is God Who is all the while effectually at work in you—energizing and creating in you the power and desire—both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight.

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But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives He will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control; and here there is no conflict with Jewish laws. Those who belong to Christ have nailed their natural evil desires to his cross and crucified them there. If we are living now by the Holy Spirit's power, let us follow the Holy Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.

- (4) When the **H**_**LY SP**_**RIT** controls my life, *He will produce in me a* L_**V**_*for others*.
- 2. I can saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) by pausing to evaluate the quality of my love for them. I can evaluate the quality of my love for others by giving myself the following test:
 - a) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:4 NLT

Love is *patient* and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud.

Reference: 1 Thessalonians 5:14 LIV

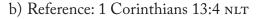
Dear brothers, warn those who are lazy; comfort those who are frightened; take tender care of those who are weak; and **be patient with everyone.**

Am I $P _T E_T$ with everyone?

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Love is patient and *kind*. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud.

Reference: 2 Timothy 2:24 RSV

And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but *kindly to every one*, an apt teacher, forbearing . . .

Am I **K**_**ND** to everyone?

c) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:4 NLT

Love is patient and kind. Love is not *jealous* or boastful or proud.

Reference: 1 Peter 2:1 AMP

So be done with every trace of wickedness (depravity, malignity) and all deceit and insincerity (pretense, hypocrisy) and grudges *(envy, jealousy)* and slander and evil speaking of every kind.

d) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:4 NLT

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or *boastful or proud*.

Reference: Proverbs 16:5 LIV

Pride disgusts the Lord. Take my word for it—*proud men shall be punished.*

e) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:5 NKJV

does not behave *rudely*, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil.

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Reference: Romans 13:10 LIV

Love does no wrong to anyone. That's why it fully satisfies all of God's requirements. It is the only law you need.

Do I ever wrong others by being **R**_**D**_ to them?

f) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:5 NKJV does not behave rudely, *does not seek its own*, is not provoked, thinks no evil.

Reference: 1 Corinthians 10:24 LIV

Don't think only of yourself. Try to think of the other fellow, too, and what is best for him.

Am I ever **SE_F_SH** around others, demanding my own way?

g) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:5 NLT

... Love does not demand its own way. Love is not *irritable*, and it *keeps no record* of when it has been wronged.

Reference: Proverbs 10:12 LIV

Hatred stirs old quarrels, but *love overlooks insults*.

Am I ever I _ R _ T _ B L E or U N _ O R _ I _ I N G toward others?

h) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:6 NEB

does not gloat over other men's sins, but delights in the truth.

Reference: Proverbs 24:17 LIV

Do not rejoice when your enemy meets trouble. Let there be no gladness when he falls . . .

Do I rejoice when others **S_N** or **F_LL**?

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i) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:6 NEB

... does not gloat over other men's sins, but delights in the truth.

Reference: 2 John 4 AMP

I was greatly delighted to find some of your children walking (living) in [the] *Truth*, just as we have been commanded by the Father [Himself].

Am I delighted when I see others walking (living) in the TR_TH?

j) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:7

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Reference: Galatians 6:2 NKJV

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Do I help others by bearing their **B** __ **R D** __ **N S** (carrying them to Jesus and leaving them there)?

k) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:7 LIV

If you love someone you will be *loyal* to him no matter what the cost. You will always believe in him, always expect the best of him, and always stand your ground in defending him.

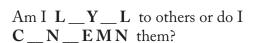
Reference: Luke 6:36-37 NIV

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not *condemn*, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.

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1) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:7 NKJV

bears all things, believes all things, *hopes all things*, endures all things.

Reference: 2 Corinthians 1:7 AMP

And our hope for you—that is, our joyful and confident expectation of good for you—is ever unwavering, (assured and unshaken); for we know that just as you share and are partners in [our] sufferings and calamities, you also share and are partners in [our] comfort (consolation and encouragement).

Do I **H** __ **P** __ for the best in the lives of others?

m) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:7 NKJV

bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, *endures all things*.

Reference: Galatians 6:9-10 LIV

And let us not get tired of doing what is right, for after a while we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't get discouraged and give up. That's why whenever we can we should always be kind to everyone, and especially to our Christian brothers.

Is my love **END_R_NG**, or do I get discouraged and give up when attempting to love others

n) Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:8 NLT

Love will last forever, but prophecy and

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speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will all disappear.

Reference: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 NLT

And may the Lord make your love grow and overflow to each other and to everyone else, just as our love overflows toward you.

Is my love for fellow Christians and the lost GR_W_NG and $OV_RFL_W_NG$?



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How to Determine the Quality of My Love

1 Corinthians 13: 4-8

Think through the following statements with a particular person in mind. Rate each statement on the basis of 1-10, with 10 being the highest quality of love. The key word in each statement or question is *always* or *never*.

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 1.	I am always patient with this person.
2.	I am always kind to this person and find myself searching for opportunities to do good for this person.
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4.	I am never boastful or arrogant around this person. I am more concerned about his or her thoughts, interests, and accomplishments than my own.
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7.	I am never irritable or touchy, quick to take offense, or slow to forgive and forget when this person commits an offense against me.
 8.	I never rejoice, take pleasure, or gloat over the
	wrong this person does.
 9.	I always rejoice when I see truth and justice demonstrated in this person's life.
 10.	I always find it easy to overlook this person's faults, and I am unwilling to expose his or her faults to others.
 11.	I always find myself eager to believe the best about
	this person.
 12.	I always find myself hoping for the very best for this person regardless of the circumstances.
 13.	I have been consistent in demonstrating my love for this person.
 14.	My love for this person is growing stronger.
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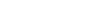
Assignment Prepare for Session 12

- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* fill in the information on the "*Follow Up*" sheet (page 215).
- 2. a) Every day do the following with the assigned third month "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" (page 73).
 - (1) *Read* the *assigned verses* (page 73), *plus* a chapter each day in *Proverbs*.
 - (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
 - (3) *Meditate* on your note.
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) Pray the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
 - b) Pray through the "Daily Prayer Reminder" (pages 30-31)
 - c) Read and meditate (Ponder, Picture, and Pray) on the truths in the "Daily Commitment Reminder" (pages 121-122).
- 3. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (page 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 4. **Study** "How can I saturate my life with love for God?" and "How can I saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost)?"
 - a) Do some of this study *each day* this week during your "*Quiet Time*" (pages 198-210).
 - b) *Fill in* the blanks.
 - c) *Meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - (1) The *summary* (page 202).
 - (2) The sentences in the study where you filled in the blanks.
 - (3) Other *concepts* and *thoughts* in this study.
- 5. Memorize and meditate on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Hebrews 4:12
- 6. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (pages 213-214).
- 7. Express your love to God three times every hour you are awake this week (Psalm 18:1 NIV)..
- 8. Watch for opportunities to share what God is teaching you.
- 9. *Go and make disciples* (Matthew 28:19 NIV). *Pray* that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through *One on One with God*.

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Prepare for Session 12 Assignment Review Questions

1.	What is the central truth being taught on pages 199-200 (c)?
2.	How can we demonstrate our love for God?
3.	How does Ephesians 4:32 NLT tell us to respond to others? a)
	b)
	c)
4.	What does Galatians 5:22-25 LIV teach us is the key to being a genuinely loving person?

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5.	Have you been consistent in expressing your love to
	God throughout each day this past week?

YES□ NO□

6. Have you shared something God is teaching you with someone this week?

YES□ NO□

7. Have you openly talked about Jesus with someone this week?

YES□ NO□

8. Have you invited someone to receive Jesus as his/her personal Lord and Savior this week?

YES□ NO□

9. Are you presently leading someone through *One on One with God?*

YES□ NO□







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Follow Up								
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In your quiet time <i>each day this week</i> note the time you start and the time you stop. This will be the entire time you invest each day to complete your <i>One on One with God</i> assignment.								
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- 3. I can saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) by demonstrating my love for them.
 - a) I can *demonstrate* my love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) *by applying the principles I just studied* while evaluating the quality of my love for others.
 - (1) Be **PAT_ENT**.
 - (2) Be **K_ND**.
 - (3) Don't be **JE_LO_S**.
 - (4) Don't be **PR_UD** or **BO_ST_UL**.
 - (5) Don't be $\mathbf{R} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{E}$.
 - (6) Don't be **SEL__SH**.
 - (7) Don't be IRR_TA_LE or UNF_RGI_ING .
 - (8) Don't rejoice when others $S \subseteq N$ or $F \subseteq LL$.
 - (9) Be delighted when you see others walking (living) in the **TR** _ **TH**.
 - (10) Help bear the **BU_DE_S** of others.
 - (11) Don't be **CON_EMNING**, but be **LO_AL** and believe the best about others.
 - (12) **H** _ **P E** for the best in the lives of others.
 - (13) **E N** __ **U R E** —don't get discouraged and give up.
 - (14) Keep your love **GR_WI_G** and **OVE_FL_WING**.

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b) I can demonstrate my love more specifically for fellow Christians through fellowship.

The *fellowship* we are called to is one of:

(1) Reference: Psalm 133:1-3 LIV

How wonderful it is, how pleasant, when brothers live in *harmony!* For *harmony* is as precious as the fragrant anointing oil that was poured over Aaron's head, and ran down onto his beard, and onto the border of his robe. *Harmony* is as refreshing as the dew on Mount Hermon, on the mountains of Israel. And God has pronounced this eternal blessing on Jerusalem, even life forevermore.

Reference: Philippians 1:27 AMP

Only be sure as citizens so to conduct yourselves that your manner of life will be worthy of the good news (the Gospel) of Christ, so that whether I [do] come and see you or am absent, I may hear this of you: that you are standing firm in united spirit and purpose, striving side by side and contending with a single mind for the faith of the glad tidings (the Gospel).

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(2) Reference: 1 John 1:3 AMP

What we have seen and [ourselves] heard we are also telling you, so that you too may realize and enjoy fellowship as *partners* and partakers with us. And [this] fellowship that we have (which is a distinguishing mark of Christians) is with the Fa-

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Reference: Colossians 2:2 NLT

the Messiah.

My goal is that they will be encouraged and *knit together by strong ties of love*. I want them to have full confidence because they have complete understanding of God's secret plan, which is Christ Himself.

PAR_N_RSHIP

(3) Reference: Philippians 4:14-15 Rsv

Yet it was kind of you to *share* my trouble. And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving except you only.

Reference: 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 JBP

Now, my brothers, we must tell you about the grace that God has given to the Macedonian churches. Somehow, in most difficult circumstances, their joy and the fact of being down to their last penny themselves, produced a magnificent concern for other people. I can guarantee that they were willing to give to the limit of their means, yes and beyond their means, without the slightest urging from me or anyone else. In fact they simply begged us to accept their gifts and so let them share the honor of supporting their brothers in Christ. Nor was their gift, as I must confess I had expected, a mere

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cash payment. Instead they made a complete dedication of themselves first to the Lord and then to us, as God's appointed ministers.

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(4) Reference: Acts 2:42 LIV

They joined with the other believers in regular attendance at the apostles' teaching sessions and at the Communion services and prayer meetings.

Reference: Hebrews 10:24-25 AMP

And let us consider and give attentive, continuous care to watching over one another, studying how we may stir up (stimulate and incite) to love and helpful deeds and noble activities; *Not forsaking or neglecting to assemble together* [as believers], as is the habit of some people, but admonishing—warning, urging and encouraging—one another, and all the more faithfully as you see the day approaching.

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- c) I can demonstrate my love more specifically for the lost through witnessing.
 - (1) Reference: Colossians 1:28-29 LIV

So everywhere we go we talk about Christ to all who will listen, warning them and teaching them as well as we know how. We want to be able to present each one to God, perfect because of what Christ has done for each of them. This is my work, and I can do it only because Christ's mighty energy is at work within me.

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I demonstrate my love for the lost by talking about CHR_ST everywhere I go.

(2) Reference: Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make *disciples* of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

I demonstrate my love for the lost when I go and make $D \subseteq SCI \subseteq LES$.

(3) Reference: Matthew 4:19 NLT

Jesus called out to them, "Come, be my disciples, and I will show you how to fish for *people!*"

I demonstrate my love for the lost by learning to fish for PE_PE .

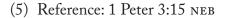
(4) Reference: Romans 1:16 AMP

For I am *not ashamed* of the Gospel (good news) of Christ; for it is God's power working unto salvation (for deliverance from eternal death) to every one who believes with a personal trust and a confident surrender and firm reliance, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

I demonstrate my love for the lost by witnessing, and I witness, for I am not A S H _ M _ D of the Gospel of Christ.

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Hold the Lord Christ in reverence in your hearts. Be always ready with your defense whenever you are called to account for the *hope* that is in you, but make that defense with *modesty* and *respect*.

I demonstrate my love for the lost by always being ready to give an account for the H _ P E that is in me with modesty and R E S _ E _ T.

(6) Reference: Proverbs 11:30 NIV

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is *wise*.

It is an act of love to witness to the lost, but it is also $W_{\underline{}}S_{\underline{}}$.

4. I can saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost) *by concentrating on loving them more today*.

Reference: Matthew 22:39 NIV

And the second is like it: "*Love* your neighbor as yourself."

The second greatest commandment is to L_V_ others as much as you love yourself.

The only way it is possible to love others as much as we love ourselves is to *yield* to the Holy Spirit and *concentrate* on just a few principles each day. Finally, the Holy Spirit will begin to strengthen our weaknesses and give us victory, little by little, as He transforms us into more loving people.



Summary

How can I saturate my life with love for others (fellow Christians and the lost)?

- 1. *Cultivate* a love for others by:
 - a) Seeing them as God sees them.
 - b) Learning to *respond to them* by being:
 - Kind.
 - Tenderhearted.
 - Forgiving.
 - c) *Yielding to the control of the Holy Spirit*, for He is the one who produces the fruit of love.
- 2. *Evaluate* the quality of my love for others by giving myself the *love test*.
- 3. **Demonstrate** my love for others by **applying the principles** taught in the love test. In addition to applying these principles, I can demonstrate my love for:
 - Fellow Christians through fellowship.
 - The lost through witnessing.
- 4. *Concentrate* on loving others more today by:
 - *Yielding to the control of the Holy Spirit*, for He produces the fruit of love.
 - Concentrating on improving the quality of my love in one specific area each day. For example, today work on patience or kindness or unselfishness.

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C. How can I saturate my life with love for God and others?

I can saturate my life with love for God and others by having a Christ-centered love for myself and accepting myself just as I am.

Reference: Romans 12:3 NEB

In virtue of the gift that God in His grace has given me I say to everyone among you: *do not be conceited or think too highly of yourself;* but think your way to a sober estimate based on the measure of faith that God has dealt to each of you.

Reference: Matthew 22:39 LIV

The second most important is similar: Love your neighbor as much as you love *yourself*.

Though I am not to be **CON_E_TED** or think too **HIG_LY** of myself, yet I am to love others as much as I love **MY_E_F**, and that implies that I should have a strong, healthy, Christcentered love for myself.

To realize the following will help me to have a healthy, Christ-centered love for myself:

1. Reference: Philippians 2:13 AMP

[Not in your own strength] for it is God Who is all the while effectually at work in you—energizing and creating in you the power and desire—both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight.

To realize how dependent I am on Jesus will keep me from thinking more highly of myself than I should. My highest potential is out of reach unless I yield to the control of the Holy Spirit and abide in Jesus, for He transforms my weaknesses into strengths, and He produces the

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fruit in my life. This is not done in my own $ST _EN _TH$.

2. Reference: Psalm 139:13-15 LIV

You made *all* the *delicate*, inner parts of my body, and knit them together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! It is amazing to think about. Your workmanship is marvelous—and how well I know it. You were there while I was being formed in utter seclusion!

God designed and created me. He made A _ L the D _ L _ C _ T E, inner parts of my body and knitted them together in my mother's womb. Should I reject, hate, or complain about something God has designed and created?

3. Reference: Jeremiah 29:11 LIV

For I know the *plans* I have for you, says the Lord. They are *plans* for *good* and not for evil, to give you a *future* and a *hope*.

Reference: Psalm 139:16 LIV

You saw me before I was born and *scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe*. Every day was recorded in your Book!

God designed and created me for a purpose. God has plans for my life, and they are P_A_S for G___D and not for evil, to give me a F_T_RE and a H_PE.

4. Reference: Psalm 139:1-12,17-18 NLT

O Lord, you have examined my heart and know *everything* about me. You know when

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I sit down or stand up. You know my every thought when far away. You chart the path ahead of me and tell me where to stop and rest. Every *moment* you know where I am. You know what I am going to say even before I say it, LORD. You both *precede* and *follow* me. You place your hand of blessing on my head. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to know! I can never escape from your Spirit! I can never get away from your *presence!* If I go up to heaven, you are there; if I go down to the place of the dead, you are there. If I ride the wings of the morning, If I dwell by the farthest oceans, even there your hand will *guide* me, and your *strength* will support me. I could ask the darkness to hide me and the light around me to become night—but even in darkness I cannot hide from you. How precious are your thoughts about me, O God! They are innumerable! I can't even count them; they outnumber the grains of sand! And when I wake up in the morning, you are still with me!

At this moment God loves me and is very interested in me personally. He is concerned about every detail of my life.

He knows $E _ERY _H _NG$ about me.

He charts the $P _TH$ ahead of me.

Every **M**_**M**_**NT** He knows where I am.

He knows what I am going to say **B** _ **FO** _ **E** I even say it.

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He both PRE_E_ES and F_LL_WS me.

I can never get away from $G \underline{\hspace{1em}} D$.

His hand **G**_I_ES me and his **ST**_EN_TH supports me.

Even in darkness I cannot **H_DE** from God.

The Lord is thinking about me CON_IN_A_LY.

The Lord is always $\mathbf{W}_{-}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{H}$ me.

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How can I saturate my life with love for God and others?

Summary

If I am to love God and others as much as I should, then I must have a strong, healthy, *Christ-centered love for myself* and *accept myself just as I am*. On the other hand, *I am not to be prideful and think more highly of myself than I should*.

I need to develop a strong, healthy, Christ-centered love for myself without becoming prideful, and I can do this by realizing:

- 1. How dependent I am on Jesus.
- 2. That *God designed* and *created me*.
- 3. That God designed and created me for a *purpose*.
- 4. That *God loves me* and is very *interested in me per-sonally*. He is interested in every detail of my life.

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Daily Bible Study Challenge

After Session 12:

- 1. **Search out some method** or methods of personal daily Bible study that are meaningful and helpful to you (consider the "**Helps in Personal Bible Study**" on the following page).
- 2. *Be diligent and disciplined* in applying yourself to personal daily Bible study.
- 3. *Set some goals* in personal daily Bible study, and work toward them with a great deal of determination.
- 4. *Obey and apply* that which God teaches you through personal daily Bible study.





Helps in Personal Bible Study

There are many valuable methods of Bible study. One may study the Bible, as it were, with a *telescope*, to see the great truths that stand out in every book. Or one may study the Bible with a *microscope* to find all of the marvelous details that are in this mine of spiritual riches. In the next few pages you will find the following seven proven methods for a more intensive, personal Bible study:

- 1. Bible Study by Chapters
- 2. Bible Study by Paragraphs
- 3. Bible Study by Verses
- 4. Bible Study by **Books**
- 5. Bible Study by Words
- 6. Bible Study by **Topics**
- 7. Bible Study by Biography

Remember, Bible study is one way of saturating your life with God's Word and learning more about Jesus and the lifestyle He teaches.

The great thrill of Bible study is discovering the eternal truths of God's Word for yourself and embarking on the adventure of obeying them and experiencing the blessing in your personal life.

The "Helps in Personal Bible Study" and "Methods of Bible Study" were excerpted and/or paraphrased from the *New Encyclopedic Reference Edition* of the Bible.





Methods of Bible Study

I. Bible Study by Chapters

In the Bible there are 1,189 chapters in the Old and New Testaments. In a little over three years a person could make an intensive study of the whole Bible, just taking a chapter a day. It is usually a good practice to start your Bible study in the New Testament.

- A. *Read* the chapter carefully to find the main subject or subjects. You may find it necessary to read the preceding and following chapters.
- B. Give the chapter a *title* that suggests its main content.
- C. *Reread* and *make* a simple *outline* of the chapter.
- D. *Ask and answer* the following questions concerning each chapter:
 - 1. What is the main *subject* or subjects of this chapter?
 - 2. Who are the *persons* revealed in this chapter? Who is speaking? About whom is he speaking?
 - 3. What is the *key verse* of this chapter?
 - 4. What does this chapter *teach* me about the Lord Jesus Christ?
 - 5. Is there any *sin* for me to confess and forsake mentioned in this chapter?
 - 6. Is there any *command* for me to obey in this chapter?
 - 7. Is there any *promise* for me to claim in this chapter?

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- 8. Is there any *instruction* for me to follow in this chapter?
- 9. Is there any *prayer* that I should pray in this chapter?
- E. *List and define* the *key words* in this chapter.
- F. Since it is important to compare scripture to scripture to find its true meaning, *find and read* other portions of the Bible that discuss the main subject of this chapter.
- G. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- H. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- Picture—form a mental picture of these truths.
 See yourself in the picture and imagine your response.
- J. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.





Bible Study by Chapters (Form for pages 232-233)

A. —	Book and chapter:
	I have <i>read</i> the chapter carefully, as well as the preceding and following chapter. YES □ NO □
В.	I would <i>title</i> this chapter:
C.	My simple <i>outline</i> of this chapter is as follows:
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D. I have <i>discovered</i> the following in this chapt	D.	I have	discovered	the	following	in	this	chapte
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1. The main *subject* or *subjects*:

2. The *persons* revealed:

3. The *key verse*—write it down:

4. A *teaching* about the *Lord Jesus Christ:*

5. A *sin* I need to confess and forsake:

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	6.	A <i>command</i> I need to obey:	
	7.	A <i>promise</i> I need to receive:	
	8.	Instructions I need to follow:	
	9.	A prayer I should pray:	
E.	Li	st and define the key words in this chapter:	

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F.	<i>Find</i> and <i>read</i> and then <i>list</i> other scripture references
	where the main subject of this chapter is discussed in
	other portions of the Bible.

G., H., I., and J. List the truths God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life. Ponder and Picture these truths, and then Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.



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II. Bible Study by Paragraphs

A paragraph is a unit of thought in writing, usually containing several sentences. When an author changes his subject of emphasis in his writing, he usually begins a new paragraph. If you wish some help on this, you may look at an American Standard Version of the Bible, the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, or one of the newer translations that prints the Bible text in paragraphs. Studying the Bible by paragraphs like this is often called analytic Bible study.

- A. *Read* the paragraph carefully for its main thought or subject.
- B. *Rewrite* the paragraph in your own words in order to find the relation of the important words and sentences.
- C. *Reread and make* a simple *outline* of the paragraph.
- D. With the help of a concordance, *locate* in other passages the important words that appear in this paragraph.
- E. *Compare* this paragraph with other passages of the Bible on the same subject in order not to misunderstand what is meant.
- F. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- G. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- H. **Picture**—form a mental picture of these truths. See yourself in the picture and imagine your response.
- I. Pray—talk to God about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.





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Bible Study by Paragraphs

(Form for page 238)

Note: It will be easier for you when studying by paragraphs if you use an American Standard Version, Revised Standard Version, or one of the newer translations of the Bible that prints the Bible text in paragraphs.

Bo	ok and chapter(s) where the paragraph is located:
A.	I have <i>read</i> the paragraph carefully and discovered the <i>main thought</i> or <i>subject</i> to be:
В.	In order to find the relation of the important words and sentences, I would <i>rewrite</i> the paragraph as follows:

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	My simple <i>outline</i> of this paragraph is:
•	With the help of a concordance, I have <i>located</i> the following passages with the same important words that appear in this paragraph. These references and words are:

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F., G., H., and I. *List* the truths God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life. **Ponder** and **Picture** these truths, and then **Pray** these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.

III. Bible Study by Verses

In studying the historical passages of the Bible, such as much of the Old Testament or parts of the gospels, each verse may have only one simple meaning. But many verses in both the Old and New Testaments are rich with many great Bible truths that will demand more detailed study.

- A. There are many ways that you can study a single Bible verse such as:
 - 1. *List* the *verbs* and/or *nouns* in the verse.
 - 2. *List* the *personalities* revealed in the verse.
 - 3. *List* the *great ideas* revealed in the verse.
 - 4. *Combine* the various *ideas* to grasp the truth being revealed.
- B. *List the truths* God has revealed to me through this study that I should apply to my life.
- C. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- D. **Picture**—form a mental picture of these truths. See yourself in the picture and imagine your response.
- E. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.





Bible Study by Verses (Form for page 242)

A Ih	have <i>discovered</i> the following in this verse:
	The verbs:
	The <i>nouns:</i>
2.	The <i>personality</i> traits of people revealed:
3.	The <i>great ideas</i> revealed:



4.	the various <i>ideas</i> as follows:

B., C., D., and E. *List* the truths God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life. **Ponder** and **Picture** these truths, and then **Pray** these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.

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IV. Bible Study by Books

After you have begun to study the Bible by chapters or paragraphs or verses, you will be ready to study the Bible by books.

- A. *Read* the book through to get the mood and general emphasis of the book.
- B. *Reread* the book several times, each time *asking* yourself one main question and *jotting down* the answers you find as you read. Here are some important questions to ask or look for:

First Reading:

What does the book tell me about the author and his circumstances when he wrote?

Second Reading:

What does the book tell me about the people to whom the book was written and their circumstances, needs, or problems? These questions are particularly important when you are reading the epistles of Paul.

Third Reading:

- 1. What is the central theme or emphasis of the book?
- 2. What is the key verse in this book?

Fourth Reading:

- 1. Remembering the theme of the book, see how it is emphasized and developed in the book.
- 2. Look for any special problems or applications to this theme.

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Fifth Reading:

- 1. What are the main divisions of the book?
- 2. Is there any outline apparent in the logical organization and development of the book?
- 3. Divide the text into paragraphs.
- 4. Give a title to each paragraph.

Sixth Reading:

- 1. Look for other facts and/or information.
- 2. By now certain words stand out in the book. See how often they recur, and note each time and the surrounding circumstances.
- C. *Outline* the book.

List any problems, questions, words, or ideas that require further study by comparison with other passages in the Bible.

- D. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- E. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- F. **Picture**—*form a mental picture* of these truths. *See* yourself in the *picture* and *imagine* your response.
- G. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.





Bible Study by Books (Form for pages 245-246)

	Book	
	A. I have read the book through to get the mood and the general emphasis of the book. YES NO	
	B. To find the answer to the following questions, I have reread the book six more times as suggested. YES NO	
	First Reading: What does the book tell me about the author and his circumstances?	
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	Second Reading: What does the book tell me about the people to whom the book was written:	
	1. Their circumstances?	
	2. Their needs?	
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Their problems?	
Reading:	
What is the central theme or emphasis of the book?	
What is the key verse in this book?	
	What is the central theme or emphasis of the book?

Fourth Reading:

1. How is the theme of the book emphasized and developed?

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Explain if you found any special problems related
to the theme.
How was the central theme applied?

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1. What are the main divisions of the book?

2. Is there an outline apparent in the logical organization and development of the book?
YES
NO

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3.	If you were to o	divide the	e text into p	aragraphs,
	which verses w	ould go i	n which pai	ragraphs?
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Sixth Reading:

1. What other facts and/or information stand out?

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2. What are the words that stand out in this book? How often do they recur?

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C. *Outline* the book.

Outside the line to the right of the outline, *list* any problems, questions, words, or ideas that require further study by comparison with other passages in the Bible.

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D., E., F., and G. List the truths God has revealed to you
through this study that you should apply to your life
Ponder and Picture these truths, and then Pray these
truths back to God as your personal prayer of Adora-
tion, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.

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V. Bible Study by Words

There are two profitable and helpful ways of studying great words or subjects in the Word of God.

A. Word study by Bible books

Read a Bible book, and **count** the number of times a word is used in this book. **Decide** if the word that occurs most frequently gives a clue to the primary emphasis of the book.

B. General word study

With the aid of a concordance, *trace* the occurrences of a word through the Old Testament and then through the New Testament. By doing this you can become more familiar with the great doctrines and principles that the Bible reveals.

- C. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- D. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- E. **Picture**—*form a mental picture* of these truths. *See* yourself in the *picture*, and *imagine* your response.
- F. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.



Bible Study by Words (Form for page 255)

1.	I have chosen and <i>read</i> the book of
	in search of this word. YES NO
2.	By my actual <i>count</i> the word was used time in this book.
	List the scripture references where you found this word.
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	I have read and meditated on each scripture reference where I found this word. YES □ NO □
3.	List the other words that appear most frequently in this book.
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4.	. <i>Decide</i> if any of these words give a clue to the primary emphasis of the book.
	Which word?
	What is the primary emphasis of the book?
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В. С	General word study:
1.	. With the aid of a concordance, I have <i>traced</i> the occurrences of this word through the Old Testament. YES NO
2.	. With the aid of a concordance, I have <i>traced</i> the occurrences of this word through the New Testament. YES NO
3.	. The word was used times in the Old Testament.
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4. The word was ment.	s used times in	n the New Test
5. List the scrip word.	ture references whe	ere you found th

6. I have read and meditated on each scripture reference where I found this word.

YES□ NO□

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through this study that you should apply to your Ponder and Picture these truths, and then Pray truths back to God as your personal prayer of A ction, C onfession, T hanksgiving, or S upplication

VI. Bible Study by Topics

Closely related to the method of study by words is the study according to great topics or subjects: Bible prayers, Bible promises, Bible sermons, Bible songs, Bible poems, etc.

Or one might study Bible geography by reading rapidly through and looking for rivers, seas, mountains, etc., highlighted in scripture. For example, the mountaintop experiences in the life of Abraham are a thrilling study.

Another challenging study is to read rapidly through the gospels and epistles, looking for the commands of the Lord to us. The list of Bible topics is unlimited.

Here are some suggestions for Bible study by topics:

- A. Write out a description or definition of the topic.
- B. With the help of a concordance, *list* the scripture references where this topic appears in the Bible.
- C. Beside each reference you list, *write* out a key phrase that will help you recall the verse at a glance.
- D. From the scripture references, *study*, *combine*, *and write out* the various ideas on the topic to grasp the truth being revealed.
- E. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- F. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- G. **Picture**—form a mental picture of these truths. See yourself in the picture and imagine your response.
- H. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.

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Bible Study by Topics (Form for page 260)

A.	Write out a desc	ription or definition of the topic
B.8 C.	references wh	p of a concordance, <i>list</i> the scri here this topic appears in the Bib Il the verse at a glance, <i>write</i> out th reference:
	Reference	Key Phrase



D.	From the scripture references, <i>study</i> , <i>combine</i> , <i>and write out</i> the various ideas on the topic to grasp the				
	truths being revealed.				
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VII. Bible Study through Biography

The Bible is a record of God's revealing Himself to men and through men. The Old Testament as well as the New Testament is rich in such biographical studies. Here are a few:

The life of Noah:

The life of Abraham:

Genesis 5:32-10:32

Genesis 12-25

Genesis 37-50

The life of Deborah:

Judges 4-5

Here are some suggestions for Bible study through biography:

- A. *Read* the Bible book or passages in which this person's life is prominent—e.g., Abraham in Genesis 12-25, plus references to Abraham in Hebrews 11 and Romans 4.
- B. *Trace* the person with a concordance.
- C. *Note:*
 - 1. Indirect references to this person or his or her life in other portions of scripture.
 - 2. What are some different things you have learned about this person such as important events in his or her life, character qualities, victories or defeats he or she experienced, etc.?
- D. *List the truths* God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life.
- E. **Ponder**—*seriously think* about these truths. What is God saying to you personally?
- F. **Picture**—*form a mental picture* of these truths. *See* yourself in the *picture* and *imagine* your response.
- G. **Pray**—*talk to God* about applying these truths. Pray these truths back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.

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Bible Study through Biography (Form for page 263)

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A. & B.	With the aid of a concordance, <i>trace</i> and <i>read</i> the Bible book(s) and passages in which this person's life is prominent. List the scripture references you found:	
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C.	Note: Indirect reference to this person or his or her life in other portions of scripture. List these references. 1.	
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2.	What are some different things you have
	learned about this person such as important
	events in his or her life, character qualities
	victories or defeats he or she experienced, etc.?

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D., E., F., and G. *List* the truths God has revealed to you through this study that you should apply to your life. **Ponder** and **Picture** these truths, and then **Pray** these truths back to God as your personal prayer of **A**doration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.



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Herramientas de Ayuda para el Estudio Bíblico

Biblias de Estudio Recomendadas

Todas estas Biblias contienen lo siguiente:

- Introducciones, resúmenes, bosquejos de cada libro.
- Sistemas de referencia detalladas.
- Mapas, gráficos, cronologías, armonía de los evangelios.
- Diccionarios/concordancias.
- Índices por temas.
- Biblia del Diario Vivir (Grupo Nelson 1997)
- Biblia de Estudio Ryrie (Moody Press 1991)
- Biblia de Estudio Thompson

Concordancias

- Concordancia Breve de la Biblia (Editorial Mundo Hispano 1990)
- Concordancia Temática de la Biblia (Casa Bautista de Publicaciones 1993)
- Concordancia de las Sagradas Escrituras (Editorial Caribe 1978)

Diccionarios Bíblicos Recomendados

- Nuevo Diccionario Bíblico Ilustrado (Editorial Certeza 1991)
- Nuevo Diccionario Bíblico Ilustrado (Editorial CLIE 1985)

Comentarios Bíblicos Recomendados

- Comentario Bíblico Moody: Antiguo Testamento
- Comentario Bíblico Moody: Nuevo Testamento
- Nuevo Comentario Bíblico (Casa Bautista de Publicaciones)

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Otros Recursos Recomendados

- Enciclopedia de Temas (Editorial CLIE/VIDA)
- *Biblioteca de Doctrina Cristiana* (Casa Bautista de Publicaciones 1986, 16 Tomos)
- Diccionario Expositivo de Palabras del Nuevo Testamento (CLIE 1984) (Un juego de 4 libros)
- Nuevo Atlas Bíblico (Editorial UNILITT 1992)
- Atlas Histórico Westminster de la Biblia (Casa Bautista de Publicaciones 1992)

¡Aviso!

Con esto no le estamos proponiendo que usted compre todos estos libros. Quizás usted quiera comprar uno o más de ellos, de otra manera, puede ver si estos están disponibles en la biblioteca de su iglesia o en la de alguna institución cristiana.







- Meditate on Philippians 3:10 AMP (page 7).
- 1. *Every day* do the following:
 - a) Complete today's assignment from the "Daily Bible Reading Challenge" for the fourth month and thereafter (page 73).

Assignment Until Jesus Comes Again

- (1) **Read** the **assigned verses** (page 73), **plus** a chapter each day in **Proverbs**.
- (2) Make a *note* (pages 36-39).
- (3) *Meditate* on your note:
 - (a) **Ponder** the note.
 - (b) **Picture** the note.
 - (c) **Pray** the note back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, **C**onfession, **T**hanksgiving, or **S**upplication.
- b) *Pray* through the "*Daily Prayer Reminder*" (pages 30-31).
- c) *Read* through and *pray* back to God (pages 31-32) the "*Daily Commitment Reminder.*"
- 2. Use the "Sermon or Lesson Notes" forms (pages 123-126) to take notes this week. Meditate on your notes—Ponder and Picture the notes and then Pray the notes back to God as your personal prayer of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, or Supplication.
- 3. Continue daily Bible study; but now, rather than having printed studies prepared by others, you can experience the excitement of discovery on your own. Simply choose one of the "Methods of Bible Study" (pages 232-265). follow the directions, and work on that study as often as possible until it is complete. Then start another study. Be sure to Ponder, Picture, and Pray back to God the truths you discover in each study. You should find





the "Helpful Bible Study Tools" (page 266-267) useful in completing these Bible studies.

- 4. *Memorize* and *meditate* on (Ponder, Picture, and Pray):
 - a) During this next week:
 - Isaiah 41:10 Jeremiah 29:11
 - b) During *the following weeks:*Verses that you find that help you or you could use to help others.
- 5. Write out your answers to the "Assignment Review Questions" (page 270).
- 6. Continue expressing your love, praise and thanks to God throughout each day (Psalm 18:1 NIV).
- 7. *Watch* for opportunities to *share* what God is teaching you.
- 8. *Go and make disciples* (Matthew 28:19 NIV). *Pray* that God will lead you to someone whom you can disciple through *One on One with God*.
- 9. Encourage the group to continue meeting once a month for the next seven months. Each person should prepare one Bible study per month and share it at the monthly meeting. At these meetings agree to be accountable to each other for the other disciplines we have learned (Daily Bible Reading Notes, Sermon or Lesson Notes, Scripture Memory, Prayer, and Meditation). Also, agree to be accountable to each other for witnessing to the lost and talking to others about Jesus.





Assignment Review Questions

1.	Paraphrase the four things suggested in the "Daily Bible Study Challenge" for After Session 12, that can help you continue to have a meaningful daily Bible study (page 230).	
	a)	
	b)	
	c)	
	d)	
2.	What are the seven "Methods of Bible Study" suggested (page 231)?	
	a)	
	ь)	
	c)	
	d)	
	e)	Y
	f)	
	g)	
3.	<u> </u>	
4.	YES □ NO □ Have you shared something God is teaching you with some-	
''	one this week?	
5.	YES □ NO □ Have you openly talked about Jesus with someone this week?	
	YES□ NO□	
6.	Have you invited someone to receive Jesus as his/her personal Lord and Savior this week?	
7.	YES □ NO □ Are you presently leading someone through <i>One on One with God?</i>	
	YES□ NO□	
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Follow Up						
Name						
Report Date						
In your quiet time <i>each day this week</i> note the time you start and the time you stop. This will be the entire time you invest each day to complete your <i>One on One with God</i> assignment.						
Day	Start Time	Stop Time	Total Time			
Monday						
Tuesday						
Wednesday	Wednesday					
Thursday						
Friday						
Saturday						
Sunday	Sunday					
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I am prepared to share or discuss the "Assignment Review Questions":

- 1. YES □ NO □
- 2. YES □ NO □
- 3. YES □ NO □
- 4. YES □ NO □
- 5. YES □ NO □
- 6. YES □ NO □
- 7. YES □ NO □

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