

Learning to Memorize Scripture

A One Year Scripture Memorization Program

Psalms 119:11

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that I may not sin against You.**

Dear Church Family and Friends,

The Scriptures are a great Gift we have been given. It leads us to Salvation through a presentation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that He died for our Sins, was Buried, and three days later Raised from the Dead (1 Corinthians 15) to make our Salvation possible. They give us everything we need to live life and live it godly. To write God's Word upon your heart is a tremendous tool for the Christian, for it is God's word that brings comfort, confidence, and courage in the face of troubling times. The Scriptures are what all mankind will be measured by.

The most deep philosophical question that has been asked is, "What is truth?" It's a question that the most ancient of men have asked in one form or another. And it's the one in the day in which we live that most confounds men. Many in our time speak of truth as being relative, "your truth is okay for you, and my truth is okay for me." But, what good is truth if it is never known as it is revealed by the one who is truth, God.

Pilot asked Jesus the question in John 18:38, "What is truth?" Jesus had attempted to give him the truth but he was unwilling to accept it. Jesus had earlier declared it to those who would hear....

In John 8:31-32, Jesus proclaimed to those who had believed in Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine;³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." Again Jesus confessed in John 14:16, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me." And once more in a prayer for the disciples Jesus announced what truth was and is and will always be in John 17:17¹⁷ "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth."

I challenge you to begin to take the word of Truth and write it upon your heart through memorization. It is not as hard as you might think. Perhaps you've tried and believe you failed, any attempt to memorize God's Word is not failure. I would ask you to try to memorize one scripture a week.

How to Memorize Scripture

1. **Write** the verse(s) on a 3x5 card with chapter and verse; carry the card with you **everywhere**
 2. Say, **out loud**, the chapter and verse **before** and **after** each attempt to say the Scripture
 3. **Stair step the Scripture**---learn the Scripture a little at a time example:
John 3:16 For God John 3:16
John 3:16 For God so loved John 3:16
John 3:16 For God so loved the world John 3:16
 4. As a new Scripture week begins start the process (step 1-3), over with the next Scripture verse
Continue the previous week's verse along with the new verse.
This will continue until you don't even need to think about the older verse(s) anymore.
Then you will only need to **review them periodically**—daily → weekly → monthly.
 5. **Keep your Scripture Cards** in a 3x5 index card box as you finish each week
or a use a 2-ring 3x5 index card binder (Office Max or Depot keep these in stock)
- ❖ Don't be in a rush to get to the next verse at the expense of the one your working on
 - ❖ Don't waste time on a verse you have learned, if you know it move on
 - ❖ Some people can learn several verses in a week with no trouble

You will get out of your Scripture Memorization, What you put into it!

Use the Bible translation you feel most comfortable with, it is best to stay with the same translation throughout.

1. **Psalms 119:11** Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You
2. **Romans 3:10** as it is written, there is none righteous, not even one
3. **Romans 3:23** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God
4. **Romans 5:8** God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
5. **Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
6. **Romans 10:9** if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;
7. **Romans 10:10** for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation
8. **Romans 10:13** WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED
9. **Rev 3:20** Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me
10. **John 3:16** For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.
11. **John 14:6** I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.
12. **Heb 9:27** it is appointed for men to die once and after this *comes* judgment
13. **Mark 1:15** The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.
14. **1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
15. **1 Peter 3:18** For Christ also died for sins once for all, *the* just for *the* unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit
16. **Romans 14:12** each one of us will give an account of himself to God
17. **Acts 4:12** there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved
18. **Matt 11:28-30** ²⁸ Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. ³⁰ "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.
19. **Col 3:2** Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth
20. **Eph 2:8-10** ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.
21. **Micah 6:8** He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?
22. **Psalms 82:3-4** ³ Vindicate the weak and fatherless; Do justice to the afflicted and destitute. ⁴ Rescue the weak and needy; Deliver *them* out of the hand of the wicked
23. **John 17:17** Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.
24. **Col 2:9** For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form
25. **2 Cor 5:17** Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come
26. **2 Cor 5:21** He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
27. **Gal 2:20** I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.
28. **Gal 5:22-23** ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law
29. **John 10:27-30** ²⁷ "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; ²⁸ and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ "My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of the Father's hand. ³⁰ "I and the Father are one

30. **James 2:10** whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one *point*, he has become guilty of all.
31. **John 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have *it* abundantly
32. **Romans 8:38-39** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
33. **John 1:12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, *even* to those who believe in His name
34. **2 Tim 1:7** For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline
35. **Matt 12:36-37**³⁶ "But I tell you that every careless word that people speak, they shall give an accounting for it in the day of judgment."³⁷ "For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."
36. **2 Tim 3:16-17**¹⁶ All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;¹⁷ so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.
37. **Heb 4:12** For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
38. **Matt 4:4** MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD.
39. **Luke 11:28** blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it
40. **Romans 10:17** So faith *comes* from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ
41. **1 Peter 5:7** cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you
42. **Psalms 68:19** Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears our burden, The God *who* is our salvation.
43. **Nahum 1:7** The LORD is good, A stronghold in the day of trouble, And He knows those who take refuge in Him.
44. **Romans 12:2** do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.
45. **1 Peter 1:13** prepare your minds for action, keep sober *in spirit*, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.
46. **1 Cor 6:9-10**⁹ Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,¹⁰ nor thieves, nor *the* covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.
47. **Rev 21:8** But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death
48. **2 Cor 5:15** He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf
49. **Romans 8:28-29** And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose.²⁹ For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren
50. **Heb 11:6** And 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 seek Him
51. **Matt 22:37-40** YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.'³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.³⁹ "The second is like it, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.'⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets
52. **Matt 28:18-20** All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.¹⁹ "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

BONUS VERSE

Matt 23:11-12¹¹ "But the greatest among you shall be your servant.¹² "Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted."