



*With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word. Psalm 119:16*

One of the greatest tools we have for submerging ourselves in Scripture is *memorized reading*. Internalizing the Word of God allows the Holy Spirit to teach us all the time and throughout all of life.

Here is a simple and reliable system for internalizing God's Word called *memorized reading*. If you are one of the countless Christians who have struggled with the discipline of Scripture memory, I trust you will find this simple process refreshing.

Most people recognize that our minds are extremely underused. The beauty of the memorization process discussed here is that our minds are begging to be exercised in such a manner.

When we put a word in front of our eyes, the mind simply recognizes it (from a mental file, labeled "vocabulary") and repeats it. Little mental activity is used. However, when we arrange a string of symbols that only represent words, our mind is willingly challenged to create a new mental file (e.g. "I Peter") and store our vocabulary words in specific order.

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son..."*

4 G s ♥ t W t h G h O B S

*"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."*

i t B, G C t H & t E

*"Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."*

t4, P y M F A, & b S-M, s y H f o t G t w b b 2 y a t R o J C.

Through a few simple steps we can give our mind and soul permission to accomplish what they are yearning to do.

- Write down a passage using the first letter of each word or a symbol to represent each word. (less is more)
- Have a friend read the verse from the Bible as you follow along with the cards. (don't labor over a word, let your friend help, keep it flowing)
- Repeat this several times
- Read from the card back to your friend as your friend helps where needed.
- Once you can read from the card, repeat verses throughout the day.
- Work on reading new verses each day, building on what you can already read.
- Enjoy being with God in his Word. Have fun!

**1John (ESV) CHAPTER 1**

1:1 t w w f t B, w w h H, w w h S w / o E, w w L u & h T w / o H, C t W o L — z t L w m M, & w h S i, & T 2 i & P 2 y t  
E L, w w w / t F & w m M 2 u — s t w w h S & H w P a 2 y, s t y 2 m h F w / u; & i o F i w / t F & w / h S J C. 4 & w a  
W r t t s t o J m b C.  
5 t i t M w h H f h & P 2 y, t G i L, & i h i n D a a. 6 i w s w h F w / h w w W i D, w L & d n P t T. 7 b i w W i t L, a h i i t  
L, w h F w / 1 a, & t B o / J h S C u f a S. 8 i w s w h n S, w D o, & t T i n i u. 9 i w C o S, h i F & J 2 4 g u o S & 2 C u f a  
U r. 10 i w s w h n S, w m h a L, & h W i n i u.

**1John (ESV) CHAPTER 2**

2:1 m L C, I a W r t t 2 y s t y m n S. b i a l d S, w h a A w t F, J C t R. 2 h i t P 4 o S, & n 4 o o b a F t S o t W W. 3 & b t w  
K n t w h c 2 K n h, i w k h C. 4 w s “I K n h” b d n k h C i a L, & t T i n i h, s b w k h W, i h t t L o G i P. b t w m K n t w  
a i h: 6 w s h A i h o 2 W i t s w i w H W.  
7 B, I a W r y n N C, b a O C t y h f t B. t O C i t W t y h H. 8 a t s t, i i a N C t I a W r 2 y, w i T i h & i y, b c t D i P A & t  
T L i a S, 9 w s h i i t L & H h B i s i D. 10 w L h B A i t L, & i h t i n c 4 S. 11 b w H h B i i t D & W i t D, & d n K n w h i  
g, b c t D h B h E.  
12 I a W r 2 y, L C, b c y S a 4 g 4 h N ’ s s. 13 I a W r 2 y, F, b c y K n h w i f t B. I a W r 2 y, Y M, b c y h O t E I. I W r 2 y, C,  
b c y K n t F. 14 I W r 2 y, F, b c y K n h w i f t B. I W r 2 y, Y M, b c y a S, & t W o G A i y, & y h O t E I.  
15 d n L t W o t t i t W i a l L t W, t L o t F i n i h. 16 4 a t i i t W — t D o t F & t D o t E & P i P — i n f t F b i f t W. 17 & t  
W i P A a w / i D, b w d t W o G A 4 e.  
18 C, i i t L H, & a y h H t a C i c, s n m a C h c. 19 w K n t i i t L H. 19 W o f u, b t w n o u; 4 i t h b o u, t w h C w / u. b t  
W O, t i m b P t t a a n o u. 20 y y h b A b t H I, & y a h K n. 21 I W r 2 y, n b c y d n K n t T, b b c y K n i, & b c n L i o t T. 22  
w t L b h w D t, J i t C? t i t a C, h w D t F & t S. 23 n l w D t S h t F. w C t S h t F a. 24 L w y H f t B A i y, i w y H f t B  
A i y, t y 2 w A i t S & i t F. 25 & t i t P t h m 2 u — E L.  
26 I W r t t 2 y a t w a T 2 D y. 27 b t A t y R f h A i y, & y h n n t a l s T y. b a h A T y a e, & i T, & i n L — j a i h T y, A i h.  
28 & n, L C, A i h, s t w h A w m h C & n S f h i S a h c. 29 i y K n t h i R, y m b s t e l w P R h b B o h.

**1John (ESV) CHAPTER 3**

3:1 S w k o L t F h G 2 u t w s b c C o G; & s w a t R w t W d n K n u i t i d n K n h. 2 B, w a G ’ s C N, & w w w b h n y  
A; b w K n t w h A w s b L h, b c w s S h a h i. 3 & e l w t H i h P h a h i P.  
4 e l w M a P o S a P L; S i L. 5 y K n t h A 2 T A S, & i h t i n S. 6 n l w A i h k o S; n l w k o S h e S h o K n h. 7 L C, L  
n l D y, w P R i R, a h i R. 8 w M a P o S i o t D, 4 t D h b S f t B. t R t S o G A w 2 D t W o t D. 9 n l B o G M a P o S,  
4 G ’ s S A i h, & h e k o S b c h h b B o G. 10 b t i i E w a t C o G, & w a t C o D: w d n P R i n o G, n i t l w d n L h B.  
11 4 t i M t y h H f t B, t w s L l a. 12 w s n b L C, w w o t E l & M h B. & w d h M h? b c h o D w E & h B ’ S. 13 d n  
b S, B, t t W h y. 14 w K n t w h P O o D i 2 L, b c w L t B. w d n L A i D. 15 e l w H h B i a M, & y K n t n M h E L A i H.  
16 b t w K n L t h L D h L 4 u, & w o 2 L D o L 4 t B. 17 b i a l h t W ’ s G & S h B i n, y C h H a h, h d G ’ s L A i h? 18 L C,  
L u n L i W o T b i D & i T.  
19 b t w s K n T w a o t T & r A o H b 4 h; 20 4 w o H C u, G i g t o H, & h K n e. 21 b, i o H d n C u, w h C b 4 G; 22 & w w  
a w R f h, b c w h k C & D w P h. 23 & t i h C, t w B i t N o h S J C & L l a, j a h h C u. 24 w k h C A i G, & G i h. & b t  
w K n t h A i u, b t S w h h G u.

**1John (ESV) CHAPTER 4**

4:1 B, d n B e S, b T t S 2 S w t a f G, 4 m F P h g o i 2 t W. 2 b t y K n t S o G: e S t C t, J C h e i t F i f G, 3 & e S t d n C J i  
n f G. t i t S o t a C, w y h w c & n i i t W a. 4 L C, y a f G & h O t, 4 h w i i y i g t h w i i t W. s t a f t W; 14 t S f t W, & t  
W L 2 t. 6 w a f G, w K n G L 2 u; w i n f G d n L 2 u. b t w K n t S o T & t S o E.  
7 B, L u L 1 a, 4 L i f G, & w L h b B o G & K n G. 8 a l w d n L d n K n G, b c G i L. 9 i t t L o G w m M a u, t G S h O S  
i 2 t W, s t w m L t h. 10 i t i L, n t w h L G b t h L u z & S h S 2 b t P 4 o S. 11 B, i G s L u, w a o 2 L 1 a. 12 n l h e S G; i w  
L 1 a, G A i u & h L i P i u.  
13 b t w K n t w A i h & h i u, b c h h G u o h S. 14 & w h S & T t t F h S h S 2 b t S o t W. 15 w C t J i t S o G, G A i h, & h  
i G. 16 s w h c 2 K n & 2 B t L t G h 4 u. G i L, & w A i L A i G, & G A i h. 17 b t i L P w / u, s t w m h C 4 t D o J, b e a h i  
s a a w i t W. 18 t i n F i L, b P L C O F. 19 F h 2 d w / P, & w F h n b P i L. 19 w L b c h l s L u. 20 i a l s, “I L G;” & H h B, h  
i a L; 4 h w d n L h B w h h S c L G w h h n S. 21 & t C w h f h: w L G m a L h B.

**1John (ESV) CHAPTER 5**

5:1 e l w B t, J i t C h b B o G, & e l w L t F L w h b B o h. 2 b t w K n t w L t C o G, w w L G & O h C. 3 4 t i t L o G, t w  
k h C, & h C a n B. 4 e l w h b B o G o t W. & t i t V t h O t W — o F. s w i i t o t W e t l w B t J i t S o G?  
6 t h w e b W & B — J C; n b t W o b b t W & t B. & t S i t l w T, b e t S i t T. 7 4 t a 3 t T: s t S & t W & t B; & t 3 A. 9 i w  
R t T o M, t T o G i G, 4 t i t T o G t h h B e h S. 10 w B i t S o G h t T i h. w d n B G h m h a L, b c h h n B i t T t G h B c  
h S. 11 & t i t T, t G G u E L, & t L i i h S. 12 w h t S h L; w d n h t S o G d n h L.  
13 I W r t t 2 y w B i t N o t S o G t y m K n t y h E L. 14 & t i t C t w h t h, t i w A a a 2 h W h H u. 15 & i w K n t h H u i w  
w A, w K n t w h t R t w h A o h.  
16 i a l S h B C a S n L 2 D, h s A, & G w g h L — 2 t w C S t d n L 2 D. t i S t L 2 D; I d n s t l s P 4 t. 17 a w D i S, b t i S  
t d n L 2 D.  
18 w K n t e l w h b B o G d n k o S, b h w w B o G P h, & t E l d n T h.  
19 w K n t w a f G, & t w W l i t P o t E I.  
20 & w K n t t S o G h c & h G u U, s t w m K n h w i T; & w a i h w i T, i h S J C. h i t T G & E L. 21 L  
C, k y f l d.



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