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1 Peter 3:15

A YEAR OF MEMORIZATION

WEEK 7

“But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.”

Hebrews 2:9

DAY ONE - MONDAY

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE PASSAGE

Author: Unknown (possibly Paul)

Audience: Hebrew Christians

Importance: This passage emphasizes the humanity of Jesus. Just as man was made “a little lower than the angels” (vs. 6-7), so Jesus was made the same way. He inhabited a human body just as we all do. The purpose of this was so that He could die for the sins of all mankind. This allowed Him to pay the price for sin so men might be forgiven. The result is that he was “crowned with glory and honor” - in His humanity (vs. 7) but even more so in His resurrection and ascension.

Note: This verse is part of a quotation from Psalm 8:4-8.

DAY TWO - TUESDAY

READING AND WRITING

Read the passage out loud 10 times. Include the book, chapter, and verse. Each time, place emphasis upon a different word. Notice the rhythm and flow of the passage. Consider the phrases that make it up and where there are natural divisions in the text.

Write the passage down at least once. You may want to write it more times. You also may want to write it on an index card that can be carried with you and looked during the day. When you have a moment, take it out and read over the verse again. It is helpful to write the verse out by phrases, rather than all as one verse.

Remember to review and recite the verses from the last 6 weeks! Make sure you still remember them.

DAY THREE - WEDNESDAY

LEARNING BY PHRASES

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Read the first phrase 10 times. Cover the text and recite this phrase. If you are correct, move to the second phrase and do the same. (If not, repeat the first phrase until you remember it.)

After learning the second phrase, join it with the first phrase and say them together. Continue this process until each phrase of the passage has been learned. If you do not learn the entire verse in one session, you will continue on the next day.

DAY FOUR - THURSDAY

REPETITION, REPETITION, REPETITION

Review what you learned the previous day. Recite the memorized parts. If they are correct, move on to the next phrase of the verse. If you have learned the entire verse, recite it out loud at least 10 times. Make sure you learn and state the book, chapter, and verse.

DAY FIVE - FRIDAY

REPETITION AGAIN

Review and recite the parts of the passage you have learned. Add to them any phrases that remain. Recite the verse out loud several times. Now, write it down from memory several times. Include book, chapter, and verse. Check your work with the Bible.

DAY SIX - SATURDAY

REPETITION AND MEDITATION

Quote the verse you have learned several times. Pause to think deeply about the meaning of this passage. Remember the things studied on Day One. Ponder again the application of this verse to your life. End this session by quoting the verse again several times.

DAY SEVEN - SUNDAY

MEDITATION

What is the meaning of Hebrews 2:9?

How does this passage fit in the context of chapter 2?

What does this passage teach about the character of Jesus?

What does this passage teach about the hope of the Christian?

What does this passage teach about the way to Heaven?

How does this passage apply to my life?

How may I use this passage in teaching others?

From what error can this passage prevent me being deceived?