

"But thou, O LORD, shalt endure forever; and thy remembrance unto all generations."

Psalm 102:12

A YEAR OF MEMORIZATION

WEEK 15

"And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord."

Acts 22:16

DAY ONE - MONDAY

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE PASSAGE

Author: Luke

Speaker: Ananias

Audience: Saul of Tarsus

Importance: This command was given to Saul of Tarsus after his vision on the road to Damascus.

Upon hearing it, he obeyed immediately (Acts 9:18; cf. Gal. 1:15-16). It emphasizes the urgency of obeying the Gospel. It demonstrates that baptism is necessary to wash away one's sins. It details how one calls on the name of the Lord (cf. Acts 2:21, 38; Rom. 10:13).

Clearly, this verse shows the importance of baptism in order to be saved from sin. It is an essential step in the process of salvation. This verse should be learned so that we might teach others what the Lord commanded one to do to be saved.

Note: Compare this verse with Revelation 1:5 – the blood of Christ is contacted in the water of baptism (cf. John 19:33-35; Romans 6:3-4).

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 previous weeks! Make sure you still remember them. It might be a good time to go back to the verses from the first weeks of these studies...

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 Acts 22:16?

How does this passage fit in the context of Saul's conversion?

How does this verse explain the importance of baptism?

What does this passage teach about the means of salvation?

What is the significance of the phrase "calling on the name of the Lord"?

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?