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Psalm 119:52

A YEAR OF MEMORIZATION

WEEK 18

"Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

Romans 6:3-4

DAY ONE - MONDAY

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE PASSAGE

Author: Paul

Audience: Christians in Rome

Importance: Paul's statement to the Romans is a reminder of what had taken place at their baptism. They were baptized into His death. They were buried with Him and raised with Him. They began to walk in newness of life. Thus, this passage shows the importance of baptism in God's plan of salvation. It is essential. It is in baptism that one reaches the death of Jesus and contacts His blood. It is only after baptism that one can experience new life. Baptism is necessary for the remission of sins.

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.

DAY THREE - WEDNESDAY

LEARNING BY PHRASES

Know ye not
as were baptized
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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 Romans 6:3-4?

How does this verse explain the importance of baptism?

What does this passage teach about the means of salvation?

What is the significance of being "buried with Him by baptism"?

Who do men bury - living people or dead?

What is the significance of being raised to "walk in newness of life"?

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?