

"Remember the word that I said unto you...."

John 15:20

A YEAR OF MEMORIZATION

WEEK 29

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

Colossians 3:16

DAY ONE - MONDAY

READ AND UNDERSTAND THE PASSAGE

Author: Paul

Audience: The Christians in Colossae

Importance: When the word of God dwells in the heart of a Christian, singing will flow from his lips! Children of God are to be a singing people. We are to sing songs that praise God, that focus on spiritual things, that teach Truth, and that exhort and warn. We are to sing these songs to one another in a congregational setting. We are to sing with hearts full of Truth, wisdom, and grace. By so doing, we are strengthened and God is praised and pleased.

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

Let the word of Christ	dwell in you richly
in all wisdom	teaching and admonishing one another
in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs	
singing with grace in your hearts	to the Lord
Colossians 3:16	

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.)

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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 Colossians 3:16?
How does this verse fit in the context of this chapter?
Is singing important?
What kind of songs should we sing?
How does singing teach?
How does singing admonish?
What does it mean to sing "with grace in your hearts"?
To whom do we sing?

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?