

*"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart."*

Psalm 119:2

## A YEAR OF MEMORIZATION

### WEEK 52

"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

Ephesians 5:15-16

#### DAY ONE - MONDAY

#### READ AND UNDERSTAND THE PASSAGE

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Author: Paul

Audience: Christians in Ephesus

Importance: To walk circumspectly is to live with one's eyes open and searching in all directions for opportunities to do good. It means to walk carefully through life. The foolish person will waste his life on things that do not last. The wise will redeem the time. This means to buy up opportunities to do good, to obey God, and to serve others. As we come to the end of a year - and the end of these weeks of memorization - we should consider how we are using our time. Let us resolve to redeem it - to seize every opportunity for good that comes our way!

#### DAY TWO - TUESDAY

#### READING AND WRITING

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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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See then that ye walk circumspectly  
not as fools  
redeeming the time

but as wise  
because the days are evil  
Ephesians 5:15-16

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**

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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**

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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**

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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**

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What is the meaning of this passage?

How does it fit into the context of Ephesians 5?

How may one walk circumspectly?

What does it mean to redeem the time?

How are the days evil?

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?