

Key Helpful Verses to Reflect On

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Learn the very valuable tool of memorizing key verses as you grow in your relationship with God. A suggestion is to memorize one short verse per week and you will be on the pathway to a healthier and more meaningful relationship with God. A suggestion is to pick KEY verses that are short, however are impactful to you. See below a few key verses, which have helped to so many others.

Marriage Guidance----**Ephesians 5:25-33** “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.²⁹ After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church—³⁰ for we are members of his body.³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.”³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.”

Instructions for Christian Households----**Colossians 3:18-25** “Wives, submit yourselves to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord.¹⁹ Husbands, love your wives and do not be harsh with them.²⁰ Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.²¹ Fathers, do not embitter your children, or they will become discouraged.”

²² “Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to curry their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord.²³ Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,²⁴ since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.²⁵ Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for their wrongs, and there is no favoritism.”

Fruits Of the Spirit----**Galatians 5:22-23** “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

Living by the Spirit----**Galatians 5:16-18** “So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.”

Truth & Spirit----**John 16:13** “But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.”

John 16:15 “All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

Galatians 5:25 “Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.”

Talking Points

Spirit Filled---Galatians 5:25- 26 “Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.”

Renewing Your Mind---Philippians 4:4-9 “Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

⁸ “Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.”

Romans 12:2 “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Humility---Philippians 2:3 “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves,”

Proverbs 11:2 “When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.”

1 Peter 5:5 “In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”

Humble & Gentle---Ephesians 4:2-3 “Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

Pure In Heart---Matthew 5:8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.”

Loving Others---1 Peter 4:8 “Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”

Love God & Love Others---1 John 4:19-20 “We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.”

Forgiveness---Colossians 3:12-13 “Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.”

Blessings of Forgiveness---Romans 4:7-8 “Blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. ⁸ Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord will never count against them.”

Talking Points

Forgiveness to Others----**Ephesians 4:31-32** “Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. ³² Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

Forgiveness of Sin----**1 John 1:9-10** “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”

Trials and Temptations---- **James 1:2-3** “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”

Perserving Under Trials----**James 1:12** “Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.”

Anger & You----**Proverbs 15:1** “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.”

Proverbs 15:18 “A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict, but the one who is patient calms a quarrel.”

James 1:19 “My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ...”

Listening and Doing----**James 1:22** “Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.”

Do Not Worry----**Luke 12:22** “Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear.”

Worry & Your Needs----**Luke 12:28-31** “If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.”

Fear & Love----**1 John 4:17-18** “This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.”

Prideful Behavior---- **Proverbs 16:18** “Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.”

Pride & Wisdom----**Proverbs 13:10** “Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice.”

Talking Points

Careful How You Say It----**Proverbs 18:21** “The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.”

Your Attitude----**Philippians 2:3-5** “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. ⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:”

Plan For Success----**Proverbs 16:3** “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.”

Plan With Godly Counsel----**Proverbs 15:22** “Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.”

Wise Counsel----**Ecclesiastes 5:1** “Guard your steps when you go to the house of God. Go near to listen rather than to offer the sacrifice of fools, who do not know that they do wrong.”

The Vine & Branches----**John 15:5-8** “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.”

The Beginning of Wisdom----**Proverbs 1:7** “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.”

Proverbs 3:7 “Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil.”

Teaching the Wise----**Proverbs 13:14** “The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, turning a person from the snares of death.”

Wisdom & Knowledge----**Proverbs 14:6** “The mocker seeks wisdom and finds none, but knowledge comes easily to the discerning.”

Proverbs 2:10 “For wisdom will enter your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul.”

Wisdom & Understanding----**James 3:13** “Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.”

Proverbs 2:6 “For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

Wise Counsel----**Proverbs 15:22** “Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.”

Skill & Wisdom----**Ecclesiastes 10:10** “If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed, but skill will bring success.”

A Friend---Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 “Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: ¹⁰ If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.”

God’s Word a Mirror Leading to Freedom ----James 1:22-25 “Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.”

Freedom in Christ---Galatians 5: 5, 13-14 “It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.”

¹³ “You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴ For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

The Armor of God---Ephesians 6:13-18 “Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.”

¹⁸ “And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people”

Encouraging Others---Hebrews 3:13 “But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called “Today,” so that none of you may be hardened by sin’s deceitfulness.”

Faith in Action---Hebrews 11:1 “Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.”

Faith & Trusting God---Hebrews 11:6 “And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.”

2 Corinthians 5:7 “We live by faith, not by sight.”

2 Corinthians 5:12b “...., so that you can answer those who take pride in what is seen rather than in what is in the heart.”

Prayer Alone With God---Matthew 6:6 “But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.”

Seeking Out God---Matthew 6:33 “But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

Talking Points

Finding God----**Psalms 46:10** He says, “Be still, and know I am God; ...”

A New Creation----**2 Corinthians 5:17** “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”

Your Personal Commitment

Below list KEY verses that you can start memorizing today to grow closer in your relationship to Christ.
