

How Can I Remember and Practice the Bible?

The Word of God is sufficient for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness, so that the man of God might be complete and thoroughly equipped for every good work. The man of God must meditate upon God's law day and night and rejoice over it above all riches. The Word must be upon his lips when he sits down, when he rises up, and when he walks by the wayside. If we have indeed tasted that the Lord is gracious, we must desire the pure milk of the Word that we may grow by it. It is only as we let the Word of Christ dwell in us richly that we will be able to teach and admonish one another, give a reason for the hope that is in us, tear down everything that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered to the saints. For these reasons I have put together some practical suggestions to help drill the Scripture into our minds, root them in our hearts, and express them in our speech and in our lives.

Systematic Reading

Read the entire Bible carefully, regularly, and frequently. God holds believers accountable and often rebukes them in Scripture for their ignorance of what the Word of God says. The Bible illustrates this point, especially in Judges 17 in the account of Micah and the Levite; in 2 Kings 17, where God pronounces wrath on the Samaritans; and in 2 Chronicles 34, where Josiah discovers the impending wrath of God after he finds the Book of the Law. We cannot afford to be ignorant of any part of Scripture and must use means to be familiar with all its parts. We can do this by

systematically reading through the entire Bible and by repeating this process frequently so that we build on what we have learned already...