

C2:7 Personal Growth Plan Part 2 – God’s Word

KNOW IT!

2 Timothy 3:16-17 ‘All Scripture is **inspired by God** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.’

Inspiration: A clear, infallible appearance of the mind and will of God through Spirit-inspired writers.

God’s Word challenges us to keep **God** in His proper place
John 20:30-31

- ▶ The **main message of the Bible** is that God is restoring the world to His original design through Jesus Christ.
- ▶ Our human hearts struggle to not replace God with ourselves

God’s Word speaks **Truth** to us because we need truth
John 17:17

- ▶ God’s Word is the key **tool** for **Transforming** human lives

Psalm 119:105 – It is a **Light/Lamp**

Psalm 119:9, 11 – It is a **Protector** from sin

Hebrews 4:12- It is an **Assessor** of motives of the heart

LIVE IT!

2 Timothy 2:15; Deuteronomy 6:6-9

Read it **Regularly**, Study it **Routinely**, **Meditate** on it deeply; **Store it** in your spiritual warehouse! Tell it to yourself and pray it back to God!

WRITE IT!

- ▶ Which is your favorite Bible **verse** and **why**?
- ▶ Which biblical truth has recently **encouraged** or **corrected** you?

SHARE IT!

- ▶ **Say it! Post it! Send it!**
- ▶ **Take the Challenge: Text ‘AGSHAREIT’ to 97000**

Life Group Questions – July 5th, 2020

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QUICK REVIEW

1. In your own words, how do you explain justification? What does justification mean in the human courts system? What does it mean in God’s court?
2. The New Testament refers to salvation as a past act, present act and a future act. We “have been” saved; we are “being saved;” and we “shall be saved.” See Romans 8:24, 1 Corinthians 1:18, and Ephesians 2:8. How can we reconcile these truths?

MY STORY

1. When have you been in a context so different from your normal life that you felt awkward and didn’t know what was going on or what to do (maybe in a foreign country, a high-level meeting, a fancy dinner, etc.)? How does that kind of experience help us see why it is vital that we consider the historical context of Scripture to understand and apply its truths to our lives properly?
2. Why does receiving wise words take humility and discernment? What are some ways we can use God’s Word to help us with discernment?
3. What are some reasons we forget to use encouraging words? How can we remind ourselves to look for opportunities to speak an encouraging word to others? Who is someone you want to encourage this week?

GOING DEEP

1. Re-read 2 Timothy 3:16-7. God gives us His Word for four specific reasons. Using your own definitions, what are they? What happens when we focus on one to the exclusion of others? What happens if we focus on three only? In this passage, the Apostle Paul lists the benefits or uses Scripture in a particular order. Is there a reason they are ordered the way they are?
2. What does it mean to “pray scripture back to God?” Why is this an expressive moment of worship? As a group, pray back examples from the Psalms, from any Gospel and from any epistle.
3. From your memory verses from last week, ask God to show you a particular verse you’ve memorized. Write down the name of a person you think might benefit from hearing the verse. Think about a time that you could bring up this truth with them.

PUTTING IT TOGETHER:

1. What do you think are some of the challenges to living out each point?
2. Which of the above teaching points are most important for **you** to remember?



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Deuteronomy 6:6-9

These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Psalm 119:11

Your word I have treasured in my heart,
That I may not sin against You.

John 6:63

It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

2 Timothy 3:16

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Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

LIVE IT

Why should you read God' Word?

How has it benefited your life?

Do you notice a difference when you are not in His Word consistenly? What happens?
