**INTEGRATING GOD'S WORD INTO MY LIFE** 

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"What I want most of all and at all times is to honor your laws." (Psalm 119:20, CEV)

# HOW TO INTEGRATE GOD'S WORD INTO MY LIFE

## 1. I MUST TRUST IT.

*"For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does." (Psalm 33:4, NLT)* 

*"May all who fear you find in me a cause for joy, for I have put my hope in your word." (Psalm 119:74, NLT)* 

"Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path." (Psalm 119:105, NLT)

## 2. I MUST **TREASURE** IT.

*"Remember what Christ taught, and let his words enrich your lives and make you wise..." (Colossians 3:16, The Living Bible)* 

- <u>RECEIVE</u> it with my ears (listen)
  *"…faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ." (Romans 10:17, NIV)*
- <u>READ</u> it with my eyes
  "Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy..." (Revelation 1:3, NIV84)

## 3) **<u>RESEARCH</u>** it with my hands & mouth (study)

"Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved...correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth." (2 Timothy 2:15, ANT)

- **REFLECT ON** it with my mind
  *"I will study your commandments and reflect on your ways." (Psalm 119:15, NLT)*
- 5) **<u>REMEMBER</u>** it with my heart

*"I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." (Psalm 119:11, NLT)* 

## 3. I MUST **TRANSLATE** IT INTO REAL LIFE.

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock." (Matthew 7:24, NIV)

### Unreliable Foundations

#### CULTURE

"Do not follow the crowd in doing wrong." (Exodus 23:2a, NIV)

#### TRADITION

"For you ignore God's law and substitute your own tradition."" (Mark 7:8, NLT)

#### REASON

*"There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death." (Proverbs 16:25, NLT)* 

#### EMOTION

*"At that time there was no king in Israel. People did whatever they felt like doing." (Judges 21:25, The Message)* 

#### 4. I MUST TRANSFER IT INTO ACTION!

"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." (Romans 12:2, NIV)

"Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do. Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do." (Joshua 1:7–8, NLT)

#### NEXT STEPS

- 1. New Testament Overview TODAY!
- 2. Take your next CLASS on 11/02
- 3. Commit to stay in your Small Group.
- 4. Commit to a Bible Reading Plan on Youversion.com (CCV)