

- John reflects back to the beginning of all created things—**John 1:1-2** “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.”
- Moses uses the very same words to describe creation—**Genesis 1:1** “In the beginning God created.”

John 1:3 “All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made.”

John 1:14 “And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

John 1:18 “No one has seen God at any time; God the only Son, who is in the arms of the Father, He has explained Him.”

- John chose the word *Logos*.
- God’s Word is not just something we read, it needs to be applied in our daily lives. The Bible guides us, corrects us, encourages us, and deepens our relationship with God.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 “All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man or woman of God may be fully capable, equipped for every good work.”

1. Make It a Habit To Read the Bible Every Day

Psalms 119:105 “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

Regular Bible reading provides guidance from God. Set aside time to study the Bible daily, whether it is morning, afternoon, or evening.

Common reasons why people don’t read their Bible:

1. “I’m not a good reader.”
2. “I don’t have time.”
3. Lack of understanding.
4. Believing that “It’s only for preachers.”
5. Thinking that going to church is enough.
6. Lack of desire.
7. It’s not a priority.
8. Lack of discipline.



2. Memorize and Meditate on God's Word

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

When we memorize God's Word, it helps us think biblically; our world view begins to coincide with His.

1. Choose a Specific Passage to Focus On
2. Read Slowly and Repeatedly
3. Ask Reflective Questions
4. Journal Your Thoughts and Prayers
5. Paraphrase the Passage in Your Own Words
6. Visualize the Scene or Imagery
7. Pray the Scripture Back to God
8. Memorize as a Form of Meditation
9. Share the Verse With Someone
10. Wait Quietly in God's Presence

Philippians 1:6 "For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus."

3. Include God's Word in Prayer

John 15:7 "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you."

1. Praising God
2. Claiming God's promises
3. Praying for individuals
4. Petitions

4. Let Your World View (Lifestyle) Be Determined by God's Word

James 1:22 "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

Use the Word to:

1. Determine what media you take in.
2. Build a strong Christ-centered community.
3. Help out your community of believers represent Christ well.
4. Put the word into practice by showing God's love and compassion to others.



Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”

The Christian life is not just about understanding principles, but also putting them into practice:

1. Acts of Kindness
2. Serve Others
3. Forgive Freely
4. Encourage and Uplift
5. Live with Integrity

5. Make Every Decision According to God’s Word

Proverbs 3:6 “In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”
Whether making small or big decisions, seek God’s guidance based on the Bible.

Your decisions:

- Should reflect your values.
- Should be birthed in prayer.
- Should consider the wisdom of others.
- Should not be rushed whenever possible.
- Should be committed to God.

- What would Jesus do?

6. Seek the Word for Help in Trials and Temptations

When temptation comes, repeat the words of the scripture. Jesus also overcame the temptations of Satan with the Word (**Matthew 4:1-11**).

1 Corinthians 10:13 “No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.”

7. Trust God’s Word in any Situation

Matthew 24:35 “Heaven and earth may pass away, but my words will never pass away.”
No matter the circumstances, God’s word is unchangeable. Stand firm in God’s promise during difficult times.

Hebrews 13:8 “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”



8. Consider Being A Mentor, And Being Mentored In The Word

Matthew 28:16-20 “Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Conclusion: Keep God’s Word at the center of your life!

God’s Word has the power to change lives. Following these principles will strengthen your faith, deepen your relationship with God, and make your life an example to others.

