

BCLR Scripture Memory 2017-2018

Why Do We Memorize Scripture?

As God's people, we are to be constantly storing up Scripture in our hearts so that we can live out Scripture in our lives (Deut. 6:6; 11:18; 32:46; Psalm 119:11; Proverbs 3:3; 7:1; Luke 8:15; Colossians 3:16). This is the aim of Scripture memorization as it provides a basis for a deeper meditation on God's Word. Memorization and our constant meditation on it has a purifying effect as it renews our minds, transforms our thoughts, and shapes our conduct. This is why Charles Haddon Spurgeon maintained, "A Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't." Simply put, a heart in love with God will be saturated with Scripture.

| Month | Memory Verse(s) | Subject | Extended Passages |
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| September | Nehemiah 8:5-6 | Bring the Book | Nehemiah 8:1-12 |
| October | Psalm 46:1-2 | A Mighty Fortress Is Our God | Psalm 46 |
| November | Mark 1:17-18 | We Will Follow You | Mark 1:9-20 |
| December | Galatians 4:4-5 | The Fullness of Time | Galatians 4:1-11 |
| January | Psalm 119:103-104 | Sweeter as the Days Go By | Psalm 119:97-104 |
| February | 1 Timothy 1:15 | We Have Heard the Joyful Sound... | 1 Timothy 1:12-17 |
| March | Deuteronomy 6:4-5 | SHEMA (Hear) | Deuteronomy 6:1-15 |
| April | Romans 8:1-2 | The Most Positive Negative | Romans 8:1-11 |
| May | Exodus 3:14 | I AM; You're Not! | Exodus 3:1-15 |
| June | Hebrews 6:19-20 | An Anchor for the Soul | Hebrews 6:13-7:3 |
| July | John 14:23 | A Heavenly Home-Maker | John 14:15-26 |
| August | Romans 13:14 | <i>Tolle, Lege</i> - Take up and Read | Romans 13:8-14 |