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40 Days In The Word: Building My Life On The Bible

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Joshua 1:8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

## I have 3 Challenges for you:

Challenge #1: Listen to every message in this series.

Challenge #2: Memorize 1 verse of scripture each week.

Challenge #3: Daily devote to reading the Bible.

Matthew 7:24 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.

## 1. I receive it with my ears.

Romans 10:17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

James 1:19-21 My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

## Here are 4 attitudes of the heart that prepare us to listen and be good soil:

1. I must be quiet: "slow to speak"
2. I must be calm: "slow to become angry"
3. I must be clean: "get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent"  
1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.  
**Confession is Greek homologeō: homo: same; logeō: to speak**  
Confession is to agree with God.
4. I must be humble: "humbly accept the word"

## 2. I read it with my eyes.

James 1:22-25 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

God wants us to gaze at His Word. To read it, think about it, apply it, to look intently at it.

## 3. I research it with my hands and mouth.

Bible study involves more than just reading...it is writing and discussing.

Journaling: write down what God is saying as you read, meditate and study His Word!

#### **4. I review and remember it with my mind.**

James 1:25 But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

If you are going to be blessed in what you do you've got to learn how to review and remember the Word of God with your mind.

#### **The single greatest habit you can develop is the habit of memorizing Scripture!**

Joshua 1:8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips [talk about it all the time]; meditate on it day and night [think about it all the time], so that you may be careful to do everything written in it [do it]. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

This is called meditation: to review and remember over and over and over again.

#### **5. I respond to it with my actions.**

James 1:22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

#### **You only believe the parts of the Bible that you actually do.**

Don't deceive yourself...if you know, but don't do, you don't believe.  
Knowing doesn't not change your life...doing does.

Remember the only difference between the wise man and the foolish man...they both heard, but only 1 did.

#### **Life Group Discussion**

1. Discuss this week's memory verse:

Joshua 1:8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

This is the only verse in the Bible that promises success and prosperity. How do we realize this promise?

2. Read Matthew 7:24-27

What does this passage say will happen if we allow God's Word to be the foundation of our lives?

3. Read James 1:19-25 and listen for a word or phrase that stood out to you and explain why.

4. Read James 1:19-25 again and identify all of the action words. What do these words tell us on how we can better study and apply the Bible to our lives?

5. We only believe the parts of the Word that we do. What part will you believe this week?