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40 Days In The Word: How to Integrate God's Word into My Life

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Memory Verse:

Psalm 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

After this series is over, how do I maintain a heart for God's Word?

John 8:31 (KJV) If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed.

...If you hold to [continue in, remain in, abide in] my word, you are truly my disciples.

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

6 Steps to Becoming a Man/Woman of the Word.

1. I must BUILD on it.

Matthew 7:24 Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on a rock.

Here's four foundations you do NOT want to build your life on:

1. Popular Culture: "I just do what everybody else is doing."

Exodus 23:2 Don't follow the crowd in doing wrong...

2. Tradition: "I do it because I've always done it."

Mark 7:8 You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to the traditions of men.

3. Reason: "I've always thought..."

Proverbs 16:25 There's a way that seems right to man, but in the end it leads to death.

4. Emotion: If it feels right, I do it. If it feels wrong, I don't do it.

Judges 21:25 (MSG) At that time there was no king in Israel and people did whatever they felt like doing.

2. I need to FEED on it.

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

How do you feed on the Word of God?

1. I receive it with my ears.

Commit to coming to church to hear the Word.

2. I read it with my eyes.

Commit to spending time reading God's Word every day.

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

Commit to grow your faith in a Life Group.

4. I reflect on it with my mind.

Meditate on the Word of God throughout your day. Mutter to yourself the truth.

5. I remember it with my heart.

Commit to memorize a scripture verse weekly.

3. I need to LIVE by it.

Psalms 119:11 I've hidden your word in my heart so that I might not sin against you.

Psalms 1:1-2 (NASB) How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked....But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.

4. I GROW through it.

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.

Luke 8:5-8; 11-15 The Parable of the Sower

1. Hardened soil: This represents a closed mind.
I need to cultivate an open mind.
RECEIVE
2. Shallow soil: This is a superficial mind.
I need to make time for God's Word.
STUDY & MEDITATE
3. Soil with weeds: Preoccupied mind.
I need to eliminate the distractions.
PROTECT
4. Productive soil: Willing mind.
Cooperate with what God says.
PERSEVERE

5. I've got to ACT on it.

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

Remember: I only believe the part of the Bible that I do.

6. I must TRUST it.

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Life Group Discussion

1. Briefly discuss this week's memory verse:
Psalms 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
2. Do you typically live an integrated life or a segregated life. Discuss this challenge.
3. Review & discuss the 6 steps to becoming a man/woman of God's Word:
 - A. I must BUILD on it.
 - B. I need to FEED on it.
 - C. I need to LIVE by it.
 - D. I GROW through it.
 - E. I've got to ACT on it.
 - F. I must TRUST it.
4. When discussing the Parable of the Sower, how important is it for us to PROTECT the Word of God against the values of the world and the pressures of life and the temptations to pursue other things?