

THE LYTLE LIGHT

YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

- Matthew 5:14a (NKJV)

Number 5

The believer is appointed to be a lighthouse to others; a cheering lamp, a shining star, a loving guide.

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Current Sunday Schedule: 9:45AM - Bible Study | 10:45AM - Worship ~12:00PM—Every 4th Sunday (Except For Months With 5 Sundays)—Potluck Fellowship Meal ~ 12:00PM—Every 5th Sunday—Potluck Fellowship Meal & Games Following Meal Current Wednesday Schedule: 5:00PM—Bible Study

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If you're searching for faith rather than simply religion; virtue rather than simply values; relationship rather than rule-keeping; divine help rather than self-help; then we may be the place for you.

BIBLE MEMORIZATION TIPS

In a two-week bulletin article ending two weeks ago, we learnt of the benefits to the Christian of committing scripture to memory. Now I'd like to share some methods, tools, and resources I've discovered for Scripture memorization.

There are, of course, many different methods that one can use to memorize Scripture. As individuals, we all respond differently to different learning techniques. And the thing is, there is no One RIGHT approach. I've gathered a fairly decent list of various learning methods, resources and tools which can be used to help us (and our children, grandchildren, and even great grandchildren!) memorize scripture. I would suggest that all of us have a go with playing around with the various methods until we find the perfect fit—the one or two that works best. And most importantly, let's not forget to ENJOY the time spent in committing God's Word to our heart. I think it would behoove us to remember that internalizing (memorizing) God's Holy Word should NEVER be a BURDEN—we should try our utmost to remember—it's a definite privilege!

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ORDER OF SERVICE



- ENTER TO WORSHIP •
- ANNOUNCEMENTS •
- SCRIPTURE READING
 - OPENING PRAYER •

Song No. 99–Praise Him! Praise Him Song No. 298–There Stands A Rock Song No. 311–My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

• MINISTER'S INTERCESSORY PRAYER •

Song No. 458-Rock Of Ages

Not In Song Book-Come Share The Lord

- LORD'S SUPPER
 - SERMON •
- GOSPEL PROCLAIMED TO DRIFTERS —

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Galatians 2:11-21; Acts 11:20-26; Acts 13:1-3; Galatians 4:9; Ephesians 4:14; Hebrews 13:9; Matthew 7:3; Luke 6:46; Romans 2:1,21; Titus 1:16

SERMON OUTLINE:

INTRODUCTION — Review Chapter 2:1-10

- I. Paul Confronted Peter (v.11-13)
 - A. Peter's Failure (v.12)
 - B. Result Of Peter's Failure (v.13)
- II. Cannot Have Double Standards (v.14)
 - A. Unrighteous Walk (v.14a)
 - B. Hypocritical Walk (v.14b)
- III. Our Justification (v.15-16)
 - A. Not By Works (v.16a)
 - B. By Obedience To Christ (v.16b)
 - C. Not Works Of The law (v.16c)
- IV. Not Misled By Christ (v.17-18)
- V. Justified By Living For God (v.19-21)
 - A. Dying To The Law (v.19)
 - B. Crucified With Christ (v.20a)
 - C. Christ Living In Us (v.20b)
 - D. Trusting The Grace Of God (v.21)

CONCLUSION

Invitation Song No. 324–Shelter In The Time Of . . .

• FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS •

Closing Song Not In Book-Hiding In Thee

- Prayer For Offering & Closing
 - DEPART TO SERVE IN LOVE •

WED NIGHT STUDY

February 1 @ 5:00 PM In Fellowship Hall

Please Join Us If At All Possible! (Use Rear Doors)

If You're Unable To Attend To Watch The Videos, You May Read The Following To Keep Up:

HEBREWS 6:6-20



THESE ARE OUR NEXT OCCASIONS FOR "TABLE" FELLOWSHIP:

TODAY —

5th Sunday Fellowship Meal & Game Day After Morning Worship

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH—
4th Sunday Fellowship Meal
After Morning Worship

"When We Don't Know What To Do"



— 2 Chronicles 20:12 —

"Our God Will You Not Judge Them? For We Have No Power To Face This Vast Army That Is Attacking Us. We Do Not Know What To Do But Our Eyes Are On You."

Speaker: Carolyn Richter

Please Join Us For Our Ladies' Day On Saturday, February 11, 2023 Registration Begins At 9:00 A.M.

Rockport Church Of Christ 1520 Omohundro, Rockport, Texas

Lunch & Babysitting Will Be Provided

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The first method is to VISUALIZE it. Begin by reading the verse a few times, trying to understand what it is saying and visualizing its message. Write the verse on a small card and keep it with you or type it into a notes app on your phone. Then, when you have a free moment, read the verse over a few times and again before you go to bed. Alternatively, if you wrote it on a card or Sticky Note, stick the card up on your bathroom mirror, or fridge, or by your kitchen sink or in your shop/garage or at your desk or wherever you spend the majority of your time so you can see it

all day. A great idea would be to find and put a PICTURE along with the memory verse. After all, it's been said that a picture is worth a thousand words! This method works well for visual learners. There is an app called Bible Memory System by Memlok that emphasizes visuals (search the Google store for Memlok). It works by giving you word-picture clues of the verse you are trying to memorize

and a free version of the King James Version (other Bible versions are available, but for a charge).

The second method is to SING it. This works well for auditory learners. This method has really helped me (see disclaimer below), as I find a song usually sticks in my mind very quickly (well, the tune anyway if not so much the words!). Scripture songs are a fantastic way to memorize the Bible! I found the Sonlight Education Ministry website (sonlighteducation.com), where they have three years of their Family Bible Lesson's memory verses put to music, along with sheet music, if you wish to use that, all freely available. The songs are set to piano and the creator sings (or one or more of her children sing actual verses put to a tune (although they aren't the best singers). Personally, I like to make up my own tunes (or use already written songs, hymns, and spiritual songs) to help me memorize verses. [Disclaimer: Now if I would only write down the verse(s), verse reference, and song, I'd be able to access them when I wished.] As for Sonlight, the songs can be found on the Sonlight Google Drive in the same folder as the Family Bible Lesson books. In each Quarter's folder there will be an MV (Memory Verse) folder containing all the memory verse songs for that quarter. I've also found the following YouTube accounts that teach memorization via music you might wish to check out: go to YouTube and search for (1) Melodically Memorizing and (2) Acoustic Truth.

The third method is to WRITE it. Play games! Make learning fun by mixing the words up and

then trying to unscramble them (This can be particularly fun for kids and grandkids!) Or try having someone write out the verse on a small white-board (They can be had for around \$10.00 at Amazon, Walmart or Office Depot), leaving some words out as blanks for you and/or your kids (grandkids) to fill in. Another idea is to start a memory verse journal, copying the verse in you Bible using dif-

ferent colors and marking the verse in your Bible in the same color. There is also an app called "Bible Memory" (it can be found on the Google Play Store) where you can type out the memory verse to help you memorize it that way. Another way to WRITE it is to choose a theme or topic like salvation or forgiveness or promises of God and try memorizing by category. Doing a Bible study of a certain topic and writing out some of the verses related to that topic, highlighting key words, is a great method of not only studying, but helping you memorize verses. It's also helpful in studying character traits such as honesty, cheerfulness, humbleness, thriftiness, respectfulness, lovalty, obedience, courteousness, etc. (think Boy Scout and Girl Scout Law).

The fourth method is to SPEAK it. Say the verse out loud. Over and over and over and over again. Did I mention you should speak it out load over and over again? Try listening to the verse or [continued on page 6]



Most Current Printout Of On-Going Concerns Is

JAN 1, 2022

Pick Up A Copy Next To The Bulletins!

CURRENT CONCERNS

- May The Will Of GOD, The FATHER Of LOVE, HOPE, COMPASSION, GRACE & MERCY, Be Done
- People Affected By Natural Disasters In The U.S.A. And Around The World
- Our Local, State & Federal Government Officials, Military, First Responders & Teachers
- Nourishing & Life-giving Rain
- Coronavirus, Flu & Other Deadly Sicknesses
- Civil Unrest, Racial Strife & Mass Shootings
- War, Unrest & Lack Of Peace In Other Countries

ALL ENTRIES ARE BY DATE ORDER
AND ARE ALPHABETICAL BY LAST NAME

PEOPLE/SITUATIONS FOR WHOM/WHICH TO PRAY, NOT YET LISTED:

JANUARY 29

- ♦ <u>Barron, Pat</u> [Laura Gardner's sister-in-law] She is in AFib and was scheduled for shock treatment on Thursday, January 19. It went okay but she'll need another treatment later.
- ♦ <u>Buckheit</u>, <u>Dan</u> [Art Club husband] He had surgery on the brain to remove two masses which unfortunately were cancerous. The operation was successful and he his doing okay. He is currently seeing a speech and physical therapist and doctors will be determining what methods of cancer treatment to be used.
- ♦ <u>Smith, Zachary</u> [Ronda Spicer's daughter-in-law, Barbara Brown's nephew] He was diagnosed with leukemia in November. Recent tests show his numbers have increased so his chemo medicine has been increased. After his numbers come down he'll have to have a bone marrow transplant. He's at home but being driven into town four times a week for his chemo.
- ♦ <u>Vierling, Carlene</u> She's still feeling poorly. She was to go in for an MRI Monday, January 23 and was still awaiting results from several other tests she'd had done.

JANUARY 22

- Morris, Barry [Tom Woodard's football official friend] – He's dealing with prostate cancer.
- ♦ <u>Perez, Jose</u> [Church Yard Man] He had shoulder surgery and is doing okay.
- Renninger, Harold He's to have a Watchman (a device implanted for individuals with nonvalvular AFib so they won't have to be on a blood thinner medication).
- ♦ <u>Smoot</u>, <u>Mary Jane</u> [Roger Smoot's cousin's spouse] She's been diagnosed with adenocarcinoma cancer. She's been gaining fluid but her treatments seem to be working as she's lost some of the excess fluid and is responding super well to treatment.

JANUARY 15

◊ Brown, Abbey & Colton [Ronda Spicer's grand-

- daughter-in-law & grandson] They suffer from bi-polar issues.
- ♦ <u>Burris</u>, <u>Alan & Eric</u> [Joyce Burris' son and grandson] – Both have contracted Covid.
- ♦ <u>Burris, Joyce</u> She still suffers from foot pain due to tendonitis.
- <u>Burris, Tonya</u> [Joyce Burris' daughter-in-law] —
 She tore her ACL & MCL in a skiing accident.
 She'll be undergoing PT to diminish swelling and bruising before a February surgery.
- ♦ <u>Geehan, Kieran</u> [Smoots' son-in-law] He was released to go home after sinus surgery which went well except for the severe pain he's now in.
- ♦ Woodard, Tom Praise GOD! His PSA is excellent and he only has to have a phone conversation with his doctor in a year.

JANUARY 8

- ♦ <u>Bailey, Linzi</u> [Ronda Spicer's niece] *Praise GOD* she'll not need chemo nor radiation therapies. She's now preparing for reconstructive surgery after her double mastectomy. Surgery should happen sometime in April.
- ♦ <u>Jacob, Jay</u> [Carol Vierling's best friend] He's been diagnosed with a tumor at the base of his skull. He's searching for a team of doctors to treat him while he winters in Florida with his wife.
- ◊ Orr, Lori She's been placed in palliative care whose goal is focused upon improving the quality of life for individuals suffering from serious and/or longtime health issues.
- ♦ <u>Roeder</u>, <u>Gary</u> [Pam Flatequal's brother-in-law and former member] — He's much better and has resumed preaching per a Facebook post.
- ♦ <u>Shermer</u>, <u>Betty</u> [Barbara Felts' (former member) sister] — She's in a nursing home. Barbara says she believes Betty has "given up."
- <u>Sparks, Janice</u> [Tom Woodard's daughter] She went back to work after her neck surgery and it kicked her tail. She's now working half days for awhile.

- ♦ <u>Sparks, Olivia</u> [Tom Woodard's great grand-daughter] She's being treated for RSV.
- ♦ <u>Lea Strunk</u> She is somewhat better but still weak and unsteady. She may have to have surgery.
- ♦ Family & Friends Of Taylor, Steve [Barbershop singing buddy of Mitch Watkins] Age 69, he passed into eternity on Thursday, January 5 after suffering a heart attack. His funeral will be held on Thursday or Friday, January 12 or 13.
- ♦ Family & Friends Of Watkins Sr., Mitchell [Mitch's Father] Age 83, he passed into eternity Christmas morning at 6:57 AM. He will be interred at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery on Monday, January 23. A viewing and memorial service will be held the same day prior to his burial.

JANUARY 1

♦ Family & Friends of Powell, Grace [Mitch & Betsy's longtime friend] — Age 78, she passed into eternity Christmas Eve. Her funeral was held Friday, December 30.

DECEMBER 25 & OLDER

- ♦ <u>Fintel, Pam</u> **Praise GOD!** Her cataract surgery went well and she is doing nicely!
- Harris, Missy [Pam & Rick Fintel's daughter] —
 She was scheduled for a sedation biopsy on her tumor.
- Herbert, Donald [Former 70-something Coworker & Friend of Deborah Smoot] His surgery on his gall bladder & testicular cancer went well. But he's also been diagnosed with spinal cancer.
- ♦ <u>Jackson, April</u> [Watkins' friend] She had three more places in her esophagus banded.
- ♦ Family & Friends Of Jaworowski, Caitlin Michelle [Wife of the son of the Owner of County Hugs in Devine] — Age 31, she passed into eternity after battling her cancer several years. She leaves two small children.

SCRIPTURE WORD SEARCH

MATTHEW 19:16-22

16 Now behold, one came and said to Him, "Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" 17 So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, <u>God</u>. But if you want to <u>enter</u> into life, <u>keep</u> the commandments." 18 He said to Him, "Which ones?" Jesus said, "'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' 19 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 20 The young man said to Him, "All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?" ²¹ Jesus said to him, "If you want to be *perfect*, go, *sell* what you have and *give* to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." 22 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.



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verses from an audio Bible then repeating it. Do this over and over and... well, I think you get the idea. By-the-way, this was the method most often employed by the School Masters and Teachers of yesteryear; and although this is tedious, it does actually work for many people.

The fifth method is to DO it. This may not work so well for all of us more "mature" folks, but this is a great method for younger, more active kids who tend to be kinetic (tactile, hands-on, physical) learner. You can write the Bible verse on separate little colorful cards for each word and play hide-and-seek, or hot-and-cold games. Or learn/teach sign language along with saying the verse out loud. Another way to DO it is to draw or paint a picture related to the memory verse — let your imagination and creativity, or your grand-children's soar!

The sixth and final method is to PRAY it! We CAN do it! Philippians 4:13 tells us "i can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." God promises to help us to do things which may seem impossible to us. Memorizing may seem very difficult but make a start with just one familiar short verse and pray to God to help you remember it. He is faithful; He will help! As we pray and ask God to give us the desire to memorize; then see how he helps us to remember which I believe can only increase our faith, making memorizing easier and a joy! May the Lord help us to value what He values!

One final tip: However you decide to memorize Bible verses, you should review them often to keep them fresh — this is a key ingredient in internalizing (memorizing) Scripture! One way to do this is to write all your verses on index cards. Put them in a small box and review several a day, then put those in the back. The next day you'll have others you've memorized in front which will be put in back once reviewed. "¹⁰ With my whole heart I have sought You; oh, let me not wander from Your commandments! ¹¹ Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You. ¹² Blessed are You, O Lord! Teach me Your statutes" (Psalm 119:10-12).

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

	Billy Strunk	January 26	Birthday
	Jim Gardner	January 30	Birthday
	Harold & Ruane Renninger	January 30	Anniversary
	Rick Fintel	February 16	Birthday
	Mitchell & Elizabeth Watkins	February 22	Anniversary
	Pam Flatequal	February 22	Birthday

If Your Special Day Is Between Today's Date And February 22, 2023, And You Do Not See Your Name(s) Above, Please Let Mitch Know.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4th OR 5th Sundays	Fellowship Potluck Lunch — After Worship From Approximately 12:00PM To 2:00PM Every 4th Sunday Of Every Month EXCEPT For Months With a 5th Sunday
Every Monday	Sewing Sisters — Meet In The Fellowship Room From 12:00PM To 2:00PM For Fellowship And To Sew Stuff (Lap Quilts, Bibs, Etc.) For The Needy.
Every Tuesday	Lytle Friendship Art Club — Fellowship Room From 9:30AM To 1:00PM Plus, Every 2nd Tuesday Of Each Month, The Club Meets For A Business Meeting, Lunch & Demonstration(s)
3rd Mondays	VFW Auxiliary — Fellowship Room @ 6:00PM
4th Tuesdays	Quail Creek Ranches Property Owners Association (QCRSPOA) – Fellowship Room @ 6:30PM
TODAY	National Corn Chip Day & Seeing Eye Dog Day & National Carnation Day
Mon–Jan 30	National Croissant Day & Bubble Wrap Appreciation Day
Tue–Jan 31	Eat Brussel Sprouts Day & National Hot Chocolate Day & Inspire Your Heart w/Art
Wed-Feb 1	National Baked Alaska & Dark Chocolate Days & National Signing (football) Day
Thu—Feb 2	Groundhog & Hedgehog & Marmot Days & Crêpe Day & Hash Day & Kiwi Day
Fri–Feb 3	National Carrot Cake Day & National Missing Persons Awareness Day
Sat–Feb 4	Ice Cream For Breakfast Day & Homemade Soup & Stuffed Mushroom Days & Rosa Parks Day & Take Your Child To The Library Day & National "Quacker" Day
Sun-Feb 5	IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY — Christ Living In You — see searchtv.com for chan.
Sun–Feb 5	National Chocolate Fondu Day & World Nutella Day
Sat-Feb 11	Ladies' Day @ Rockport CoC — "When We Don't Know What To Do"

GOD'S PLAN For Saving Man —

- ♦ God's Grace Ephesians 2:8;
- ♦ *Christ's Blood* Romans 5:9;
- ♦ *The Spirit's Gospel* Romans 1:16;
- ♦ *Sinner's Faith* Acts 16:31;
- ♦ Sinner's Repentance Luke 13:3;
- ♦ *Sinner's Confession* Romans 10:10;
- ◊ Sinner's Baptism 1 Peter 3:21;
- ♦ Our Work James 2:24;
- ♦ Our Hope Romans 8:24;
- ♦ Our Endurance Revelation 2:10

ARE YOU SAVED BY GOD?
ASK HOW IF YOU'RE UNSURE!

INTERACTIVE

Daily Bible Reading Plan —

To open and/or download the interactive PDF file go to: *video.wvbs.org/spotlight*

DAILY Bible Reading —



Immersive —

Through OT Once & NT Three Times

Through of once & NT Three Threes			
SUN	Exodus 35; Exodus 36; Exodus 37; John 17; John 18; John 19		
MON	Exodus 38; Exodus 39; Exodus 40; John 20; John 21; Acts 1		
TUE	Leviticus 1; Leviticus 2; Leviticus 3; Acts 2; Acts 3; Acts 4		
WED	Leviticus 4; Leviticus 5; Leviticus 6; Acts 5; Acts 6; Acts 7		
THU	Leviticus 7; Leviticus 8; Leviticus 9; Acts 8; Acts 9; Acts 10		
FRI	Leviticus 10; Leviticus 11; Leviticus 12; Acts 11; Acts 12; Acts 13		
SAT	Leviticus 13; Leviticus 14; Leviticus 15; Acts 14; Acts 15; Acts 16		

WANT TO BE

Part Of Our Local Family?

To be identified as part of our Congregation (aka "place membership"):

Fill out the *front and back* of a Visitor's Card with all your family information, making sure to check the box on front that says,

Wish To Serve In this Congregation

Place the card in the collection plate on the table in the back of the auditorium.

MEMORIZE Scripture —

ACTS 7:48-53

⁴⁸ "However, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands, as the prophet says: ⁴⁹ 'Heaven is My throne, And earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the Lord, Or what is the place of My rest? ⁵⁰ Has My hand not made all these things?'

⁵¹ "You stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so do you. ⁵² Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who foretold the coming of the Just One, of whom you now have become the betrayers and murderers, ⁵³ who have received the law by the direction of angels and have not kept it."

