

## The Need and Procedure for Change

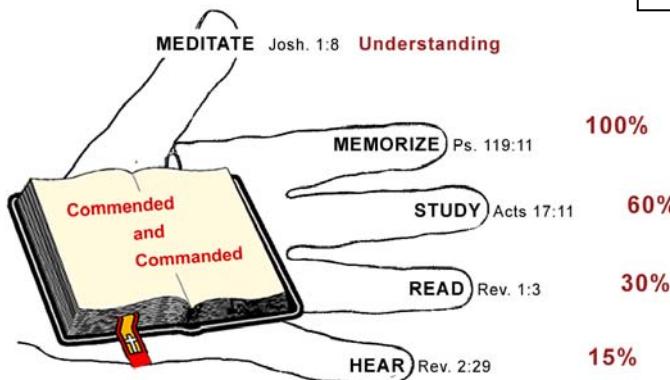
Why is it that people can attend church, revivals, Bible conferences, seminars, and retreats and never change? They hear wise men deliver great and true messages. They want to change, they resolve to change, but never do.

How is it that people can buy good and helpful books, tapes, courses, and materials and still not change? The problem is not with the meetings, the men, the messages or the materials; the problem lies in the mind and heart of the person wanting to change.

We are always moving in the direction of our thinking. If we want to change, we must change our thinking (Proverbs 4:23-27, 23:7; Romans 12:2, II Corinthians 3:18; Ephesians 4:22-24).

The Holy Spirit uses the Word to change us. However, He will only change us if we cooperate by yielding and providing the building materials. Memorizing Scripture is the fastest, easiest way to change. The more you memorize, review, and meditate, the faster the Holy Spirit will perform the work of changing you.

Let the fingers on the hand represent the different ways in which we can grip the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. The drawing of the hand points out that we remember about 15% of what we hear 24 hours after we've heard it. We remember about 30% of what we read and about 60% of what we study; but we remember 100% of what we memorize and review.



All five of these methods of retaining Scripture are both commanded and commanded in the Word of God. They are not optional but are obligation; they are binding upon every believer.

## How to Memorize Scripture

by Evangelist Ron Hood

Go over the verse until you can quote it word perfect, with the reference, from memory. When you can say it from memory, quote it aloud 25 times the first day with reference. Write the date and "25" on the back of the card. The next day, after getting the verse back in mind, quote it aloud with the reference "20" times. The third day, quote it "15" times; the fourth day, "10" times; the fifth day "5" times (write the numbers on the back of the card each day). Then, review it once a day for 45 days, once a week for 7 weeks, and once a month thereafter. **Notice the chart below.**

You are adding a new verse each day; so at the end of 50 days, you have a pack of 50 verses. The new verse is quoted 25 times, the next verse is quoted 20 times, the next 15, the next 10, the next 5.

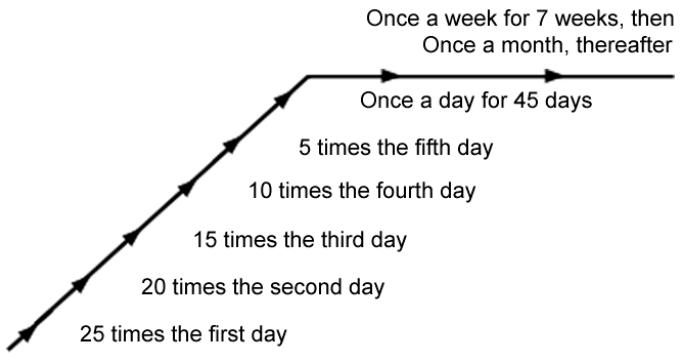
The remaining 45 verses are quoted once each. This process will take about 30 minutes a day with average size verses. Memorizing one verse per week will take about 10 minutes per day or less.

The date will assist you in keeping the verses in the order they were memorized, so that each will be reviewed for 50 days before being moved to the weekly review.

<i>Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee.</i>	Dec. 28, 1997
25	
20	
15	
10	
5	

The hill of memory places the process on a chart:

### MEDITATE AS YOU REVIEW:



## Principles for Teachers and Leaders

### The Law of the Learning Process:

"The pupil must reproduce in his own mind the truth to be learned, and then express it in his own words." \*

When you or your students memorize Scripture and can explain the passage in your own words, you have mastered that portion of Scripture.

### The Law of the Teaching Process:

"The teacher must excite and direct the self-activity of the student; and as a rule, tell him nothing he should learn for himself." \*

You should have as one of your main goals to inspire all your students to memorize Scripture.

If you give a man a fish, he can eat for a day; but if you teach him how to fish, he can eat for a lifetime. If you give a man a lesson or a sermon, he will grow for a day. However, if you teach him how and inspire him to memorize Scripture, he will grow every day he memorizes and reviews Scripture.

When you inspire someone else to memorize Scripture, you have done him a great service.

\* Quotes are from *The Seven Laws of Teaching* by Gregory.

### Books (Price covers book, postage, and handling):

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[ ]	How to Successfully Memorize & Review Scripture (65 pages)	\$ 4	_____
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[ ]	How to Memorize Scripture (tape)	\$ 3	_____
[ ]	A Handbook on Health (128 p.)	\$ 10	_____

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## Testimonies from Joyful People

### A Housewife and Sunday School Teacher

Just a note to tell you how much we enjoyed your presentation last Sunday night at the King's Way Baptist Church. I have been following your method and can already tell a change for the better in my spiritual life. I really feel this is the answer to finding victory in my Christian life. I know this will be a definite asset on visitation and in teaching my Junior girls.

— Atlanta, Georgia

### One With Many Problems

You came to our church, Mt. Vernon Baptist, in Stockbridge, Georgia in January. The study of memory verses to and from work since that time has helped me more than any other thing my life. The radio and other things that I worried about, difficulties that I would "rehearse" in my mind, etc., were all replaced with memorizing and reviewing the Bible verses. I can tell from personal experience that this has given my mind, body, and soul time to "heal" and has really given me a better outlook on life. Even if problems still exist, all of the promises and other verses overcome the current situation.

— Stockbridge, Georgia

### A Senior Citizen

I am so happy to have begun memorizing. I thought I was too old, being 63 years of age. But God has helped me, and I began 11-24-75. Today, I finished 92 verses. I have felt so much stronger in Him in witnessing, praise Him. I want to get another book and set of Scripture cards. A lady who is 75 years of age wants to begin, and I believe she will do it.

— Foley, Alabama

### It Really Works – Winning Souls Also

I now have 1,350 verses memorized, and my wife has 700 verses memorized. We are faithfully using your method that you outline in your tape, and it works! With the help of the Word of God that she has hidden in her heart, my wife was used of the Lord to lead a man to Christ yesterday.

— Ann Arbor, Michigan

### A Grateful Pastor

You probably do not remember me, but I certainly do remember you. You visited our church in Pawtucket, Rhode Island in June about three and one-half years ago. At that time you spoke to us concerning soul winning, and also the Scripture memory program. I took the challenge at that time to begin the memory method. I am on approximately the 1,100<sup>th</sup> verse at this time. My, what a blessing it has been! It has given new life to my ministry.

— Pawtucket, Rhode Island

### A High School Student in Mandeville, Jamaica

I am writing for my certificate of completion. I have memorized all 20 verses on cards. I must include that this verse pack helped me a lot. I was able to convince my best friend and others to believe that God can save them and that He died for them. It helped to get my family closer to each other and most of all it played a major part in changing our lives. God bless.

— A grateful believer, Keneisha Hepburn