# Scripture Memory Plan

| Week of | Memory Verse |
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| 8/28 - 9/3 | **Matthew 6:21** - For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. |
| 9/4 - 9/10 | **Matthew 11:28** – Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. |
| 9/11 - 9/17 | **Matthew 26:41** – Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. |
| 9/18 - 9/24 | **Mark 16:15** – He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." |
| 9/25 - 10/1 | **Luke 14:33** – In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples. |
| 10/2 - 10/8 | **John 6:37** – All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. |
| 10/9 - 10/15 | **John 11:35** – Jesus wept. |
| 10/16 - 10/22 | **Acts 26:20** – First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds. |
| 10/23 - 10/29 | **Romans 6:6** – For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— |
| 10/30 - 11/5 | **1 Corinthians 6:20** – …you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies. |
| 11/6 - 11/12 | **Philippians 3:13b-14** – Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. |
| 11/13 - 11/19 | **1 Timothy 4:12** – Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. |
| 11/20 - 11/26 | **Hebrews 10:14** – For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. |
| 11/27 - 12/3 | **1 Peter 3:15** – But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, |
| 12/4 - 12/10 | **Revelation 21:3** – And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God." |

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# Go Pray & Study

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# 5 Keys For Successful Prayer

1. **Dependence:** Have confidence in God's character (Heb 11:1-3).
   * The confidence of things hoped for.
   * The convictions of things not seen.
   * Trusting the character of His Word.
2. **Direction:** Be committed to the will of God (1 John 5:14-15).
   * When we pray according to His will, He hears us.
3. **Devotion:** Be free from sin (Isaiah 59:1-2).
   * Barriers between you and God include unbelief (Heb 3:19), wrong relationships (Rom 13:8), a lack of forgiveness toward others (Mt 6:14-15), a lack of generosity in your heart (Prv 11:25), wrong motives (James 4:3), and not responding to God's Word (Prv 28:9).
4. **Desire:** Cry out to God (Psalm 55:17).
   * Having a desperation for God shows humility, builds your faith, and reveals your heart.
5. **Determination:** Be persistent and bring your prayers to the throne of God (James 1:2-4; Romans 5:3-5).

# 4 Steps To Studying The Bible

1. **OBSERVE:** What is the text saying?
   * LISTEN: ask questions like Who, What, Where, When, and Why?
   * LOOK: try to find emphasis, space, and purpose statements.
2. **UNDERSTAND:** What does the text mean?
   * Context, Context, Context.
   * Literary Context: look for grammar, genres, and phrases.
   * Historical Context: time and culture impact meaning of a passage.
   * Theological Context: each passage must fit into the bigger picture.

Remember several rules: We can't make the Bible say something it isn't saying in its original context. Always seek the full counsel of the Word of God. Remember that Scripture will never contradict Scripture. Avoid basing your doctrine on an obscure passage. Interpret Scripture plainly. Conclude the process by answering the question, "What's the point?"

3. **IDENTIFY:** How does the passage relate?

Identify the timeless truth. A timeless truth is an idea that is biblical, compatible, eternal, cross-cultural, and applicable to someone today.

4. **APPLY:** How does the passage apply to my life today?
   * Step One: meditate on the timeless truth.
   * Step Two: relate the timeless truth to today.
   * Step Three: practice the timeless truth in your life.

Questions you might ask yourself during application: *Who should I be? What should I think? What do I do? Where should I go? How does this text cause me to go?*

# Bible Reading Plan

**SEPTEMBER**
1. Matthew 1-4
2. Matthew 5-6
3. Matthew 7-8
4. Matthew 9-10
5. Matthew 11-12
6. Matthew 13-14
7. Matthew 15-17
8. Matthew 18-19
9. Matthew 20-21
10. Matthew 22-23
11. Matthew 24-25
12. Matthew 26
13. Matthew 27-28
14. Mark 1-3
15. Mark 4-5
16. Mark 6-7
17. Mark 8-9
18. Mark 10-11
19. Mark 12-13
20. Mark 14
21. Mark 15-16
22. Luke 1
23. Luke 2-3
24. Luke 4-5
25. Luke 6-7
26. Luke 8-9
27. Luke 10-11
28. Luke 12-13
29. Luke 14-16
30. Luke 17-18

**OCTOBER**
1. Luke 19-20
2. Luke 21-22
3. Luke 23-24
4. John 1-2
5. John 3-4
6. John 5-6
7. John 7-8
8. John 9-10
9. John 11-12
10. John 13-15
11. John 16-18
12. John 19-21
13. Acts 1-3
14. Acts 4-6
15. Acts 7-8
16. Acts 9-10
17. Acts 11-12
18. Acts 13-15
19. Acts 16-17
20. Acts 18-20
21. Acts 21-23
22. Acts 24-26
23. Acts 27-28
24. Romans 1-3
25. Romans 4-6
26. Romans 7-10
27. Romans 11-13
28. Romans 14-16
29. 1 Corinthians 1-4
30. 1 Corinthians 5-9
31. 1 Corinthians 10-13

**NOVEMBER**
1. 1 Corinthians 14-16
2. 2 Corinthians 1-4
3. 2 Corinthians 5-9
4. 2 Corinthians 10-13
5. Galatians 1-3
6. Galatians 4-6
7. Ephesians 1-3
8. Ephesians 4-6
9. Philippians 1-2
10. Philippians 3-4
11. Colossians 1-2
12. Colossians 3-4
13. 1 Thess 1-3
14. 1 Thess 4-5
15. 2 Thess 1-3
16. 1 Timothy 1-3
17. 1 Timothy 4-6
18. 2 Timothy 1-2
19. 2 Timothy 3-4
20. Titus 1-3
21. Philemon
22. Hebrews 1-3
23. Hebrews 4-6
24. Hebrews 7-10
25. Hebrews 11-13
26. James 1-2
27. James 3-5
28. 1 Peter 1-2
29. 1 Peter 3-5
30. 2 Peter 1-2

**DECEMBER**
1. 2 Peter 3-4
2. 1 John 1-2
3. 1 John 3-5
4. 2 John, 3 John
5. Jude
6. Revelation 1-3
7. Revelation 4-8
8. Revelation 9-12
9. Revelation 13-16
10. Revelation 17-19
11. Revelation 20-22

***The last twenty days of December can be used as Free Reading Days or as Make Up Days from previously missed days during the semester. The goal for this reading plan is to read through the New Testament in four months.***