

Colossians Series

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A landscape photograph showing a field of dry grass in the foreground, a line of trees in the middle ground, and a range of mountains in the background under a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on the image.

COLOSSIANS:
Jesus Christ is All-Sufficient

Meditating; Singing to the Lord
Colossians 3:16, Ephesians 5:18–20

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The “Word of God,” or the “Word of the Lord”

Psa. 19:7, “The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

Psa. 19:8, “The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;

Psa. 19:9, “The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

Psa. 19:10, “More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Psa. 19:11, “Moreover by them Your servant is warned, and in keeping them there is great reward.”

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Heb. 4:12, “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

Deut. 6:4, “Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God, the LORD is one!” (Tanach, 1987: “The Lord alone”)

Deut. 6:5, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.” (Literally, “with all your very”)

Deut. 6:6, “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

Deut. 6:7, “You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.”

Deut. 6:8, “You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.”

Deut. 6:9, “You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.”

- 1. Read your Bible. Make a plan.**
- 2. Take notes.**
- 3. Read over your notes.**
- 4. Increase your Bible class attendance.**
- 5. Challenge yourself to memorize Scripture.**
- 6. Set a goal of memorizing 10 promises between now and the end of the year.**

Memorizing the Bible

- Diligently read the context before and after in order to correctly understand what the verse means.
- Reviewing a few of your verses daily will help you to remember them for present and future use.
- Memorize the verse by saying the topic first, then the Scripture reference, then the verse, then close with the reference. Ex. “The Bible’s Authority, Matthew 4:4, ‘But he answered...’ Matthew 4:4”
- Memorize the verse word for word perfectly.
- Think about the meaning of the words and phrases as you memorize it, seeking to understand what the verse means in its context and also what God wants to communicate to you through the verse. Meditation will lead to personal application.

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***s'îah* I, meditate, muse, commune, speak, complain. Denominative verb.**

**Psa. 77:12, “I will also meditate on all Your work,
and talk of Your deeds.”**

**Psa. 105:2, “Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him; talk
of all His wondrous works!”**

Psa. 119:15, “I will meditate on Your precepts, and contemplate Your ways.

Psa. 119:23, “Princes also sit and speak against me, but Your servant meditates on Your statutes.”

Psa. 119:27, “Make me understand the way of Your precepts; so shall I meditate on Your wonderful works.”

Psa. 119:48, “My hands also I will lift up to Your commandments, which I love, and I will meditate on Your statutes.”

Psa. 119:78, “Let the proud be ashamed, for they treated me wrongfully with falsehood; but I will meditate on Your precepts.”

Psa. 119:148, “My eyes are awake through the night watches, that I may meditate on Your word.”

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to warn, admonish, correct, encourage, urge. Instruction aimed at challenging the will.

**Eph. 5:18, “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,
Eph. 5:19, “speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,
Eph. 5:20, “giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,”**