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God has written you a love letter, and it is called The Bible—the greatest best seller of all time! He reveals His mind, His heart, and His purposes in it. He tells us how and why we were created; who Christ is and why He died and rose; the joys and challenges of following Jesus; what the future will be for each of us, this planet, and all of creation. Oh, one last small item—the Bible provides wisdom and solutions to virtually every problem, question, or issue ever known to man! So, dive in. Enjoy! Get to know the Bible and the God of the Bible. Let it change your life—forever!

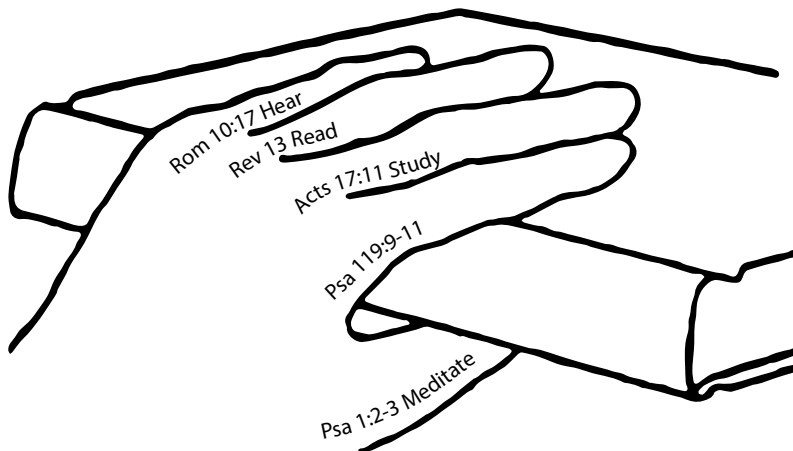
### I. What is the Word?

The Bible is the Word of God. The Old and New Testaments are supernaturally inspired, inerrant in the original writing, infallible and the final authority for all Christian faith, life and conduct for every age.

### II. Why is it important?

1. **Inspiration:** The Bible's content originated from God. (2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pet 1:20-21)
2. **Inerrant:** God didn't make any mistakes when the Bible was written. (Ps 119:160; Matt 5:18)
3. **Infallible:** The Bible is trustworthy and reliable. (Is 55:11; Matt 24:35)
4. **Authority:** The Bible should be obeyed. (John 8:31, 32; Josh 1:8)

### III. How to get the Word into your life



**The Hand** illustration is designed to help you strengthen your grasp of the Word of God. As you practice each aspect of the hand, your input of God's Word will increase daily.

The Hand illustration by the Navigators

#### Areas

- A. Hear the Word at Church (take notes)
- B. Read the Word daily (reading plan)
- C. Memorize key passages (topical memory system)
- D. Study the Bible in small groups
- E. Meditate on meaningful passages (Josh 1:8)

#### Action steps

1. Pick at least one area mentioned above
2. Develop a plan to do this week in that area
3. Accountability — get someone to ask you in a week how you did on your plan

Suggested memory verse: Joshua 1:8

Materials: Bible Reading Plan; Topical Memory System

## Topical Memory System

If you want to memorize Scripture, but aren't sure what to memorize or how, this system is exactly what you need to begin hiding God's word in your heart.

### LIVE THE NEW LIFE

Christ the Center	2 Corinthians 5:17	Galatians 2:20
Obedience to Christ	Romans 12:1	John 14:21
The Word	2 Timothy 3:16	Joshua 1:8
Prayer	John 15:7	Philippians 4:6-7
Fellowship Matthew 18:20	Heb 10:24	25
Witnessing	Matthew 4:19	Romans 1:16

### PROCLAIM CHRIST

All Have Sinned	Romans 3:23	Isaiah 53:6
Sin's Penalty	Romans 6:23	Hebrews 9:27
Christ Paid the Penalty	Romans 5:8	1 Peter 3:18
Salvation is not by Works	Ephesians 2:8-9	Titus 3:5
Must Receive Christ	John 1:12	Revelation 3:20
Assurance of Salvation	1 John 5:13	John 5:24

### RELY ON GOD'S RESOURCES

His Spirit	1 Corinthians 3:16	1 Cor 2:12
His Strength	Isaiah 41:10	Philippians 4:13
His Faithfulness	Lamentations 3:22-23	Numbers 23:19
His Peace	Isaiah 26:3	1 Peter 5:7
His Provision	Romans 8:32	Philippians 4:19
His Help in Temptation	Hebrews 2:18	Psalms 119:9-11

## **BE CHRIST'S DISCIPLE**

Put Christ First	Matthew 6:33	Luke 9:23
Separate From the World	1 John 2:15-16	Romans 12:2
Be Steadfast	1 Corinthians 15:58	Hebrews 12:3
Serve Others	Mark 10:45	2 Corinthians 4:5
Give Generously	Proverbs 3:9-10	2 Cor 9:6-7
Develop World Vision	Acts 1:8	Matt 28:19-20

## **GROW IN CHRISTLIKENESS**

Love	John 13:34-35	1 John 3:18
Humility	Philippians 2:3-4	1 Peter 5:5-6
Purity	Ephesians 5:3	1 Peter 2:11
Honesty	Leviticus 19:11	Acts 24:16
Faith	Hebrews 11:6	Romans 4:20-21
Good Works	Galatians 6:9-10	Matthew 5:16

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