

Describe a way that a principle or passage from God's Word has saved, encouraged, corrected, or provided insight that you needed.

Share some effective ways you have found to keep God's Word in your mind and heart. How important is it for your faith and life to take the time to do so?

REFLECT

Is God's Word a set of rules imposed on believers with no bearing for those who don't know or follow them? Or is it universal, imbedded in the very nature of reality, for all people and all time?

RESPOND

Memory Game...Help each other actively learn God's Word! Choose one verse from the study to memorize before you leave. Drill each other. Say it aloud together. Do pop phone quizzes this week. Recite it together at your next meeting.



Our church strives to be a greenhouse for growing disciples.

Ephesians 4:11-15 (page 801)

Colossians 2:6-7

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Growing deeper in devotion...

John 14:23

Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

- + We love Jesus.
- + We are becoming like Christ.
- + We are stretching our faith.

Tiffany Farmer

Outlook Christian Church has helped us during our transformation in many ways. So many of our prayers have been answered...I have never felt God's work in my life as I do now.. Every day I see His blessings more and more.



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Growing wiser in Bible truth...

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that all God's people may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

- + We read the Bible.
- + We know the Bible.
- + We obey the bible.

Psalm 119:35-37

Direct me in the path of your commands,
for there I find delight.

Turn my heart toward your statutes
and not toward selfish gain.

Turn my eyes away from worthless things;
preserve my life according to your word.

- + We are real.
- + We are transparent and true to God's Word.
- + We are pursuing maturity.

Growing stronger in integrity...

James 1:2-4

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything

Peter Scazzero in *The Emotionally Healthy Church*
It is not possible for a Christian to be spiritually mature while remaining emotionally immature.

James 2:12

Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom...

Ian and Meredith Killie

Prior to finding OCC we were filled with a very lonely void... We have always been God's seeds; we just haven't found the right soil to grow in until we found OCC.

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RELATE

Describe how words from a person (or book, etc) have had a lasting impact on you, whether positively or negatively.

Agree/Disagree with the following statements:

- All truth is God's truth.
- It doesn't matter what you believe, as long as you're sincere.
- God's Word will last forever.
- Jesus called the Devil the "Father of Lies".

What principle, insight or idea from this sermon was especially important for you?

READ

Psalm 19:7-11; Matthew 4:3-4 and 5:17-19; Hebrews 4:12; 1 Peter 1:23-25; James 1:21, 25

List what the passages above say that God's Word (or law) *is* and *does*. Include the verse.

<u>What God's Word IS</u>	<u>What God's Word DOES</u>
Perfect	Revives my soul
Psalm 19:7	

Which quality or action of God's Word is most important to you? How?