

## **Making Memorization Matter**

### **Luke 1:1-4**

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Luke 1:1-4 – <sup>1</sup>Many have undertaken to compile a narrative about the events that have been fulfilled among us, <sup>2</sup>just as the original eyewitnesses and servants of the word handed them down to us. <sup>3</sup>It also seemed good to me, since I have carefully investigated everything from the very first, to write to you in an orderly sequence, most honorable Theophilus, <sup>4</sup>so that you may know the certainty of the things about which you have been instructed. (CSB)

Proverbs 7:2-3 – <sup>2</sup>Obey my commands and live! Guard my instructions as you guard your own eyes. <sup>3</sup>Tie them on your fingers as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart. (NLT)

Philippians 2:12-13 – <sup>12</sup>...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. <sup>13</sup>For it is God who is working in you both to will and to work according to his good purpose. (CSB)

### **Results of Bible Memorization:**

I. Daily **triumph** over **temptation**.

Psalm 119:9, 11 – <sup>9</sup>How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping your word. <sup>11</sup>I have treasured your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you. (CSB)

II. Daily **wisdom** for your **world**.

Psalm 119:105 – Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path. (CSB)

Proverbs 25:11 – Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances. (NASB)

Colossians 3:16 – Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts. (NLT)

III. Daily **strength** to combat your **stress**.

Psalm 119:49-50 – <sup>49</sup>Remember your word to your servant; you have given me hope through it. <sup>50</sup>This is my comfort in my affliction: Your promise has given me life. (CSB)

IV. Daily **willingness** to **witness**.

1 Peter 3:15 – but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. (CSB)

V. Daily **communion** with your **creator**.

Proverbs 2:1-6 – <sup>1</sup>My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, <sup>2</sup>listening closely to wisdom and directing your heart to understanding; <sup>3</sup>furthermore, if you call out to insight and lift your voice to understanding, <sup>4</sup>if you seek it like silver and search for it like hidden treasure, <sup>5</sup>then you will understand the fear of the Lord and discover the knowledge of God. <sup>6</sup>For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. (CSB)

**Thought For The Week:**

When you know the **truth**, the truth will set you **free**.

**Preparing for your Verse of the Year**

1. What one thing could you do to improve your prayer life this year?
2. What is one thing you could do this year to increase your enjoyment of God?
3. What is the most humanly impossible thing you will ask God to do this year?
4. What is the single most important thing you could do to improve the quality of your family this year?
5. In which spiritual discipline do you most want to make progress this year, and what will you do about it?
6. What is the single biggest time-waster in your life, and what will you do about it this year?
7. What is the most helpful new way you could strengthen your church?
8. For whose salvation will you pray most fervently this year?