

A SCHOLAR AND A SAINT Text: Deuteronomy 11:18-21

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The Christian Life is a j_____ with a destination, a r_____ that we're designed to win, and a w_____ that we are called to take each and every day. The objective is that Jesus remains front and center in all that we do.

Nothing gets a Christian off course like ignoring the Bible. And nothing can get you back on track like picking up the habit again.

Five Habits---Choose One and Begin Today

1. Choose a f_____ verse. (Ref: Rom. 15:13; Phil. 3:13-14; 1st Cor. 15:58; 1st Thess. 4:11,12; Psalm 119:11 KJV)

Choose a verse that speaks to you, write it on an index card and put it where you'll see it every day. Each day, as you begin the day, review this verse and take a moment to think about what it means.

2. Read from the P_____ and/or P_____ Every Day. (Ref: Ps.13:1-2)
Psalms is like the prayer book of the Bible

3. Have a Morning D_____. (Ref: Isa.50:4 NLT)

It's a simple process.

You begin with a short prayer: You read a passage of Scripture. As you read, you ask yourself: What is God saying to me *today*? Is there a ...SPACE?: You write it down. Today I need to ... and you fill in the blank_____

4. Read the Bible like a Story (Ref: Neh. 8:3)

5. Study the Bible like a Student. (Ref: Ezra 7:10 ESV)

When you neglect the Bible, it's like trying to survive on a diet of potato chips and French fries. Little-by-little you lose your v_____; little-by-little you're no longer able to hear his v_____.