## Scripture Memory: Foundation of Discipleship John Crawford

## I. Introduction.

- A. Part of "the Greatest Commandment" is putting the Word in the heart. (Deuteronomy 6:5)
- B. The Word is to be with us all the time and we are to teach it to our children. (Deuteronomy 11:18-19)
- C. The Scripture is to be memorized. (Proverbs 7:1-3, Isaiah 28:9-10, Proverbs 6:20-23)
- D. To grow in the Lord we need to be reproved.
- II. The Word is the means to spiritual growth. (Colossians 3:16, John 8:31-32, 2 Peter 1:4, Psalm 119:105, 119:130, 119:111, 119:155, Joshua 1:7)
  - A. We are to live simply according to the "manual."
  - B. When all else fails, read the instructions.
  - C. We prosper when we obey the Word. (Joshua 1:8, Proverbs 2:1, Jeremiah 29:13)
- III. Scripture memory role-playing Part 1 (Beginning with Christ).
  - A. How to memorize a verse.
  - B. He did not lay in on him, but instead showed him how to memorize.
  - C. He gave him the brief talk that it was hard and then showed him it was easy.
  - D. He showed him he already had memorized.
  - E. He showed him the importance of review.
  - F. He showed him success.
  - G. He gave them little upon little. (Proverbs 13:19, Isaiah 28:9-10)
  - H. He started with what he knew.
  - I. He has good attrition rate and only some are unable to pass this along. (2 Timothy 2:2)
- IV. Scripture memory role-playing Part 2.
  - A. Memorize any way you want to, but put them on cards and be faithful to them.
  - B. By reviewing as fast as possible, more material is at one's disposal.

- C. The speaker starts his memory work in his Quiet Time. (Philippians 1:3-4, 1:6)
- D. Accountability is necessary.
- V. The key to making disciples is committing time to faithful men.

## **Application questions**

2. What did you learn from the Scripture memory role-playing?  3. What is your method for Scripture memory if you have one? What will you do differently in this gree in light of the message?	What does the Scripture teach about Scripture memory? Explain.
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