

# 40 DAYS IN THE WORD

## MEMORY VERSES:

Week 1 -

Colossians 3:16

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly!*

Week 2 -

Psalm 119:18

*Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things  
in your law.*

Week 3 -

James 1:22

*Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says!*

Week 4 -

Psalm 119:11

*I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.*

Week 5 -

Matthew 7:24

*Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a  
wise man who built his house on a rock.*



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Answers to fill in the blanks:  
INSPIRATION, TRANSFORMATION, ILLUMINATION, OBSERVATION,  
INTERPRETATION 1. OBSERVATION, 2. INTERPRETATION, 3. APPLICATION  
MEANING OR INTERPRETATION, APPLICATIONS  
1. HISTORICAL CONTEXT, BEFORE, AFTER, COMFORT  
2. KEY WORDS, REMAIN - STAY CONNECTED, LIKE TO THE VINE, FRUIT - NATURAL  
PRODUCT OF SOMETHING  
3. CLEAR ONES, REMAINING, GLORY, COMPLETE JOY  
4. OBVIOUS MEANING, ANSWERED PRAYERS, ANSWERED PRAYER, ANSWERED  
PRAYER, ASKING IN PRAYER  
PRAY, BEAR FRUIT

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# SERMON NOTES



## WEEK 5 - UNDERSTANDING THE MEANING OF A BIBLE PASSAGE



### Review

Week One: \_\_\_\_\_

Week Two: \_\_\_\_\_

Week Three: \_\_\_\_\_

Week Four: \_\_\_\_\_

This Week: \_\_\_\_\_

### Bible Study Questions

1. \_\_\_\_\_ – What does it say?
2. \_\_\_\_\_ – What does it mean?
3. \_\_\_\_\_ – What am I going to do about it?

### “That’s just YOUR interpretation!”

- Each verse in the Bible has one and only one \_\_\_\_\_.

- There are a limitless number of \_\_\_\_\_  
to every verse in the Bible.

# SERMON NOTES CONTINUED

## John 15:1-17 (NIV)

*<sup>1</sup>"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. <sup>2</sup>He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. <sup>3</sup>You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. <sup>5</sup>"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup>If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. <sup>7</sup>If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. <sup>8</sup>This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. <sup>9</sup>"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12</sup>My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command. <sup>15</sup>I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. <sup>17</sup>This is my command: Love each other.*

### PROBLEM VERSE:

*<sup>6</sup>If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.*

### FOUR BASIC RULES OF INTERPRETATION

1. You consider the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Look at the verses \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - John chapters 13-17 is Jesus' final words of \_\_\_\_\_ to his disciples before his arrest.

# SERMON NOTES CONTINUED

2. You must define \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Remain - \_\_\_\_\_
  - Fruit - \_\_\_\_\_
3. You must interpret unclear verses with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Bearing fruit is produced by \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.
  - Bearing fruit brings \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
  - Bearing fruit will give me \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Look for the most \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Remaining in Christ produces \_\_\_\_\_!
  - \_\_\_\_\_ brings glory to God!
  - \_\_\_\_\_ gives me complete joy!
  - I bear fruit by \_\_\_\_\_!

*What am I going to \_\_\_\_\_ about this week so that*

*I might \_\_\_\_\_?*