

Benefits of Knowing the Word of God

Lesson One - Faith

Three major results of reading, knowing, and applying God's Word are the development of

FAITH

We are saved by faith, but we also grow spiritually by faith. By faith we are able to overcome all the fiery darts of the devil. The only way we can please God is by demonstrating our faith in Him, in His Word, and in His promises and character. Faith is important in the life of a believer - it is produced by hearing or learning the Word of God and is a by-product of walking in the Spirit.

The Scriptures produce faith and confidence in God's promises

And these were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. Acts 17:11

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Rom 10:17

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. 1 Thess. 2:13

Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. Eph. 6:16

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. Heb. 11:1,6

Ineffective Faith

Ineffective faith attempts to anticipate God's plan – Sarah and Hagar – Genesis 16:1-16

Ineffective faith is marked by a lack of trust in God – Israel chased by Pharaoh's army – Exodus 14:1-31

Ineffective faith is marked by an unchanged life – People who claim to believe in God but don't live for him, and are not productive, who do not display fruit of their faith. – Matthew 3:1-17

Ineffective faith seldom goes beyond words – Knowing the right words and knowing about Christ is not the same as living out your faith and knowing Christ personally. – 1 Corinthians 4:1-21

Ac 20:21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and **faith** toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

Ro 9:32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by **faith**, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

1Ti 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the **faith**, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;
Heb 4:2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with **faith** in them that heard *it*.
Jas 2:17 Even so **faith**, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
1Jo 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our **faith**.

Weak Faith

Weak faith tends to lack endurance – Peter exercised faith, but wavered - Matthew 14:22-33

Weak faith often falters – When we falter we haven't necessarily failed. Faith reaches out to Christ when weakened.

Weak faith is easily distracted, discouraged and deceived -

Even weak faith is a part of the process of belief – Usually people need time before they can comprehend the amazing Gospel story and its significance to them personally - Luke 24:1-12

Weak faith can become strong faith with God's help – faith is a gift from God that cannot be stored away. Growing in faith is a constant process of daily renewing our trust in Jesus. – Mark 9:14-29

Mt 8:26 And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little **faith**? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

Lu 12:28 If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O ye of little **faith**?

Lu 17:5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our **faith**.

Ro 14:1 Him that is weak in the **faith** receive ye, *but* not to doubtful disputations.

Ga 3:5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of **faith**?

2Th 1:3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your **faith** groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;

Heb 13:7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose **faith** follow, considering the end of *their* conversation.

Effective Faith

Effective faith depends on God – Faith is total dependence on God and a willingness to do his will. It is complete and humble obedience to God's will, readiness to do whatever he calls us to do. The amount of faith isn't as important as the right kind of faith—faith in our all-powerful God. Luke 17:1-10

Effective faith is more concerned with its life than its size – A mustard seed is small, but it is alive and growing.

Effective faith rests on what Christ has done. – Romans 5:1-11; 1 Cor. 13:13 – Faith, hope and love are at the heart of the Christian life.

Effective faith grows under pressure – Hebrews encourages believers to persevere in their Christian faith and conduct when facing trials. – Hebrews 10:19-39 See also Romans 5:3-5

Effective faith becomes stronger through endurance – We must not abandon faith in times of persecution, but demonstrate in these times that our faith is genuine and rests in Christ. – Romans 8:12-25; Galatians 3:10-13

Effective faith is hopeful anticipation that rests of confidence in God's character and God's promises – Hebrews 11:1-40

Effective faith is quiet certainty – Faith = sure and certain – sure of who God said He is/ certain of God's promises that He will do what He says. – John 20:24-31

Hab 2:4 Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his [faith](#).

Ac 3:16 And his name through [faith](#) in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the [faith](#) which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

Ro 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in [faith](#), giving glory to God;

Ro 4:5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his [faith](#) is counted for righteousness.

Ro 5:1 Therefore being justified by [faith](#), we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

2Co 5:7 (For we walk by [faith](#), not by sight:)

Ga 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the [faith](#) of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Php 3:9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the [faith](#) of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by [faith](#):

1Th 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of [faith](#) and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

1Ti 6:12 Fight the good fight of [faith](#), lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

2Ti 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned [faith](#) that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

2Ti 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through [faith](#) which is in Christ Jesus.

Heb 11:3 Through [faith](#) we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Heb 11:13 These all died in [faith](#), not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of *them*, and embraced *them*, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* [faith](#); who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Jas 2:5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in [faith](#), and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

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Lesson Two – Fear of The Lord

*Three major results of reading, knowing, and applying God's Word are the development of
FAITH,*

The FEAR OF THE LORD

The fear of the Lord produces an awareness that God is always present, watching everything we do. When we fear God we are alert to the reality that God responds to us according to the way we respond to Him. We understand that sin is not a small thing, but without exception, results in damaging consequences. Therefore, by fearing, or respecting God, we are motivated to live godly lives dependent on God's Spirit to change and empower us to do so as we willfully exercise our own will to turn away from all known sin.

Moses was instructed to read the scriptures to God's people that they might learn to fear the Lord.

The Scriptures teach us to fear the Lord

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all they that do his commandments; his praise endureth for ever. Psa. 111:10

The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him, and he shall shew them his covenant. Psa. 24:14

Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee, which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men. Psa 31:19

Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. Psa. 112:1

By mercy and truth iniquity is purged, and by the fear of the Lord men depart from evil. Prov. 16:6

By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life. Prov. 22:4

Le 25:17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt **fear** thy God: for I *am* the LORD your God.

De 5:29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would **fear** me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!

De 10:12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to **fear** the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

De 17:19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to **fear** the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

De 31:12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and **fear** the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

1Sa 12:24 Only **fear** the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great *things* he hath done for you.

Ne 1:11 O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the king's cupbearer.

Job 28:28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that *is* wisdom; and to depart from evil *is* understanding.

Ps 25:14 The secret of the LORD *is* with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.

Ps 31:19 *Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

Ps 33:18 Behold, the eye of the LORD *is* upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;

Ps 34:7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

Ps 34:9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for *there is* no want to them that fear him.

Ps 34:11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

Ps 86:11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

Ps 90:11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.

Ps 103:11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, *so* great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

Ps 103:13 Like as a father pitieth *his* children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

Ps 103:17 But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

Ps 111:10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do *his commandments*: his praise endureth for ever.

Ps 115:11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

Ps 115:13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, *both* small and great.

Ps 118:4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

Ps 145:19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

Ps 147:11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.

Pr 1:7 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Pr 1:29 For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:

Pr 2:5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

Pr 3:7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

Pr 8:13 The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

Pr 9:10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy *is* understanding.

Pr 14:26 In the fear of the LORD *is* strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.

Pr 14:27 The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

Pr 15:16 Better *is* little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.

Pr 15:33 The fear of the LORD *is* the instruction of wisdom; and before honour *is* humility.

Pr 16:6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD *men* depart from evil.

Pr 19:23 The fear of the LORD *tendeth* to life: and *he that hath it* shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

Ec 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.

Isa 29:13 Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:

Isa 33:6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, *and* strength of salvation: the fear of the LORD *is* his treasure.

Ac 9:31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

Ac 13:16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with *his* hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience.

Ro 3:18 There is no fear of God before their eyes.

2Co 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Eph 5:21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

1Pe 2:17 Honour all *men*. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.

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Lesson Three – Wisdom

Three major results of reading, knowing, and applying God's Word are the development of Faith, The Fear of The Lord, and

Wisdom

Wisdom is the ability to appropriate truth, as God defines truth, into everyday living. Wisdom gives us the ability to see life from God's perspective and then discern the right action to take. It gives us the perception needed to understand the intimate knowledge of God and grow yet wiser through that knowledge. Wisdom causes us to understand the subtleties of human nature and recognize error. Wisdom enables us to see the delights of God's truths and experience the joys of incorporating them into our lives. Wisdom begins with a right respect for God, leads to right living, and results in the ability to discern right from wrong. The blessings and benefits of wisdom exceed any that are derived from riches or pleasures in this life and produce great joy in the life of believers.

The Bible says, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the holy is understanding. (Prov. 9:10) As we hear God's Word with the ear of faith, we learn to fear, or respect, God. When we believe and respect God, we develop wisdom that enables us to understand and apply God's principles to our lives. This ultimately results in great rewards. Before we experience the benefit of faith, the fear of the Lord, or wisdom, we must be willing to see God in his Word and "apply our heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge." We must learn to esteem the Word of God more necessary than our daily food. Apart from the Word of God, we cannot, and we will not grow or survive spiritually. Virtually every success in the Christian life can be traced back to knowing the Word of God. The Word of God is the foundation on which every doctrine and every discipline is established.

The Scriptures produce wisdom and understanding

Ps 119:66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.

Ps 119:98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

Pro.1:7The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Prov. 2:1-6 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee, so that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding; Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord giveth wisdom; out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

Prov. 9:10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

Ps 9:12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Pr 11:12 He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.

Prov. 19:20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.

Jer 8:9 The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?

Ro 11:33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!

Col 2:3 Christ, In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Col 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

2 Tim. 3:15,16 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

Consider the example of Solomon

Wisdom begins when we ask God to supply it – Solomon asked wisdom of God – 1 Kings 3:9 – James 1:5

Wisdom is thinking and living as God would have us live. When we put God and His interests first, God promises to supply all our need. Notice how Solomon asked for wisdom to do the job God had given him to do, not wisdom to acquire wealth for himself. See Matthew 6:31-33 We are unable to receive wisdom when our goals are self-centered rather than God-centered.

Wisdom and discernment is the ability to recognize truth and issues that are not always obvious. 1 Kings 3:16-28 – Solomon settled this dispute by recognizing human nature and understanding the subtle motivations that lay under the surface of the apparent problem.

Wisdom is the ability to apply knowledge to everyday life – God gave Solomon wisdom, but Solomon had to apply that wisdom in the daily administration of his life. Knowing what is wise is not the same as acting on it. Solomon remained wise throughout his life, but he did not always act upon what he knew was wise.

- 14 ¶ When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that *are* about me;
- 15 Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: *one* from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which *is* not thy brother.

- 16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.
- 17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.
- 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites:
- 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:
- 20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left: to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

- 1Ki 11:1 But king [Solomon](#) loved many strange women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, *and* Hittites;
- 1Ki 11:2 Of the nations *concerning* which the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: *for* surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: [Solomon](#) clave unto these in love.
- 1Ki 11:4 For it came to pass, when [Solomon](#) was old, *that* his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as *was* the heart of David his father.
- 1Ki 11:5 For [Solomon](#) went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.
- 1Ki 11:6 And [Solomon](#) did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as *did* David his father.
- 1Ki 11:7 Then did [Solomon](#) build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.
- 1Ki 11:9 And the LORD was angry with [Solomon](#), because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,
- 1Ki 11:11 Wherefore the LORD said unto [Solomon](#), Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.
- 1Ki 11:14 And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto [Solomon](#), Hadad the Edomite: he *was* of the king's seed in Edom.
- 1Ki 11:25 And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of [Solomon](#), beside the mischief that Hadad *did*: and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria.

Bible Reading: Proverbs 1:1-7; Psalm 119:97-112; Eccl. 8:1-8; Luke 2:33-40; James 1:2-8

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Lesson 4**

God's Word enables us to live right

The secret things belong unto the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law. Deut. 29:29

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Ps 119:105

My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother. Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck. When thou goest, it will lead thee. When thou sleepest, it will keep thee, and when thou awakest, it will talk with thee. Prov. 6:20-23

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing. The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. John 6:63

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2 Tim. 3:16,17

God's Word keeps us alert to Satan's devices and prevent his destruction in our life

Concerning the works of men by the word of thy lips they have kept me from the paths of the destroyer. Psa. 17:4

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. Eph. 6:17

Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. I Cor. 10:11

Bible Reading:

2 Chronicles 17:1-9 – God's Word must be known in order to be correctly applied.

Nehemiah 8:1-12 – Applying the Bible actually leads to freedom!

Deuteronomy 5:1-33 – Spiritual growth results from listening to and obeying God's Word

1 Corinthians 9:1-27 – Spiritual growth results from discipline and self-denial

Benefits of Reading, Knowing, and Applying God's Word Lesson 5

God's Word makes our life successful

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee; turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. Josh. 1:8

God's Word makes our life productive

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. Acts 20:32

For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater. Isa. 55:10-11

God's Word produces great peace in our life

Great peace have they which love thy law, and nothing will offend them. Ps. 119:165

God's Word will result in answered prayer

But know that the Lord hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the Lord will hear when I call unto him. Ps. 4:3

And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. I John 3:22

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7

God's Word will strengthen us and enable us to withstand the adversities of life

Therefore whosoever heareth these saying of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock; And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell not, for it was founded upon a rock. Matt. 7:24-25

Homework: Memorize one verse in this list and be prepared to explain how you were able to apply it to your life during the week and how it encouraged you.