

# How To Engage With The Bible



## Big Idea

My relationship with God is as strong as my relationship with God's Word.

To build my relationship with God I need to engage the Bible on a regular basis.



**John 1:1** "In the beginning was the Word and the word was with God and the word was God."

When I engage with God's Word I am engaging with Jesus.

How do I do that?

DAY 2

# Five ways to engage with God's Word

READ IT

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**Romans 10:17** "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God."

PRAY IT

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God's Word is God's voice, and our goal in reading God's Word is to build a relationship with God's Word.

Every time I read God's Word, I pray this to God:

- "Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law" – **Psalm 119:18**
- Download the MY PRAYER BOOK at [www.graceassembly.org/prayer](http://www.graceassembly.org/prayer)

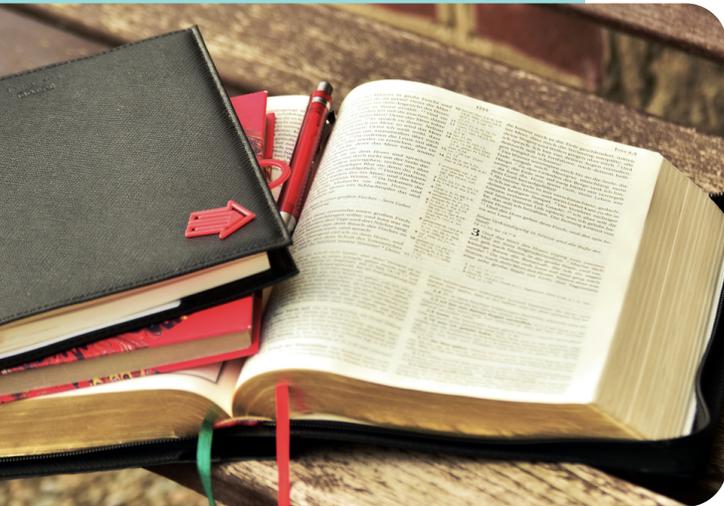
MEMORIZE IT

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One of the best ways to meditate on God's Word is to memorize it. Take a verse and write it down on a card. Perhaps write it out on a note on your phone. Maybe even read it out loud on a recording to your phone and play it again and again to yourself.

Another great way to memorize it is to take one verse and emphasize a different word each time you read it.

Memorization is one of the best ways of meditation because you have to think about it repeatedly.



## STUDY IT

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- The difference between reading the Bible and studying the Bible is **a pen or pencil**.
- **Invest** in a Study Bible.
- **Learn** about context and backgrounds.
- Later in the series, we will give you a lot of various methods to study God's Word.
- Book recommendation - [Bible Study Methods by Rick Warren](#).

## DISCUSS IT

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**Acts 2:42** "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer"

- What were they doing? They were talking about what God was saying and doing in their lives.
- This is why we like everyone to be in a **Small Group**. An opportunity to discuss what God's word means and discuss it.
  - **Ideas** – Start a Bible study at school, at work, at home, in your neighborhood.



What is your one takeaway from this session?

