

Meditate the Word

LESSON 2 – OUTLINE

- I. As I took God’s Word and meditated in it day and night, it began to change me.
 - A. God is no respecter of persons (Rom. 2:11).
 - B. If you put His Word first place in your life and meditate in it on a consistent basis, it will change you.

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 that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Joshua 1:8

- C. This verse reveals that the way you get prosperity and good success in every area of your life is to take the Word of God and meditate in it to the degree that it saturates what you think about, what you talk about, and how you act.
 - D. When God’s Word literally begins to control your life, you will prosper and have good success physically, emotionally, relationally, financially—in every area.
 - E. This is exactly what my life is based upon.
- II. Most people don’t believe they can literally meditate in the Word of God day and night.
 - A. They think that this is a totally impractical demand.
 - B. But meditation is simply focusing your attention on something to the point that it never leaves your consciousness.
 - C. You can take a passage of Scripture, read it, and then meditate on it the rest of the day and night.
 - D. You can be thinking on the Word of God and considering *How does this apply to me?* while you’re going about your daily activities.
- III. Recently I was studying King Jehoshaphat in 2 Chronicles 20.
 - A. He had been faithful to the Lord and serving Him, yet three nations came out against him.

- B. Some people read Bible stories like they didn't really happen, or they think they happened so long ago to somebody else, somewhere else that they just don't connect with the stories.
 - C. Don't just read the information; begin to think about it.
 - D. I was thinking about what a huge step of faith this was for Jehoshaphat and how God rewarded him.
 - E. It turned out great!
 - F. For days after I read that, I just meditated on those scriptures, thinking about how those truths applied to my life and some of the problems that faced me, problems that appeared like they could be the end of Andrew Wommack Ministries.
 - G. I started thinking that in the same way God did this for Jehoshaphat, He can do it for me.
 - H. This situation that looks like it could destroy me could very well turn out to be one of the best things that ever happens to me.
- IV. As you meditate in the Word, faith rises in you.
- A. Many people miss this because they read the Word, but don't meditate in it.
 - B. So, everyone may not be able to spend large quantities of time in the Word, but *everyone* can meditate in it day and night.

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LESSON 2 – DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

1. Read Romans 2:11. What does this verse mean?
 - A. Some people are God's favorites
 - B. God thinks people are not to be respected
 - C. God can't tell the difference between His people and those who are not His people
 - D. God shows favoritism to no one
 - E. God doesn't care about anyone

2. Read Joshua 1:1-8. Was God concerned that He could no longer work through Moses?

3. How would God be with Joshua?

4. What was the only thing God wanted Joshua to be?

5. What did He want Joshua to do?

6. Read 2 Chronicles 20:20-21. What was the first thing Jehoshaphat told the people to do?

7. What did Jehoshaphat do before he appointed singers?
 - A. He consulted with the people
 - B. He proclaimed a feast
 - C. He took up an offering
 - D. All of the above
 - E. None of the above

8. What did the people praise God for?

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LESSON 2 – SCRIPTURES

ROMANS 2:11

For there is no respect of persons with God.

JOSHUA 1:1-8

Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying, [2] Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel. [3] Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. [4] From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast. [5] There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. [6] Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them. [7] Only be thou strong and very courageous, 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. [8] 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 that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

2 CHRONICLES 20:20-21

And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper. [21] And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.