## BUILDING MY LIFE ON THE BIBLE James 1:19-25 (ESV)



### HOW DO I BUILD MY LIFE ON THE BIBLE?

### 1. RECEIVE IT WITH MY EARS

"So faith comes from <u>hearing</u>, and <u>hearing</u> through the <u>Word of Christ</u>" Romans 10:17 (ESV)

"Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be <u>quick to hear</u>, slow to speak, slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. 21 Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and <u>receive with meekness the implanted word</u>, which is able to save your souls."

James 1:19-21 (ESV)

## FOR "GOOD RECEPTION" I NEED TO BE ...

FOR GOOD RECEPTION THEED TO BE
• QUIET
"Be <u>quick to hear</u> (listen) and slow to speak"
•CALM
"and slow to anger"
• <u>CLEAN</u>
"put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness"
•HUMBLE
"and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls."
2. I READ IT WITH MY EYES  "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a nearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. 24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. 25 But the one who looks (intently) into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres (continues) being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing" James 1:22-25 (ESV)
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## 3. I RESEARCH IT WITH MY HANDS AND MY MOUTH

## Bible "STUDY" requires:

- writing down what I learn
- talking about what I learn

"You<u>search the Scriptures</u> because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me" John 5:39 (ESV)

"Now these Jews (the Bereans) were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, <u>examining the Scriptures daily</u> to see if these things were so." Acts 17:11 (ESV)

## 4. I REVIEW & REMEMBER IT WITH MY MIND

"But the one who <u>looks (intently) into the perfect law</u>, the law of liberty, and <u>perseveres</u> (continues) <u>being no hearer who forgets</u> but a doer who acts, <u>he will be blessed</u> in his doing." James 1:25 (ESV)

# THE BIBLE TERM FOR REMEMBERING & REVIEWING GOD'S WORD IS MEDITATION

"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall <u>meditate on it</u> day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success." Joshua 1:8 (ESV)

#### 5. I RESPOND TO IT WITH MY ACTIONS

"But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." James 1:22 (ESV)

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. 26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it."

Matthew 7:24-27 (ESV)

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