



# Seeds for the Heart

**MEDITATING ON GODS WORD**



## *Introduction:*

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." - John 1:1-5

How fortunate are we that God has moved the Apostles to share with us the inspired words of the Bible? These words possess wisdom, power, and the very presence and intention of the Lord. Scripture stands as a unique extension of God's will, imbued with the ability to transform, rejuvenate, and invigorate the hearts of those who contemplate it, yielding abundant fruit in its wake.

My personal fascination with this principle took root in Genesis 1:11, where God's pattern of creation and recreation, from the Seed to the vine, to the fruit-producing seed, stretched infinitely before me. Just as a tomato seed cannot yield a pumpkin, nor can an olive produce a grape, a sinful action cannot result in a true blessing, and a virtuous deed cannot lead to true harm. Each seed possesses its unique purpose and pattern of fruition, each having a distinct role in the grand tapestry of existence.

"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away." - Psalm 1:1-4

Repeatedly, the Bible encourages us to dwell on the Word of God, planting it deep within our hearts, diligently guarding what takes root within us. As Proverbs 4:23 wisely counsels, "Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life." What we allow to flourish in our hearts profoundly shapes the outcome of our lives, akin to the fruits we bear.

We all carry sin in our hearts, akin to weeds in our gardens. None of us is sinless or deserving of the righteousness and glory bestowed upon us by the presence of the Lord Jesus. However, through His grace and mercy, we undergo a transformation from glory to glory, as beautifully articulated in 2 Corinthians 3:16-18:

"But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit."

Sometimes, the accumulation of life's trials can make it difficult for us to receive the blessings of Scripture into our hearts. The roots of pride harden the soil, while thorns of harshness produce hurt, guilt, and shame. In Matthew 13:18-23, Jesus elucidates this concept in the Parable of the Sower.

## **The Parable of the Sower Explained**

"Hear then the parable of the sower: When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Clearly, Scripture implores us to nurture the Word, allowing it to take root deeply within our hearts, so it can bear fruit over time, producing abundant good in our lives and the world around us.

## **How This Book Functions:**

In the midst of our daily hustle and bustle, it can be challenging to carve out time for meditation on the Word. This dilemma leaves many with a difficult choice, or in some cases, no choice at all: they fulfill their daily responsibilities but find no time to bask in the blessings that come from contemplating God's Word and resting in His presence.

This book, like many others, has been designed to make this process more manageable. It serves as a tool for deep contemplation and reflection on God's Word in a flexible yet structured manner throughout your day.

The book comprises three primary components:

## **Morning Organizing and Reflection**

Begin your journey with prayer, as the Lord's presence is promised to us always. Through prayer and worship, we can truly sense and acknowledge this connection, enabling us to rest in His presence. Commune with the LORD, using your preferred method, and experience the loving conviction, wisdom, comfort, and blessings of His presence. Express gratitude for all that He is to us.

Then, engage in the morning worksheet process. Select a scripture that the Lord has revealed to you or that has been on your heart, and allow yourself to ponder and explore it. Formulate three questions to contemplate. Identify three ways to apply the scripture's message to your life. Conclude with a short prayer, asking the Lord to guide your understanding of this scripture and reveal His purposes for you throughout the day.

## **Moments of Pondering**

Throughout the day, seize every opportunity to reflect on the scripture you've chosen. Ponder its meaning and relevance to your daily experiences. How does it align with your world? What lessons is God trying to impart to you through this Word? Allow the scripture to guide your thoughts, opening your heart to prayer and divine insights. Embrace the scripture's revelations in the manner the Lord intends. Ponder and rest with it.

## **Day's End Journaling**

In the evening, dedicate a few moments to journaling the Lord's revelations from the scripture. What did you uncover through the Word? How did it speak to you? What message do you believe the Lord was conveying? Reflect upon these insights.

## **The Seventh Day**

On the seventh day, devote time to pondering and journaling about your entire week. What has the Lord been revealing to you? What have you learned? What questions have arisen, and how do you plan to seek answers? Which prayers has this experience ignited within you? Delve deeply into your week through the lens of Scripture.

The first day's scripture has already been provided to get you started. However, feel free to use or skip this first offering based on your personal needs. Nonetheless, I recommend keeping a list of any scriptures that speak to you during the week, especially those that keep resurfacing.

I recall when the Lord first touched my heart, He repeatedly placed Psalm 23 in my path. This remarkable journey eventually led me to the Cross, forging an extraordinary and deeply fulfilling relationship with Jesus and partnership with the Holy Spirit in the ongoing transformation of my life and the blessings I am privileged to bring to the world, one step at a time. While there remains a long path ahead, I rejoice in the hope of realizing the glory of our Lord's divine purposes. My prayer is that you too may experience this profound joy and blessing.

As for our prayer, please feel free to use your personal daily prayer, but if these words resonate with your heart, you are welcome to adopt them:

"Father, we are profoundly blessed by Your abiding presence and by the boundless love of Your Son, Jesus, who grants us liberation. Holy Spirit, we invite Your presence into our midst; we patiently await Your guidance and take solace in the wisdom You share with us through Your Word. Lord, we express our gratitude for Your presence in our world, our lives, and our hearts.

Lord Jesus, we find rest in Your grace, trust in the clarity of Your Spirit, and embrace the path You illuminate before us. We implore You to open the way, that we may see, hear, and truly know You in the depths of our hearts, minds, and worlds. Lord, we rejoice in the fact that You are always with us, and we welcome You with open hearts.

May You reveal Your scripture to us in a way that brings forth the fruits of the Spirit, manifesting Your glory and divine will in the world. We cherish You, Lord Jesus, and Your righteous way. Father, please guide us closer to You with each passing day. In the mighty name of Jesus, we pray. Amen."



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These Bible studies, devotionals and Journals are written for those who may feel weary, anxious, uncertain, or spiritually tired — for anyone who needs to be reminded, not through pressure or performance, but through presence , that they are deeply and personally loved by Jesus.

Everything shared through Loved by Jesus is offered freely. The reflections are contemplative and pastoral in nature, inviting readers to slow down, listen with the heart, and encounter God not as a distant idea, but as a faithful Shepherd who walks with them through every season of life.

This work has grown out of my own healing journey — learning to trust God’s care, to rest when striving no longer served me, and to allow His goodness and mercy to lead rather than fear or effort. What has been received has been offered onward, with the prayer that others might find the same peace, safety, and renewal.

If these studies or devotionals have been meaningful to you, this page offers a simple way to support the ongoing work of Loved by Jesus. Your support helps cover the practical costs involved in creating and sharing these resources — including time for writing and prayerful reflection, design and layout, artwork licensing, website hosting, and keeping everything freely accessible to those who need it.

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Thank you for being here. Whether you give, share, or simply receive, I pray that God's presence continues to meet you with grace, peace, and restoration.