

TOPICAL MEMORY SYSTEM

72 VERSES

BY THE NAVIGATORS

ENGLISH

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MEMORY HABITS TO DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN

These seven habits are vital for successful Scripture memory.

1. START EARLY

Begin your memory work early in the day.

2. CARRY YOUR COPY

Keep your copy with you; review in free moments during the day.

3. LEARN TOPICS AND REFERENCES

Always state the topic first, then the reference. Next, quote the verse and repeat the reference.

4. MAINTAIN WORD PERFECTION

Keeping your standards high will bolster your confidence.

5. REVIEW ALL VERSES DAILY

For success, review all memorized verses at least once each day, six days a week.

6. CHECK OUT NEW VERSES

Be certain you have learned all new verses correctly. At week's end, write them out for yourself or quote them to a friend.

7. OVERLEARN YOUR VERSES

At least 36 repetitions, once a day for six weeks, are necessary to give a verse sufficient overlearning to assure instant recall. After this they should be kept available for periodic review in order to keep them sharp.

A. LIVE THE NEW LIFE

CHRIST THE CENTER

A1 2 COR. 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

2 COR. 5:17

A2 GAL. 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

GAL. 2:20

OBEDIENCE TO CHRIST

A3 ROM. 12:1

I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

ROM. 12:1

A4 JOHN 14:21

He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.

JOHN 14:21

THE WORD

A5 2 TIM. 3:16

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

2 TIM. 3:16

A6 JOSHUA 1:8

This book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe 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

PRAYER

A7 JOHN 15:7

If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

JOHN 15:7

A8 PHIL. 4:6-7

Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

PHIL. 4:6-7

FELLOWSHIP

A9 MATT. 18:20

For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.

MATT. 18:20

A10 HEB. 10:24-25

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the day approaching.

HEB. 10:24-25

WITNESSING

A11 1 JOHN 1:3

that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

1 JOHN 1:3

A12 ACTS 5:41-42

So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

ACTS 5:41-42

B. PROCLAIM CHRIST

ALL HAVE SINNED

B1 ROM. 3:23

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

ROM. 3:23

B2 ISA. 59:2

But your iniquities have separated you from your God;
And your sins have hidden His face from you, So that He will not hear.

ISA. 59:2

SIN'S PENALTY

B3 ROM. 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ROM. 6:23

B4 HEB. 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once but after this the judgment.

HEB. 9:27

CHRIST PAID THE PENALTY

B5 ROM. 5:8

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

ROM. 5:8

B6 1 PETER 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit.

1 PETER 3:18

SALVATION NOT BY WORKS

B7 EPH. 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

EPH. 2:8-9

B8 TITUS 3:5

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit.

TITUS 3:5

MUST RECEIVE CHRIST

B9 JOHN 1:12

But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

JOHN 1:12

B10 ROM. 10:9-10

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

ROM. 10:9-10

ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

B11 JOHN 10:28-29

And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

JOHN 10:28-29

B12 ROM. 8:16-17

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs— heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

ROM. 8:16-17

C. RELY ON GOD'S RESOURCES

HIS SPIRIT

C1 1 COR. 3:16

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

1 COR. 3:16

C2 JOHN 14:26

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

JOHN 14:26

HIS STRENGTH

C3 ISA. 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

ISA. 41:10

C4 2 COR. 12:9

And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 COR. 12:9

HIS FAITHFULNESS

C5 LAM. 3:22-23

Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

LAM. 3:22-23

C6 NUM. 23:19

God is not a man, that He should lie, nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will he not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?

NUM. 23:19

HIS PEACE

C7 1 PETER 5:7

Casting all your care upon Him, for he cares for you.

1 PETER 5:7

C8 ISA. 26:3

You will keep him in perfect peace,
Whose mind is stayed on You,
Because he trusts in You.

ISA. 26:3

HIS PROVISION

C9 ROM. 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son,
but delivered Him up for us all, how
shall He not with Him also freely give
us all things?

ROM. 8:32

C10 PHIL. 4:19

And my God shall supply all your
need according to His riches in glory
by Christ Jesus.

PHIL. 4:19

HIS HELP IN TRIALS

C11 1 PETER 4:12-13

Beloved, do not think it strange
concerning the fiery trial which is to
try you, as though some strange
thing happened to you; but rejoice
to the extent that you partake of
Christ's sufferings, that when His
glory is revealed, you may also be
glad with exceeding joy.

1 PETER 4:12-13

C12 1 JOHN 5:4-5

For whatever is born of God
overcomes the world. And this is
the victory that has overcome the
world—our faith. Who is he who
overcomes the world, but he who
believes that Jesus is the Son of
God?

1 JOHN 5:4-5

D. BE CHRIST'S DISCIPLE

PUT CHRIST FIRST

D1 PHIL. 3:8

Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ

PHIL. 3:8

D2 MATT. 10:37-38

He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.

MATT. 10:37-38

SEPARATE FROM THE WORLD

D3 ROM. 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

ROM. 12:2

D4 1 JOHN 2:15-16

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

1 JOHN 2:15-16

BE STEADFAST

D5 1 COR. 15:58

Therefore, my beloved bretheren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

1 COR. 15:58

D6 HEB. 12:1-2

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 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 has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

HEB. 12:1-2

SERVE OTHERS

D7 2 COR. 4:5

For we do not preach our selves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake.

2 COR. 4:5

D8 MARK 10:45

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

MARK 10:45

GIVE GENEROUSLY

D9 ACTS 20:35

I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

ACTS 20:35

D10 2 COR. 8:2-3

that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality. For I bear witness that according to their ability, yes, and beyond their ability, they were freely willing,

2 COR. 8:2-3

DEVELOP WORLD VISION

D11 ACTS 1:8

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

ACTS 1:8

D12 MATT. 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.

MATT. 28:19-20

E. GROW IN CHRISTLIKENESS

LOVE

E1 1 PETER 1:22

Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1 PETER 1:22

E2 COL. 3:12-13

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

COL. 3:12-13

HUMILITY

E3 PHIL. 2:3-4

Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

PHIL. 2:3-4

E4 1 PETER 5:5-6

Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for

“God resists the proud,
But gives grace to the humble.”

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

1 PETER 5:5-6

PURITY

E5 1 PETER 2:11

Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,

1 PETER 2:11

E6 2 TIM. 2:22

Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

2 TIM. 2:22

HONESTY

E7 ACTS 24:16

This being so, I myself always strive to have a conscience without offense toward God and men.

ACTS 24:16

E8 LEV. 19:11

You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another.

LEV. 19:11

FAITH

E9 HEB. 11:6

But without faith it is impossible to please him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

HEB. 11:6

E10 ROM. 4:20-21

He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

ROM. 4:20-21

GOOD WORKS

E11 EPH. 2:10

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

EPH. 2:10

E12 GAL. 6:9-10

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

GAL. 6:9-10

F. DEVELOP CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

DISCIPLINE

F1 1 COR. 9:26-27

Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air. But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

1 COR. 9:26-27

F2 GAL. 5:24-25

And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

GAL. 5:24-25

FORGIVENESS

F3 EPH. 4:31-32

Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

EPH. 4:31-32

F4 MATT. 6:14-15

“For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

MATT. 6:14-15

PATIENCE

F5 PSALM 37:7

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him;
Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way,
Because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass.

PSALM 37:7

F6 HEB. 10:36

For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:

HEB. 10:36

THANKFULNESS

F7 COL. 2:6-7

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

COL. 2:6-7

F8 1 THESS. 5:18

In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 THESS. 5:18

HOPE

F9 TITUS 2:13

looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

TITUS 2:13

F10 ROM. 15:13

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

ROM. 15:13

SECURITY

F11 HEB. 13:6

So we may boldly say:

“The Lord is my helper;

I will not fear.

What can man do to me?”

HEB. 13:6

F12 ROM. 8:38-39

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ROM. 8:38-39