

About God's Word

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Basics		Sample Journal Entry		
L Listen: "I will teach you and instruct you in the way that you should go..." Psalm 32:8 I Inquire: "You will seek Me and find me when you seek Me with all your heart" Jeremiah 29:13 F Faith: "Discipline yourself for the purpose of Godliness." 1 Timothy 4:7 E Experience: "If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them" John 13:17		Date	Title <small>(Write a title that captures the verse)</small>	Topic <small>(Categorise the Main Idea)</small>
		S	Scripture	Write the specific passage that God lays on your heart
		O	Observation	What did you discover?
		A	Application	How will you be different because of what you read?
	P	Prayer	Share your heart with God believing in faith that He has heard you and will respond.	
STEP 1: Find the corresponding date and passage. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you and teach you.				
STEP 2: Read the passage with an open heart allowing God to bring words of encouragement, direction and correction.				
STEP 3: When God has impressed something on your heart, underline the key scripture passage and write it in your journal. You may wish to use the SOAP method.				

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