SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE



Summer 2024



Hello campers!

We hope that you are having a great start to 2024. We are doing well and we are looking forward to seeing you this summer!

Here at Camp Northward, we **LOVE** the Bible. We like reading it, singing it, listening to it, memorizing it, and sharing it with others. That's because we know there is no better way to get to know God than to know what the Bible says.

Did you know that the Bible is God's letter to you? God knows everything about you, and He wants you to know Him, too. The Bible tells us all about who God is, what He thinks about us, and how we can have a relationship with Him forever.

We want to encourage you to learn and memorize the Bible. Psalm 119:11 says, "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." We don't expect you to memorize the whole thing. That would be **HARD!** But we do want you to memorize some of it, because the more of the Bible that we can hide in our hearts (or memorize), the better relationship with God we can have.

We think this is so important that we want to help you get started today. We hope you enjoy reading this packet and starting to memorize your favorite verses. Share them with your mom, your dad, your cousins, your friendly neighbor, your favorite superhero, your...well, you get the idea.

We can't wait to see you this summer!

Nathan Derico

(Your Camp Director)

..... Summer Theme Verse

"Your Word is a **lamp** for my feet,

a light on my path."

Psalm 119:105

You, Lord, are my lamp; the Lord turns my darkness into light.



2 Samuel 22:29



The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.
The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

Light

Psalm 19:8

Ensy



Verses

Easy Cont.

Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, Lord.

Psalm 89:15

Intermediate Verses

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

1 John 1:5-7



..... Intermediate Verses Cont. ...

"Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

II Corinthians 5:20-21

My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you. Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.





In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.



There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God — children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

(John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me."") Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

John 1:1-18

Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them. He said: "Blessed are the poor in spirit,

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for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:1-16

 Checklist
Psalm 119:105 Summer Theme Verse
2 Samuel 22:29 Easy
Psalm 19:8 Easy Psalm 89:15 Easy
1 John 1:5-7 Intermediate
II Corinthians 5:20-21 Intermediate
 James 1:19-25 Intermediate
John 1:1–18 Most Difficult
Matthew 5:1–16 Most Difficult

What to Do

- Start memorizing verses now!
- Practice with friends, family and youth ministers!
- When you get to camp: find a staff member, faculty member or dean. Tell them which verse you would like to try, then share it!
- When you successfully share a memory verse, that staff, faculty or dean will check it off and initial that you did it.

The moment you've been waiting for. Here's what you can win.



Memorize **Summer Theme Verse**Memorize one **easy** verse
Memorize **all** easy verses and
summer theme verse

Camp Northward wristband Sticker of your choice

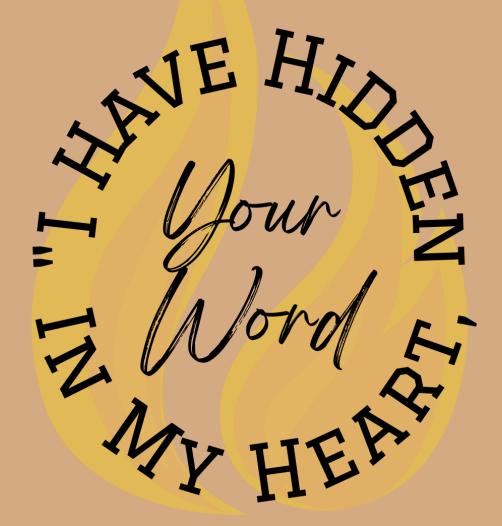
2 wristbands + sticker

Memorize **one intermediate** verse Memorize all **three intermediate** verses 1 free canteen item 2 free canteen items

Memorize **one** most difficult passage Memorize **both** most difficult passages T-shirt of your choice T-shirt + water bottle

Memorize everything?

Cream pie in the face of a staff member. **Your choice**.



that I might not sin against you"

Psalm 119:11

