

Growing Wisdom in Demanding Days

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“Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are my constant guide. Yes, I have more insight than my teachers, for I am always thinking of your laws. I am even wiser than my elders, for I have kept your commandments.”

Psalm 119:98-100 NLT

Reading God’s Word will...

- **Fortify my** _____

“And now I entrust you to God and the message of his grace that is able to build you up and give you an inheritance with all those he has set apart for himself.”

Acts 20:32 NLT

“Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment...”

1 Peter 2:2 NLT

- **Reward my** _____

“Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.”

Joshua 1:8 NLT

- **Transform my** _____

“For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.”

Hebrews 4:12 NLT

I Can Gain Wisdom from God's Word by...

- **Reading** _____

"Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives."

Colossians 3:16a NLT

- **Accepting** _____

"...when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is at work in you who believe."

1 Thessalonians 2:13 NIV

"I tell you the truth, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished."

Matthew 5:18 NIV (See Jeremiah 36)

- _____ **the Bible daily**

"Oh, the joys of those who...delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do."

Psalms 1:1-3 NLT

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- P _____

"Those who love your instructions have great peace and do not stumble."

Psalms 119:165 NLT