

Dear Mansion Builder,

My heart is rejoicing as I watched your interest, intentionality, and engagement last night. Thank you for practicing: Engage - Encounter - Exchange, the very bases of the salvation experience.

For review, we looked at imagination and meditation, and the place they hold in abiding in His word, and having His word abide in us.

Next week, we will practice this with the scriptures so you will see firsthand how to help others internalize eternity.

Imagination scriptures: *Genesis 5:5; 1 Chronicles 29:18; Isaiah 26:3*

Please read the entire chapters, or however much you need to enter into the context of what these scriptures are saying. One of the simplest ways to understand and experience scriptures is reading the context to see the content. It is like climbing to the top of the hill to overlook the valley to see where the beautiful waterfall is in reference to the entire landscape.

Meditation scriptures: *Joshua 1:8; 1 Chronicles 16:4; Psalm 45:1*

As you did with the imagination scriptures, as you read these chapters, notice the correlation between "recording" KJV "commemorating" NKJV and "remembering." *Remember* is to mark us with truth.

*Meditation* does just that and when coupled with thanksgiving and praise lifts us higher than we can hold ourselves.

Practices This Week:

- 1) Practice *seeing* and *remembering*. Begin with you-time alone. When you are established in His presence, ask the Holy Spirit to bring to your remembrance the things Jesus has spoken to you. *Record* - write down these promises. Notice how experiences link to scriptures and scriptures become promises of more.
- 2) Practice using synonyms to enlarge imagery of scripture you are meditating on. As you identify where the Holy Spirit is leading you now seek to expound, express and enlarge what you are hearing and seeing. Let your tongue become the pen of a ready writer, and a responsive artist, as you recite your composition concerning the king painting your picture of His glory.
- 3) Practice using adjectives to describe what you are seeing. This practice, of describing God and ascribing to God, will increase penetration of the truth assuring the seed is implanted. *James 1:21*
- 4) Practice discovering the full meaning of words, using your concordance and dictionary to help you. Here you are building depth in sound.
- 5) Finally list/compile your promises and experience God again in them. Where is the Holy Spirit brooding? This is the place to rest upon, to pause and ponder with our imagination and meditation. I am often surprised at where He leads me in meditation, but always richly rewarded when I do turn aside to see.

Enjoy,

Steve