LESSON THIRTEEN

**The Committed Mind**

**Key Verse**

**Psalm 119:11 -** I have ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+119%3A11&version=NASB#cen-NASB-15910A))treasured Your word in my heart, So that I may not sin against You.

**Lesson Summary**

Who doesn't want to be successful? If each person had the choice to live a meaningless life or a life overflowing with success, I guarantee that each one would choose to succeed hands down! Success is coveted, worked for, sought after, and for most, a distant dream. However, success comes from the one source that we have been studying-it's obtainable! According to Joshua 1:8, it comes as a result of "meditating" on God's Word, and we can't meditate on something that we haven't put in our hearts! This lesson concludes this study on the mind by showing the importance of Scripture memory and by giving practical steps on how every person can fruitfully memorize Scripture with a committed mind.

**Lesson Aim**

To encourage students to implement Scripture memory into their lives.

**Lesson Goals**

At the conclusion of this lesson, students should:

1. Understand that knowing God's Word will help them when faced with Satan's temptations.
2. Thoroughly engage in the six steps of Scripture memory-putting them into practice right away.
3. Choose a definite time and place for Scripture memory.
4. Decide on a topic and write out 3x5 cards containing correlating verses and their references.
5. Grasp the wonderful reality that hiding God's Word in their hearts pleases God.

**Teaching Outline**

1. The Important Start
   1. Specify a point in time.
   2. Specify a place to try.
2. The Inclusive Systematizing
   1. Consider the Teacher.
   2. Choose a topic.
3. The Intent of Sound
   1. The reason to be audible
   2. The reward to the applicable
4. The Interesting Shift
   1. The body's rhythm
   2. The body's routine
5. The Intense Study
   1. The will to review
   2. The work to review
6. The Intent Set
   1. The goal of a moment
   2. The gratitude of memorizing

**Deuteronomy 6:6 - 6**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=DEUTERONOMY+6%3A6%2C+&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5093A))These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.

**Deuteronomy 11:8** - **8**“You shall therefore keep every commandment which I am commanding you today, ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=DEUTERONOMY+11%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5217A))so that you may be strong and go in and take possession of the land into which you are about to cross to possess it;

**Psalm - 119:11 -** I have ([P](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm119&version=NASB#cen-NASB-15910P))treasured Your word in my heart, So that I may not sin against You.

**Romans 10:8 – 8**But what does it say? “([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+10%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28185A))The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching,

**Colossians 3:16 - 16**Let ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521A))the word of [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521a)]Christ richly dwell within you, [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521b)]with all wisdom ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521B))teaching and admonishing [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521c)]one another ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521C))with psalms, hymns, *and* spiritual songs, ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521D))singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

**1 Corinthians 15:10 - 10**But by ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+15%3A10&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28716A))the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+15%3A10&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28716B))labored even more than all of them, yet ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Corinthians+15%3A10&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28716C))not I, but the grace of God with me.

**1Corinthians 4:7 -** *"***7**For who considers you as superior? ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1Corinthians+4%3A7&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28428A))What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?*"*

**Deuteronomy 6:6 -** *"* **6**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+6%3A6&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5093A))These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.

**Deuteronomy 11:18 -** *"* **18**“([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+11%3A18&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5227A))You shall therefore take these words of mine to [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+11%3A18&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5227a)]heart and to soul; and you shall tie them as a sign on your [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+11%3A18&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5227b)]hand, and they shall be as [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+11%3A18&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5227c)]frontlets [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+11%3A18&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5227d)]on your forehead.

**Psalm 119:11 -** *"* I have ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+119%3A11&version=NASB#cen-NASB-15910A))treasured Your word in my heart, So that I may not sin against You.

**Romans 10:8 -** *"* **8**But what does it say? “([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Romans+10%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-28185A))The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching

**Colossians 3:16 -** *"* **16**Let ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521A))the word of [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521a)]Christ richly dwell within you, [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521b)]with all wisdom ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521B))teaching and admonishing [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29521c)]one another ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521C))with psalms, hymns, *and* spiritual songs, ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians+3%3A16&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29521D))singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

**Joshua 1:8 -** *"* **8**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5860A))This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5860a)]be careful to do according to all that is written in it; ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5860B))for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5860b)]achieve success.

**Mark 1:35 -** *"* **35**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+1%3A35&version=NASB#cen-NASB-24248A))And in the early morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left *the house*, and went away to a secluded place, and ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+1%3A35&version=NASB#cen-NASB-24248B))prayed there *for a time*.*"*

**Matthew 14:23 -** *"* **23**After He had sent the crowds away, ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+14%3A23&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23621A))He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray; and when it was evening, He was there alone."

**Acts 18:28 -** *"* **28**for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, demonstrating ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+18%3A28&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27576A))by the Scriptures that ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+18%3A28&version=NASB#cen-NASB-27576B))Jesus was the [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+18%3A28&version=NASB#fen-NASB-27576a)]Christ.*"*

**Deuteronomy 8:3** – **3**And He humbled you and let you go hungry, and fed you with the manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, in order to make you [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+8%3A3&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5141a)]understand that ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+8%3A3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5141A))man shall not live on bread alone, but man shall live on everything that comes out of the mouth of the Lord.

**Matthew 4:4 -** ". . *.* **4**But He answered and said, “It is written: ‘([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+4%3A4&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23214A))Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes out of the mouth of God.’”

**Deuteronomy 6:9 - 9**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+6%3A9&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5096A))You shall also write them on the [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+6%3A9&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5096a)]doorposts of your house and on your gates.

**Deuteronomy 17:18 - 18**“Now it shall come about, when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write for himself a copy of this Law on a scroll [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+17%3A18&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5383a)]([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+17%3A18&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5383A))in the presence of the Levitical priests.

**Deuteronomy 27:3 – 3**and write on them all the words of this Law, when you cross over, so that you may enter the land which the Lord your God is giving you, ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+27%3A3&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5589A))a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the Lord, the God of your fathers, [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+27%3A3&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5589a)]promised you.

**Deuteronomy 27:8 - 8**You shall write on the [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Deuteronomy+27%3A8&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5594a)]stones all the words of this Law very clearly.”

**2 Timothy 2:15 -** *"***15**Be diligent to ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Timothy+2%3A15&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29830A))present yourself approved to God as a worker who [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Timothy+2%3A15&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29830a)]does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2+Timothy+2%3A15&version=NASB#cen-NASB-29830B))the word of truth."

**Psalm 9:17** – The wicked will [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalms+9%3A17&version=NASB#fen-NASB-14039a)]([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalms+9%3A17&version=NASB#cen-NASB-14039A))return to [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalms+9%3A17&version=NASB#fen-NASB-14039b)]Sheol, All the nations who ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalms+9%3A17&version=NASB#cen-NASB-14039B))forget God..

**Matthew 3:12** – His ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+3%3A12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23205A))winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+3%3A12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23205B))gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the ([C](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+3%3A12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23205C))chaff with ([D](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+3%3A12&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23205D))unquenchable fire.”

**Luke 11:28 -** **28**But He said, “On the contrary, blessed are ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+11%3A28&version=NASB#cen-NASB-25427A))those who hear the word of God and follow it.”*"* (). *"*

**Matthew 7:24 - 4**“Therefore, ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+7%3A24&version=NASB#cen-NASB-23341A))everyone who hears these words of Mine, and [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+7%3A24&version=NASB#fen-NASB-23341a)]acts on them, will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*"*

**Revelation 3:22 -** *"* **22**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation+3%3A22&version=NASB#cen-NASB-30757A))The one who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

**Proverbs 3:14-15 -** *"* For [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+3%3A14-15&version=NASB#fen-NASB-16470a)]her ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+3%3A14-15&version=NASB#cen-NASB-16470A))profit is better than the profit of silver, And her produce better than gold. **15**She is ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+3%3A14-15&version=NASB#cen-NASB-16471B))more precious than [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Proverbs+3%3A14-15&version=NASB#fen-NASB-16471b)]jewels, And nothing you desire compares with her.*"*

**Haggai 2:19 - 19**Is the seed still in the barn? Even including the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree, it has not produced *fruit. Yet* from this day *on* I will ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Haggai+2%3A19A&version=NASB#cen-NASB-22875A))bless *you*.’”

**Luke 8:11 -**  Jesus declared, *"* is the parable: ([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke+8%3A11&version=NASB#cen-NASB-25250A))the seed is the word of God.*."*

**Study Questions**

1. In what verse of the Bible is the word *success* found?

2. The first step to memorizing Scripture is to choose a specific time and a quiet place. This week, write out when and where you can plan to memorize Scripture.

3. The purpose of memorization is to be able to recall Scripture when you need it and for the purpose you need it. Decide today what topic of verses you would like to begin memorizing; list the topic and three verses to correlate with it (i.e., Topic: Prayer. Verses: Psalm 55:17, Mark 1:35, and Hebrews 4:16). Take one step further and write these verses out on 3x5 cards.

4. What did Jesus use in response to Satan's temptation? Refer to Matthew 4:4 and Deuteronomy 8:3.

5. Explain in your own words what the following verses have in common: Luke 11:28, Matthew 7:24, and Revelation 3:22

6. Scripture memory takes both time and work. After hearing these words, many cringe and shy away from starting the process of memorization. If your life is busy already, consider giving up something on your schedule to set aside time to memorize God's Word. What is an area in your life that you can replace with time in God's Word?

7. Read Colossians 3:16. What does God want to richly dwell in us?

8. After learning the importance and practicality of Scripture memory, write out three reasons God would want you to memorize Scripture.

**Memory Verse**

**8**([A](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5860A))This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5860a)]be careful to do according to all that is written in it; ([B](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#cen-NASB-5860B))for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Joshua+1%3A8&version=NASB#fen-NASB-5860b)]achieve success.*"*

*(Joshua* 1:8)