

3 STEPS TO CHOOSING BACK-POCKET SCRIPTURE

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Back-pocket scripture is what the name suggests – scripture to keep in our back pocket. Life gets busy, peaceful, hectic, joyful, tumultuous, fun, demanding, boring, frustrating, satisfying, and many more adjectives that would not leave room for my point to be made if I listed them all. Because of so many twists and turns through life, it is easy to disregard something as simple as Scripture. I have heard many people say, “I really want to read the Bible more, but I feel like I never have time.” Having a quick reference in your back pocket is great way to refocus as we navigate life. Listed below are three steps to choosing your back-pocket Scripture.

1. **Ask yourself, “What am I faced with right now?”** It may be procrastination, gratitude, learning to think positive thoughts, forgiving someone, money management, or having more joy. Remember to make it personal. This Scripture – and the purpose of it – is between you and God. In what area could you use more daily encouragement?
2. **Research Scripture on that topic.** The good news about technology is that we do not have to spend time thumbing through Bible pages to find what we are looking for. Your favorite search engine will pull up many scripture references for you. The shorter the verse, the easier it will be for you to remember it. Many believers can give you reference points as well. When someone asks me about biblical scripture for money management, I love to point to Ecclesiastes 11:1 – “Give portions to seven, yes to eight. For you do not know what disasters may come upon the land.” This is my personal favorite on saving for emergencies. For me and my household, saving for emergencies is the first step in getting your financial wellbeing on track. While I cannot stop emergencies from happening, we can do our part in preparing for them, and this scripture does a great job reminding us of that. If you feel like you are having problems finding helpful Scripture, you have lots of people who more than happy to help. Reach out to a pastor, a Bible teacher, a Christian counsellor, a local neighbor, or a friend. Do not neglect your followers or those you follow on social media. There are lots of people fired up for God who proclaim the Gospel daily on social media. You can shoot them a Direct Message. If you exhaust all your options, do not hesitate to reach out at info@ministermicah.org for help.
3. **Choose a place for your back-pocket Scripture.** You can keep your scripture in your actual back pocket, the odometer of your car, on your bathroom mirror, under your pillow, etc. You have lots of options and do not have to settle for one spot. You may want to put a sticky note both under your pillow and on the bathroom mirror.

Growing in our walk with God can be more convenient than we think. We can deal with the busyness of life while getting a quick three seconds to refocus on God. Back-scripture is a great way to do that. I pray growth over whatever you are dealing with and that God may involve more of Himself in everything that you do and every decision that you make. I pray grace over your life, peace over your spirit, and God’s wisdom over your mind.