

MEDITATING ON SCRIPTURE

When reading any Bible passage, ask yourself these nine questions. Each question contains an action step to apply the Word of God to your daily life.

- 1. Is there a SIN to confess?** If God's Word makes you aware of a wrong that needs righted, then take action.
- 2. Is there a PROMISE to claim?** There are 7,000 promises in God's Word. Ask yourself if the passage you have read contains a promise to personally claim.
- 3. Is there an ATTITUDE to change?** If you have complaint, worry, guilt, fear, bitterness, pride, apathy, etc., in your life, adjust your attitude.
- 4. Is there a COMMAND to obey?** Find specific ways to quickly and correctly apply what God has said, no matter how you feel.
- 5. Is there an EXAMPLE to follow?** Take note if there is a positive example to follow.
- 6. Is there a PRAYER to pray?** Learn to pray the scripture you have read back to God.
- 7. Is there an ERROR to avoid?** It is wise to learn from the painful experiences of others, so determine what you can learn from the biblical characters within the passage.
- 8. Is there a TRUTH to believe?** It builds faith to simply confess a truth the Bible passage is teaching, such as, "God is love," "Christ is coming," "all scripture is inspired," etc.
- 9. Is there a REASON to practice gratitude?** You can always find a blessing for which to be thankful: protection, provision, peace.