

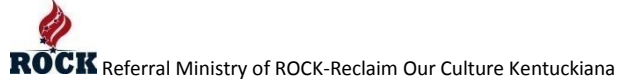
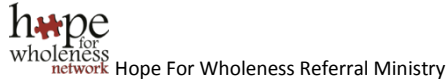


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**THIS MONTH'S MEDITATION SCRIPTURE: *For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Hebrews 4:12***

### [The Power of the Word of God](#)

I hate to read. I'm a good reader, but I don't like doing it. It's all I can do to be in the Bible every day. Having the goal of reading God's Word daily is now a no-brainer for me, but it didn't used to be that way. For most of my 47 born-again years, I was not a fan of daily Scripture reading, even though I had heard and agreed with the importance of doing so. I figured, with my dislike for reading, if immersing myself in the Scriptures was ever going to be a life-giving venture for me, I needed to start praying for the Lord to put a love in my heart for His Word. For years, I made the request to Him to give me that love. I didn't just wait around for it to happen; I struggled daily, realizing that if I didn't build in time for Bible reading into my daily routine, it wasn't going to happen. After a few years, I realized I did and still do love being in the Word, and I discovered just how life-giving that time is.

I have come to believe that, as Christians, if we're going to fulfill God's individual design for our lives in establishing His kingdom here on earth, we must be knowledgeable and understanding of the Scriptures, which certainly won't happen if we're not reading them.

Sometime during the last few years, there has come along the idea in some Christian circles that the Scriptures are not all that important, that they are not God's Word but man's, and that some are saying it is idolatry to believe in the inerrancy of the Scriptures. This notion clearly seems to be in conflict with Jesus' statement in John 4:4, a repetition of Deuteronomy 8:3, "...It is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God." I would expect to hear this reasoning by non-believers, but not from self-proclaimed Christians. Father's words to us must be our standard.

The power of the Word of God does many things in, and to, us as believers. Praying the Scriptures is a powerful way to entreat our Father, as we bring back to Him His very words. They impact our beings towards being single-heartedly and purely focused on life in God. The Word ushers us towards reconciliation with God and towards one another. The Word of God cleanses us. The Word has the power to perform God's work in us by the Holy Spirit. It is life to His sons and daughters. The Scriptures are a shield when we take refuge in Him. Taking in the

Word builds faith in us. The Word is a weapon in times of temptation and spiritual warfare. It brings healing and deliverance in our lives. It provides illumination and direction as we follow along God's prescribed path for us, it establishes our footsteps, and provides joy and delight in our hearts. We can find strength to be obedient to Him in His word. When we receive the Word of God into our hearts, it brings wisdom, understanding, discernment and knowledge. His Word will not return to Him, but will cause every knee to bow and every tongue to swear allegiance.

Additionally, the Word of God is powerful even apart from its work in our lives. Jesus is the Word from the beginning; the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Jesus is the Word made flesh, full of grace and truth. His name is called The Word of God. The Word of God is eternal, standing forever. By the Word of God the heavens were created, and the earth was formed out of water and by water. The Word of God carries all authority, and performs His desires without fail. The Word of God is settled in heaven and is our ultimate authority on earth.

One of the joys I have associated with reading the Bible is posting a Scripture passage on my FaceBook page. I try to do that daily as well, selecting verses that have an impact on me in my daily time with the Lord. If others are like I was, they're probably not getting such a regular exposure to the Word. These posts are something I have seen Father use in peoples' lives over the years, and the daily presentation has become special to me. I hope the Word of God is special to you, too.

### [Responses From You](#)

From a longtime brother in the Lord: Thanks for the *timely* Scripture, Daniel.

From a brother here in Louisville: Thanks for putting me on your email list.

**If you have been impacted by one of the newsletter articles, email back your thoughts-positive or negative. I'll publish your comments next month, but will do it anonymously.**

### [Upcoming Ministry Meetings](#)

Family & Friends Group: Tuesday, February 28, 2017; Tuesday, March 14, 2017; Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Overcomers Group: Thursday, March 9, 2017: Thursday, March 23, 2017

### [Upcoming Monthly Prayer Initiatives in Louisville](#)

Wednesday, March 1, 2017 Louisville Prayer Breakfast, 7:00-8:30am at the Ramada Inn, Zorn Avenue at I-71 in Louisville, \$6.00 for breakfast, Everyone invited to attend. March speaker is Joe Donaldson of The Potter's Wheel.

Friday, March 3, 2017 1 Voice Prayer Movement, 6:00-7:00pm at New Covenant Baptist Church 1190 S 40<sup>th</sup> Street, Louisville

### [Upcoming Speaking Engagements](#)

Sunday, February 26, 2017 Christ Center Ministries Church, 1821 W Muhammad Ali Blvd, Louisville. Service begins 9:00am

Sunday, March 12, 2017 Southeast Christian Church Week End Group, 920 Blankenbaker Pkwy, Louisville, KY 10:45-11:45am Room #ED 311

Wednesday Evenings 4/12/17, 4/19/17, 4/26/17, 5/3/17 New Life Church, Goose Creek Rd., Louisville, KY Further details to follow.

### [Ongoing Prayer Requests](#)

As always, we covet your prayers for our ministry to grow, financial support to increase, to move forward proclaiming freedom to the captives, and that churches would open their doors to Abba's Delight. We are beginning to see some answered prayer around being invited into churches. Please pray for our ministry participants, our Family & Friends Support Group, our meetings, our conferences, events at which we sponsor and exhibit, our Board of Directors, and most importantly that many lives will be touched by the Holy Spirit to draw closer to Jesus, seeking freedom from their bondage. Please pray that church leaders and congregations will awaken to the necessity of being prepared Biblically with wisdom and God's love to face head-on the growing numbers of those in our congregations who are being impacted, either directly, or indirectly through a loved one, by homosexuality and the ever-increasing acceptance of gay and transgender life in our culture. Thank you.

If you do not wish to receive the Abba's Delight Ministry Newsletter any longer, please let me know. If you do wish to continue to receive it, please be certain to put our email address in your address book, so that this mailing does not go to your spam, and report to your carrier. Thank you.

***Now unto Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25***