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- Combine your Bible study with **Prayer**.
- Plan for at least **Fifteen Minutes** daily.

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(Psalm 119:18)*

PURPOSEFUL OBJECTIVES:

When we have clear purposes for meeting God in His Word, the greatest benefit is realized. Plan to accept by faith what you discover and obey it by implementing it into your life immediately.

- Increased **Love** and **Knowledge of God** -
2 Peter 3:18, John 20:31, Phil. 3:7-8
- **Guidance** -
Psalm 119:105, Proverbs 3:5-6
- **Spiritual Growth** -
1 Peter 2:2, 2 Peter 1:3-4
- **Service and Ministry** -
2 Timothy 3:16-17

PERSONAL APPROACH:

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Psalm 42:1; Luke 24:27, 32

As you meet Him in His Word, ask Him:

- What does this mean for today?
- Show me what I should or should not do.
- What life principles are revealed here?
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PLANNED STUDY:

The New Testament is God's contract - His agreement with all who come to Him through Christ. As such, every believer needs to be familiar with all of it. Your time in His Word will be enhanced by faithfully using a simple reading plan.

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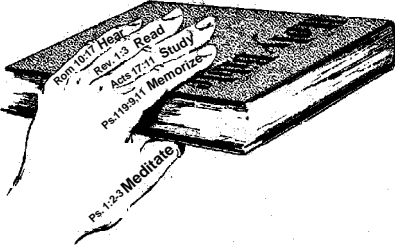
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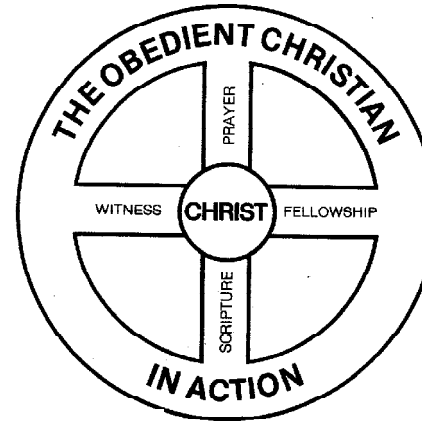
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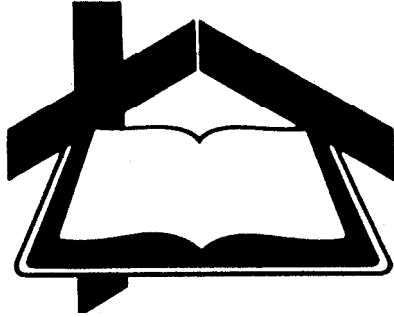


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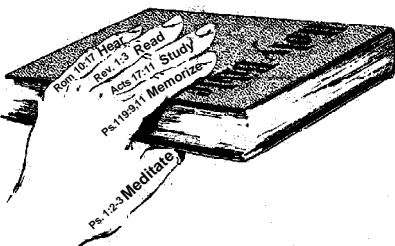
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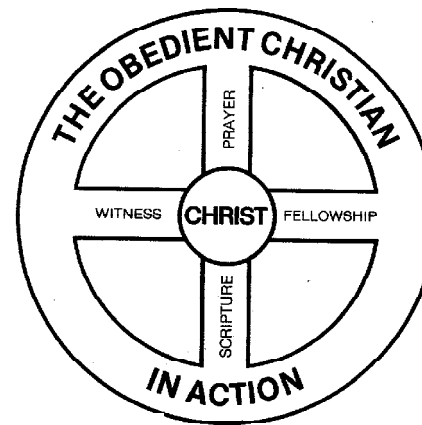
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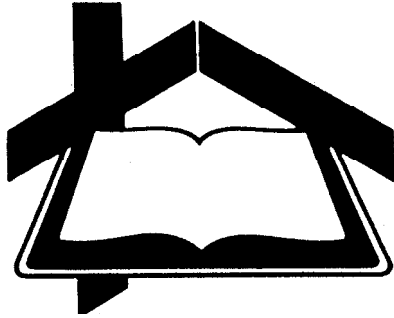


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