

# SCRIPTURES FOR MEDITATION

*Numbers 14:35 HCSB* - <sup>35</sup>I, the LORD, have spoken. I swear that I will do this to the entire evil community that has conspired against Me. They will come to an end in the wilderness, and there they will die.”

*Deuteronomy 4:7 HCSB* - <sup>7</sup>For what great nation is there that has a god near to it as the LORD our God is to us whenever we call to Him?

*Deuteronomy 4:29 HCSB* - <sup>29</sup>But from there, you will search for the LORD your God, and you will find [Him] when you seek Him with all your heart and all your soul.

*Deuteronomy 6:4-5 HCSB* - <sup>4</sup>“Listen, Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is One. <sup>5</sup>Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

*Deuteronomy 11:26 HCSB* - <sup>26</sup>“Look, today I set before you a blessing and a curse:

*Deuteronomy 30:19-20 HCSB* - <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth as witnesses against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup>love the LORD your God, obey Him, and remain faithful to Him. For He is your life, and He will prolong your life in the land the LORD swore to give to your fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.”

*2 Chronicles 16:9 HCSB* - <sup>9</sup>For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to show Himself strong for those whose hearts are completely His. You have been foolish in this matter, for from now on, you will have wars.”

*Psalms 5:3 HCSB* - <sup>3</sup>At daybreak, LORD, You hear my voice; at daybreak I plead my case to You and watch expectantly.

*Psalms 25:4-5 HCSB* - <sup>4</sup>Make Your ways known to me, LORD; teach me Your paths. <sup>5</sup>Guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; I wait for You all day long.

*Psalms 33:11 HCSB* - <sup>11</sup>The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart from generation to generation.

*Psalms 37:4-5 HCSB* - <sup>4</sup>Take delight in the LORD, and He will give you your heart’s desires. <sup>5</sup>Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him, and He will act,

*Psalms 37:7 HCSB* - <sup>7</sup>Be silent before the LORD and wait expectantly for Him; do not be agitated by one who prospers in his way, by the man who carries out evil plans.

*Psalms 40:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>I delight to do Your will, my God; Your instruction resides within me.”

*Psalms 42:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>As a deer longs for streams of water, so I long for You, God.

*Psalms 63:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>God, You are my God; I eagerly seek You. I thirst for You; my body faints for You in a land that is dry, desolate, and without water.

*Psalms 86:11 HCSB* - <sup>11</sup>Teach me Your way, LORD, and I will live by Your truth. Give me an undivided mind to fear Your name.

*Psalms 126:5-6 HCSB* - <sup>5</sup>Those who sow in tears will reap with shouts of joy. <sup>6</sup>Though one goes along weeping, carrying the bag of seed, he will surely come back with shouts of joy, carrying his sheaves.

*Psalms 127:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>Unless the LORD builds a house, its builders labor over it in vain; unless the LORD watches over a city, the watchman stays alert in vain.

*Proverbs 3:5-6 HCSB* - <sup>5</sup>Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding; <sup>6</sup>think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

*Isaiah 1:18-20 HCSB* - <sup>18</sup>“Come, let us discuss this,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are as red as crimson, they will be like wool. <sup>19</sup>If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the good things of the land. <sup>20</sup>But if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword.” For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

*Isaiah 14:24 HCSB* - <sup>24</sup>The LORD of Hosts has sworn: As I have planned, so it will be; as I have purposed it, so it will happen.

*Isaiah 26:12 HCSB* - <sup>12</sup>LORD, You will establish peace for us, for You have also done all our work for us.

*Isaiah 30:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>Woe to the rebellious children! This is the LORD’s declaration. They carry out a plan, but not Mine, They make an alliance, but against My will, piling sin on top of sin.

*Isaiah 31:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help and who depend on horses! They trust in the number of chariots and in the great strength of charioteers. They do not look to the Holy One of Israel and they do not seek the LORD’s help.

*Isaiah 40:31 HCSB* - <sup>31</sup>but those who trust in the LORD will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint.

*Isaiah 41:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with My righteous right hand.

*Isaiah 46:11 HCSB* - <sup>11</sup>I call a bird of prey from the east, a man for My purpose from a far country. Yes, I have spoken; so I will also bring it about. I have planned it; I will also do it.

*Isaiah 48:17 HCSB* - <sup>17</sup>This is what the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel says: I am the LORD your God, who teaches you for your benefit, who leads you in the way you should go.

*Isaiah 55:8-9 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>“For My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not My ways.” This is the LORD’s declaration. <sup>9</sup>“For as heaven is higher than earth, so My ways are higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts.

*Isaiah 64:4 HCSB* - <sup>4</sup>From ancient times no one has heard, no one has listened, no eye has seen any God except You, who acts on behalf of the one who waits for Him.

*Jeremiah 17:5-7 HCSB* - <sup>5</sup>This is what the LORD says: Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind, who makes human flesh his strength and turns his heart from the LORD. <sup>6</sup>He will be like a juniper in the Arabah; he cannot see when good comes but dwells in the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land where no one lives. <sup>7</sup>Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence indeed is the LORD.

*Jeremiah 31:3 HCSB* - <sup>3</sup>the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, I have continued to extend faithful love to you.

*Jeremiah 33:3 HCSB* - <sup>3</sup>Call to Me and I will answer you and tell you great and wondrous things you do not know.

*Daniel 3:17 HCSB* - <sup>17</sup>If the God we serve exists, then He can rescue us from the furnace of blazing fire, and He can rescue us from the power of you, the king.

*Amos 3:7 HCSB* - <sup>7</sup>Indeed, the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing His counsel to His servants the prophets.

*Zechariah 4:6 HCSB* - <sup>6</sup>So he answered me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: 'Not by strength or by might, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of Hosts.

*Matthew 6:31-33 HCSB* - <sup>31</sup>So don't worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For the idolaters eagerly seek all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup>But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you.

*Matthew 7:21-23 HCSB* - <sup>21</sup>"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord!' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of My Father in heaven. <sup>22</sup>On that day many will say to Me, 'Lord, Lord, didn't we prophesy in Your name, drive out demons in Your name, and do many miracles in Your name?' <sup>23</sup>Then I will announce to them, 'I never knew you! Depart from Me, you lawbreakers!'

*Matthew 10:24-25 HCSB* - <sup>24</sup>A disciple is not above his teacher, or a slave above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for a disciple to become like his teacher and

a slave like his master. If they called the head of the house 'Beelzebul,' how much more the members of his household!

*Matthew 10:39 HCSB* - <sup>39</sup>Anyone finding his life will lose it, and anyone losing his life because of Me will find it.

*Matthew 25:21 HCSB* - <sup>21</sup>"His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave! You were faithful over a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Share your master's joy!'

*Mark 9:23 HCSB* - <sup>23</sup>Then Jesus said to him, " 'If You can?' Everything is possible to the one who believes."

*Luke 6:46 HCSB* - <sup>46</sup>"Why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and don't do the things I say?"

*Luke 9:23-24 HCSB* - <sup>23</sup>Then He said to them all, "If anyone wants to come with Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me. <sup>24</sup>For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me will save it.

*Luke 10:22 HCSB* - <sup>22</sup>All things have been entrusted to Me by My Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and anyone to whom the Son desires to reveal Him."

*Luke 11:28 HCSB* - <sup>28</sup>He said, "Even more, those who hear the word of God and keep it are blessed!"

*John 3:16 HCSB* - <sup>16</sup>"For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

*John 5:17, 19-20 HCSB* - <sup>17</sup>But Jesus responded to them, "My Father is still working, and I am working also." <sup>19</sup>Then Jesus replied, "I assure you: The Son is not able to do anything on His own, but only what He sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, the Son also does these things in the same way. <sup>20</sup>For the Father loves the Son and shows Him everything He is doing, and He will show Him greater works than these so that you will be amazed.

*John 6:44 HCSB* - <sup>44</sup>No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me

draws him, and I will raise him up on the last day.

*John 6:63 HCSB* - <sup>63</sup>The Spirit is the One who gives life. The flesh doesn't help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

*John 6:65 HCSB* - <sup>65</sup>He said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to Me unless it is granted to him by the Father."

*John 7:17 HCSB* - <sup>17</sup>If anyone wants to do His will, he will understand whether the teaching is from God or if I am speaking on My own.

*John 8:31-32 HCSB* - <sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, you really are My disciples. <sup>32</sup>You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

*John 8:36 HCSB* - <sup>36</sup>Therefore if the Son sets you free, you really will be free.

*John 10:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>A thief comes only to steal and to kill and to destroy. I have come that they may have life and have it in abundance.

*John 12:26 HCSB* - <sup>26</sup>If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me. Where I am, there My servant also will be. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.

*John 14:6 HCSB* - <sup>6</sup>Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

*John 14:26 HCSB* - <sup>26</sup>But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit—the Father will send Him in My name—will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you.

*John 15:5 HCSB* - <sup>5</sup>"I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me.

*John 15:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>If you keep My commands you will remain in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commands and remain in His love.

*John 15:16 HCSB* - <sup>16</sup>You did not choose Me, but I chose you. I appointed you that you should go out and produce fruit and that your fruit should remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He will give you.

*John 16:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>When He comes, He will convict the world about sin, righteousness, and judgment:

*John 16:13 HCSB* - <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth. For He will not speak on His own, but He will speak whatever He hears. He will also declare to you what is to come.

*John 17:3 HCSB* - <sup>3</sup>This is eternal life: that they may know You, the only true God, and the One You have sent— Jesus Christ.

*Acts 1:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

*Romans 8:26-27 HCSB* - <sup>26</sup>In the same way the Spirit also joins to help in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with unspoken groanings. <sup>27</sup>And He who searches the hearts knows the Spirit’s mind-set, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

*Romans 8:28 HCSB* - <sup>28</sup>We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God: those who are called according to His purpose.

*Romans 8:35, 37 HCSB* - <sup>35</sup>Who can separate us from the love of Christ? Can affliction or anguish or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than victorious through Him who loved us.

*1 Corinthians 2:9 HCSB* - <sup>9</sup>But as it is written: What no eye has seen and no ear has heard, and what has never come into a man’s heart, is what God has prepared for those who love Him.

*1 Corinthians 4:2 HCSB* - <sup>2</sup>In this regard, it is expected of managers that each one be found faithful.

*1 Corinthians 15:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>But by God’s grace I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not ineffective. However, I worked more than any of them, yet not I, but God’s grace that was with me.

*2 Corinthians 5:19 HCSB* - <sup>19</sup>that is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has

committed the message of reconciliation to us.

*Galatians 2:20 HCSB* - <sup>20</sup>and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

*Galatians 5:6 HCSB* - <sup>6</sup>For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision accomplishes anything; what matters is faith working through love.

*Ephesians 3:20-21 HCSB* - <sup>20</sup>Now to Him who is able to do above and beyond all that we ask or think— according to the power that works in you— <sup>21</sup>to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

*Philippians 3:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>More than that, I also consider everything to be a loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. Because of Him I have suffered the loss of all things and consider them filth, so that I may gain Christ

*Philippians 3:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>My goal is to know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

*Philippians 4:13 HCSB* - <sup>13</sup>I am able to do all things through Him who strengthens me.

*Philippians 4:19 HCSB* - <sup>19</sup>And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

*Colossians 2:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elemental forces of the world, and not based on Christ.

*Colossians 2:9-10 HCSB* - <sup>9</sup>For in Him the entire fullness of God’s nature dwells bodily, <sup>10</sup>and you have been filled by Him, who is the head over every ruler and authority.

*Colossians 3:4 HCSB* - <sup>4</sup>When the Messiah, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

*Philemon 6 HCSB* - <sup>6</sup>I pray that your participation in the faith may become

effective through knowing every good thing that is in us for the glory of Christ.

*Hebrews 1:1-2 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>Long ago God spoke to the fathers by the prophets at different times and in different ways. <sup>2</sup>In these last days, He has spoken to us by [His] Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things and through whom He made the universe.

*Hebrews 11:1 HCSB* - <sup>1</sup>Now faith is the reality of what is hoped for, the proof of what is not seen.

*Hebrews 13:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

*James 1:3-4 HCSB* - <sup>3</sup>knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. <sup>4</sup>But endurance must do its complete work, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing.

*James 1:5 HCSB* - <sup>5</sup>Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives to all generously and without criticizing, and it will be given to him.

*James 2:26 HCSB* - <sup>26</sup>For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.

*James 4:8 HCSB* - <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, sinners, and purify your hearts, double-minded people!

*1 Peter 4:10 HCSB* - <sup>10</sup>Based on the gift they have received, everyone should use it to serve others, as good managers of the varied grace of God.

*1 John 3:16 HCSB* - <sup>16</sup>This is how we have come to know love: He laid down His life for us. We should also lay down our lives for our brothers.

*1 John 4:9-10 HCSB* - <sup>9</sup>God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent His One and Only Son into the world so that we might live through Him. <sup>10</sup>Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.