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Worthless Things

Would you like me to help you turn your eyes away from worthless things? Would you like to make sure that you do not spend your life on what is of no value? Would you like to be able to think and speak and act according to my purposes and plans for you? Would you like to completely leave behind your old life and the shameful ways in which you once lived? Would you like to move forward with me? Would you like to live a life that is good and right and true and pleasing to me?

Yes, I would like all these things to be true of my life. This is how I want to use my life. This is how I will spend my life. I do not want to one day find out that I pursued what was worthless and would have no lasting and eternal value. I want to be able to look back over my life and agree with you that I lived a life that was well spent. **You have very good desires within you.** Yes, and they could have only come from you. **That is correct.**

So, how will you help me to turn my eyes away from worthless things? How will you help me to make sure that my life has been well spent? **There should be no mystery about that. I will counsel you. I will watch over you. I will teach and train you. I will help you to know and do my will. I will guide you through life.** How will you do all these things for me? **Have I not given you my word? Do you not hear me speaking to you? Have I not given my instruction? Do you not have understanding?** Yes, you have given all of this to me. I hear you speaking to me. I hear you teaching and training me. I see you guarding and guiding me. You have given me your understanding. **That's good. Keep on putting my word into practice. Keep on going and doing what my word tells you to do. Keep on living your life according to my word, then you will have no worries about how you will spend your life. You will spend your life loving and following and serving me.** Yes, I will. **That will be very good.** Thank you, Lord.

Lord, I am eager for your word. Teach me your word. Help me to think and speak and act correctly. Use your word to guide the course of my life as I put it into practice. Use your word to help me to turn away from the love of money and all other worthless things. Amen

Put Them Into Practice

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Promises – Psalm 119:33-40

In Context: *Read Psalm 119*

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture: ***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

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What It Means: ***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

Why would it do you no good to only hear God's word but not put it into practice?

How are you making it your daily pattern to put God's word into practice with all your heart?

How has the course of your life been changed because you are putting God's word into practice?

How have you found true happiness because you have been allowing God's word to guide your life?

How has God's word assured you of His kindness and mercy and love for you?

How has God's word helped you to turn your heart and mind and life away from worthless things?

How has God's word helped you to abandon your old life and the shameful ways in which you once lived?

Living It Out: ***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Make it your daily pattern to put God's word into practice.

Seeing It Happen: ***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that putting God's word will change the entire course of your life

Get Ready To Share: ***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are going about putting God's word into practice.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you put God's word into practice so He can guide the course of your life.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will put your word into practice so you can guide the course of my life.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I put your word into practice as I love, follow, and serve you today?
