

Available Passages

College Students

Psalms 1, 8, 19, 23, 27, 32, 42, 84, 139

Matthew 5, 6, 7

John 14, 15, 16, 17

Romans 3, 4, 5, 6

Romans 7, 8, 10, 12

The book of Philippians

The book of James

The book of 1 John

Seminary Students

Matthew 26:20-75, 27, 28

The book of Ephesians

The books of 1 and 2 Thessalonians and Jude

The books of 2 Timothy, Titus, & Philemon

Hebrews 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13

Revelation 1, 4, 5, 6, 20, 21, 22

Acceptable Versions

KJV

NKJV

ESV

NASB

For students wishing to recite a passage in a foreign language, arrangements must be made in the Student Life Department.

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Great Scripture Scholarship

The Great Scripture Scholarship provides students with the opportunity to memorize God's Word and earn scholarships towards their education at Faith.

Testimonies

Bethany Snell, a graduate of both the college's Biblical Studies program with Counseling and Greek, and of the seminary's Master of Arts program in Biblical Studies, has recited seven passages. In reflecting on some of the benefits, she says. . .

"The Great Scripture Scholarship was the impetus I needed to get serious about memorizing God's Word. Once I began, I learned that the monetary benefit was nothing compared to the spiritual benefit. I cannot begin to tell how much I learned from memorizing Scripture. The constant meditation on these passages opened my eyes to lessons I had never seen before. I learned to see familiar texts in light of their greater context, paying closer attention to the flow of the whole book rather than isolating specific verses.

"Greater yet, the extra time spent in these passages allowed God's Word to impact my life in a way it never had before. It also established a habit of memorization that I hope to continue throughout the rest of my life.

"I would highly recommend it to every student who comes to Faith."

Gary Sobbing, a graduate of the seminary's Master of Divinity program, recited three passages, and says. . .

"By meditating on the verses I have put in my memory, I can redeem the time at work or while driving, when I can't have my Bible open in front of me.

"The passages I have memorized have been encouraging and life-changing."

**"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path."
Psalm 119:105**

Qualifications

- Word-perfect recitation is required, with the exception of two errors or helps. Every word must be said exactly as it is written in the Bible. This includes the correct tense, word form (such as singular or plural), and word order. Words will be counted off – even for these small errors.
- Only one scholarship may be awarded to a student per semester. There are 25 scholarships available per semester. Scholarships will be awarded on a first come, first served basis.
- The passage must be recited between the first and last day of classes before finals.
- The scholarship is awarded to new or returning college and seminary students carrying 12 credit hours of classes and maintaining a 2.0 (C) GPA. **The scholarship can only be awarded toward tuition costs.**
- Students will have up to one hour to quote the Scripture passage.

Procedure

- Appointments should be made in advance to recite the passage to one of the Student Life Department staff.
- The student may quote either a chapter or the entire passage before being notified of any mistakes.
- If a mistake occurs, the student will be asked to begin quoting the problem section over, with the opportunity to correct the mistake. If the mistake is not corrected, it will be counted as an error.
- If more than two errors or helps occur, the student may make another appointment to recite the entire passage again, as long as the next appointment falls within the stated deadline for that semester.