

## HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

The Weekly Devotional is derived from 'Daily Guide' published by Scripture Union of Kenya. Daily Guide is based on the New International Version (NIV), however other translations are referred to:

AV;KJV	Authorized or King James Version
NEB	New English Bible
LB	Living Bible
GNB	Good News Bible
NASV	New American Standard Version
RSV	Revised Standard Version

### What you will need:

- A regular time every day, a vital part of your daily routine
- A quiet place, where you can meet with God undisturbed
- A Bible, in a translation that you can understand
- A notebook, in which to note down lessons learnt in your Bible reading and a pen or pencil, to write in your notebook and to mark everyday

### PRAY

Start with prayer; remember you are entering God's presence; confess your sin. Pray that the Holy Spirit will help you to understand and respond to what you read.

### READ

Read the Bible passage for the day carefully. Read it again, so that it penetrates in. Listen to what God might want to tell you.

### MEDITATE

You will find one or two of the following questions indicated for each day. Use these to meditate on what you have read and write down your thoughts or discoveries:

- Q1 What does the passage teach about God the Father, God the Son or God the Holy Spirit?
- Q2 Is there any example to follow or not to follow?
- Q3 Is there any command to obey?
- Q4 Is there any promise for me to believe or hope for? Notice any conditions mentioned upon which the promise depends.
- Q5 Is there any warning for me to heed?
- Q6 Is there any prayer for me to remember?
- Q7 What truth is God revealing to me in this passage?
- Q8 Is there any other Biblical passage that can help me understand this passage better?

Now refer to the devotional for further ideas about the passage. Look up the references to your passages as often as you can because this will help you understand how different parts of the Bible relate to one another. Write down in your notebook any points from the day's passage, which you will like to remember as God's message for you that day.

### RESPOND

Respond to the passage in prayer.  
Turn your discoveries about God into worship.  
Turn your discoveries about yourself into decision.  
Write it down so you won't lose it.

### SHARE

Decide how to share your discoveries with other people, in word and in practical action.