

It is Written  
Holding on to God's Word  
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John 8:31-32 NIV

Introduction - When truth moves from my head to my heart it then sets me free.

I. Holding on to God's Word

- Make it the **FOUNDATION** of my life - Matthew 7:24
  - Popular **CULTURE** - Exodus 23:2a
  - **TRADITION** - Mark 7:8
  - **REASON** - Proverbs 16:25
  - **FEELINGS** - Judges - 21:25 MSG

Questions: What do I do when I don't **UNDERSTAND**? What do I do when I **DON'T LIKE IT**?

II. Make it the **FIRST PART** of my daily life - Matthew 6:33

- First 15
  - 5 minutes in the **WORD** - Psalms 119:105
  - 5 minutes in **WORSHIP** - Psalm 34:1
  - 5 minutes in **PRAYER** - Philippians 4:6-7

III. Make it **GROW DEEPER** in my life - Colossians 3:16

- Get a **TRANSLATION** I like
  - **FORMAL** equivalency - Word by word, KJV, NKJV, ESV,
  - **FUNCTIONAL** equivalency - Thought by Thought, NLT, GNT, NIV, HCSB

- **PARAPHRASE** - TLB, MSG

- Get a Study Bible
- Get in a Small Group

IV. Make it a **WEAPON** for the challenges of life - Ephesians 6:13, 17b;  
Ephesians 6:17 MSG, Matthew 4:3-4b

- Scripture **MEMORY** - Psalms 119:9-11