



# Ordinary Faithfulness

*steady Christian living in the normal pressures of life*

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## 2 – Hearing God Daily

*God speaks through His Word, and steady believers learn to hear Him there day by day*

### EMBARK

*An old gospel song says, “The Bible stands like a rock undaunted,” but too often it sits on our shelf untouched. We say God’s Word matters, yet we often neglect the steady, daily habit of hearing Him in Scripture. We tend to look for quick encouragement or spiritual momentum, while real strength is usually formed through repeated exposure to God’s Word over time.*

1. Why is it easy to value God’s Word in theory, but neglect it in daily life?

### EXAMINE

#### READ Psalm 1:1-3

2. According to this passage, what sets the blessed person apart?
3. What does it mean to delight in and meditate on God’s instruction?
4. What picture does the psalm give of a life shaped by God’s Word?

#### READ Psalm 119:9-11

5. How does God’s Word guard a young man’s way?
6. What is the connection here between seeking God, storing up His Word, and fighting sin?

#### READ Acts 17:11

7. How did the Bereans receive the message they heard?
8. Why is it important to examine the Scriptures regularly and carefully?

#### READ 2 Timothy 3:14–17

9. What does Paul tell Timothy to continue in?
10. What does this passage say Scripture is able to do?
11. How does God use His Word to shape and equip His people?



## EXPOSE

Hearing God daily is often hindered not by a lack of access, but by the habits and desires of the heart.

- **We want quick inspiration more than steady nourishment**  
We often prefer a spiritual spark to the slow work of rooted growth.
- **We treat Scripture as optional when life feels busy**  
What should anchor us gets pushed aside by what feels urgent.
- **We assume familiarity means maturity**  
Knowing the Bible is not the same as being shaped by it.
- **We drift toward distraction instead of meditation**  
Our attention is easily claimed by everything except the voice we most need to hear.

### Diagnostic questions:

- What usually pushes God's Word to the margins of my day?
- Am I approaching Scripture to hear from God, or just to check a box?
- Where has distraction weakened my spiritual attentiveness?
- What would it look like to become more rooted in the Word this week?

## ENGAGE

*Discuss these matters with your table and summarize your findings to share with the group.*

### Step 1: Identify

What are the most common reasons believers neglect Scripture in daily life?

### Step 2: Reflect

Why do people often prefer quick spiritual encouragement over deep, regular Bible intake?

### Step 3: Apply

What is one realistic change you could make this week to hear God more steadily in His Word?

### Step 4: Encourage

How can we help one another become people who are shaped by Scripture, not just familiar with it?

## MEMORIZE

**Psalm 1:2 (CSB)** "Instead, his delight is in the Lord's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night."

### THIS WEEK:

#### Choose one concrete step

- *set a regular time to read Scripture*
- *read one psalm each morning*
- *remove one daily distraction*
- *write down one truth from Scripture each day*

