

## The benefit of the One Year Bible and filling our lives with Scripture

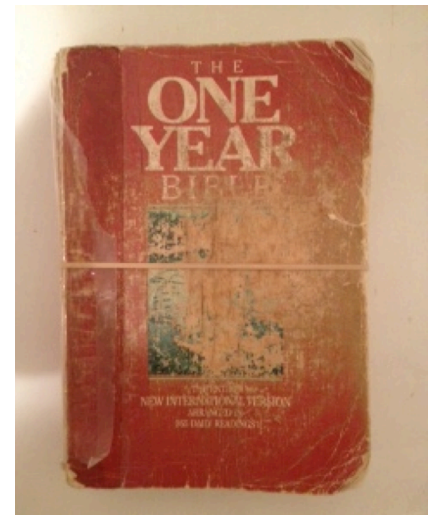
In discipling men, nothing stands out more than the challenge to spend time in God's Word. Men have such busy lives, that all the stress of our activities makes it difficult to stop on a regular basis and hear God speak to us from the Scriptures He's given to guide us daily. All our relationships, work and ministry need God's Spirit using His Word in us. A Christian leader named John even shared with Darin how he'd learned recently that "the language of the Holy Spirit is the Bible" (mentioned at one of Darin's recent discipleship times with him). Jesus Himself explained the need to hear and feed ourselves on God's Word in Matthew 4:4,

**Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"**

Even the Son of God used God's Word for guidance to resist a temptation in the same way we need to. To get fed daily, Darin has used the One Year Bible pictured to the right long enough to have pages needing a rubber band and it helps to have passages online now at [logosleadersoutreach.org](http://logosleadersoutreach.org). In fact, the ministry sends a lesson from the One Year Bible each morning to about 400 people for them to better know God and make Him known.

*Please send us an email address if you would like to get any of Darin's morning devos! **On the back of this letter we've put a sample of the encouraging responses.*** You would feel very motivated to read what many write back about God using simple or even complex Texts to grow in Christ. Some have started using this same format of answering D's 3 questions below to tell others what they've learned from the Word. **Whatever we do, let's get so much Scripture in us to live each day in Christlikeness.**

*What did I learn about God? What difference does this make in my life? How can this reading help me disciple men?*



**"A Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't." Charles Spurgeon.**

During the year everyone receiving this gets prayed for still by name at least once for each letter, so please request prayers about anything going on or others you know with needs whenever you'd like to have something special offered.

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*Responses showing samples of God ministering to men through the LOGOS Leaders Outreach daily Devo!*

On Tue, Jan 28, 2014 at 7:01 AM, Darin Maurer <dsm@logosleadersoutreach.org> wrote:

Matthew 18:32-35 (New International Version - UK Bible with all of these passages given for today from the One Year Bible: Exodus 5:22-7:25; Matthew 18:21-19:12; Psalm 23; Proverbs 5:22-23)

32 'Then the master called the servant in. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. 33 Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?" 34 In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. 35 'This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

**What did I learn about God?**

God feels so strongly about people forgiving each other, especially it seems among Christian brothers who've received His forgiveness, that he'd make life torturous for an unforgiving person.

**What difference does this make in my life?**

Like yesterday, I need to forgive from the heart others and in particular other Christians who sin against me.

**How can this reading help me disciple men?**

I'll encourage Christians to make sure we feel like we've fully forgiven anyone who has hurt us, starting in church.

DSM

Response to above devo:

Darin,

Pray for me. I think this is where I need to go with \_\_\_\_\_. I believe that I have forgiven him from my heart but he does things that in my view are wrong and unethical. How should I handle? Have I truly forgiven him from my heart?

35 "That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart."

Response from other devos:

Hi Darin,

I trust all is well, and I appreciate your convictions with regards to adultery and homosexuality in your below note and, in general, your commitment to holiness (1 Pet. 1:15-16). Your below note is an example of the thoughtful insight you daily bring to your One Year Bible Lesson Highlights.

I do not mind saying this at all even though Stanford beat Cal yesterday in men's basketball! 😊

Darin,

Thank you for this daily discipline. I think you are definitely used well by our Lord. Thanks again to God for His refining Word. I am encouraged to share it because of this.