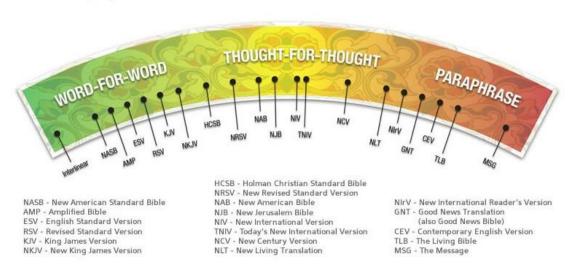
Understanding Bible Translations

The WORDview Quiet Time format is based on a form of "progressive meditation" whereby the reader uses several different translations of the Bible while carefully reading the same passage. It is recommended that the first reading be from a literal word-for-word translation, then next from thought-for-thought translations, and finally from a paraphrase. This chart gives a listing of where popular translations fall on this progression.

Types of Bible Translations



As you read thoughtfully, the same short passage three or four times, in three or four different translations, The Holy Spirit will reveal to you truths and insights you wouldn't normally notice from a casual, hurried reading. Be sure to underline, circle, highlight, and jot down notes, insights, and thoughts as you read. Then refer to these as you write in your journal in the "Reflect," "Respond," and "Request" sections. It is also very helpful to use the "S.P.A.C.E. Questions" while reading the passage.