The Purpose of Your WORDview Quiet Time



Understanding Four Exciting Benefits of Spending Time With God

1. To give devotion to God

- "Give to the Lord the glory due to his name. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness." Psalm 29:2
- "(Hezekiah) was successful, because everything he did...he did in a spirit of complete devotion to his God." 2 Chronicles 31:21 (GNT)

God deserves our devotion! (Revelation 4:11)

God desires our devotion! (John 4:23)

2. To get direction from God

• "Show me the path where I should go, O Lord; point out the right road for me to walk. Lead me..."

Psalm 25:4 (TLB)

Two things to do in your WORDview Daily Quiet Time:

Consider your day: "In all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will direct your paths." Proverbs 3:6 (KJV)

Commit your way: "Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him to help you do it and he will." Psalm 37:5 (TLB)

In the WORDview Quiet Time format, we are especially looking for a **"rhema"** from the Lord. "Rhema" is a Greek word used in the Bible that means "a personal message from God." We go to God's written ("logos"), the Bible, to receive a personal word ("rhema") from Him. This is not subjective. It is based on the objective Word of God, and God's Word will never contradict itself.

Jesus made this distinction in Matt. 4:4 when He said, "It is written, 'MAN SHALL NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE, BUT ON EVERY **WORD** ("rhema") THAT PROCEEDS OUT OF THE MOUTH OF GOD." Jesus' use of the verse was to defeat a very specific temptation from the devil. Eph. 6:17 shows this is the key to spiritual warfare and daily victory in the Christian life: "...take the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word** ("rhema") of God..."

Jesus' use of this passage also shows the importance of building His Word into our lives on a daily basis. His quote comes from Deut. 8:3, where Moses reminded God's people: "And He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you ..., that He might make you understand that man does not live by

bread alone, but ... by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD." (Ex. 16) Here, He is referring to how they were to gather manna each morning and only enough for each day. And He is using this passage to show how we need to gather our "spiritual manna" each morning to live the Christian life.

3. To gain delight in God

- "Delight yourself in the Lord; and he will give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4 (KJV)
- "...(God's) presence fills me with joy and brings me pleasure." Psalm 16:11 (TGN)

FACT: The better I get to know Christ, the more I love Him!

The objective of your Quiet time is not to study **about** Christ, but to actually spend time with him! Your Quiet Time should be **"inspiration, not perspiration!"**

4. To grow daily like God

2 Corinthians 3:18 says, "We all, with unveiled faces, are looking as in a mirror at the glory of the Lord and are bing transformed into the same image from glory to glory..." (HCSB)

As we gaze upon Christ through the Scriptures we are being transformed into His very likeness.

"When the council saw the boldness of Peter and John...they were amazed and realized **what being** with Jesus had done for them!" Acts 4:13 (TLB)



A wise man once said, "You will be the same ten years from now as you are today except for two things: the books you read, and the people you spend time with."

Reading the word, and spending time with the Living Word (Jesus) will change your life. That's why our motto at WORDview is "read the Bible, change your world."

About WORDview

WORDview Ministries is dedicated to helping others personally experience the life-changing power of the Bible. The foundation of WORDview is the WORDview Quiet Time. This unique approach guides the reader into a refreshing, personal encounter with God Himself. WORDview Quiet Times take just fifteen minutes a day, five days a week. WORDview is a wonderful Bible study, devotional, and discipleship tool for individuals, groups, churches, and organizations.