God has designed life in such a way that many things will <u>not happen</u> apart from the regular practice of being in God's Word on your own.

# Some of the Things Only a Lifestyle of Scripture Study Will Give You:

- 1. <u>Wisdom</u>
- 2 <u>Revelation</u>
- 3. Transformation
- 4. Inspiration
- 5. <u>Connection</u> with God

Every verse of scripture is a pool you can wade in and an ocean you can drown in.

# Preparing Yourself for a Lifestyle of Scripture Study:

- 1. Choose an <u>understandable</u> translation.
- 2. Determine a <u>realistic</u> plan.
- 3. Dive into daily scripture reading, learn how to do it by doing it, don't expect perfection, and don't give up when it gets difficult.

# Things to Remember about Scripture Study:

If you just read scripture without glancing at the context you will miss a lot of meaning and often misinterpret too.

You don't have to be in scripture daily to be <u>saved</u>, but you do have to be in scripture daily to receive hundreds of other things God wants to do in your life.

"It is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God." Ephesians 2:8-9

God isn't calling you to read your Bible because it's the right thing to do or because that's what good Christians do; God is offering you a gift. He is offering you more.

<b>S</b> - Scripture	Reading Plan: Week 11		
O - Observation	1. Luke 16:14-18	2. Luke 16:19-31	3. Luke 17:1-10
A - Application	4. Luke 17:11-19	5. Luke 17:20-37	6. Luke 18:1-8
<b>P</b> - Prayer	7. Luke 18:9-17		

# **Ministry Opportunities**

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

## **New Giving App**

You can now give using your phone or mobile device. If you are already giving recurring gifts through our website, then you don't need to do this. However, if you don't yet give online, this is the simplest and fastest way to give. Download and install the Secure Give app. Search for Savannah Christian Church/Compassion Christian and set it as your home organization. You will need to create an account. Click 'Make a Donation,' follow the steps and confirm the transaction. Once you've set up your account, giving is quick and convenient.

## **Next Level Leadership Conference**

8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4 - 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6

#### Worship Center

Next Level is a conference our church hosts to equip and inspire leaders and ministry staff at other churches to do the most important work in the world. If you would like to attend, purchase your ticket at NextLevelConference.com. We are looking for volunteers to help greet guests, answer questions and assist with logistics. If you would like to join our volunteer team, visit the Welcome Desk or contact Denise at dritter@savannahchristian.com.

#### Will and Trust Seminar

#### 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7

## Adult Ministry Center across the street

This two-hour seminar, taught by the Financial Planning Ministry, will provide information on stewardship and estate planning, including details on the creation of wills and living trusts. Schedule an optional follow-up meeting and walk away with a free will and trust. Childcare is not available. Registration is not required.

#### Fill the Bus

#### **Through February**

Choose compassion and bless students and teachers in local schools with whom we partner by donating essential classroom supplies to help them finish the school year. Suggested donations are pencils, crayons, notebook paper, dry erase markers, tissues and hand sanitizer. Please leave donations in the collection bins in Connecting Point, available through February.

#### Camp in the City

## Monday - Friday, June 8 - 12 or Monday - Friday, July 13 - 17

#### **Henderson Campus**

Registration opens Monday, Feb. 2, for this summer day camp for children entering grades 1-5 in the fall. They will enjoy teaching, Bible study and worship sessions as well as a wide range of activities and games. The content is the same for both weeks. Register your child at SavannahChristian.com. Parents can get involved by volunteering on the welcoming committee, making lunches and contributing baked goods. We are also looking for qualified nurses and host homes to host camp counsellors. If you would like to get involved, contact Kelsey at krussett@savannahChristian.com.