Delight
In The Word of God
through
Color & Creativity

What if...

- You were like a flourishing tree?
- You had great success and prospered in all you did?
- God gave you the desires of your heart?
- You had courageous faith like Joshua did?
- You had the boldness and audacity to do mighty exploits in God’s name, like the Apostle Paul?

The key is…
Delighting in the LORD
and in His Word

Psalm 37:4

Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires
of your heart.

Psalm 1:2-3

But they **delight** in the law of the Lord,
meditating on it day and night.
3 They are like trees planted along the riverbank,
bearing fruit each season.
Their leaves never wither,
and they prosper in all they do.

Joshua 1:8

Study this Book of Instruction continually.
Meditate on it day and night
so you will be sure to obey everything written in it.
Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.

Romans 7:22

I delight in the law of God…
(Paul is speaking)

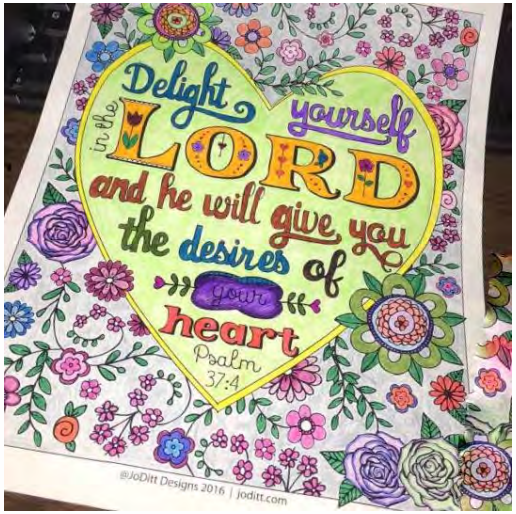
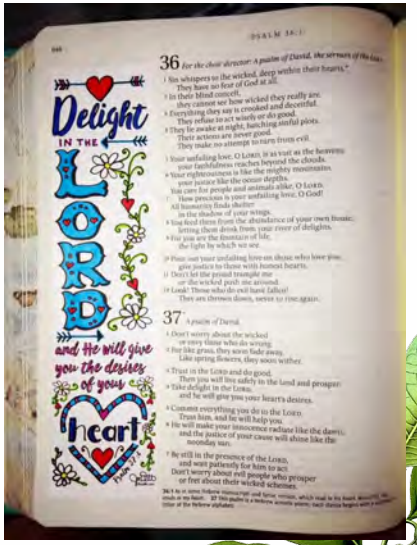
Delight in the LORD
Vs
Delighting in The Word of God

Jesus is The Word

- In the beginning **the Word** already existed. **The Word** was with God, and **the Word was God**. **The Word** became flesh and dwelt among us. - John 1:1, 14
- You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! - John 5:39
- He wore a robe dipped in blood, and his title was **the Word of God**. - Revelation 19:13

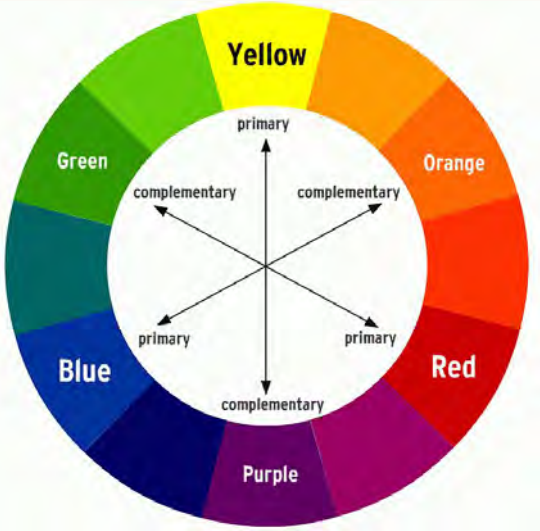
How do you delight in The Word of God?

Coloring Scripture Art



Hand-Lettering/Illustrating Scripture

Coloring Tips



- Choose your color palette in advance
- Try out colors, pressure and techniques on scratch paper
- Begin with light colors and light pressure
- Take your time
- Have a conversation with God while you color & meditate on His Word
- Jot down things that come to mind
- HAVE FUN!

**The goal is NOT perfection! The goal is DELIGHTING in The Word, connecting with Jesus, the lover of your soul, and hiding The Word of God in your heart!*

More Coloring Tips

- Try different techniques (circling, stippling, cross-hatching, layering, etc.)
- Try blending and creating gradients
  - Make edges and middle of objects darker
  - Go from light to dark in a single letter using a single pencil
  - Make a gradient using multiple (similar) colors
  - Blend using a white pencil, colorless blending pencil or vaseline
- HAVE FUN! Enjoy the process.

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The Word is Eternal

For you have been born again,
but not to a life that will quickly end.
Your new life will last forever because it comes from
the eternal, living **word of God**.
-1 Peter 1:23

__I am__ the Truth, and therefore I am true
to all My __promises__.
They provide a rock-solid foundation
on which you can live and move and have your being.

Since I am the __living Word__,
affirming your trust in My __promises__
is an excellent way to draw near Me.

-Jesus Lives by Sarah Young, p. 102

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The Word of God is Powerful

- For **the word of God** is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. - Heb. 4:12 NLT
- So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept **the word God** has planted in your hearts, for it has **the power** to save your souls. -James 1:21
- For **the word of God** will never fail. -Luke 1:37 NLT
- Jeremiah 1:12 Then said the Lord to me, You have seen well, for I am alert and active, watching over **My word** to perform it.

The Word is Your Weapon

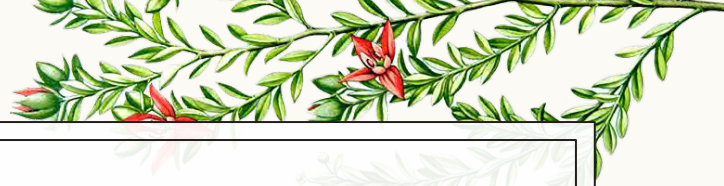
When the devil tempted Jesus in the wilderness,
Jesus spoke the written Word to him. “It is written...”

CAUTION:

Use God’s Word to defeat the enemy,
not to beat your neighbor over the head.

The Sword of the Spirit

- It is The Word of God
  - *And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;* - Ephesians 6:17 NKJV
- It is your weapon
  - *God's Word is an indispensable weapon;* - Ephesians 6:17b MSG
- It is living and powerful
  - *For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword,* - Heb. 4:12 NKJV



You must win the battle in your mind before you can win the battle with the enemy!

6 Keys to Delighting in the LORD

DELIGHT

To take great pleasure in

Think about how a young woman who is recently engaged delights in her fiancee.
Or how a parent takes great pleasure in their child.
And especially how grandparents delight in their grandchildren.

Key #1

Notice things God does & thank him for them

Key #2

Notice things about God's character & praise him for who he is

Key #3

Notice what God likes & what
he doesn't like.
Then do what he likes.

Key #4

Give God your time and attention.

Key #5

Leverage the Power of Beauty & Delight

The Power of Beauty

- For GOD is great, and worth a thousand Hallelujahs. His terrible **beauty** makes the gods look cheap; Pagan gods are mere tatters and rags. GOD made the heavens--- Royal **splendor** radiates from him, A powerful **beauty** sets him apart. -Psalm 96:5-6 MSG)
- Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and **beauty** are in His sanctuary. Oh, worship the LORD in the **beauty** of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth. (Psalms 96:6, 9 NKJV)

“...all **beauty** in the created order, both in the heavens and on the earth, derives its **beauty** from the "radiant form" of the Person of Jesus Christ,
Who is the express image of the **Beautiful** God.

As human beings created in that image, we are made to resonate with the form of that which is **beautiful**, and we find ourselves captivated by **beauty** wherever we see it. All things have **beauty** in proportion to their conformity to the radiant form of Jesus, and ugliness, or deformity, emerges when the radiant form of Christ is denied or lost.”
- *Fr. Dubay from The Evidential Power of Beauty*

To participate in beauty is to
come into the
presence of the Holy
- John O’Donohue
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Studies show that people remember:

10%

of what they hear

20%

of what they read

80%

of what they see and do

93%

Psychologist Albert Mehrabian demonstrated that 93% of communication is nonverbal

83%
83% of human learning is visual.

A thing of beauty
is a joy forever.
- John Keats

A thing of
BEAUTY
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Key #6 - Get Creative!

Use whatever you are passionate about to help fuel your passion for The Word of God.

- Animals
- Fashion
- Food
- Flowers
- Pretty things
- Business
- Sports
- Fitness
- Music
- Sewing
- Crafts
- Lists
- Art
- Computers
- Facebook
- Pink (or orange turquoise or purple, etc.)

One way to become a better "noticer"
(and therefore a better delighter)
is to document what you notice.

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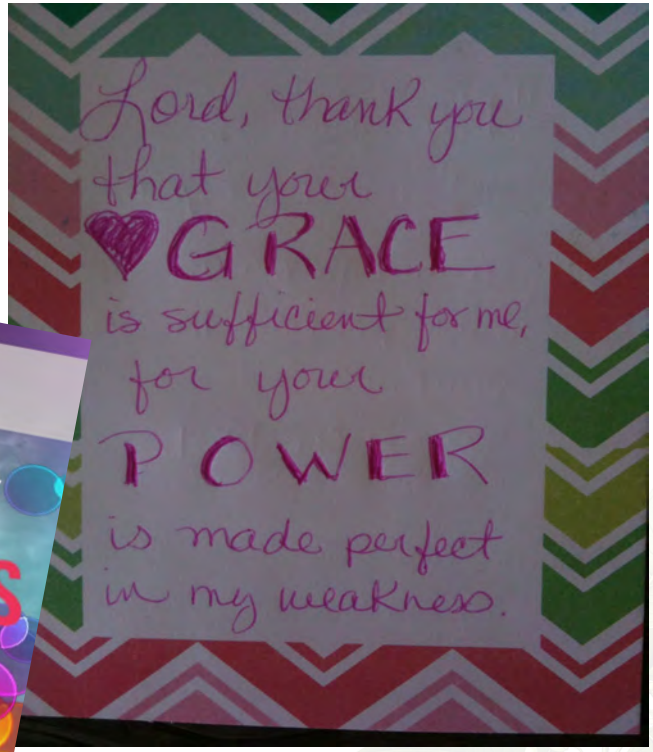
- **Bold**

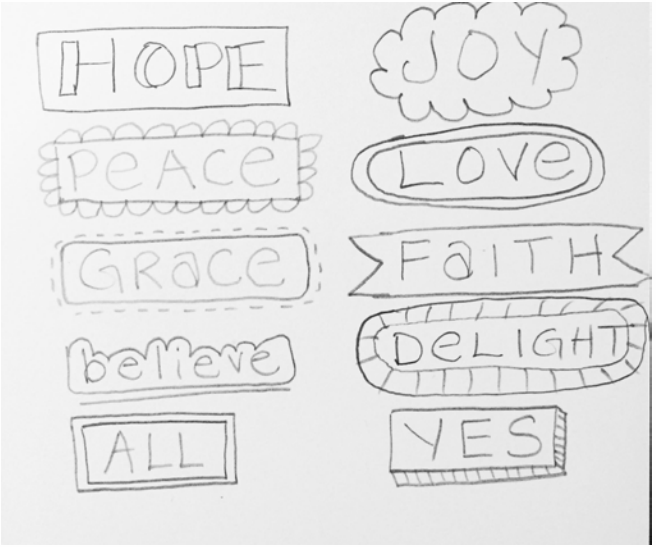
How to Take Better & Prettier Notes

Write KEY words in a different style

- ALL CAPS
- **Bold**
- **ALL CAPS & BOLD**
- **BIGGER**
- Cursive
- Fancy
- Different color



Draw a box (or other shape) around KEY words or Scripture references



Use arrows
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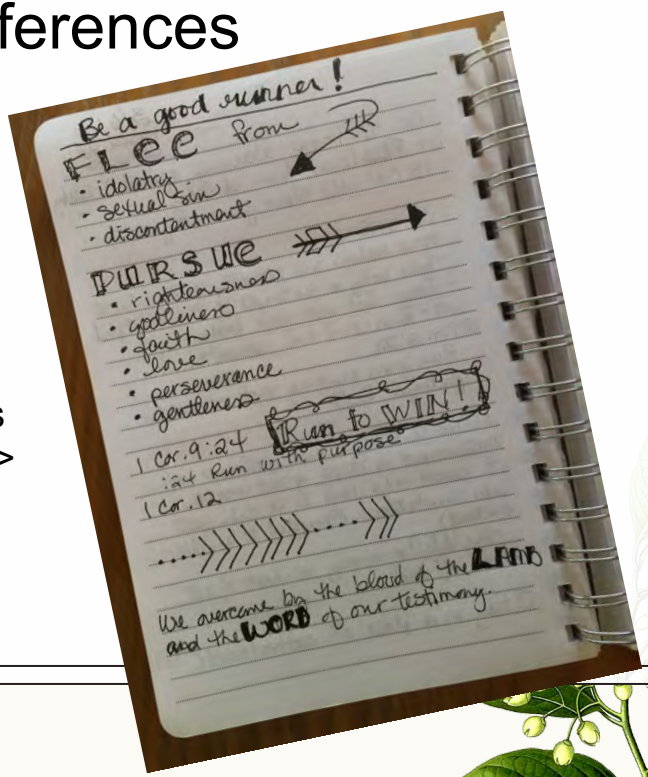

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