

# The Most Important Homework Assignment You Ever Had

In each of my churches, I gave everyone an assignment, and I want to share it with you. This assignment has three parts. My job as a pastor to the body of Christ is to get believers built up in God's Word to the point that they are spiritually strong and can stand against Satan and his spiritual attacks. So, I want to give you some spiritual homework to help accomplish this.

## Your Spiritual Homework

**#1: I want you to make sure that you read my daily devotions.** You can access them by going to my web site and clicking on daily devotion. Scroll down to the calendar and click on the date. Or, you can request to receive them daily in your email.

**#2: I want you to listen to at least one faith building message each day:** Listen to a cassette, a CD, the ipod, the internet -- listen to my tapes, or Kenneth E. Hagin's, Keith Moore's or Kenneth Copeland's - someone that majors in teaching the Word of faith. That's going to teach you how to apply the Word of God to your life.

**#3: I want you to put some time in prayer every day.**

Go someplace you can get alone with the Lord and pray in the spirit. See if you can do an hour a day of that. Most of us have busy schedules, but we have to put the Word first, which is putting God first. (Matthew 6:33)

## Keep Track of Your Daily Homework

To help keep track of everything, I started out using the calendar. Most people have a calendar or a day-timer. Well use that as a reminder to put time in the Word each day. It's a checklist. I carry my tape player or ipod with me and I listen to the Word when I'm in the subway, plane, train, bus, or cab. And while I'm doing errands, I'll pray in the spirit. I begin and end my days on my knees in prayer and listening to the Word. I started this when I got born again.

## **Do All You Can to Stay Built up Spiritually**

I don't stay in the Word and in prayer just because I'm a minister. I have to keep myself built up spiritually just like you do in order not to give any place to the devil (Ephesians, 6:10-18; Eph. 4:27; James 4:7).

Remember, no one can survive and live in divine health and divine protection without putting quality time in the Word and in prayer every single day.

If you don't keep yourself built up spiritually, you end up flat on your back with all the time in the world, because you can't go to work or carry on your hectic routine. This always happens to anyone who gets too busy for God. It happened to me when I was in bible school.

Thank God I heard a minister teach that you need to ***pray in the spirit one hour every day***. He was basing it on when Jesus said in Matthew 26:40, **What, could ye not watch with me one hour?**

After that, I heard another minister teach ***you have to spend time in the Word every day*** if you want to live in divine health and not get sick. Now, that got my attention big-time, because I never want to be sick again!

## Summary

You're not going to get any better advice in life than this. For a believer, it just doesn't come any better. **Get into the Word (Matthew 4:4), stay in the Word (John 15:7), walk in the spirit (Romans 8:14), walk in love (Ephesians 5:2), and you'll be able to walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7).**

I want you so filled with God's Word to the point that the power of God is always coming out of your mouth when you speak His Word and that your Words carry power, and that your mind is so renewed to God's Word that it filters out anything that is religious (man's traditions), or anything that is contrary to God's Word.

**I want to encourage you to do all you can to do your spiritual homework every day.**

Remember, God wishes above all things that you prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers (3 John 2).

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