S.O.A.R. In God's Word

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Scripture

Observation

Application

Response

<u>Isaiah 40:31</u> - But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

<u>2 Timothy 2:15</u> - Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

John 6:63 - It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

John 8:31-32 - Then Jesus said, ... "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Psalm 119:105 - Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

S.O.A.R. Goals

- 1. To Know God, Jesus & Holy Spirit
- 2. Renew the mind, transform the life & become more like Jesus
- 3. To see and view life from God's perspective
- 4. Become faithful to God, living to His glory & a Jesus witness to others
- 5. Learn to walk daily with Father God, hear His voice and obey Him in thought, word and example to others

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Guidelines To Follow

Scripture

God's Word is our first and final authority. Romans 4:3a For what does the scripture say? Commit your Bible reading and study to the Lord. Read the passage prayerfully and slowly. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit. Pay attention to a verse, phrase or a specific word that stands out. Underline it or jot down the reference verse, phrase or word location.

Observation

What is the writer or speaker saying? What is being communicated to the intended listener? What is the Lord saying to you? What are the words, topics or truth standing out to you? What Holy Spirit revelation of the Word is being shown to you?

Application

Lord Jesus, what are You trying to tell me? Is there a revelation or truth about God or His Word I need to believe and look into? Is there a sin to confess, beware of or on the alert for? Is there a promise of God to claim or learn more about? Is there an example I'm being shown to become more like or stop doing? Is there a command or Word I'm to embrace, start doing or learn more about? Is there something being pointed out to me that needs my attention or need to change? Is there an attitude, a thinking or behavior that needs to be addressed? Is there something I need to stop doing or start doing?

Response (Reflection, Prayer and Personal Actions to Accomplish) Thank Him for His Word and the Bible Study. Confess anything that was revealed to you, ask for forgiveness and total restoration. Ask His help for any area that needs to be addressed. Commit to the Lord any area of change that is needed. Thank Him for any revelation or promise made known to you. Ask God for Holy Spirit wisdom, guidance, to live out what you just received. Finish with adoration and worship for learning about who He is & His love for you.

In Jesus' name - A-men!

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Date:

Scripture - What scripture are you reading & studying today?

Observations - Key observations? What has been pointed out or stands out to you?

<u>Application</u> - How is what you read and learned to be applied to your life? Live differently? What is God showing you?

<u>Response</u> - Your response to God in prayer. Any personal commitment, promise, or guidance you asked for. Write down your after prayer thoughts about the entire session.