

# TRAINING TO BE GODLY

“BEYOND TODAY & BEYOND YOURSELF”

## MOTIVATION FOR TRAINING

Training to be Godly goes beyond today & beyond yourself

BEYOND TODAY (1 Timothy 4:7-8)

BEYOND YOURSELF (1 Timothy 4:15-16)

## TWO FUNDAMENTALS Paul provides in this text:



**HOPE**...for this we labor and strive, that we have put our hope in the living God... (1 Timothy 4:10).

Strive to put your hope in *no one* but Jesus in *all* circumstances



**GIFTS** “Do not neglect your gift...” (1 Timothy 4:14).

**God has given all believers spiritual gifts.** Discern what they are through a test and the affirmation of other believers in the body—then train in them!

**A test to get started:**  
<http://bit.ly/2rD6k3S>

## GOING FURTHER: Two Habits in My Training



**JESUS TIME** Just like anything else, if it's not on your calendar, it's not happening.

**PROTECT IT.** Set the time and place and don't let anything cut into it! Cell phone off or in another room!

**SAME TIME. SAME PLACE.** It helps with consistency and an expectation of God showing up!

**SCRIPTURE.** This is still the primary way God speaks to us! His word is *living and active* (Hebrews 4:12). Start by reading the word. I recommend [hereadstruth.com](http://hereadstruth.com) and [shereadstruth.com](http://shereadstruth.com) plans.

**PRAYER.** I love the P.R.A.Y acronym. Learn about it on a blog post I wrote at [andrewberg.wordpress.com/2015/10/15/p-r-a-y/](http://andrewberg.wordpress.com/2015/10/15/p-r-a-y/)

*Habit #2 on the back...*



## MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE

**WHY DO KIDS MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE  
& we stop as adults?**

**JESUS FOUGHT the enemy with SCRIPTURE**  
in the desert, and David said he hid God's word  
in his heart so he might not sin against God.

**RESOURCES TO GET STARTED:**

**SEEDS Family Worship** Every word to every  
song is scripture with references included.  
We've learned tons of scripture as a family this  
way and now I listen to it sometimes without  
my kids present!

**TMS: The Topical Memory System** is a  
great resource I used in college and beyond  
to memorize scripture.

**WRITE IT in YOUR HOUSE!** Deuteronomy 6  
tells us to write scripture "*on the doorframe of  
your houses and on your gates.*" If a verse hits  
you, post it somewhere! I often have verses on  
the bathroom mirror that are speaking to me—  
after a while you'll memorize it!

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## Questions?

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