

# Message Notes

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*Sweeter Than Honey*  
(Ezekiel 2:9-3:3)  
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■ Opening God's \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ for following God's \_\_\_\_\_.

## Taste & See

"Son of man, eat this scroll I am giving you and fill your stomach with it." So I ate it, and it tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth. Ezekiel 3:3

■ The Bible was seen as a \_\_\_\_\_ that was to be \_\_\_\_\_. (Ps 119:103)

■ Today, instead of being \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible is being \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' Matthew 4:4

■ We \_\_\_\_\_ live His \_\_\_\_\_ w/o \_\_\_\_\_ on His \_\_\_\_\_. (Dt 8:3)

■ If we're not \_\_\_\_\_ the Word, we'll be \_\_\_\_\_ spiritually.

■ The Bible is what \_\_\_\_\_ us into \_\_\_\_\_ disciples. (2 Tim 3:16)

■ As we \_\_\_\_\_ in our faith we will need the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Word.

■ What \_\_\_\_\_ is to us \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ is to us \_\_\_\_\_.

■ Will I choose a \_\_\_\_\_ "meal \_\_\_\_\_" to help me \_\_\_\_\_ this year?

Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. Hebrews 5:13-14

## Meal Plans

■ The goal is \_\_\_\_\_ to get \_\_\_\_\_ the Bible but to get the Bible \_\_\_\_\_ us.

■ Am I going to \_\_\_\_\_ on God's Word in \_\_\_\_\_?

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## Seven Potential "Meal Plans"

1. 90-Day Bible
2. 1-Year Chronological
3. 1-Year with mix of Old Testament and New Testament
4. 1-Year Morning & Evening
5. 2-Year Plan
6. 6-Month New Testament
7. A Psalm-a-Day

\*All of these plans can be found at [www.cherryhillsfamily.org](http://www.cherryhillsfamily.org)

## The S.O.A.P. Plan for Getting the Most out of the Bible:

- S.—Scripture: Write out the one passage that the Holy Spirit highlighted for you.
- O.—Observation: Write any observation you have about it. Why did the Holy Spirit bring it to your attention?
- A.—Application: Write what you think God wants you to do about it. In other words, is it a promise for you? A challenge? A command? A word of encouragement?
- P.—Prayer: Write out a prayer asking God to use it in your life the way He wants.

\*Courtesy of New Hope Resources.

*\*If this is your first time reading the Bible I recommend the New Living Translation Life Application Study Bible. NIV (what we use here) & ESV are excellent as well for a mix of readability and accuracy. NASB is the most literal English translation but is more difficult when it comes to readability.*