

New International Version  
**VERSE OF THE MONTH**  
JANUARY–JUNE 2021

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*January*

**Romans 3:23**

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

*February*

**Romans 5:8**

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**Romans 6:23**

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*March*

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.

*April*

**John 1:12**

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

*May*

**John 3:16**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

*June*

**1 John 1:9**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

*A key way to measure our being worshipers maturing in Christ is by the vital sign of being rooted in scripture. A longing for God's Word that cultivates a relationship with the Lord is a mark of a genuine believer. A maturing follower of Jesus desires to have the heart's affections stirred to worship the God who has saved us by His grace and placed us in His forever family. By memorizing these verses in 2021, we will seek to be worshipers, maturing in Christ, by celebrating His great salvation.*



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# Verse Commentary

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FEBRUARY

*Salvation belongs to God, not to us. He both begins it and completes it. God's love for us is demonstrated by His gift of His Son to die in our place. We deserved the wages of eternal death. God's gift of His Son means eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

*Despite the effort of people to gain God's approval through their own efforts, God has pronounced all people guilty so that He might make the offer of His free gift of salvation to all people.*

JANUARY

APRIL

*Not everyone is a child of God. This may sound stunning, but it is true. People become the children of God by receiving Jesus as Savior and by believing in His name. This means a belief in Jesus' authority to forgive us of our sins.*

*We are saved by the grace of God, not by our efforts. No one can boast that they made themselves right with God. Rather, we are made right by God's free grace, and we access that grace by faith in Jesus.*

MARCH

JUNE

*What do it do if I sin after I have asked Jesus to forgive me? We confess our sins to Him. Then, a wonderful thing happens! Jesus is so faithful and just that He forgives us our sins and cleans us from all unrighteousness. Don't let your sin keep you from Jesus. Instead, run to Him, and He will forgive.*

*This most famous of Bible verses is rightly famous. It begins with God, who sets the rules for His universe. God's love is so great that He sent His only Son to this earth to save us. Whoever believes in Jesus will not experience eternal death but instead will experience eternal life.*

MAY



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*July*

**1 John 5:14-15**

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

*August*

**Psalm 119:9, 11**

How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your word.

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

*September*

**John 14:21**

Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.

*October*

**Joshua 1:8**

Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

*November*

**Acts 1:8**

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

*December*

**Matthew 4:19**

“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.”

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AUGUST

*One way to stay rooted in scripture is to memorize it. How are you doing so far this year? Don't worry if you've fallen behind. Just pick it up again with these great verses. Scripture memory will help you stay pure, you know!*

*What a joy to know that God answers prayer! These verses describe the manner in which God does so. We need to align our will to His will (not always easy). God hears our prayers and delights to answer them. Take everything to the Lord in prayer.*

JULY

OCTOBER

*Here is another verse about how scripture memory and meditation will grow our lives to become better worshipers. Memorizing is just one part of meditating. Meditating means to fill your mind. Mull it over. Day and night let scripture be in your thoughts. That way, you'll find ways to obey and apply it that you have not seen before. And then, God will make your way prosperous and successful.*

*We show Jesus that we love Him by obeying Him. That obedience leads to closer relationship with both God the Father and God the Son. Do you want a more intimate relationship with God? Do you want Jesus to show Himself in your life? Take that next step of obedience that you know you should take.*

SEPTEMBER

DECEMBER

*If you follow Jesus, He will change you. He will change the direction of your life, the ambition of your life, and the passions of your life. That change will be to seek to help others to follow Jesus as well. Think on this verse. Ask Jesus to make you a fisher of men.*

*One reason that Jesus has saved you is so that you might be a witness to others of His great love. Do you find it hard to share your faith? Ask the Holy Spirit to empower and help you! Who knows where that will take you?*

NOVEMBER



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