

Ephesians 5:19, “Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;”



This verse tells us how to win in the battle of our mind. How we think is how we act or react. We win by ‘speaking to yourselves’ scripture and through singing songs and hymns. But who carries around a Bible or a hymn book with them everywhere they go? Thus, this verse implies that we must take on the task of committing scripture and songs to memory. How many verses do you have tucked away in your mind? How many hymns do you know by heart?

The devil will attempt to give us all sorts of reasoning and excuses why we cannot memorize. His goal is to stop us from arming ourselves with spiritual weapons to defeat him and his attacks upon us.

When you look back upon this year or even longer, can you see how Satan has attempted to prevent you from memorizing scripture or hymns?

Do elephants have good memories?

The answer comes from elephant ecologist Stephen Blake, at the Max Planck Institute for Ornithology. He works to conserve habitat for elephants in Central Africa.

Elephants do have fantastic memories. If you imagine an elephant that lives in a tropical rainforest, one of the most complicated systems on Earth, that elephant has to know where fruit trees are, where good forage is. It may need to know where those things are over an area of a thousand square miles.

Blake said that elephants also need a good memory for their social lives.

Just like you know your schoolteachers, you know your parents, your brothers and sisters, you know your friends. You might know 200 people. Well, an elephant might know 500 or 1000 elephants. It's got to remember every single one of those to get along well with its friends. So yes, elephants have fabulous memories, and this is one of the things that makes them so special.

An elephant's brain can weigh up to 5 kilograms – larger than any other land animal. It helps store that amazing memory.

Remind Satan that the same God who gives the elephant, a mere animal the ability to memorize is the same God that can help you memorize! Our God has no limits. What we attribute to our limitations are those we place upon ourselves.

Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Psalm 104:33-34, "I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD."