



## BACK TO SCHOOL VERSES

The school year is about to begin! Regardless of your schooling choice, school brings us into contact with others, many of whom do not know Christ. While we continue to proclaim the gospel to our children, we can also equip them with various principles and passages from Scripture so that they see how God requires and enables a believer to honor Him in any setting.

This is the message we want to settle in their thinking as the Lord works in their hearts.

1. **Love God more than anyone or anything. If He loves it, so should you. If He hates it, so should you.**

Mark 12:30. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.

2. **You are never alone. Before God, you have no private conversations, texts, emails, notes, eye contact, and study sessions, etc. This is either your defense and comfort or prosecution and cause for fear. You decide.**

Psalms 139:1-2. O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. (Philippians 4:8)

3. **God created the world in six literal days. He owns the world. He owns you.**

Genesis 1:1. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

4. **Christ loves you, paying the penalty for your sin. If you are saved, rest in His love, and His forgiveness.**

Romans 5:8. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

5. **Beauty and strength do not equal holiness. The Holy Spirit indwells all who love Christ. Live to glorify Him.**

1 Corinthians 6:20. For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

6. **When you speak, text, type or post to Facebook, give grace to everyone who hear. Gossip and slander are satanic. Don't do it.**

Ephesians 4:29. Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

- 7. Choose individuals who love Christ as much or more than you do. As hard as loneliness is, it is far better than sin. Lovingly and humbly call the others to repentance.**

1 Corinthians 15:33. Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals."

Psalms 28:1. The wicked flee when no one is pursuing, But the righteous are bold as a lion.  
(Matthew 5:16)

- 8. Choose Christlikeness over popularity, affirmation of unbelievers.**

James 4:6b. "God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble." (Philippians 2:3-4)

- 9. Proclaim & demonstrate the gospel of Christ to unbelievers (students, staff and teachers). Shock them with kindness.**

1 Corinthians 5:21. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (Romans 2:4)

- 10. Read your Bible and pray at school. Let unbelievers be uncomfortable, you be bold.**

Colossians 3:2. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

- 11. Work harder than anyone else ever, for God's glory.**

Colossians 3:17. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.

- 12. Don't complain to or about anyone or anything. Talk to us about your concerns so we can help you process and respond to disappointments, and discouragements.**

Philippians 2:14. Do all things without grumbling or disputing.

- 13. Don't be jealous of others sin. Their "freedom" is a facade.**

Psalms 37:7. Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who carries out wicked schemes.

- 14. Pray for those who do not know Christ and act sinfully toward you. No revenge, not even in your mind.**

Matthew 5:44. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; .....  
1 Thessalonians 5:15. See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

- 15. You are loved unconditionally. Our home is a safe place to work through every issue on any front. We are praying for you during this day and are eager to see you when you get home. Your trials and challenges are never a burden to us. We love you.**

Isaiah 26:3. The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in You.  
(Romans 8:28-39)

