

everything from him. He was in solitary confinement for about 6 months and then he was with other prisoners for many months. And finally after a year and a half he was released and allowed to go home. And when he was released he was given back his property which included his Bible/^{which} He was so happy to see ~~it~~ again. But he said that during those 6 months, and during the period afterwards when he was with other prisoners he said, How glad he was for the portions of the Bible that were in his mind, for the sections that he had memorized, for the parts of it that he didn't have to have the pages in front of him to see. Now I hope that it will not be the lot of many here to undergo such experiences as he had. We do not know what is ahead in this world. It is entirely possible that many of us may have to. On the other hand we may not, but even if we don't there is tremendous value in having Scriptural verses memorized so that they are right available to you when you want to use them when dealing with others and so that they are available for you to think over and to apply them to yourself as you are riding, as you are driving, as you are waiting for something. When there is spare time that you cannot/^{be} actually studying the Bible, but you have verses to memorized, or chapters better still that you can go over is a tremendous advantage for the one who is really going to serve the Lord effectively.

Of course in our day there immediately comes the serious question what version shall you memorize them in? That is a problem we have that we did ~~not~~ not have 50 years ago. Fifty years, I guess I should say seventy years because 50 years ago it was already a serious problem tho not as serious as it is today. 50 yrs. ago there were those who were saying the King James language is quite antiquated. Many of the words in it we --very few people today can understand. We have the ASV that came out in 1901 the version which has it in modern English, and we should memorize that and use that. Many Christian ~~workers~~ workers during the next 50 yrs. used only the ASV, Today= it is hardly used at all. I use the KJV mostly, but I always refer to the ASV which was an excellent translation, but which was not nearly as beautiful in its language as the KJV. Until one day when I was attending what was supposed to be an advanced