How to Answer Question 20: How Will You Practice the Truth You've Dug into Here?

Finally, we want to create an action plan to practice what we've learned in this study.

- 1. Looking at your response to Question 18, **pray about how you can address what you feel convicted of**. Make a note of anything the Spirit suggests as you pray.
- 2. Next, **meditate on the verse or verses containing correction** (Question 19). If any of the verses contain activity, highlight it.
- 3. Pray over what you've discovered, and **commit to a single action** you'll start practicing this week that relates to the conviction you felt or the correction verse(s) from this study.

Hints & Hacks

- Don't skip this: it's key to getting the greatest value from your time in God's Word, and it's the easiest way to seal what you discovered here in your heart and mind.
- The target for this exercise is **observable behavior you can check off as done**. Don't settle for an action plan of "being a better Christian." Ask yourself what it would look like if you were a better Christian. How would anyone know you're now a better Christian than you were last week? Would you set aside time for Bible study every week? Would you help at a local shelter or donate to a particular cause? Would you apologize to someone or forgive someone who hasn't yet apologized to you?
- Other action ideas can be found by reviewing your **answer to Question 9 (special statements)**. If you found *commands* or conditional *promises* in your study, consider if these could be applied to your situation. And if you discovered a *warning*, you may see it relates to something you could start or stop doing.
- Also consider your **answer to Question 11 (methods and conditions)**: do any of the *methods* you noticed give you action ideas to overcome what you've been convicted of or correct your situation as the passage suggests?
- If you believe God is calling you to do something particularly difficult, think about enlisting one or more trusted friends to pray for you and lovingly hold you accountable for it..