

## The Word Of God

“The Bible is God’s voice speaking to us, just as surely as though we could hear it with our ears. If we realized this, with what awe would we open God’s word, and with what earnestness would we search its precepts! The reading and contemplation of the Scriptures would be regarded as an audience with the Infinite One.” T., v. 6, p. 393.

“The scribes of God wrote as they were dictated by the Holy Ghost, having no control of the work themselves. They penned for literal truth, and stern, forbidding facts are revealed for reasons that our finite minds cannot fully comprehend.” T., v. 4, p. 9.

### **Magnifying The Word Of God**

Phil. 2:9, 10. At the name of Jesus every knee in heaven and earth shall bow.

Ps. 138:2. The Lord magnifies His word above all His name.

Ps. 119:89. God’s word is forever settled in heaven.

Ps. 12:6; Prov. 30:5, “The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.” E. 244.

Matt. 4:4, 7, 10. The Savior was fortified against temptation by the written word. He used nothing except what we have within our reach. D.A. 123-126; T., v.5, p. 434.

1 Peter 1:22-25. The new birth comes by the word of God. P.K. 626.

1 Peter 2:2, 3. As new-born babes we should desire the sincere milk of the word that we may grow thereby.

Ps. 119:9. The word will cleanse the life. C.O.L. 110, 111.

Ps. 119:133. Our steps should be ordered by the word. M.H. 458.

Matt. 4:4. It is as essential as our daily food. T., v. 4, p. 499.

2 Cor. 3:1-3. Unbelievers read the Bible in the lives of God’s people.

1 Peter 3:1. They “may without the word” be converted by the godly lives of earnest Christians.

## **Power Of The Word**

Heb. 4:12. All the power of God is in His word. E. 254, 255.

Jer. 23:29. "Is not my word like as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?" T., v. 5, pp. 24, 25.

Ps. 33:6-9; Heb. 11:1-3. "By the word of the Lord were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth." E. 125, 126.

Ps. 107:20. There is healing power in the word of God.

Matt. 8:8-13. One word from Christ brought health to the sick. D.A. 316, 317.

Ps. 103:3. God heals all diseases.

Prov. 4:20-22, margin. The words of God are medicine to those who receive them. M.H. 466.

John 1:1. The words that God speaks are synonymous with Himself. T., v. 4, p. 312.

John 1:14. The Word and Christ are synonymous terms. D.A. 390.

John 6:63. The Spirit of God is the same as the Word. C.O.L. 113.

Rom. 10:4-8. The righteousness of Christ is the same as the Word.

1 John 5:7. The Father, the Word (which is Christ), and the Holy Ghost, are one.

1 Tim. 3:16. This union is a mystery that human minds cannot comprehend.

Deut. 10:4, margin. Each one of the commandments is a word, or a complete thought.

Heb. 4:12. God's word is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Ps. 119:11. Hid in the heart, it will shield from sin.

Matt. 8:9,10. Great faith is simply to believe, because God speaks. E. 257.

Deut. 8:3. When deprived of every earthly resource, we learn to live upon the word of God. P.K. 428.

1 John 5:4. Faith in the Word as the word of God, carries the transforming power of God to the soul. T., v. 4, pp. 545, 546.

## **How To Read And Study The Bible**

Neh. 8:8. Whether reading alone or before others, pronounce every word distinctly, giving the sense. T., v. 6, pp. 380-383.

Luke 10:26. Jesus laid as much stress on the reading of the Scriptures as on what they contained. G.C. 598.

2 Tim. 2:7. "Consider *what I say*; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things." E. 189,

Dan. 10:11. "Understand the *words* that I speak unto thee." G.C. 599, 600. Matt. 28:20. The disciples' commission was to teach what *Christ had commanded*.

2 Tim. 4:2. Paul charged Timothy to preach the Word. A.A. 506.

Rev. 22:18; Prov. 30:5, 6. No one is to add to, or take from, the words of God. God has expressed the thoughts He intended to convey, and we are to study the words and get from them the thoughts He designed to convey when He gave the words. E. 227.

Jer. 23:28. Man's words are but chaff when compared with the words of God. A.A. 474, 475.

### **How To Teach The Word Of God**

1 Cor. 2:13. The Holy Ghost's method of teaching is by comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

John 5:39. Christ commands us to search the Scriptures. D.A. 390.

Luke 24:25-27, 44, 45. He appeals to the Scriptures to prove His resurrection.

John 10:34-36. Jesus teaches that the omission of one letter, making the word singular when the prophet had used the plural form, would break the Scriptures.

Gal. 3:16. The apostle Paul holds the same view of the Scriptures.

2 Sam. 23:2. David says that the Lord's "*word* was my tongue."

Dan. 10:17, 19. Inspiration is God's breath, using the vocal organs of the prophet.

2 Tim. 3:16, 17. All Scripture is thus inspired that man may know the way of life.

Rom. 4:16-22. Because Abraham believed the word of God, it was counted unto him for righteousness. P.P. 152, 153.

1 Sam. 15:2, 3, 26-29. Because Saul did not believe the word of God, he lost his kingdom. P.P. 634-636.

1 Sam. 15:22, 23. It is as the sin of witchcraft to think that God's words can be changed. The entire fifteenth chapter 1 Samuel should be studied carefully. P.P. 680-682.