

# The Word of God

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(Joshua 1:8)

God the Creator of heaven and earth had shown His love when He created man on His own image. And even when man sinned God did not forsake man but He forwarded His plan of salvation so man could come back to God. The Bible tells the following: *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”* (John 1:1) God created the universe and everything in it with His Word; the same Word that was with God came down from heaven and become man as we can read here: *“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”* (John 1:14) The Word of God that became flesh is the Lord Jesus Christ who came down from heaven to bring mankind back to God. Jesus died on the cross for our sins; He was buried and rose from the death on the third day to give us eternal life. In order for us to go back and reach God we need to receive the Lord Jesus Christ. And in order for us to receive the Lord Jesus Christ we need to receive, accept and follow the Word of God. So in order for us to receive God and be in harmony with Him we need to be in harmony with the Word of God and the teaching of the Word.

God had given us His Word, and His Word we can read in the Bible. But we need to interact with what God says in His Word and obey His rules and commands. Moses said to the people of God the following: *“These are the commands, decrees and laws the LORD your God directed me to teach you to observe in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to possess, <sup>2</sup> so that you, your children and their children after them may fear the LORD your God as long as you live by keeping all his decrees and commands that I give you, and so that you may enjoy long life.”* (Deuteronomy 6:1-2) So what we understand that God gave Moses the commands, and Moses taught the people, so the people and their children as they fear the Lord and keep the commands then they will enjoy long life. Moses told the people the following: *“These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.”* (Deuteronomy 6:6-9) God’s Word instructions were given in order to ensure to them the continuity of God’s blessings to themselves and to the next generation of their children.

After Moses God spoke to Joshua the same, *“Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.”* (Joshua 1:8) To keep the blessings of God to flow in their lives they were required to read the Word of God, to meditate on it day and night and to be careful to obey all the commands of the Lord.

The Old Testament and the New Testament both are the same containing the Word of God and we should read, study, meditate on and obey God’s commands: *“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,<sup>17</sup> so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”* (2 Timothy 3:16-17) God’s Word is indispensable to us; it is useful to teach us when we are ignorant, correct us when we are wrong, rebuke us when we sin, and training us so that we will be ready for every good work.

God’s Word is written to warn us, *“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.”* (Romans 15:4) We need to read and study the whole bible, from beginning to the end, the 66 books; 39 in the Old Testament and the 27 in the New Testament are essential and necessary for our lives and well being. The Bible God had put into our hands to teach us how to live and to behave in our lives with God and with others. It teaches us, warn us and direct us to avoid things that God hates as we can read in the following Scripture:

*“Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: ‘The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in pagan revelry. ‘We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. We should not test the Lord, as some of them did—and were killed by snakes. And do not grumble, as some of them did—and were killed by the destroying angel. These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come.”* (1 Corinthians 10:6-11) How we know that idol worship, immorality, testing the Lord and grumbling all are sins if we don’t read the Word of God. Therefore we need to read the Bible, then we will know the truth and what God wants exactly from us to be and to do, and the truth will set us free.

*“When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.’”* (John 8:12) Jesus is the light of the World, and if we follow Him by obeying His Word we will not be in darkness. And truly we can say, *“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”* (Psalm 119:105) God’s Word is the light for us to direct us into the right path. And the best way is to read the Word of God, remember what it says, and hide it in your heart so you will be sound with God, as King David said: *“I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.”* (Psalm 119:11) As we know the truth, the truth will set us free and make us in line and harmony with God.

Jesus also said, *“I tell you the truth, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.”* (John 8:51) Jesus Words are life and spirit and if we keep and obey them, we will have eternity and life forever with God. Job said: *“I have not departed from the commands of his lips; I have treasured the words of his mouth more than my daily bread.”* (Job 23:12) *“Jesus answered, ‘It is written: ‘Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”* (Matthew 4:4)

*My dear and beloved: “Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.”* (Psalm 1:1-3) Yes the message is for you, be wise and stop saying I don’t have time. Stop going, moving and being with bad friends, and stop wasting your time with bad things, but take your bible and start read as you agree to pray.

*My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead on the third day to give me eternal life. Lord I repent from all my sins. Lord I commit myself not to waste my time with friends. And I commit myself to read the whole bible from cover to cover. Help me Lord and open my mind to understand the Scripture and enlighten my mind with the Holy Spirit to understand your will and to walk in your ways. This all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.*