

Sermon Notes

BUILDING YOUR FAITH USING THE WORD OF GOD

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The Word of God is our primary focus when it comes to doing our human part in partnering with Jesus to build our faith. According to scripture, we are to remember God's teachings, meditate on the Word day and night, abide in the Word, and keep Jesus' commandments. Since this is the case, we will go to the Bible to find out what it has to say about the Word and how we can use scripture to build our faith to become more like Christ in our daily lives. (Proverbs 3:1-2; Joshua 1:8; John 15:7-10)

THE AUTHORITY OF GOD'S WORD

John 1:1-4 (ESV) - *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men.*

Revelation 19:13 (ESV) - *He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.*

THE PURPOSE OF THE WORD IN LIFE

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV) - *All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.*

THE LIVING WORD

John 6:63 (ESV) - *It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.*

Hebrews 4:12 (ESV) - *For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

MEDITATING THE WORD

Joshua 1: 8 (ESV) - *This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.*

Psalms 1:2 (ESV) - *But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.*

Active Meditation - A process to take the scriptures and understand and know them to the point that they become the belief in your heart and the reflection of your life.

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATION

What is one area of your life where you could apply the process of active meditation?

- Pray, research, and decide which scriptures you could use for your active meditation to build your faith and become a reflection of the Word in that area.
- Activate the process.