

SUMMER IN THE WORD

Lesson 2

THE DYNAMIC WORD OF GOD

Disciple - A learner. A learned follower. A student applying the instructions given by their teacher as a lifestyle.

True disciples of Jesus Christ follow his instructions.

John 8:31-32 NLT

Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. [32] and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

STUDY QUESTION

What did Jesus say is an indication of a true disciple?

THE PRICE OF DISCIPLESHIP

Luke 9:23 KJVS

[23] And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his CROSS DAILY, AND FOLLOW ME.

Disciples of Jesus deny themselves. They say no to all pleasures & reasonings that oppose the instructions given in the word. Doing the word of God is their priority.

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Psalms 119:162 NLT

I rejoice in your word like one who discovers a great treasure.

The past lesson we discussed the importance of doing, or applying, the word of God to address every area of your life. As a disciple of Christ, it is vitally important to develop a lifestyle of acting on the word of God. Remember, the disciple who builds their life on the word of God will stand victorious against the storms of life (Matt.7:25) & they are blessed in all they do (James 1: 25).

As a disciple of Jesus Christ, you must purpose to prioritize the word of God in your life

Colossians 3:16 KJVS

Let the word of Christ DWELL IN YOU richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Colossians 3:16 GW

Let Christ's word with all its wisdom and richness LIVE IN YOU. Use psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to teach and instruct yourselves about God's kindness. Sing to God in your hearts.

2 WAYS TO LET THE WORD, IN ALL ITS RICHNESS, LIVE IN YOU

1. Daily reading & meditating on the word
2. Doing, or acting, on the word regardless of what you think and feel

STUDY QUESTIONS

Have you developed a daily regimen of reading and meditating on the word of God?

Why is it important to let the word richly live in you?

I believe before we will totally commit to govern our lives according to the instructions God gives us in His word, we must understand some important dynamic attributes of His word.

JESUS & THE WORD OF GOD

1. Jesus Christ is the word incarnate (word made flesh, in human form; the reality of the word of God as a man)

John 1:1-2,14 KJVS

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] The same was in the beginning with God. [14] And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

John 1:1-2,14 NLT

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He existed in the beginning with God. [14] SO THE WORD BECAME HUMAN AND MADE his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

STUDY QUESTION

1. WHAT ARE THESE SCRIPTURES SAYING ABOUT JESUS?

THE WORD IS LIVING ALIVE

Hebrews 4:12 KJVS

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12 GW

God's word is living and active. It is sharper than any two-edged sword and cuts as deep as the place where soul and spirit meet, the place where joints and marrow meet. God's word judges a person's thoughts and intentions.

Hebrews 4:12 AMPC

For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [the immortal] spirit, and of joints and marrow [of the deepest parts of our nature], exposing and sifting and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart.