

Lesson 1
The Word of God

I. The Characteristics of God’s Word

- A. All Scripture is Inspired - 2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pt. 1:20-21; Mt. 23:34; 2 Pt. 3:1-2, 15-16

- B. Scripture is Incorruptible Seed and It Lives and Abides Forever (Eternal) – 1 Pt. 1:23; Ps. 119:160; 119:89; Jn. 17:17

- C. God Speaks to You Through the Word and the Scriptures Cannot Be Broken – Mt. 22:31-32; Jn. 10:34-36

- D. The Word is Powerful and Holds All Things Together– Heb. 1:3

- E. God’s Word Changes Lives and the Ages – 1 Pt. 1:23; James 1:21; Heb. 11:3

- F. God Views His Word As More Important than His Name – Ps. 138:2; Phil. 2:9-11

II. How God’s Word Works in Our Lives

- A. The seed is the Word of God – It is the foundation of everything you do (Mk. 4:14)

- B. The ground is your heart (Mk. 4:15)

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- C. Word mixed with faith is profitable (Heb. 4:2)

- D. The Word isn't magical – It has to be planted in your heart and germinate before It can release Its power (Mk. 4:26)

- ❖ There is no way that you can keep from having your life changed if you will consistently put God's Word into your life, meditate on It and let It have Its impact on you.

- ❖ God's Word is powerless in your life until It's planted in your heart.

You cannot help but bear fruit in your life if the Word is in your heart.

III. Mark 4:26-29

- A. Just plant the Word

- B. It grows up of Itself

- C. Faith will increase – you will change

- D. Steady, gradual growth – v. 28