

OTHER TRUTHS ABOUT THE WORD OF GOD:

- The Word of God should be read publicly. (1 Tim 4:13)
- The Word of God should be obeyed. (Ps 119:4, Luke 11:28, John 8:51, 1 John 2:5)
- Any person who hears God's Word and puts it into practice is a member of God's family. (Luke 8:21)
- Jesus is able to open our minds so we can understand the Scriptures. (Luke 24:27)
- The Holy Spirit will guide us into all the truth. God's words are full of the Spirit and life. (John 6:63; John 16:13)
- The origin of all scripture is God. He spoke his truth to humans, and the Holy Spirit carried them along as they wrote down his words. (2 Pet 1:21)
- God esteems the person who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at his Word. (Isa 66:2)
- God is actively watching over his Word and will fulfil it. (Jer 1:12; Ezek 12:28; John 18:9)
- God's words cannot be added to or subtracted from. (Deut 4:12; Deut 12:32; Prov 30:6; Ecc 12:12; Rev 22:18-19)
- We need to keep God's words in our hearts and minds so we will be obedient to them. (Deut 11:18, 30:14; Deut 32:46; 2 Chr 34:31; Prov 4:4; Ps 119:11; Luke 8:15; Rom 10:8; Col 3:16)
- There is a correct way to handle God's Word and an incorrect way. It must be rightly divided, i.e. contextually understood and explained. (Neh 8:8; 2 Cor 4:2; 2 Tim:15; 2 Pet 3:16)
- If anyone is ashamed of Jesus and his words, he will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels. (Mark 8:38; Luke 9:26)
- Anyone who loves Jesus will keep his words, and the Father will love that person. They will come to make their dwelling place with that person. (John 14:23)
- If we remain in Jesus and his words remain in us, we can ask for whatever we wish, and it will be done for us. (John 15:7)
- Anyone who holds to the words of Jesus is his disciple. (John 8:31)
- We should examine everything we hear against Scripture to know if what people teach is true. (Is 8:20; Acts 17:11)
- God's Word and Name are magnified together. (Ps 138:2 AMP)
- We will shine like the stars if we hold firmly to the word of life. (Phil 2:15-16)
- Think continually on whatever is good and right as confirmed by God's Word. Put this into practice. Then the God of peace will be with us. (Phil 4:8 AMP)
- Lack of knowledge of God's Word brings destruction. (Hos 4:6 AMP)

The sum of God's Word is TRUTH. (Ps 119:160 AMP)

"The Word of God is the anvil upon which the opinions of men are smashed."

~ Charles Spurgeon ~

"The Word of God is like a lion. You don't have to defend a lion. All you have to do is let the lion loose, and the lion will defend itself."

~ Charles Spurgeon ~

There are four things that we ought to do with the Word of God — admit it as the Word of God, commit it to our hearts and minds, submit to it, and transmit it to the world.

~ William Wilberforce ~

The Word of God

What the Word of God says about the Word of God

THE WORD OF GOD IS:

JESUS! (John 1:1, 14; Rev 19:13)

TRUTH (Ps 19:8; Ps 33:4; Ps 119:43, 142, 160; John 17:17; 2 Tim 2:15; Heb 5:12; Acts 17:11; 1 Tim 4:6; Jam 1:18; Rev 19:9)

GOD-BREATHED (2 Tim 3:16)

FULFILLED IN JESUS CHRIST (John 5:38-39)

LIVING & ACTIVE (Acts 7:38; 1 Thes 2:13; Heb 4:12; 1 Pet 1:23)

THE FATHER'S MESSAGE as confirmed by Jesus (Deut 18:18; John 3:34; John 7:16; John 14:10,24)

A LAMP FOR OUR FEET & A LIGHT FOR OUR PATH (Ps 119:105)

A STRONG FOUNDATION (Luke 6:47-49)

AT WORK IN THE LIVES OF BELIEVERS (1 Thes 2:13; Heb 4:12)

ETERNAL & ENDURES FOREVER (Ps 119:89,160,172; Isa 40:8; Matt 24:25; Mark 13:31; Luke 16:17 & 21:13; 1 Pet 1:23, 25)

FILLED WITH GOD'S GRACE (Acts 20:32)

FLAWLESS, PURE, PERFECT, FAULTLESS (Ps 12:6; Ps 18:30; Prov 30:5; 2 Sam 22:31)

GOOD & RIGHTEOUS (Ps 33:4; Ps 119:160, 172; Prov 16:20 AMP; Heb 6:5)

LIKE A FIRE (Jer 5:14; Jer 23:29)

LIKE A GOAD (a cattle prod) (Ecc 12:11)

LIKE A HAMMER (Jer 23:29)

LIKE A LIGHT SHINING IN A DARK PLACE (2 Pet 1:19)

LIKE A MIRROR — it reflects our true nature (Jam 1:23-24)

LIKE FALLING RAIN & DEW (Deut 32:1-2)

MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD (Ps 19:10)

NOURISHING (1 Tim 4:6)

POWERFUL (1 Cor 1:18; Heb 1:3, Eph 6:17)

PRAISEWORTHY (Ps 56:4,10)

RADIANT (Ps 19:8)

SHARPER THAN A TWO-EDGED SWORD inside our soul & spirit (Heb 4:12)

SPIRITUAL FOOD (Deut 8:3; Is 55:1-2; Matt 4:4; John 6:58; Heb 5:11-12)

SWEETER THAN HONEY (Ps 19:10; Ps 119:103)

TESTED & REFINED LIKE SILVER OR GOLD (Ps 12:6; Ps 119:40; Prov 30:5)

THE FOUNDATION FOR SOUND DOCTRINE (Titus 1:9)

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT — it enables us to stand against the enemy (Eph 6:17)

TREASURE (Ps 119:162 AMP; Prov 2:1-4)

TRUSTWORTHY & RELIABLE (Titus 1:19; Rev 21:5; Rev 22:6)

UNCHANGABLE & SETTLED IN HEAVEN (Ps 119:89 AMP)

USEFUL FOR TEACHING, REBUKING, CORRECTING & TRAINING IN RIGHTEOUSNESS (2 Tim 3:16)

God's Word is true whether we believe it or not. Human unbelief cannot alter the character of God.

~ A.W. Tozer ~

About the Bible

The Bible is a library of 66 books written by 40 different authors. The Latin word *biblia*, translated as 'bible', literally means 'books'. This library contains different types of literature: history, genealogy, law, poetry, songs, prophecy, proverbs, letters, gospels, prayers, speeches & proclamations, parables, sermons and apocalyptic revelation.

"The Bible is God's truth about himself and how we should relate to him, set in the context of history. It is the vibrant story of God's redeeming work in the lives of his people." (David Pawson)

GOD'S WORD:

TESTIFIES TO JESUS (Luke 24:27; John 5:39; 1 Cor 15:3-4; 1 Pet 2:6)
REVEALS THE GOOD NEWS OF SALVATION (1 Cor 15:1-5, Rom 10:8-9)
BUILDS US UP (Acts 20:32)
CAN BE USED TO REASON WITH UNBELIEVERS (Acts 17:2; Acts 18:28)
CONSECRATES (1 Tim 4:5)
CONVICTS OF SIN (2 Kgs 22:11; 2 Chr 34:19; Ezra 9:4; Neh 8:9; Ps 19:10-11; Ps 119:9,11; 1 Thes 1:5; Heb 4:12; 2 Tim 3:16)
COUNSELS US (Ps 119:8)
DOES GOOD FOR those who pay attention to it (Prov 16:20 AMP; Mic 2:7)
DWELLS IN BELIEVERS (John 5:38)
EQUIPS US FOR EVERY GOOD WORK (2 Tim 3:17)
EQUIPS US TO REFUTE & CORRECT ERROR (Titus 1:9; 2 Tim 3:16; 2 Tim 4:2)
GROWS INSIDE US & TRANSFORMS THE HEART (John 8:37 AMP)
HAS THE POWER TO MAKE PEOPLE TREMBLE & WEEP (Ps 119:161; Ezra 9:4; Neh 8:9)
JUDGES THE THOUGHTS & ATTITUDES OF THE HEART (Heb 4:12)
MAKES THE SIMPLE WISE (Ps 19:7; Ps 119:30)
MAKES US WISE FOR SALVATION through faith in Christ Jesus (1 Thes 2:13; Jam 1:21; 1 Cor 15:2; 2 Tim 3:15)
PENETRATES OUR INNERMOST BEING - even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow (Heb 4:12)
PREDICTS THE FUTURE (Dan 9:2; Gal 3:8)
PREPARES US (2 Tim 4:2-3)
PRESERVES OUR LIVES (Ps 119:25,50,154)
PROMISES DELIVERANCE (Ps 119:70)
PURIFIES (1 Pet 1:22)
REVIVES & REFRESHES OUR SOULS (Ps 19:7; Ps 119:25,50,154 AMP)
SANCTIFIES (John 17:17)
SATISFIES SPIRITUAL HUNGER (Deut 8:3; Is:55:1-2; Matt 4:4; Luke 4:4; John 6:58; Heb 5:11-12)
SPREADS & FLOURISHES & ECHOES LIKE THUNDER (Acts 6:7; 12:24; 1 Thes 1:8 AMP)
STANDS FIRM (Ps 19:9; Ps 119:89)
STRENGTHENS & RENEWS US (Ps 119:28)
SUSTAINS THE WEARY (Is 50:4))
TEACHES US ABOUT GOD so we have hope (Rom 15:4)
TEACHES US TO HOW ANSWER anyone who taunts us (Ps 119:42)
WARNS (Prov 7; Jer 6:10; Acts 2:40-41; Rev 22:18)
WASHES US CLEAN (John 15:3; Ephesians 5:25-26)

"Now what is food for the inner man? Not prayer, but the Word of God; and here again, not the simple reading of the Word of God, so that it only passes through our minds, just as water passes through a pipe, but considering what we read, pondering it over and applying it to our hearts."
 ~ George Muller ~

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 "In all cases the Church is to be judged by the Scripture, not the Scripture by the Church."
 ~ John Wesley ~

"The blacker the night around us grew, the brighter, and truer, and more beautiful burned the Word of God."
 ~ Corrie ten Boom ~

"If we once get above our Bibles and cease making the written Word of God our sole rule both as to faith and practice, we shall soon lie open to all manner of delusion and be in great danger of making shipwreck of faith and a good conscience."
 ~ George Whitefield ~

Almost one-third of the Bible contains prophetic predictions. 85% of those predictions have already been fulfilled. The remaining 15% concern the second coming of Jesus Christ.
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 "The New Testament is in the Old concealed, the Old Testament is by the New revealed."
 ~ St Augustine ~

THE WORD OF GOD WILL:

NEVER FAIL (Luke 1:37)
NEVER PASS AWAY (Matt 24:35; Mark 13:31; Luke 21:33)
BE FULFILLED (Mark 14:49; Luke 1:20; Luke 4:21; John 13:18; John 17:12; John 19:28,36,37; Acts 1:16; Jam 2:23; Rev 17:17)
SET US FREE IF WE HOLD TO THE TRUTH (John 8:31)

THE WORD OF GOD BRINGS:

To anyone who listens to it, meditates on it, delights in it, believes it, rejoices in it, trusts it, pays attention to it, obeys it, puts it into practice, treasures it in their heart, holds firmly on to it, God's Word will bring:

BLESSING, FAVOUR & REWARD (Deut 5:29; Ps 1:1-3; Ps 19:11; Prov 16:20; Dan 9:13; Mic 2:7; Luke 11:28)
COMFORT (Ps 119:50,76 AMP)
CONVICTION — it can keep us from sinning (2 Kgs 22:11; 2 Chr 34:19; Ezra 9:4; Neh 8:9; Ps 19:10-11; Ps 119:9,11; Zech 1:6; 1 Thes 1:5; Heb 4:12; 2 Tim 3:16)
ENCOURAGEMENT (Rom 15:4; Titus 1:9; 2 Tim 4:2)
ENDURANCE (Rom 15:4)
FAITH (Rom 10:17)
FEAR OF THE LORD (Prov 2:1-6)
FREEDOM (John 8:31-32)
GUIDANCE (Ps 119:105)
HOPE (Ps 119:49; Ps 130:5; Rom 15:4)
HOPE OF SALVATION (Ps 119:81; Rom 10:17; Eph 1:13)
JOY TO OUR HEARTS (Ps 19:8; Jer 15:16)
LIFE (Deut 30:14-15; Deut 32: 46-47; Ps 119:50; Prov 4:4, 7:2)
LIGHT FOR OUR PATH (Ps 119:105)
LIGHT TO OUR EYES (Ps 19:8)
LIGHT TO OUR LIVES (Ps 119:130)
PEACE (Prov 3:1-2, Is 48:18; Phil 4:9)
REFRESHMENT FOR OUR SOULS (Ps 19:7; Ps 119:25,50,154 AMP)
WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING & INSIGHT (Ps 19:7; 119:98, 99, 130, 169; Prov 4:4-5)

THE WORD OF GOD CAN BE:

SCATTERED LIKE SEEDS TO PRODUCE SALVATION (Matt 13:23; Mark 4:20; Luke 8:11)

THE WORD OF GOD CANNOT BE:

SET ASIDE (John 10:35)

"There are four principles we need to maintain: First, read the Word of God. Second, consume the Word of God until it consumes you. Third, believe the Word of God. Fourth, act on the Word."
 ~ Smith Wigglesworth ~