



The Powerful Word

Bible Study Series

Day 1: The Word is Truth

Today's Scripture: John 17:17 **"Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth."**

A couple of years ago a picture of a lace dress became an internet sensation when some viewers saw it as black and blue and others saw it as white and gold. I was in the white and gold company and my mind was officially blown. "How on earth could anyone see it as black and blue when it is clearly white and gold?" I said to anyone who would listen. To my astonishment, some of my friends saw black and blue as well! "What is this craziness?" I asked.

Call it curiosity, or stubbornness, I wouldn't give up until I knew the answer to this seeming paradox. The manufacturer of the dress soon gave it: the dress was black and blue! That was the truth, even though I had seen and (passionately) believed something different.

Isn't life like that? People see things differently, agree to disagree, and contend for personal views. But at the end of the day, there is an absolute truth revealed. Or is there?

In a 2016 study called *The End of Absolutes: America's New Moral Code*, research reveals that the majority of Americans believe "knowing what is right and wrong is a matter of personal experience" and that over 70% of Millennials agree that "whatever is right for your life or works best for you is the only truth you can know." This, apparently, is the definition of truth in post-modern culture: "whatever works for you."

But what happens when personal truths collide? All of us can think of examples in our own lives when another person's "truth" clashed with our own. At best it is confusion, at worst it is tragic. The definition of truth, in my opinion, is the single most important question a person will ever answer for themselves. Why? Because what you believe will determine every single choice you make every single day; what you believe is the truth will decide your destiny, both in this life and the one to come. So...

with that sobering thought in mind, isn't it worthwhile to explore the question, "does absolute truth exist?"

Awhile back I did an extensive amount of research on the validity of the Bible. I poured through historical and archeological documents and secular eyewitness accounts like Josephus, who was a first century historian. I discovered that the evidence for the integrity and validity of the Bible is truly overwhelming. Did you know there is literally more evidence for the Bible than any other piece of classical literature, including Plato and Shakespeare? Right about here in this Bible Study blog is where I figured I would bullet-point an extensive list of facts that would help the reader to be totally convinced that the Bible came from God, has been purely preserved, and is the only source of absolute truth in the world.

But the truth is - anyone curious enough can find all this information at the click of a button or the turning of a page. After all, this is the Information Age. What is *astounding* is the number of people who reject the Bible as truth, even though it is by far the bestselling book of all time (more than 5 billion copies sold!).

Instead, I will share my personal journey into truth, what I discovered about the Bible, and why I almost lost faith in it.

The Bible Can Be Tested

Early in my adult life, I put the Word of God to a test. Although I was raised in an environment of much fear, I noticed that the Bible says we should "walk by faith" in God (2 Corinthians 5:7). It also says that if we will make God our first priority, He will take care of us and provide all of our needs (Matthew 6:33). Since I had been raised in very unstable circumstances, this was scary for me. When I was 19 years old I was on my own with a great job and finally had stability in my life. But one day I was informed that the company I worked for would begin scheduling me every Sunday. I knew the Bible said I should make the kingdom of God my first priority, but if I lost my job I didn't have another home to run to. With much trepidation I decided to try God's Word. I gave the company my two week notice and continued to go to church. A few days before my job ended, I received an offer from a better company, with better hours and benefits, and the same amount of money. I started my new job the next week.

The Bible Is Misrepresented

Many people have wrong impressions of the Bible because it has been misrepresented. Instead of actually reading it, they will take someone else's opinion, or look at the discrepancies in a Christian's life, and begin to believe the Bible is a hoax. I almost fell into this trap as a young adult because I had been greatly hurt by people who quoted the Bible. When I began studying the Bible intensely for myself, I discovered three things: one, its motive is love; two, its promises are true; and three, its principles work. Many times, when I felt all alone, I would read the scriptures and feel the sweet love of God comforting me through the pages. When I applied its principles, I experienced peace, order and purpose in my life. Consequently, I learned not to judge God and His Word by the actions of others.

The Bible is Timeless and Relevant

Many people today think the Bible is outdated. If they would actually read it, they would know that humans live in time, but God does not. Since God is the creator of time, wrote the Bible (1 Peter 19:21, 2 Timothy 3:16-17), and exists in the past, present and future, His words are truth for every age. "His truth endures to all generations." (Psalm 100:5). "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away." (Matthew 24:35).

Praying to the Father, Jesus defined truth in four words: "Your word is truth." Boom. After all the great philosophers and geniuses have their say, it all comes down to this: God's Word is truth. Like the black and blue dress, opinions abound, but you cannot change the truth.

For study resources on the validity of the Bible: [Click here](#)



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Day 2: The Word Builds Faith

Today's Scripture: Romans 10:17 – **"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."**

I have some practical jokesters in my family. You know, the kind that pulls chairs out from under unsuspecting victims. After having that happen to me a few times as a kid, I no longer believed that a chair would be there when I needed it. I began to learn the art of double-checking; (you could say my faith was shaped by what I knew.)

Everything in life is built on faith. We believe there will be air for our next breath. We believe in the law of gravity, and the law of harvest. We believe in the effects of pranks. But all these things are in the natural. What about faith to believe for things in the supernatural that you and I both need today? Things such as divine healing, deliverance from addiction, salvation for a loved one, financial provision – these things challenge our faith, and yet listen to the emphasis the Bible puts on faith:

"Without faith it is impossible to please Him [God]," says the Apostle (Hebrews 11:6)
(That sure raises the faith priority bar, doesn't it?)

"We walk by faith and not by sight," says the same Apostle (2 Corinthians 5:7).
(You mean I have to believe in things I can't actually SEE?)

"For by grace you have been saved through faith..." says the same Apostle (Ephesians 2:8)
(What? I need faith to be *saved*?! Paul, you're on a slippery slope now, Brother!)

Sigh...okay, Paul, I hear you loud and clear: I need faith for EVERYTHING!

As we read the scriptures and begin to sense an urgency regarding the necessity of faith, we also find that God gives instructions on where to get it: "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).

Let's break it down:

Hearing Is...

Have you ever been listening to someone talk, but when they were finished you had no idea what they said? The message was "heard" but it sure wasn't understood. Perhaps they spoke with an accent or different language; more often than not, though, our minds checked out and didn't comprehend. The word "hearing" in Romans 10:17 is derived from the root word *akouo* which is more than just something audible, it means understanding. This is the first step of receiving faith – not hearing with your ears only, but also with your understanding. Now we know why Jesus said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear (understand, perceive)!" (Matthew 11:15)

Logos and Rhema

So then...faith comes by *understanding* the word of God. But wait, let's apply the principle of understanding to the word "word". In Romans 10:17, the Greek word for "word" is *rhema*. In the New Testament, another Greek word for "word" is *logos*. It is vital that we understand the difference between the two, especially in the context of faith:

Rhema is the voice of God speaking to a specific person (or group) for a specific time. For example, in Matthew 14:29 Jesus told Peter to "come," walk on the water to me. Although that is a specific word from God recorded in the scriptures, I can't receive that for myself and try to walk on the river near my house. That was *rhema* to Peter, not to me. *Rhema* is a personal word from the Lord.

Logos is the word of God that is already revealed to mankind. In Philippians 2:16 Paul says he is "holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain..." The "word" here is *logos* – God's statutes, laws, instructions, and principles that He has revealed to man. The entire Bible is *logos*. Many times the Bible refers to Jesus Christ as *logos* because Christ was the revealed Word of God. However, when Christ spoke to people, He often spoke *rhema*.

If you need faith to believe God for something supernatural, you must get *rhema*, the voice of God speaking to you. Although we have the promises of the *logos*, *rhema* tells us God's timing, God's methods, and God's perfect will. *Rhema* can come from anointed preaching, reading the Bible (*logos*), or prayer. *Rhema* will never contradict the *logos*, for God is not the author of confusion (1 Corinthians 14:33). He will never contradict His revealed word.

Brooke's Story

One day, as I was reading the Bible, the voice of God spoke *rhema* to my spirit and built faith in me to believe for a healing. Our teenage daughter, Brooke, had been in poor health since she was born, and was growing worse. Though we had accepted the negative doctors' reports regarding her for 14 years, the scriptures I was reading came alive to me and I knew I had the "substance" of things hoped for (Hebrews 11:1). I had *rhema*.

I wrote out the scriptures I had been reading – some were on healing, but others were regarding the authority and dominion we have over sickness through Christ. Armed with this faith, we prayed

powerful prayers, not asking but commanding the sickness to go. On January 9, 2015 God miraculously healed her and she is strong and healthy today. "Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, 'If you abide in My word (*logos*), you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free'" (John 8:31-32).

Chili Con Carne

One life-changing revelation to me has been the meaning of the word "carnal." Romans 8:7 says, "the carnal mind is enmity against God..." The ESV says it this way, "For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's laws, indeed, it cannot." The word carnal means whatever is "flesh" and is where the dish "chili con carne" comes from - chili with meat. A carnal mind can only see with the fleshly senses - eyes, ears, hands, mouth and nose. A carnal mind has trouble with faith, because it has trouble believing that things exist outside of the natural. But we *must* go beyond this mindset because all of the things of God originate in the supernatural.

When you truly get an understanding of this principle in the Word, it will build your faith to believe God for the impossible. Romans 4:17 (ESV) says that God "...gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist." Faith looks past what you see with the flesh and calls the supernatural into the natural. Even dead things can come back to life. "...We do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen" (2 Corinthians 4:18).

So, what supernatural thing do you need faith for? Immerse yourself in the *logos* of God's revealed word, pray for His voice to speak the *rhema* to you, look beyond what you see in the natural realm, and envision what is available to you in the heavenly realm. God is a God of tremendous blessings and has paid a high price to bring them to us. Ephesians 1:3 emphatically declares it, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ."



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Day 3: The Word is Life

Today's Scriptures:

- John 6:63 **"The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life."**
John 6:68 **"But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life."
Luke 8:11 **"Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God."****

When we lived in the Midwest, I was the designated lawn caretaker. Since I am a nature-lover and get a kick out of growing things, it was hardly a chore. I was pretty bad at it at first and had a penchant for drowning the flowers. One time I discovered I was fertilizing a weed!

One of the things I desired most was a beautiful, green, weed-free lawn. The bane of my horticultural existence was that particularly resistant, rebellious weed called crabgrass! You could pull them up all day, but their seeds would blow in with the next wind and firmly plant themselves in my grass, as pretty as you please.

I'll never forget the spiritual epiphany I had when a professional lawn man said to me: "You know how to get a weed-free lawn? Grow thick grass."

Excuse me, Mr. Scott, come again? Are you telling me if I grow enough grass seed, I won't have to dig up any more weeds?

"Precisely. Where there is thick grass, there is no *room* for weeds."

This was bigger to me than just a great idea for my next small group discussion. This was very personal and life-changing. You see, the soil of my heart had been bitterly poisoned by the words and deeds of

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others, and there were many empty places for weeds to thrive. I had tried for years to pull them out, one by one, only to find another weed growing in its place. My epiphany that day was: stop the endless chore of pulling up weeds; instead, plant the Word of God and the weeds won't have room to grow! That is the day I began intentional planting.

The Blessed Life

I'm going to make a bold statement to you: "Everything you need for a blessed life, you have right now in seed form." Do you believe that? Let's break it down according to God's Word:

In Genesis 1:29 God said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed." Right from the beginning, God made everything on the earth to reproduce from a seed, including mankind. This is God's strategy for life growth: sow the seed. And God blessed it all. In the parable of the sower, Jesus says, "The seed is the word of God" (Luke 8:11). Since every seed reproduces after its own kind, and since the Word of God is blessed, our lives become blessed when we sow it: "for whatever one sows, that will he also reap" (Galatians 6:7, ESV).

Promises Are Seeds

When I was a kid we sang a song called "Every Promise in The Book Is Mine!" I loved that song (who doesn't like singing about promises?) I didn't realize it then, but now I know that every promise of God is a seed. The promise does not come full grown. I must plant it and nurture it. Only then will I eat of its fruit.

It Is What It Is

You don't plant broccoli and reap turnips. You might be laughing at how obvious that sounds, but I did this for years before I learned how to apply the principle of sowing and reaping (Galatians 6:7). I would think about how much someone had hurt me (seed of bitterness) and wonder why I had no joy. I would read too many news reports (seeds of violence and fear) and wonder why I had no peace. Philippians 4:6-8 has become my life's scripture, seeds that I have reaped a bountiful harvest from (bless yourself today by planting this passage in your heart)!

When you open fruit, you will find the same kind of seeds on the inside. This is the same with people - what you see and hear on the outside is the fruit of the seeds that were planted on the inside, whether good or bad.

Bad Stuff Grows in Empty Spots

Have you ever seen a vacant lot that has no weeds? It would be a rare thing, because nature does not allow it. Leave something alone long enough, and bad things will show up. Proverbs 24:30-31, "I went

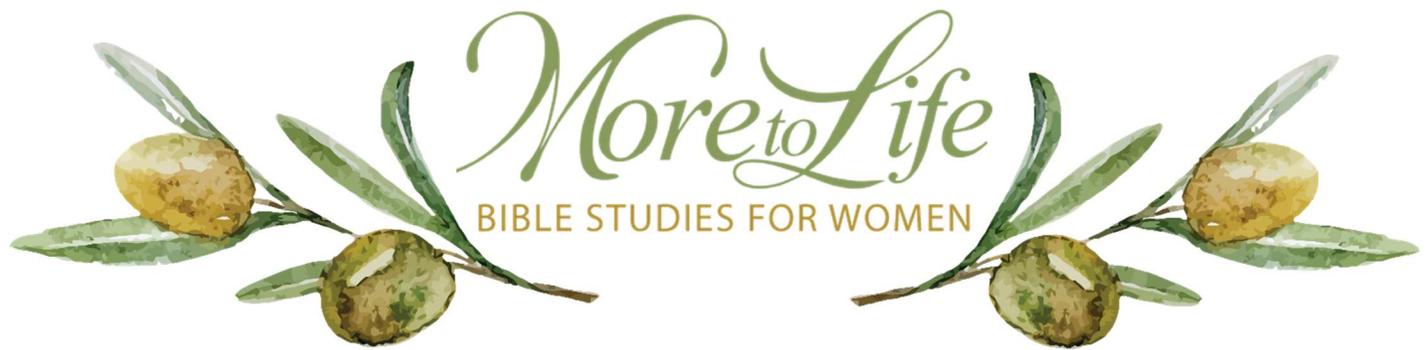
by the field of ... the man devoid of understanding; and there it was, all overgrown with thorns; its surface was covered with nettles." Your heart will never remain empty for long – the law of nature demands something to grow there. As I learned with my lawn, bad things grow in sparse places.

The Seed of Faith

One day the disciples said to Jesus, "Lord, increase our faith." As usual, Jesus' answer forced them to think: "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." I used to think this meant it didn't matter if you had small faith, but that's not what the scriptures teach. Jesus admired great faith and rebuked small faith. In Matthew 13:31 He says *when it is grown* the mustard seed becomes a tree. He wasn't saying it was okay to have tiny faith, but that great faith starts with a tiny seed and grows into tremendous usefulness. But it starts with a seed that is planted and cultivated.

The seed of faith produces miracles – Jesus said, "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you" (John 15:7).

The reason we call it the "Living" Bible is because it is not like any other book – the words in it are God-breathed and are actually alive with His DNA. When you read it, the life that is in the seed begins to grow, pushing out all the other "weeds" that have sprung up in your heart. Just like a beautiful lawn, when the Word is thick and lush, there will be no room for weeds like bitterness, anger, depression or fear. You will truly begin to live!



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Day 4: The Word is a Person

Today's Scriptures:

John 1:1 - **"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."**

John 1:14 - **"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us..."**

We are a family of book nerds. When we moved to the great northeast, we literally left boxes of books behind in storage because we couldn't bear to part with them. Even with the internet and kindle, my daughter still puts books on her Christmas list, and reads them in bed with a light.

She comes by it honestly. I can remember many nights as a kid, falling asleep with a book and waking up to it by my pillow the next morning. As I grew older and walked into dark trials, sometimes I would fall asleep reading the Bible, the words bringing peace to my troubled spirit. I'm not ashamed to confess that there were times I snuggled with it like you would a beloved parent or close sibling. It was almost as if it were... human.

One day when I was about 12 or 13 the words of John 1 leaped out at me: "The Word was God. And the Word became flesh..." Say what? Flesh? How? How can a word be anything but little black letters on a page? Or sounds that come out of my mouth?

More Than a Book

I'm not sure the world's greatest theologians with the finest lexicons could explain God satisfactorily for human comprehension. How do you explain Someone that has no beginning or ending? How do you

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explain how Someone could be both fully man and fully God? How do you explain that God is The Word? Even if I could, it would not convey the heart of the matter to you. Because here it is, simply put:

- The Word is so much more than a Book.
- The Word is a Person who *wants fellowship with you and me.*

I have forgotten that so often. In my efforts to “line up” with the written word, pray “according to” the word, and “minister” the word, I forget the Word is a Person. A Person with *feelings*.

God laughs. God cries. He dances. He sings. He gets angry. He gets frustrated. He gets jealous over our affections. God loves fiercely. And He very much wants to be loved back.

More Than a Relative

You’ve probably heard it said “Christianity is not a religion, it’s a relationship.” That would be true. But let’s look at how God views it: “For God is faithful through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 1:9). Beyond relationship, He is calling us into *fellowship*. Did the people in Laodicea have a relationship with God? Had they been born into His family? Yep. Did they have fellowship? Nope. Why else would Jesus be on the outside knocking to come in? (Revelation 3:20). When my babies were born, my relationship with them began. They shared my DNA, and my name was on their birth certificates as a “relative.” How sad it would be if, after the birth, I never got close to them, sat down to dinner with them or got involved in their daily lives. I wouldn’t know their laughter, share their dreams and know their hearts. I would be related, but I wouldn’t *know* them. How much I would have missed!

The new birth is a wonderful beginning, but God’s greater desire is close fellowship with His children. He wants to share our celebrations and sorrows; He wants to be in the middle of everything.

More Than a Building

The whole story of the Bible is Perfect Love creating opportunities for fellowship. He put Himself in the Garden, then in the Tabernacle, then in human form, and finally in our hearts. I’m all about church, but don’t you get it? WE are His dwelling place now. Jesus didn’t die on a cross just so we could go to a building a couple of times a week. No, He suffered, bled and died to have daily *fellowship*. The ripped veil in the temple on the day Jesus breathed His last breath was a bold symbol that God had finally bridged the gap between Himself and His treasured creation. It would be like the day your son or daughter was acquitted after a long trial. That was a special day for God.

Glory to Glory

Just as our fellowship with our children changes over time, so should our fellowship with God. The Apostle Paul taught us that in the new covenant, we enter into this fellowship, and go from glory to glory (2 Corinthians 3:16-18)! In a beautiful passage, Isaiah reveals the progression of how we grow together with the mighty God in Christ Jesus (Isaiah 9:6, ESV):

“And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God,
Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.”

Wonderful Counselor – Jesus first becomes our Savior and our fellowship is so wonderful. He rescues us from sin, and counsels us through the effects that sin has had on us. Like a baby, it is easy to adore Him because His hand feeds us and carries us everywhere.

Mighty God – We recognize Him as Lord. We begin to see the authority of the only Person that never changes. We realize that we can't make Him into what we want Him to be, or manipulate Him as we sometimes can others. He is the “I AM” that changes not, and His lordship is final. Similar to a small child, we may wrestle some with this, but it brings us security.

Everlasting Father – We move into a deeper fellowship and communion with God as we realize He does everything from the heart of a loving parent. Even His chastening is sweet. We lean into the knowledge that, as a good Father, His love is everlasting and will always be there for us. We learn to trust Him more, especially in areas of provision and protection.

Prince of Peace – As a healthy relationship between a parent and an adult child, we enter into both a partnership and close friendship with God. Just as we have learned to trust Him, we have hopefully given Him reason to trust us as well. He can call us into the deep things such as the fellowship of suffering, and the challenges of the mission fields. Our fellowship is not only daily, but moment-by-moment communion with our dearest Friend. Because we have learned submission, there is never enmity with Him, only a continual abiding peace.

No one has ever seen the 19th picture on my phone but me. It's a candid, unflattering snapshot I took of my daughter and her dad, both who had fallen asleep snuggling on the couch. Their mouths are slightly open, Brooke's hand resting on Jeff's chest. This is more than just an image on a Samsung to me. It's a reflection of the heart of God. She's a young adult now, partnering with her dad in worship leading and campus ministry. Some might say she is too old for snuggling, but she would say they're wrong. I think God would agree.



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Day 5: The Word in Me

Today's Scriptures:

Joshua 1:8 – **“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.”**

Hebrews 4:12 – **“For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”**

I have a friend who is truly a kindred spirit. Her name is Sis. Faith and, true to her name, she is wall-to-wall faith in God. A petite little powder keg for Jesus, Sister Faith led our ladies prayer group and taught us about the Word. Being from the country of Guyana, she would say to me in her cute little accent, “The Word WORKS, Sistah Lah-ra, but you gotta WORK the Word!”

The Word was strong in Sis. Faith and the Spirit of the Lord activated it to yield amazing results. Once she told me the story of her brother who had been diagnosed with a terminal illness. Since she lived out of state, it took her awhile to get to the hospital and by the time she got there the spirit of death was overshadowing the room and everyone was grieving. Sister Faith shooed everyone out and closed the door. All the Word that she had stashed away in her heart came flowing out, and as she spoke the Word of God over her brother, he received a miracle of complete healing.

The Word in me and you is our response to life. When life happens, whatever is in our heart comes pouring out. If the Word has been firmly planted, it comes rising up as a mighty weapon, combating lies with truth. The Word in us is our defense.

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The Word Fitly Spoken

Everything you see on earth was created by the spoken Word (Genesis 1, Hebrews 11:3). Today, *all* things are held together by the word of God (Hebrews 1:3). But listen! God did not keep this creative power for Himself – He made us in His image and gave us authority to change things with our words. Indeed, “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit” (Proverbs 18:21).

The Word *in* you must come *out* of you to bring change. Words can change your future.

One day, as Jesus walked with his disciples, he saw a fig tree that was barren. Jesus told the fig tree to die. Right before their eyes nothing happened. They walked on to Jerusalem. The next morning when they passed the fig tree it was “withered away to its roots.” The curse Jesus had spoken upon it did not manifest immediately. Like a bouquet of flowers that still look alive for a time, the fig tree *looked* alive. But death began the moment Jesus spoke the words.

Jesus used this moment to teach: “Truly, I say to you, whoever *says* to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he *says* will come to pass, it will be done for him.” (emphasis added, Mark 11:12-14, 20-24). Undoubtedly, we have the power to curse or bless with our lips.

The Word Responds

Is it just me or does it seem like the whole world is offended? In our selfie society, we no longer have healthy, let alone Godly, responses to life’s challenges.

All Christians have a Mentor who showed us the proper responses to every temptation. His template: “It is written!” The Word in me responds to:

- **Offense** – “Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them” (Psalm 119:165)
- **Attack** – “So we may boldly say: ‘The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?’” (Hebrews 13:6) “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger” (Proverbs 15:1).
- **Anxiety** – “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God” (Philippians 4:6).
- **Concerns** – “The Lord will perfect that which concerns me” (Psalm 138:8).
- **Sickness** – “He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses” (Matthew 8:17).
- **Grief** – “Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows” (Isaiah 53:4-5).

It’s another law of nature: what goes in will eventually come out, especially when provoked. “A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks” (Luke 6:45). (Did you get that? Your heart is a **treasury!**)

Work the Word

We delight in the promise of this oft quoted scripture, “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32). But allow our understanding to go a little farther – it’s what you *do* with the truth that will make you free.

“But be doers of the word,” James tells us, “and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves” (James 1:22). He goes on to say that if we are not forgetful hearers but a doer of the *work*, we will be blessed in whatever we do. Yes, you heard him correctly – it is work. Sis. Faith was right – we must WORK THE WORD!

In this series, I shared the story of my daughter’s healing. What I didn’t share was the fact that her miracle was in two parts. First, God did the supernatural and healed the issue. Later, in prayer, He told Brooke she was to partner with Him to restore what the illness had destroyed. She needed to “work the Word” and obey His pathway to health. For many months, Brooke and I sat together every night and spoke healing scriptures out loud. This blessed her body and built our faith. God told her what she should eat, and what she shouldn’t. Today we are reaping the “fruit of our lips” and her obedience to His voice.

It’s time to speak, to act on the Word in you. What can you take away from this series, “The Powerful Word,” that will change your life? The Word is a Person Who Brings Truth, Faith, and Life to your world. Speak these blessings over your life and others today and see what God will do!

“Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it”
(Hebrews 2:1).