**THE LIFE CHANGING POWER OF THE WORD OF GOD**

Christians need to realize the importance of consuming The Word, obeying the Word, and applying The Word of God to their lives.

**I. THROUGH CONSUMING THE WORD OF GOD**

A. Power of God unto Salvation – Rom. 1:16

1. Received by faith in The Word

And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. – II Tim. 3:15

2. The Gospel has the power to transform lives.

3. Born of The Word

Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever. – I Peter 1:23

B. Power to overcome sin

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee. – Ps. 119:11

1. The Word will help you to live right.

2. There is strength in The Word.

C. Power to cleanse a life

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, – Eph. 5:26

1. A continued work of Sanctification

a. Separated from the world

b. Set apart for God’s service

2. Truth will break the bondages of hell

– John 8:32

**II. THROUGH OBEYING THE WORD OF GOD**

A. You must have an absolute faith in the infallible Word of God.

1. It is inspired – GOD BREATHED

– II Tim. 3:16 , II Peter 1: 19-21

2. God’s Word is powerful – Heb. 4:12

B. God’s Word must be the final authority in our lives.

1. Not led by feelings and emotions

a. The devil uses senses to control a life.

b. Many are being deceived by their feelings.

2. Not given to carnal reasoning – Rom. 8:6-7

a. The carnal mind can not receive from God. – I Cor. 2:13-14

b. The Word is contrary to the carnal mind.

3. There must be a total surrender to The Word of God.

C. God honors obedience to His Word.

1. Answered prayer – John 15:7

2. Will yield the Blessing of God – Pr. 10:22

**III. THROUGH APPLYING THE WORD OF GOD**

A. You must be a doer of The Word

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. – James 1:22

1. Daily practicing God’s Word in our lives

2. Many are deceiving themselves by not heeding to the Word.

B. Speak The Word of God in Faith.

1. Don’t dwell on the problem

(For we walk by faith, not by sight:) – II Cor. 5:7

2. Hold to the promise of God

For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. – II Cor. 1:20

C. Speak as God Speaks

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

– Rev. 12:11

D. Partakers of The Divine Nature – II Peter 1:4

1. This is the Word of God

2. Through the Promises of God

a. Understanding the promises

b. Practicing the Promises

c. Receiving the Promises

3. Through faith in The Word

a. You must spend time with Jesus.

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. – Rev. 3:20

b. The life of Christ in us

Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

– II Cor. 4:10