People Builder's Network Firm Foundations Series

Lesson One: THE WORD OF GOD

INSPIRATION OF THE SCRIPTURES

1. Under what influe	nce did Bible writers compile so	cripture? (2 Peter 1:20-21) What
word in this passage	e describes the character of the	
_	nothy 3:16, Who inspired the Biure is inspired?	
3. How many books New Testament?	are in the Old Testament?	How many books are in the
BENEFITS OF BIB	LE STUDY	
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Proverbs 3: 13-20 (I	2	3
~	of "keeping" the Word of God (F	Psalm 19:7-11).

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9. List two results of 12. rightly		y, according to _unto God.	o 2 Timothy 2:1		
10. Christians belie practice". Give a di			_	e of faith an	d —
MEDITATING THE	WORD OF (GOD			_
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his season; his leat	i also shall no	ot wither; and		ne doeth	snall
13. How did Jesus	Christ condu	uct His earthly	life? Matthew	4:4	_

14. To "live by the Word of God" means to OBEY it. In John 14:21, what promise does Jesus make to those who "keep" The Word of God?					
15. As we meditate and keep God's Word daily, we are "washed clean" and our "ways" begin to line up with His ways. "For My are not your thoughts, neither are My your ways, saith the Lord. Isaiah 55:8.					
16. Psalm 119:9 tells us how a person "cleanses" their way. "Wherewithal shall a young man his way? By taking thereto according to thy Word".					
17. In John 15:3, Jesus said, "Now ye are through the Word which I have spoken unto you".					
18 . According to Ephesians 5:26, how does Jesus "sanctify" (set apart) and cleanse His Church?					
THE INTEGRITY OF GOD'S WORD					
19. Because we live and deal with fallen man, who is void of godly character, we may subconsciously attribute to God some of fallen man's traits, such as lack of integrity or failure to keep His Word. In Numbers 23:19 Moses said, "God is not a that He should; neither the son of man that he should; hath He said, and shall He not? or hath He spoken, and shall He not make it?"					
20. In Jeremiah 1:12, God told the prophet, "I willMy Word to it".					
21.God has promised that once He speaks, His Word will not go unfullfilled. Isaiah 55:11, "So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not unto me, but it shall that which I please, and it shall in the thing whereto I sent it".					
22. The "integrity" of God simply means that "God and His Word are one", just like you and your word are one, if you have integrity. Without integrity, we say one thing and do another. God ALWAYS does what He says. "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the, the, and the Holy Ghost: these three are". (I John 5:8)					

THE POWER OF THE WORD

23. God's Word is creative in It's working. "Through faith we understand that the worlds wereby The Word of God, so that things which are seen, were not made of things which do appear". (Hebrews 11:3) God created everything by speaking words from His lips. Nine times in the Biblical account of creation, (Genesis 1), scripture records "and God said".
24. The writer to the Hebrews declared that God's Word was " and, sharper than any two-edged sword". (Hebrews 4:12)
25. Jesus Christ, God's Son, healed the sick and raised the dead by speaking to them. Matthew 8:16 says, "And He cast out the spirits with His, and healed all that were sick". Jesus raised the widow's son by speaking to him. "And He, young man, I unto thee, Arise!" God's Word has the same power today as it did then.
26. God's Word raises us up who were "dead in trespasses and sins". "Of His own willHe us by theof Truth". James 1:18
LOGOS AND RHEMA
27. There are two Greek words that are translated "word" in our English Bibles: One is LOGOS and the other is RHEMA. These words have different meanings that are very important to the believer. Logos simply means "the whole Word of God", "the total concept". The written Word of God, the Bible is "logos". Jesus came as the "Logos" to reveal to us everything that the invisible God is. "In the beginning was the WORD (Logos) and the Word was with God and the Word God". John 1:1
28. We read in Hebrews 1:3 regarding Jesus Christ, "Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express of His". During His earthly life, Jesus was the exact representation of God's likeness, showing us the Father's character and nature.
29. Whereas the logos is the written word, "rhema" is the "spoken word". "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every(rhema) that proceedeth out of the mouth of God". Matthew 4:4.

30. When God takes the written word from the pages of scripture, either in our own study time or as the word is preached, and speaks to us personally, it becomes a "rhema" to us. The written Word of God becomes "alive and full of power" in our lives. (Hebrews 4:12). That word produces faith in you to live victoriously every day. "The of faith is nigh thee, even in thy, and in thy; that is the of faith which we preach". Romans 10:8
31. The "rhema" (spoken word) brings faith alive in our hearts. "So then faith cometh by and hearing by the (rhema) of God". Romans 10:17
32. It is the "rhema" or the "spoken word", that brings creative power into our lives. Then as we declare those things which God has spoken to our hearts, He brings that word to pass in His time and way. "Thou shalt also a thing (rhema), and it shall be unto thee; and the light shall shine upon thy ways". Job 22:28
33. Scripture teaches us that we are in a spiritual conflict with satanic powers. Our battle weapons are described in Ephesians 6:10-18. Ephesians 6:17 tells us to "take the sword of the Spirit, which is the (rhema) of God". When we are speaking and acting on what God has both written and spoken to our hearts, making it personally alive to us, we will overcome all of our enemies.