



## We Value: Obedience to The Word of God

**Matthew 7:24-29 (ESV)** <sup>24</sup> “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. <sup>26</sup> And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. <sup>27</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.” <sup>28</sup> And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, <sup>29</sup> for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

**2 Peter 1:21 (ESV)** For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

**2 Timothy 3:14-17 (ESV)** <sup>14</sup> *But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.*

1. The Bible is the authoritative word of God. It is the verbally inspired revelation of God. It is infallible, complete, and trustworthy.
2. The Bible is the most unique book ever compiled.
3. The Bible is God's Holy Word.
4. It is the preeminent source of godly knowledge.
5. The proper response to God's Word is a necessary requirement for wise living.

## **1. LOVE God's Word Psalm 119:1-176**

1. There are **8 terms** for God's Word in Psalm 119. Law, testimonies, precepts, statutes, commandments, judgements, word, and ordinances.
2. There are **8 attributes** for God's Word in Psalm 119. Righteous, trustworthy, truthful, faithful, unchangeable, eternal, revealing, and pure.
3. Loving God's Word makes **obedience enjoyable**.
4. Loving God's Word leads to **holiness** and a **hatred** for evil.
5. Loving God's Word brings **guidance** in life's decisions.

## **2. LEARN God's Word**

1. The Word of God **deserves** our study and attention.
2. Having access to the Word but not knowing it is **dereliction**.
3. Understanding the meaning of scripture is not us interpreting scripture, but rather allowing it to interpret us.- **not what do you think** it means **but what is it saying** to you
4. Study should be **corporate** and **personal**; **formal** and **informal**.
5. Take responsibility for **your** knowledge of God's Word.

6. Utilize all the resources God has provided for you in the study of His Word.—MOST IMPORTANTLY—THE HOLY SPIRIT

### 3. LIVE God's Word

1. Jesus said the difference between wise and foolish is how they responded to His words.
2. Obedience to scripture is proof of discipleship.
3. When you read the word look for personal application. Here are 6 questions to ask to get you started:

S—is there a sin to avoid?

P—is there a promise to claim?

E—is there an example to follow?

C—is there a command to obey?

K—is there knowledge to attain?

**Psalm 119:11 (ESV)** I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

**Psalm 119:169 (ESV)** Let my cry come before you, O LORD; give me understanding according to your word!