

Things That the Word of God Gives

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Summary: What we receive form God's word

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Psalm 119

I. It Gives Life. Vs. 25, 37, 40, 50, 88, 93

25. DALETH. My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.

37. Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; *and* quicken thou me in thy way.

40. Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.

50. This *is* my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

88. Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.

93. I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.

The word "Quicken" means to give Life

John 1:1-4

1. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

[2] The same was in the beginning with God.

[3] All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.

[4] In him was life; and the life was the light of men."

This passage is one of the High points of Scripture.

In fact, it probably reaches the highest of human thought.

What is this thought?

It is this: Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is...

- **The Word of God**
- **The Creator of Life**
- **The Very Being and Essence of Life.**

These three important truths lie at the very foundation of life.

They cannot be overstated, for they determine a man's destiny.

If Jesus Christ is the Word of God, then men must hear and understand that Word or else be lost forever in ignorance of God Himself.

Jesus Christ the Living Word is the source of life: He is the way to life and He is the truth of life.

He is the very substance of life, its very being and energy.

God's word points us to the savior from Genesis to Revelation.

II. It Gives Strength. Vs.28

Psalm 119:28

28. My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.

Joshua 1:8 "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

Everybody today wants Strength; why not turn to the power source?

A. The Bible claims Power as a sword.

Hebrews 4:12 –

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The Bible will separate man from sin or sin will separate man from the Bible.

Isaiah 59:2

But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

B. The Bible claims power as a mirror.

James 1:22-24

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. [23] For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: [24] For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

In the Bible, we see ourselves as God sees us - As Sinners.

C. The Bible claims cleansing power.

Ephes. 5:26

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

Psalm 51:2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

D. The Bible claims reproductive power as seed.

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

E. The Bible claims nourishing power as food.

1 Peter 2:2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

You see now what Paul was speaking of in our text, "He is able to do exceeding, abundantly above all we can ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us!"

The power of the Word of God is your weapon against the devil.

It is the Sword of the Spirit!

"Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be right."

III. It Gives Liberty. Vs45

James 1:25 "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed."

Note that the Word of God is called the perfect law of liberty.

This means that the Word of God will set a person free from the bondages of sin and death.

The Word of God is the law of liberty, the law that sets a man free to know and fellowship with God forever and ever.

But note a critical point: we must continue in the Word of God.

We must continue to live just like it says.

If we do, then we shall be blessed, made abundantly and eternally happy.

A person who does and lives the Word of God will find that he is freed from all that enslaves his soul upon earth.

He will discover love, joy, and peace—a soul that just soars with a sense of...

- Freedom and Liberty**
- Purpose and Meaning**

- **Security and Safety**
- **Victory Over Temptation**
- **Joy and Rejoicing**
- **Assurance and Confidence**
- **Life Over Death**
- **Deliverance From**

John 8:34 “Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.”

IV. It Gives Wisdom. Vs. 66 & 104

Col. 3:16 “Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

The truth and wisdom of life are found in the Word of Christ and in the Word of Christ alone.

1 Cor. 2:4-7 “And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

[5] That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

[6] Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

[7] But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:”

The point is this: a philosophy based upon the world is useless in finding permanent answers and solutions to life.

V. It Gives Comfort. Vs 76, 92, 50, 82

Romans 15:4 “For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.”

Comfort (parakleseos): encouragement, consolation, solace, help, exhortation, supplication.

Whatever is needed to comfort the believer, the Scripture gives him.

John 16:33 “...but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.”

Friends may let us down and even through all the discouragements, trials, or whatever comes my way I can be comforted by God’s precious word because I know the end.

VI. It Gives Direction. Vs. 32

Psalm 32:8 “I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.”

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. [6] In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Earnest Christians welcome God’s instruction, knowing his direction is always best.