



The Word of God, Pt. III It Will Work If You Work It

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Sermon Notes

Words turn into actions, actions turn into experiences, experiences turn into core beliefs, core beliefs turn into lifestyle.

The Purpose of God's Word

2 Timothy 3:16 (New Living Translation)

16 All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

2 Timothy 3:16 (Contemporary English Version)

16 Everything in the Scriptures is God's Word. All of it is useful for teaching and helping people and for correcting them and showing them how to live.

God Wants His Word to Be Expressed Throughout Our Lives.

1 Corinthians 1:30 (New Living Translation)

30 God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin.

In Order for the Word of God to Work It Must Be Mixed With Faith.

Hebrews 4:2 (Contemporary English Version)

2 We have heard the message, just as they did. But they failed to believe what they heard, and the message did not do them any good.

Hebrews 4:2 (New King James Version)

For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard *it*.

Hebrews 4:12 (Amplified Bible)

12 For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [the immortal] spirit, and of joints and marrow [of the deepest parts of our nature], exposing and sifting and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart.