

# ACTIVATING THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

#### I. The Power of the Word of God

### A. The Living and Powerful Word of God

Hebrews 4:12 For THE WORD OF GOD is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword...

- 1. The Word of God is living! And, it is powerful! It is not dead and by no means is it powerless!
- 2. The Word of God has supernatural power to beautifully transform every aspect of your life and the world around you back to God's original intent and design. As you learn how to activate it you will see the transformation begin to take place.

## B. Knowing Who the Word of God Is and How to Personally Respond to the Word

- 1. Why is The Word of God living and powerful? Because it is "THE WORD OF GOD." It is God's Word. It has no human or earthly origin.
- 2. The apostle John under the divine inspiration of the Holy Spirit communicates a profound reality about The Word of God, which is also called "The Word." In the gospel of John he writes:
  - John 1:1-4, 14 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life... 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.
- 3. In the book of Revelation John communicates clearly that Jesus' "name is called the Word of God." In a prophetic vision where John saw the heavens opened and Jesus riding on a white horse, John identifies four significant names given to Jesus: "Faithful and True," "An Unknown Name", "The Word of God," and "King of kings and Lord of lords." (See Rev. 19)
- 4. Every Word of God is faithful and true for that is Who He is, that is His name. He is faithful and true to God, God's Word. And, He is faithful and true to the Words He has spoken. (No. 23:19)
  - Rev. 19:11 Jesus is called Faithful and True.
  - Rev. 22:6 ... These words are faithful and true.
- 5. You can always stand on "The Word of God," His faithfulness and His truthfulness, no matter what opposition you are facing for:
  - Rev. 19:13 (Jesus) His name is called the Word of God.
  - 2 Cor. 1: 20 All the promises (The Words) of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen
- 6. Listen to 2 miraculous testimonies of people standing on the Word of God. (Rom. 10:8-10)
  - Revelation 19:10 The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.
- 7. Right now, Jesus is seated at God's right hand of power, having triumphed over all the power of the enemy and He reigns over all as the
  - Rev. 19:16 King of kings and Lord of lords
- 8. Jesus executes His kingly power through the words He speaks.



#### Ecclesiastes 8:4 Where the word of a king is there is power...

- 9. You are a king under King Jesus. You have the authority to exercise the power of God through the words you speak, according to The Word of God.
  - Rev. 1:6 Jesus has made us kings and priests to His God and Father.
- 10. Jesus said to His disciples, as He has spoken to you who are in Christ, those He had placed in dominion over His kingdom as kings.
  - Luke 10:19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and <u>over all</u> the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

### C. Why is it crucial for you to know Jesus is the "Word" or the "Word of God"?

- 1. Because you can only access the life and power of God and God's Word through Jesus, through the new and living way provided by Jesus' blood. (Heb. 10:19)
- 2. "The Word" or "The Word of God" refers to both: the written "Word of God," the Bible or Scripture (John 10:35), and to Jesus, the Word of God made flesh (John 1:14).
- 3. Jesus is the voice of God. This is clearly seen throughout Jesus' ministry as He declares that He only speaks what the Father tells Him to speak. (See also John 112:49-50)
  - John 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.

Declare: "The Words that I speak to	o you, (your name or person you are praying for), the
Word that says	I do not speak it on my own authority, but Jesus Who dwells
in me does the works" (See Col. 2:9-	10)

- 4. Jesus is God's Word or God's message to mankind.
  - Hebrews 1:2 God has spoken to us by his Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds...
- 5. Make Jesus the main message of your life. And as you do this, abiding in Jesus and letting His Words abide in you, Jesus says that you can ask whatever you desire and it will be done for you.
  - John 15:7 Jesus said, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you."

#### D. Know and Experience the Power and Majesty of God's Word, His Voice

- 1. The voice of the LORD, the Word of God, is filled with God's power and majesty.
  - Psalm 29:4 The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
- 2. Why is the voice of the LORD so powerful? Because His voice, His Word, is filled with the life and power of God Himself. (see Heb. 4:12)
  - John 6:63 Jesus said, "The words I speak to you are spirit and life."
- 3. Listen to a testimony of a lady receiving her miracle by confessing The Word of God.



Proverbs 22:18 Let them all (God's Word) be fixed upon your lips, so that your trust may be in the LORD.

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#### E. The Spoken Word Released the Power and Nature of God into Creation

1. When Jesus spoke creation into existence, it was done. (Jn. 1:1, Gen. 1)

Psalms 33:6 By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. 9 For He spoke, and it was done...

Jesus wants you to know that when you ask in faith according to His Word abiding in you, it will be done. (See John 15:7)

Testimony: One of the secrets of John G. Lake's successful healing ministry was seeing the end from the beginning – seeing that "it was done."

2. The Word of God became the carrier of His power and majesty – His nature, His DNA, the essence of Who He is – which has been embedded into all of creation.

Romans 1:20 (NIV) For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—<u>His eternal</u> <u>power and divine nature</u>—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

3. Elohim, the Hebrew name for God, is used every time you read "God said" in the creation story. (Genesis 1) Elohim is the plural of El. El is the Hebrew name for God meaning "might, strength, and power."

Genesis 1:2-3 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 Then God said (Elohim said)

- 4. Elohim, the plural form of El, helps you to understand that the fulness of the Godhead the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit were all actively involved in creation.
  - Father God had the plans the Words.
  - Jesus, Who is The Word spoke God's Words.
  - The Holy Spirit released the inherent power of God's Words.
- 5. When Mary the mother of God couldn't figure out how the word of the Lord brought to her by an angel could come to pass, the angel replied to her:

Luke 1:35 "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you..."

6. Anytime you cannot understand how the Word of God is possible in any given situation, God wants you to know that the Holy Spirit and the power of the Most High God will overshadow the Word, causing His Kingdom to come and His will to be done here on this earth as in heaven.

Luke 1:38 Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Let it be to me according to your Word."

Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.



### II. How Can You Activate the Power of the Word of God?

### A. Take the Sword of the Spirit

1. The last piece of armor listed in the whole armor of God is "the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God." (Eph. 6:10-20) This sword of the Spirit is one of the major keys needed for activating all the other pieces of armor, which are representative of The Word of God, Jesus Himself.

Ephesians 6:17 "take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

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- 2. In Ephesians 6:17 the word for sword in Greek is "machaira." This type of sword had such razor sharp blades and was so deadly that it caused great fear even at the mention of its name. The imagery of this sword depicts how powerful The Word of God is in defeating the enemy and his lies.
- 3. The sharp sword, the Word of God, that God calls you to put into your mouth is the sword that is in Jesus' mouth. And where did these Words come from? The mouth of God.

Isaiah 49:2 And He (God) has made My (Jesus) mouth like a sharp sword.

Isaiah 51:16 And I have put My words in your mouth...

Matthew 4:4 Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'

**4.** The sword coming out of Jesus' mouth, through Jesus' heavenly and earthly ministry and second coming, demonstrates the supreme authority and power of The Word of God.

Revelation 19:15 out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron...

- 5. "Rhema," the Greek word used for "word" in Ephesians 6:17 refers to God's spoken Word.
  - a. The Holy Spirit speaks to you through The Word of God or brings it to your remembrance.

John 14:26 ... the Holy Spirit... will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

b. When the sword of the Spirit, the spoken Word of God, comes out of your mouth, God will perform it. His Word will not return void. The Word of God will accomplish what He sent it to do.

Jeremiah 1:12 Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am watching over my word to perform it."

Isaiah 55:11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

B. Why is it important for you to take the sword of the Spirit?

Listen to a victorious testimony of someone activating the Word of God in a death and life situation.

Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

**C.** The importance of continuing to speak the Word of God – Listen to a Heb. 10:23 testimony.

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He Who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23