ONE - Part 3 - One Truth November 15, 2020

Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. - John 17:17

Understanding The Bible

- The word 'Bible' means BOOK.
- It was written over a period of <u>1600</u> years in over a <u>DOZEN</u> countries on <u>THREE</u> continents by people from all walks of life.
- There were about 40 writers but only one <u>AUTHOR</u>.
- The Bible points to one person: <u>JESUS</u>.

³⁹ You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! ⁴⁰ Yet you refuse to come to me to receive this life.

- John 5:39-40

For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. – Hebrews 4:12

Making God's Word Come Alive

1) I must <u>ACCEPT</u> its authority.

Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. – Matthew 7:24

Therefore, we never stop thanking God that when you received his message from us, you didn't think of our words as mere human ideas. You accepted what we said as the very word of God—which, of course, it is. And this word continues to work in you who believe.

- 1 Thessalonians 2:13

2) I must <u>ASSIMILATE</u> its truth.

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." - Matthew 4:4

I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. – Psalm 119:11

3) I must APPLY its principles.

Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings." – John 8:31

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." - John 14:6