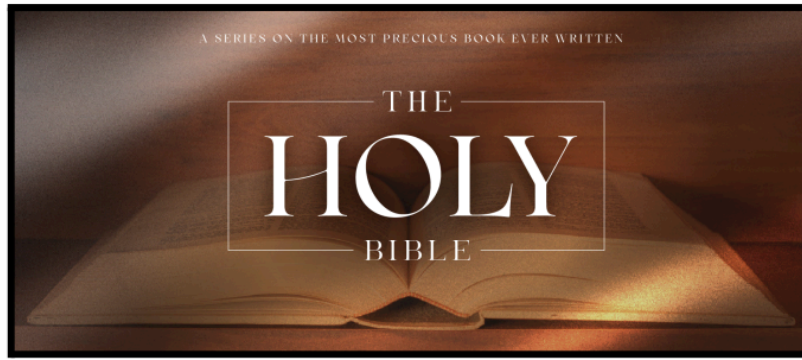




THE HOLY BIBLE - WEEK 2

1. The Word Is a MIRROR — Reflection

Read James 1:22–25

A mirror doesn't change you—it **reveals you**.

God's Word reveals:

- Our hearts
- Our motives
- Our attitudes
- Our sin
- Areas where we've drifted
- Areas where God is calling us to grow

Discussion

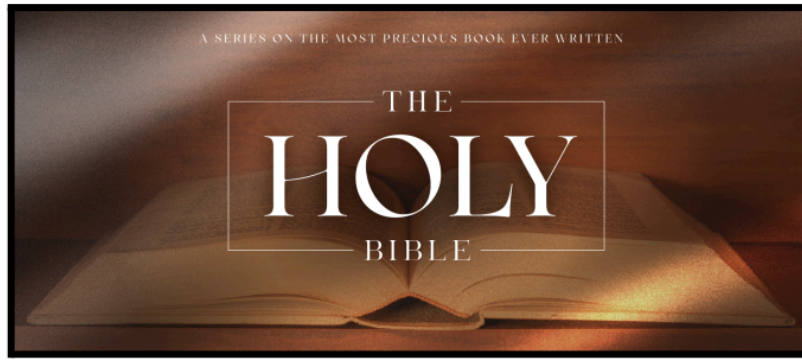
1. **Why do you think we sometimes avoid passages of Scripture that confront us?**
 2. Can you remember a time when Scripture revealed something about your heart, attitude, or behavior that you didn't initially want to see?
 3. What's the difference between **reading Scripture for information** and allowing Scripture to **examine your life**?
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2. The Word Is a LAMP — Direction

Read Psalm 119:105

The Bible doesn't always give us the **whole plan**.

It gives us enough light for the **next step**.



Discussion

1. **What is the difference between asking God, “What’s going to happen?” and asking Him, “What do You want me to do next?”**
 2. Have you ever experienced a situation where Scripture gave you clarity for your next step even though you couldn't see the bigger picture?
 3. Psalm 119:11 says:
“I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.”
What does it practically look like to “hide God's Word” in your heart?
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3. The Word Is a SWORD — Protection

Read Hebrews 4:12–13

Read Ephesians 6:13–17

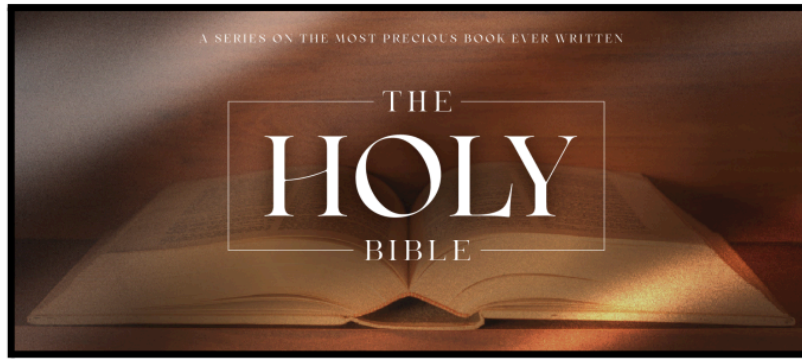
The Word of God is described as **alive, active, and sharper than a double-edged sword.**

The sword isn't primarily something we admire.

It's something we know how to use.

Discussion

1. Why do you think Paul uses the picture of a **sword** to describe God's Word?
2. What lies does the enemy commonly try to get people to believe about:
 - God?
 - themselves?
 - their future?
 - their relationships?
3. **How does knowing Scripture help us recognize and confront those lies?**



4. Why is there a difference between **owning a sword** and actually knowing how to use one? How does that apply to Scripture?
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4. The Word Is a LADDER — Elevation

Read Isaiah 55:8–9

The Word of God doesn't simply bring God down to **our way of thinking**.

It calls us **up to His way of thinking**.

Discussion

1. How can Scripture change the way we see:
 - Marriage?
 - Money?
 - Success?
 - Forgiveness?
 - Parenting?
 - Work?
 - Suffering?
 - Other people?
 2. Read Matthew 8:5–8 and Matthew 8:13. What did the Roman centurion understand about Jesus and His authority?
 3. What stands out to you about the centurion's statement:
"Just say the word..."
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