

Scripture in Daily Life

The Life-Changing Work of the Word



Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are uncovered and laid bare to the eyes of Him to whom we have an account to give.

What is life changing?

The Life-Changing Work of the Word:
Sanctifying Power

From: Deceit

To: Honesty

1 Peter 2:1-3

Therefore, laying aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.

From: Pride

To: Humility

1 Peter 5:5-6

And all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time

Isaiah 66:2

But to this one I will look,

To him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.

From: Idolatry

To: Serve God

1 Thessalonians 1:9

For they themselves report about us what kind of an entrance we had with you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God

The Life-Changing Work of the Word:
Purifying Power

From: Friend of the World To: Distinct from the World

1 John 2:15-17

Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

And the world is passing away, and also its lusts, but the one who does the will of God abides forever.

From: Lust

To: Purity

1 Peter 1:14-16

As obedient children, not being conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your conduct; because it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

Romans 13:14

But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.

From: Laziness

To: Diligence

Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance.

Serve the Lord Christ.

From: Fear of Man To: Fear of God

Matthew 10:28

And do not fear those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul; but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

John 5:44

How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and you do not seek the glory that is from the only God?

From: Greed

To: Contentment

Matthew 6:24, 16:26-27

No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

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For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and will then repay each one according to his deeds.

Philippians 4:19

And my God will fulfill all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

The Life-Changing Work of the Word: Satisfying Power



HOW MANY OF YOU TRY TO BE GOOD

From: Depressed/Empty

To: Full of Joy

Psalm 16:11

You will make known to me the path of life;

In Your presence is fullness of joy;

In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

From: Anxiety

To: Peace

Isaiah 26:3

The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace
Because he trusts in You.

From: Ungrateful

To: Thankful

Psalm 118:1

Give thanks to Yahweh, for He is good;
For His lovingkindness endures forever.

Fruit vs. Root

Secure in Christ

Useful to God

Comfort in the Midst of Trials

Confidence in the Midst of Trials

Questions?