



An Adult Exploration of the Lutheran Expression of Faith

SESSION TWO: BEING WORD-CENTERED

1. Introduction to The Word of God
 - a. Defining “Word of God”
 - i. Living Word = Jesus Christ
 - ii. Proclaimed Word = Preaching
 - iii. Written Word = Bible
 - iv. Visible Word = Sacraments
2. Luther’s concept of “The Canon within the Canon”
 - a. Romans 1:16-17
 - b. Romans 5:1-11
 - c. The contrast of the books of Romans and James
3. The Authority of Scripture
 - a. Authority is based on the purpose of scripture to point to the saving work of God, especially as evidenced in the work of Christ, the Word (or Logos).
4. The concept of Scripture Interpreting Scripture as a trustworthy norm for biblical understanding.