

Discernment – The Sword

Discernment – the ability to perceive, understand, and judge things clearly, the ability to tell things apart, the ability to decide between truth and error, right and wrong.

Discernment is learning to think God's thoughts after Him. Discernment is the wisdom of God.

(Hebrews 4:12-13 ESV)

- The word of God is alive and powerful and its double-sided. It can cut on both side. Which mean where his word is there will be life or judgment
- A actual Two-edged sword can cut on both sides. But it's limited to only cutting what is physical
- The word of God is shaper than that the bible says. not only does it effect the physical but also penetrates the unseen realms
- It can pierce through and divide what it of the soul & spirit realm
- It can discern your thoughts and the intentions of your heart
- Nothing is hidden in his sight. All things are naked and open to the eyes of him to whom we must give account
- That means everyone will be held responsible for their actions, thoughts, and words and will have to face God in judgment to answer for our lives.
- We can see a sword being use for judgment when Solomon asked for wisdom to judge Gods people **(1 Kings 3:16-28 nkjv)**

- If the wisdom of God was in him. Then that means he was about to discern the thoughts and intentions of the heart by using the sword by the authority of his word
- The sword exposed the heart and intentions of the harlots. The mother yearned with compassion while the other woman was heartless
- King Solomon asked for a sword but he himself didn't hold it. He commanded it by word.
- Remember The word of God is a double-edged sword. It can bring life or judgment. In this story it brought life to the child
- God will use his word to judge those who rejected him
(John 12:47-50 ESV)
- If the word of God is going to judge those, then that means the sword of the Spirit will be used against them because the sword of the Spirit is the word of God. **(Ephesians 6:17 NLT)**
- Jesus himself said that he came to bring division with a sword
(Matthew 10:32-39 nkjv)
- All scripture is breathed out by God so that we can be equipped for every good work **(2 Timothy 3:16-17 ESV)**
- In Revelation, Jesus is described with a two-edged sword in his mouth
(Revelation 1:12-16 nkjv)
- Jesus judges the nation with the sword **(Revelation 19:11-15 nkjv)**
- The word of God, the sword of the Spirit is needed for you to have discernment to endure to the end