

Sowing “The Living Word” In Our Hearts

“For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”

Hebrews 4:12 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/heb.4.12.ESV>

The Bible wasn't written in English!

Originally, the Old Testament was written mostly in Hebrew, a few parts in Aramaic, and the New Testament was written in Greek.

This is why there are so many translations today — each one aims to bring clarity and accuracy to those ancient words.

Living:

Strong's Definitions: ζᾶω záo, dzah'-o; a primary verb; to live (literally or figuratively):—life(-time), (a-)live(-ly), quick.

Active:

Strong's Definitions: ἐνεργής energēs, en-er-gace'; from G1722 and G2041; active, operative:—effectual, powerful.

“since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.”

1 Peter 1:23-25 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/1pe.1.23-25.ESV>

The imperishable seed of God is in you!

Seed:

Strong's Definitions: σπορά sporá, spor-ah'; from G4687; a sowing, i.e. (by implication) parentage:—seed.

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“Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured it. Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. And other seeds fell into good soil and produced grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.” And he said, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.””

Mark 4:3-9 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/mrk.4.3-9.ESV>

“And he said to them, “Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy. And they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. And others are the ones sown among thorns. They are those who hear the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. But those that were sown on the good soil are the ones who hear the word and accept it and bear fruit, thirtyfold and sixtyfold and a hundredfold.””

Mark 4:13-20 ESV

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“And he said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.””

Mark 4:26-29 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/mrk.4.26-29.ESV>

“And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.””

Mark 4:30-32 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/mrk.4.30-32.ESV>

How do we sow The Living Word in our hearts?

“So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.”

Romans 10:17 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/rom.10.17.ESV>

We read God’s word daily and believe in His word mixing it with Faith coming into agreement with it. Take God at His word, He is not a man that He should lie. Trust in Him. Meditate upon the word of Truth, filling your mind with it and pray it back to God.

Different methods of Bible Study -

The Expository Method, Topical Study Method, The Word Study Method, SOAP Method etc.

There’s no one-size-fits-all approach, but here are a few solid methods to help you grow:

- Expository Method: Study a passage verse by verse to understand its context and meaning. Read the whole Bible Genesis to Revelation.
- Topical Study: Pick a topic like “forgiveness” or “faith” and explore related Scriptures.
- Word Study Method: Look deeper into key Hebrew or Greek words for richer meaning.
- SOAP Method:
 - S – Scripture: Write it out.
 - O – Observation: What stands out? Note what you observe.
 - A – Application: How can I live this out?
 - P – Prayer: Ask God to help you.

Talk to the Holy Spirit about it as you pray-read the word and ask the Holy Spirit for revelation and understanding.

“When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.”

John 16:13 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/jhn.16.13.ESV>

Closing:

Commit to reading God's word everyday and planting it in your heart!

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

2 Timothy 3:16-17 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/2ti.3.16-17.ESV>

Remember it all about relationship with Jesus and knowing Him.

“I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.”

Psalms 119:11-16 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/psa.119.11-16.ESV>

As we abide in him and His word abides in us our minds are renewed and we are transformed into His very image from glory to glory.

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.”

Colossians 3:16 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/col.3.16.ESV>

“And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.”

2 Corinthians 3:18 ESV

<https://bible.com/bible/59/2co.3.18.ESV>

This week, pick a passage of Scripture — maybe a Psalm or one of Jesus’ parables — and try the SOAP Method.

- Write the Scripture.
- Note what you observe.
- Ask the Holy Spirit how you can apply it.
- Pray it into your heart and continue to meditate on it.

Close In Prayer

Father, we thank you that you are our Dad that we have been born again, born of you with imperishable seed through your living and abiding word. Jesus we thank you that You Are The Living Word that brings life, you are the true vine and we are the branches. Holy Spirit thank you for revealing Jesus to us and transforming us in to His very image. To You God be all the glory, honor and praise, forever and ever. Amen!