

**SERMON SERIES:** Hills We Die On

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## Sermon Title:

“The Word Over The World”

## Introduction

This week we begin a brand new series called Hills We Die On. There’s many issues in life that, even if important, would not be a hill to die on. However, when it comes to Jesus, there are a few non-negotiables. Over the next 5 weeks, we are going to examine some of the hills we are willing to die on.

- Talk about one of the hills you would die on. Why is it so important to you?

## Seek the Word

- Read 2 Timothy 3:14-17. Paul urges Timothy to hold fast to the things he had learned through the scriptures. He encourages Timothy that the scriptures are from God and that they hold relevance in his life. How have you seen the way the Word is used for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness.
- Read Colossians 3:16. Here Paul encourages the church to let the Word dwell deeply within you. What are some practical practices that you can incorporate in your life to deeply dwell on the Word of Christ?

## Go Deeper

Read Psalm 119:105-112. The psalmist reflects on his love of the Word of God. He reflects on joy he experiences from keeping the precepts found in the Word of God. How does this affect your perception of the Bible? How does it color the other passages that focus on the Word of God?

## Talk About It

- Reflect on the concept of "hills we are willing to die on." What are some non-negotiable beliefs for you as a follower of Jesus? How do these align with the theme of putting The Word Over The World?
- In the sermon, various reasons were presented to trust the Bible; those being Historical Accuracy, Scientific Accuracy, Prophetic Accuracy, Thematic Accuracy, Durability, and Personal Accuracy . How can we use this trust as a foundation for sharing our faith with others who may question the Bible's validity?

## Wrap Up

*Reminder:* James 1:23-24. “Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.”

*Challenge:* Develop a plan for interacting with and meditating on God's Word. Tell someone else about your plan and invite them to help keep you on track.