

GOD-BREATHED
“Jesus and the Bible”

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Ezekiel 3:3

JESUS AND THE BIBLE

Here are 3 ways that Jesus interacted with the Word:

1. Jesus _____ the Word.

Jesus studied to discover God's _____ and _____, as well as his

_____ and _____.

2. Jesus _____ to the Word.

Jesus submitted in _____ and in _____.

3. Jesus _____ the Word.

Jesus shared the Word to _____, _____,

_____ and _____.

SWEET OR SOUR?

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Passages: Ezekiel 3:3, Luke 2:46-47 + Matthew 4:4 Date: Sunday 5/14/2017

Sermon-Based Life Group Materials

GETTING STARTED

Additional Media Content

Watch and Review: [pursuegod.org](http://www.pursuegod.org) <http://www.pursuegod.org/what-is-a-simple-way-to-memorize-scripture/>

For additional study watch: Right Now Media (login needed – ask your group leader, or contact Matt at matt@risecitychurch.com): www.rightnow.org Secret Church: How to Study the Bible <https://www.rightnow.org/Content/Series/179045#3>

BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

What did Jesus think about the Bible? How did Jesus interact with the Bible? Well, it is first of all important to note that the Bible as we know and read it was not exactly the same as Jesus would have read and studied in his day. Jesus would have been primarily instructed and taught from the first 5 books of our Old Testament (Torah). As a young boy he would have been taught to memorize these books and thus making them a part of his every day life. It was evident that Jesus knew and understood the Bible not only because he was God, but because he studied and applied the scriptures to his life. Throughout his life, he studied, submitted himself to and shared the word of God with others. This pattern, we are called to follow and apply to our own lives.

STUDY & SHARE

1. Jesus, being God, submitted to his humanity through studying the Torah. He made it a part of his life to know and memorize scripture.
 - a. Is studying and memorizing scripture a part of your spiritual growth plan (why or why not)?
 - b. What ways can you begin to make the studying of the Bible a bigger priority?

2. Read Matthew 4:1-11. What was the context of these verses and to whom was Jesus speaking to?
 - a. What are the implications for us from this passage? What does it mean that Jesus submitted to the word of God?
 - b. What does it mean for a Christian to submit to the word of God today? What does submission to God’s word look like day-to-day?
 - c. How can being submitted to the word of God affect your relationships at home? At work? At church or social settings?
3. Jesus also shared the word of God with others. For those who listened to him, there would have been no doubt that he believed in and valued the word as having authority in his life and for the lives of the people of God.
 - a. How can you begin to share God’s word (in a loving and consistent way) with the people closest to you?
 - b. Discuss as a group ways that you can share the word of God in your work place and other social settings (without being offensive).

GROUP CHALLENGE

Memorize a verse as a group. Decide what would be good to memorize specifically for your group. Suggestions: John 1:1-5, John 3:16 or 2 Timothy 3:16.

FOR PRAYER & SUPPORT

Ask God to give you and Rise City Church a hunger to read, study and obey the Bible.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

What did you find most interesting about this week’s message?

What didn’t make sense that you would like more clarity about?