

The Living and Abiding WORD

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DISCUSS

In our journey of Life, God in His grace has given us His wonderful Word in Christ Jesus, to grow and guide us daily. Time we spend in the Word can awaken us to the value of the awesome Word of God. Let us learn the importance and necessity of reading the Word of God on a daily basis. Read 1 Peter 1:22-2:3.

DISCOVERING THE WONDER OF GOD'S WORD

It lives and abides forever

- How long do Matthew 24:35 and Isaiah 40:6-8 say the Word of God will last?
- What assurances do you get from this declaration about God's Word?

It regenerates one to be born again

- What do 1 Peter 1:23 and John 6:63 say about how the Word forms or creates in us to be spiritually reborn?
- How did the Word of God lead you to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior?

It purifies the soul

- What's the result when the Word purifies your soul according to 1 Peter 1:22 and John 17:17?
- Share a verse from the Scripture that helped you to have a better perspective in life.

It develops continual growth

- What does 1 Peter 2:2 say about spiritual growth?
- How can you grow in your relationship with the Lord?
- Why do you think that even a person who is already 10-years into his or her faith still remains immature in his or her walk with the Lord?
- Share how you are consistently reading/listening/ studying the Word of God.

GROWING BY THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

Read 1 Peter 2:1-3.

- What did Peter say you must lay aside in order to prepare the soil of your heart to grow by the power of God's Word (v. 1)?
- What proper desires should you have for the Word in order to grow? (v. 2-3; Matthew 4:4; Psalm 119:165; Jeremiah 15:16)

REFLECT

If you do not read, study and meditate upon the Bible daily, if you go year after year, failing to read through the Bible on a regular basis, can it be said that you have the proper desire for the Word of God? Do you have an authentic relationship with Jesus?

PRAY

Heavenly Father, Your Word is too good for Your children to neglect. Lord, as I have experienced your graciousness in my walk with You, please help me to make Bible reading an integral part of my daily life. May I be obedient to Your Word in a consistent manner. May You give me hunger for Your Word that reading it won't be a struggle, but a joy that will fill my heart and soul. I ask these in Jesus' precious name. Amen.