

Message: Living daily by the word of God

Texts: Joshua 1 verse 8

Bible Passage: Matthew 4 verse 1- 11

“THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. 2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. 3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. 4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. 5 Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, 6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. 7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. 8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. 10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. 11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.”

In the above passage, we saw how Satan had an encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ after fasting forty days and forty nights. It is lie from the pit of hell to undermine the knowledge of the scripture by Satan, Some believers believes that Satan is a fool, a deaf and dump personality but unknown to them that their enemy which they undermine knows what they know, the only difference is that the words quoted by children of God is powerful while the same word in the mouth of Satan is powerless, nevertheless if you are not sound in the knowledge of the word of God, Satan will not only defeat you but make an open shame of you.

Why then do we need to feed our lives daily with the word of God? In Matthew 4 verse 4, the Bible says “ But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” Also in Joshua 1 verse 8 the bible made us to understand that “This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success” The Bible which is the word of the Lord should not depart from your life not only that, you must meditate on it day and night, why then do we need these words daily?

- To know the mind of God
- For guidance and divine revelation
- For spiritual checking of our lives
- To overcome Satan and the forces of darkness
- To stand in the days of adversaries
- To overcome the tempter
- For understanding of God’s purpose
- Because the world we live is wicked we need the word of God to survive
- For discernment
- For us to have power

Things that can make the word to lose its power:-

It's a game of death for a believer to enter the battle field of life without the word and the power; it's like holding a gun without ammunition. I want you to pray like this, that power in the word of God fight for me in the name of Jesus, Pray again that when the tempter shall come my way, God give me the right word to overcome him in the name of Jesus. There are things that can make the word not to word in the days of battles

- Sin in a life will automatically deactivate the power in the word
- Not meditating daily on the word and doing what it says
- Lack of proper understanding of what the word can do
- Worldliness
- Pride

What then must you do?

Firstly you must acknowledge and accept Jesus as your Lord and personal saviour

Secondly, you must be a bible and prayer addict

Have radical faith like Abraham

Learn to use scriptures when praying

In Hebrew 4 verse 12 the Bible says "For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Prayer

1. Lord Jesus release the power in your word into my spirit man in the name of Jesus
2. Sword in the word of God visit all my unrepentant enemies in the name of Jesus
3. Two edged sword in the word uproot all problems buried by my ancestors against my destiny in the name of Jesus
4. Sword and power in the word of God visit all the village and evil priest tormenting my life in the name of Jesus
5. Fire in the word appear in the camp of my troublers and roast them to ashes in the name of Jesus
6. Thoughts revealing power in the word expose all the hidden plans of the enemies of my progress in the name of Jesus
7. Power in the word of God contend with those who are contending with me and my household in the name of Jesus
8. Power in the word of God fight against all those that are fighting against me and my family in the name of Jesus
9. Good success in the word of the Lord locate me and my family from now on in the name of Jesus
10. Word of God arise and be my daily food in the name of Jesus
11. I overcome Satan by the power of it is written in the name of Jesus
12. By the power of it is written I possess all that the enemies had stolen from birth in the name of Jesus
13. By the power of it is written I disgrace all those rising and ragging against me in the name of Jesus

14. By the power in the word of God, I pull down every altars of witchcraft manipulating my life in the name of Jesus
15. Oh God arise and defend your words in my life against all my enemies in the name of Jesus
16. Power of God reveal the hiding places of my enemies and disgrace them out in the name of Jesus
17. Power in the word of God locate the habitation of strangers in me and around me and openly disgrace them in the name of Jesus
18. Word of the living God purge me and make me heavenly bound in the name of Jesus
19. Power in the word of the Lord deliver me from worldliness in the name of Jesus
20. Lord I thank you for planting your word in me and around me in the name of Jesus.