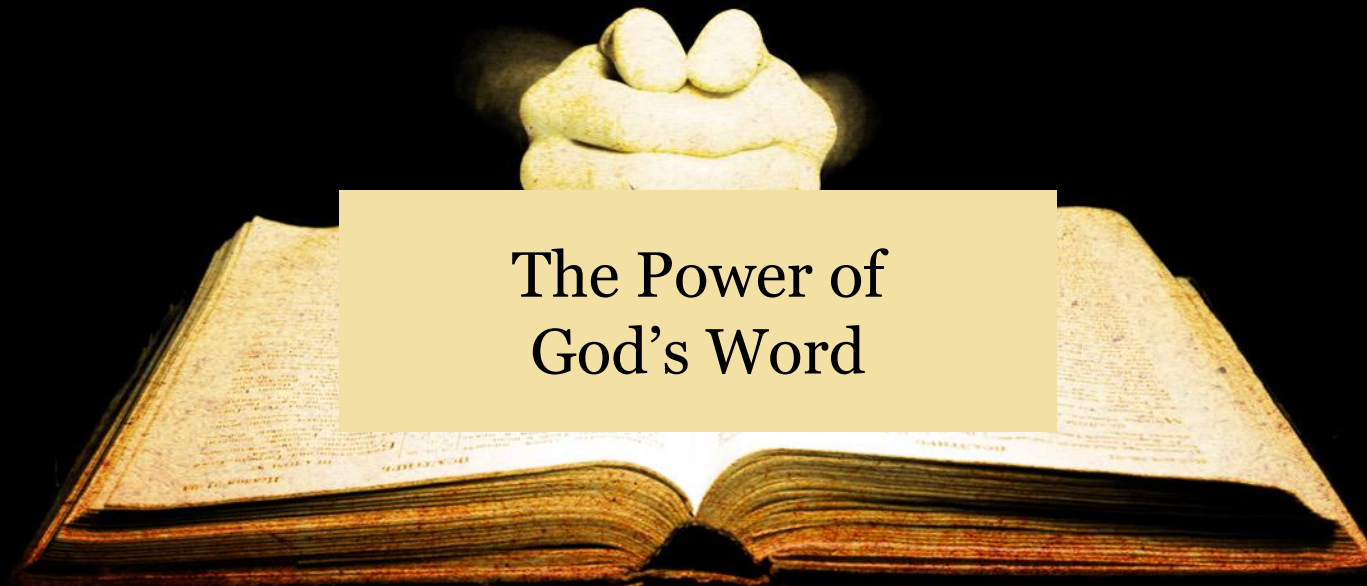


# Communicating with God

## A study of prayer and Bible study



The Power of  
God's Word





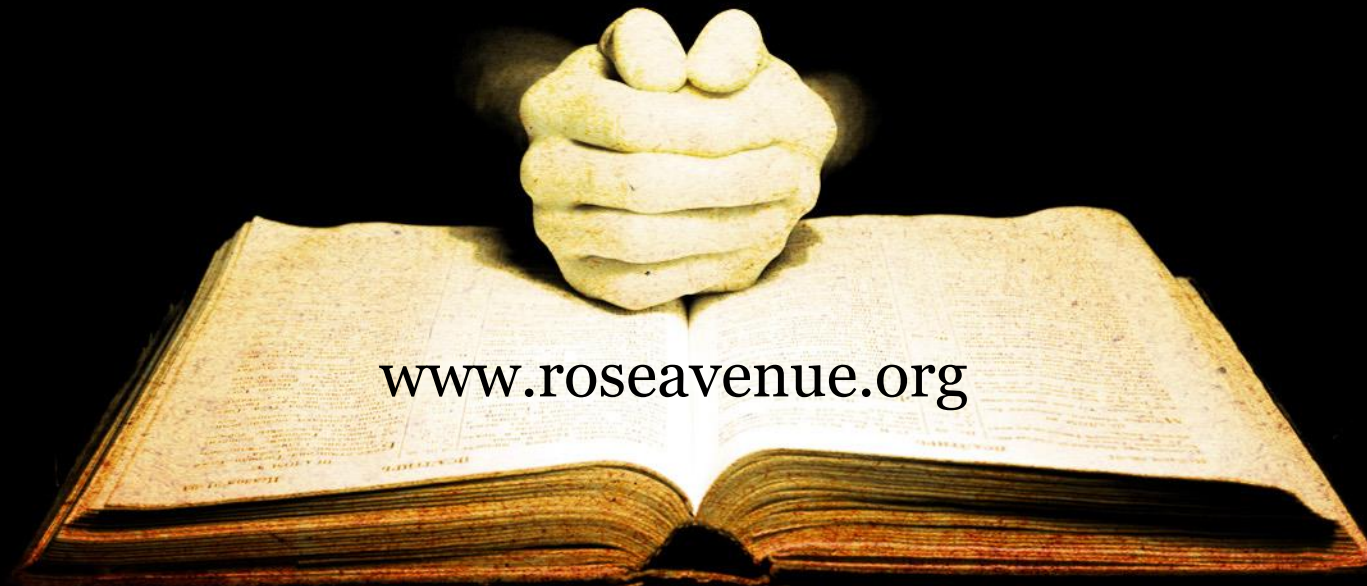
## Studying the Bible

- We have begun a study of HOW to study the Bible. This is another way of saying how to study God's communication to us.
- We have established some qualities for why we should view the Bible as God's word.
- In our last lesson we noted some reasons WHY we should study the Bible.
- Today we want to address...



# Bible study (3)

## THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD



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## The Power of God When He Speaks

- Power - δύναμις (dynamis) - the ability to do something by virtue of strength, resources or authorization
- **Mark 10:27** - God is “all powerful”
- **Cf. Genesis 1:1**, “And God said...” - **2 Peter 3:5-7**, **Hebrews 1:1-3**
- **Isaiah 55:10-11** - His word will not return void
- IF the Bible is the word of God, it is a product of His power

## The Power of God When He Speaks

- Consider the following:
- **Romans 1:16** - Gospel - power of God
- **Hebrews 4:12** - word of God - living and powerful
- **1 Corinthians 1:18-24** - to the saved, the power of God
- **Jeremiah 23:29** - like a fire, like a hammer
- **1 Thessalonians 1:5-6, 2:13** - the gospel came in power...



## What God's Word Can do

- Save us!
- **James 1:21** - the implanted word - save your soul
- Convict - **Acts 2:37** – “cut to the heart”, **John 16:8, Titus 1:9** (elders)
- Convert - **Acts 3:19, Matthew 18:3**  
**Psalms 19:7** - the law of the LORD is perfect  
converting the soul, **cf. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

## What God's Word Can do

- Save us
- Cleanse - **Acts 2:38, 22:16, 1 Peter 1:22-23** - purified souls by obeying the truth. **Cf. Ephesians 5:26**
- Make us free - **John 8:32, James 1:25** - liberty, **Romans 6:16-18 (cf. 6:3-6)**
- Reconcile us to God - **Ephesians 2:14-18, 2 Corinthians 5:18-20** - the word of reconciliation
- How does His word save? It reveals

## What God's Word Can do

- Direct us
- Sanctify us - **John 17:17** - through His word we are “set apart” “holy”
- Give us light - **Psalm 119:105,**  
**cf. 2 Corinthians 4:4**
- Give us understanding - **Psalm 119:99-100, 104,**  
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## What God's Word Can do

- Direct us
- Reprove & rebuke - **2 Timothy 4:2-3** - to reveal, expose. **2 Samuel 12:7**
- Corrects - **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

## What God's Word Can do

- Equip us
- Produce faith - **Romans 10:17, Hebrews 11:6, John 17:20-21** - what is written produces belief in Him
- Furnish our needs - **2 Timothy 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:3**
- Arm us - **Ephesians 6:17 (10-18); Hebrews 4:12, cf. 1 Peter 3:15**



## Because of Its Power


- Let us resolve to:
- Respect it - it is the word of God  
**Cf. 1 Thessalonians 2:13**
- Thoroughly learn it - **2 Timothy 2:15,**  
**Acts 17:11**
- Share it with others - **Matthew 28:19-20,**  
**2 Timothy 2:2**
- NEVER be ashamed of it - **Romans 1:16,**  
**Matthew 10:32-33, cf. 2 Timothy 1:8**

God's word is powerful and accomplishes everything we need!

We can see its power, IF we let it govern our lives!

That is why, IF we are serious about our eternity, we will devote adequate time to the study of His word.



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How much time are  
spending listening to  
Him?

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Let us pray!



