

# **Value of the Word**

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## I. Introduction.

## II. What is the Bible?

- A. The history and future of man.
- B. It is a book about God and His Son Jesus Christ. (Hebrews 1:1-2)

## III. Unique points about the Bible.

- A. It is God making a bid for man.
- B. The Bible shares the bad parts as well as the good parts of people's lives.
- C. It is all or nothing. (John 14:6)

## IV. Salvation comes in knowing the Word of God.

- A. The message is Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 1:23)
- B. We hear the message of Jesus that he died for our sins on the cross. (Luke 9:62)
- C. The speaker came to know Jesus through the Bible. (2 Timothy 3:15)
- D. Every person needs salvation because he is unable to provide it for himself. (John 3)
  - 1. Man needs salvation because he is a sinner. (Genesis 6:5, Jeremiah 17:9, Romans 3:23)
  - 2. Man's glory is Jesus Christ whom we all come short of.

## V. The Bible provides spiritual growth.

- A. The Holy Spirit uses God's Word to mold our lives.
- B. We start out as new Christians indwelt by Jesus. (1 Peter 2:2-3, Galatians 2:20)
- C. Jesus is also by whom we grow. (Revelation 19:14)
- D. The Word causes happiness. (Jeremiah 15:16)
- E. Only one thing is really needed - to sit at Jesus' feet and hear His word.
- F. The Bible gives us light.
  - 1. The Bible will help us so that we might not sin.

2. If we do sin, we have provision. (1 John 1:9)

VI. Through the Bible we help others.

A. Use the Word with people. (Hebrews 4:12, 1 Peter 4:12)

B. God has called every believer to be a minister. (2 Corinthians 5:19-20)

C. It is through us that others are to be reached. There are no excuses.

VII. Conclusion.

**Application questions**

1. What is the Bible and why is it unique?

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2. How does the Bible assist us in salvation?

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3. How does the Bible assist us in spiritual growth? What might your life look like with a more regular implementation of God's Word?

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