

## II. The Place of the Bible in Individual Witnessing

### A. Importance of the Bible in Personal Work

1. "Seed to the sower and bread to the eater" (Isaiah 55:10,11)

a. "Seed to the sower"

Illustration - The sower in Luke 8:11

- Born again (I Peter 1:23; Jas. 1:18)

b. "Bread to the eater..." (Matthew 4:4; I Peter 2:2)

2. Only the Bible shows the way of salvation. (II Timothy 3:15)

3. It is the only weapon for this spiritual conflict.

a. The problems are spiritual. (Acts 26:18; II Corinthians 10:3,4)

b. The weapons must be spiritual. (Ephesians 6:17; Matthew 4)

c. Problem: Suppose someone says, "I don't believe the Bible so don't quote the Bible to me."

(1) It is STILL the Sword of the Spirit! Illustration - A swordsman and "I don't believe in swords!" (Jeremiah 23:29)

(1) It is still the Scriptures that the Holy Spirit uses to:

(a) Bring conviction of sin and show the need of the Saviour.

(b) Show them that Christ is the Saviour they need.

(c) Show them how to receive Christ as Saviour.

(d) Answer their difficulties that are hindering them from receiving Christ.

(e) Give them assurance of salvation.

B. One of best ways to come to a working knowledge of the Bible for effective individual witnessing is Scripture Memory.

1. Fills heart with what to say (Jeremiah 20:9)

2. Permits you to speak with confidence (I Peter 3:15; Psalm 119:42)

3. Personal victory (Psalm 119:11)

