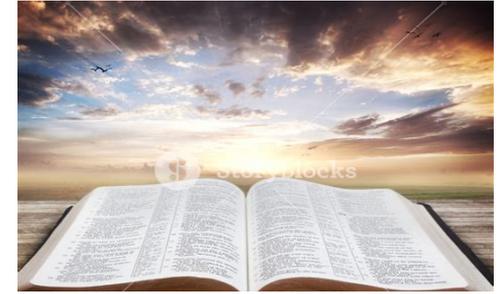


Article 3



*What or Who is the **WORD**?*

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three ARE ONE. (1 John 5:7)

Most know or have accepted that God, our heavenly Father is the one and only Supreme Being and the Creator of the heavens and the earth and all that is within, including man. However, there appears to be uncertainty and confusion regarding exactly What or Who is the **Word of God** and the importance of the **written Word of God**.

Some believe that the Word of God is primarily accessed through the (audible) presence of supernatural, spiritual elements, which the **Bible does NOT** support. During the presence of spiritual elements both good and evil spirits are present, including spirits of divination, witchcraft, familiar spirits, and other evil spirits of error. The primary means of accessing the Word of God, especially in today's time, is the **written Word of God—the Holy Bible**. As our examples, Jesus Christ and the apostles after Him always referenced the **written Word of God** when speaking to the people, and the phrase, “thus saith the Lord” is **not** spoken by God's ministers in the New Testament.

The **Word of God** represents all of the words, thoughts, desires, and intents of the heart of God, which go forth from the heart and mind of God into existence to create the life of everything. The **Word of God** rests in the heart (bosom) of the Father, and when God speaks, **His Word proceeds forth from Him into creation and existence.** Therefore, the **Word of God is *always* truth, because it always creates and performs.** With the **Word of God**, there is no chance of lies, falsehood, deception or error. God cannot lie. All lies are from the devil. (**Titus 1:2; 1 John 2:21; John 8:44**)

To continue, all throughout the Bible, we are instructed and commanded to seek, know, and obey the **written Word of God**, and to desire the instruction, knowledge, and wisdom of God. Various servants of the Lord were commanded to write down His Words for future generations (for us), and at other times His Prophets were commanded to eat and fill their minds, hearts, and their entire selves with His Word, prior to speaking to His people. The Lord has stated that the **Word of God** will never pass away, and that He has even placed the standing of His **Word above** His name. (**Matthew 24:35; Mark 13:31; Luke 21:33; Psalm 138:2**)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was WITH GOD, and the Word WAS GOD.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

In him was life; and the life was the light of men. (John 1:1-4)

It is the eternal **Word of God** that proceeded forth from God, the Father to become flesh (a man), and to become the **Lord, Jesus Christ**, the Son of God. The **Word of God** in the person of the Lord, Jesus Christ represents to mankind the **manifestation of the very person of God the Father**, and also represents the nature, character, and heart of the Father. While Jesus Christ taught, preached, and operated in His authority, power, and conviction as the one and only begotten Son of God, the Father, He also manifested the Father's love, compassion, mercy, and care toward people in caring about their condition, desiring to reveal the true meaning of the Scriptures, in healing people from their inward and outward hurts and illnesses, and freeing people from the torments of the enemy—the devil.

His focus was always on the salvation of mankind and doing the work that the father gave Him to do, without deviation. **Jesus Christ is the manifestation of the Word of God, and He is the Word of God that proceeded forth from the Father and became flesh to save us.** Before His birth into the world as Jesus Christ (His earthly name), **He is the Word of God that proceeds and has always proceeded forth as thoughts or desires from the heart and mind of God, which God then speaks forth.** This Word originates from God, and therefore, is God. As the Word goes forth from God to become God's representative in the earth, this Word becomes the Son of God. Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and He is also God as the Word of God.

As written in the Scriptures of the Holy Bible, it is the **Word of God** that breaks up the hard ground of our hearts to turn our hearts from the hardness of iron and stone, into the soft and tender richness of good

soil that hungers and thirsts for seed and water to grow. It is the **Word of God** that destroys the old man of us and cleanses us from operating under the influence of wickedness and evil (the devil). It is the **Word of God** that saves us, and keeps us saved. It is the **Word of God** that transforms our minds, characters, and our beings into more Christ-like beings. And it is the **Word of God** that believers should be rooted and grounded in before they begin operating in any spiritual gift—first, character and fruit, then gifts—the precise order that the Lord, God established as written in the Scriptures of the Holy Bible.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

That the man of God may be perfect thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

(2 Timothy 3:16-17)

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. (Hebrews 4:12)

Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me. (John 5:39)

Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. (John 15:3, 10)

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. (Romans 12:2)

Reading, studying and following the **written Word of God** is crucial in the lives of mankind, because of all God's creations man is most like God, in that like God, man was created with a free will and power of choice, emotions and feelings, and means of free expression of the thoughts and intents of our hearts. For those of us who go to heaven to be with the Lord when we die, we will then be perfected into the perfect beings that God wants us to be for all eternity. But while we are living on this earth, our lives are all about how we exercise our free wills and how we exercise our powers of choice to make the right choices and decisions.

So, when God created man, God purposed to create a family with mankind that He would inhabit with His Holy Spirit. However, He wanted His family (mankind) to **willingly choose** Him as a Father, to **willingly choose** to Love Him, and to **willingly choose** to serve Him. Therefore, as born-again, Christian believers, we first need to become rooted and grounded in the **written Word of God—the Scriptures of**

the Holy Bible—which are also Spirit (as God is Spirit), and receive the Word of God deep down into our hearts so that we can exercise our wills to make the right choices according to the Word of God and His righteousness. The Lord, Jesus Christ, the Son of God is the manifested Word of God, and it is impossible for us to be saved and serve God without His Word within us, and without faith in Jesus.

Nonetheless, in consideration of all that the Bible teaches us, and in consideration of the magnitude of love and care that the Father and the Son have shown us especially, by the great sacrifices made and sufferings endured by the Lord, Jesus Christ on our behaves, we should hope that none, specifically, those who claim to be born-again, Christian Believers, should ever reject the **written Word of God**, in character, word or deed.

When we are obedient and follow the order that the Lord, God has established regarding everything—all operations—all offices—all procedures—all of everything, then we can be sure that we are pleasing God, and conducting our lives in righteousness. When we don't follow God's order, do things another way other than the way that God has instructed, or rush ahead of God's timing, we are not pleasing God. Additionally, we open up ourselves to falsehood, deception, delusion, and the snare and condemnation of the devil. We also run the risk of trafficking with devils/demons, familiar spirits, spirits of divination, and various spirits of witchcraft, which God has condemned and will punish unless we repent. Spirits of witchcraft, sorcery, divination, etc., are being allowed to operate freely in churches today, and **God is not pleased.**

For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. (2 Corinthians 11:13-14)

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

Ye shall know them by their fruits. . . . (Matthew 7:15-16)

. . . a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. (Acts 16:16)

. . . and how thou canst not bear them which are evil; and thou has tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars. (Revelation 2:2)

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and SHE REPENTED NOT. (Revelation 2:20-21)

As the Lord, Jesus Christ manifests the person of God, the Father, we as born-again (born again of the Lord's Spirit), Christian Believers are to manifest the person of God, the Son—the Lord, Jesus Christ. Genuine belief in the Lord, Jesus Christ (the Word) within our hearts, and then confession with our mouths what we have believed within our hearts is the basis for experiencing salvation. Therefore, to reject the Word of God is to reject the Lord, Jesus Christ, and to reject the Lord, Jesus Christ, is also to reject God, the Father.

Then Jesus said to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. (John 8:31)

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings; and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. (John 14:21, 24)

He that hateth me hateth my Father also. (John 15:20)