## **HOW THE BIBLE CHANGES US** 40 Days In The Word – Part 3

- **Psalm 33:6** "The Lord merely spoke and the heavens were created. He breathed the word and all the stars were born."
- **John 6:63 (NIV)** Jesus: "The words I have spoken to you are <u>spirit</u> and they are <u>life</u>!"
- **Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)** "The Word of God is <u>LIVING and ACTIVE</u>. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart"

## HOW DOES GOD'S WORD CHANGE ME?

1 It recreates

teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the

man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

5. It illuminates
<ul><li>Psalm 119:130 (CEV) "Understanding your Word brings light to the minds of ordinary people."</li><li>Psalm 119:99 "I have more insight than all my teachers for I meditate on your statutes."</li></ul>
Psalm 119:105 (NIV) "Your Word is a <u>lamp to my feet</u> and a <u>light for my path</u> ."
6. It elevates
Romans 15:4 (NIV) "Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."  Psalm 119:114 (MES) "You're my place of quiet retreat; I wait for your Word to renew me."
7. It liberates
John 8:31-32 (NAS) "If you continue in My Word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free!"  HOW DO I GAIN THESE BENEFITS?
1. I have to
Mark 12:24 (LB) Jesus: "Your trouble is that you don't know the Scriptures"
2. I have to
1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NIV) "When you received the Word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men, but as it actually is, the Word of God, which is at work in you who believe."
3. I have to
John 13:17 (NIV) "Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you DO them."