PPT "The Word of God!" Let Us Labor to Enter that Rest - Part 2 Kingdom of Priests Series Sunday, February 12, 2023 Senior Pastor, Dr. Janet Cook

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Hebrews 4:11-12 "Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief. 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." (KJV)

Word of the Lord

There is a famine for the word of God and we are seeing the fruit of it in our culture.

Hebrews 11:3 By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

The worlds were framed by My Words and everything in the universe is held together by My Word, yet My people do not recognize the power of My Word which I have given to them. They deny the power of My Word and chose to believe a lie. My word is my gift to you. It is your most valuable resource and the only life-giving power and delivering power in the earth today. My Word is the only weapon that defeats principalities, powers, rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places. It is greater than any established authority or power in the world. I have the final say when you stand upon My Word. Use it as your sword. It is alive and brings life. It is the light in the darkness. My Word is light and when you release it into your life the darkness must flee. The darkness succumbs to My Word. Do not grow weary in doing good, for in due season you will reap if you do not faint.

2 Thessalonians 2:8-11 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, <u>because they did not receive the love</u> <u>of the truth</u>, that they might be saved. And for this reason <u>God will send them strong delusion</u>, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Galatians 6:7-10 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

"The Word of God!" Hebrews 4:12 "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." (KJV) Quick – G2198 – dzah'-o a primary verb; to live, life, lively, quick. Powerful – G1756 – en-er-gace': active, operative: effectual, powerful God's word is both living and powerful, in the sense of being active.

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The phrase "two-edged sword" is used in other places in the NT. Rev 2:12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write, <u>'These things says He who has the sharp two-edged sword</u>:

Rev 1:16 He had in His right hand seven stars, <u>out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword</u>, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

• Out of the mouth of Jesus went a sharp two-edged sword....

The phrase "two-edged" G1366- distomos = double-edged: with two edges, two-edged. It is a compound word. Di and Stomos from Di - G1364 = twice: again, twice and Stomos - G4750 = the mouth;

Ephesians 6:17 - "the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

Word = G4487 - Rhema = describes something that is spoken clearly, vividly, in unmistakable terms and undeniable language. In the New Testament, the word rhema carries the idea of a quickened word.

Isaiah 49:2 And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword;

One edge of this sword came into existence when the Word initially proceeded out of God's mouth. The second edge of this sword was added when the Word of God proceeded out of YOUR mouth!

The inner man is described by both the terms spirit and soul.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 "Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal."

1 Thessalonians 5:23 "Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."