The Message Notes

Message: Ministry of the Word

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### Text:

Acts 6:3. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; 4. but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." (NKJV)

"When we come to God's **assembly**, the church, we come for **two reasons** - the ministry of **worship** and **word**."

### "The Word is God!"

**John 1:1.** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word** was God. (NKJV)

"Our **attitude** toward the ministry of God's Word determines the place God holds in our soul and daily life."

### PT1. Written Word:

**2 Timothy 3:16.** All **Scripture** is breathed out by God and profitable for **teaching**, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness. **17.** That the **man** of God may be **complete**, **equipped** for every good work. (ESV) **Reference**: John 14:21

# Ministry of the Word from Scriptures: Authority

- For **teaching** godly way to live (knowledge)
- For **reproving** convict wrong with truth
- For **correcting** to restore to an upright state
- For **training** discipline your soul in living right

"Hearing and obeying are the same."

### PT2. Spoken Word:

**Matthew 4:3.** Now when the **tempter** came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these **stones** become bread." **4.** But He answered and said, "It is **written**, 'Man shall **not live** by bread alone, but by **every word** that **proceeds** from the **mouth** of God." (NKJV)

**Ministry of the Word when Spoken** - We take the **written word** and **speak** it by **faith** and the **Holy Spirit**. Reference: 1 Corinthians 2:4-5, I Thessalonians 2:13

#### Principle to live by:

- Unto God's glory
- Through Jesus Christ

By the Holy Spirit

## PT3. Study of the Word:

**Joshua 1:8. Study** this Book of Instruction **continually. Meditate** on it day and night so you will be sure to **obey** everything written in it. Only then will you **prosper** and **succeed** in all you do. (NLT)

**Ministry of the Word in <u>Study</u>**: The written word and the spoken word comes alive from studying the word.

**Meditate** – the **activity** of **recalling** the Scriptures in your **mind repeatedly** until you **apply** them in a **practical** way, so you can experience the **transformation** of God's **Word**.

## Ministry of the Word:

Scripture > Spiritual
Information > Revelation
Knowledge > Transformation
"Natural Man"
"Spiritual Man"

"Carnal man knows about God; the Spiritual man knows of God."

"God's Word must travel through the **soul** of man (mind, emotions, and desires) and **overcome** the old man (soul) before a Christ follower will experience transformation."

**Takeaway:** "Ministry of the Word is conveying the **mind** of God and the **manifestation** of God through the **written** word, the **spoken** word and **studying** the word."

### **Q&A:** Question and Application:

- 1. What is the right way to receive the ministry of the word? (I Thess. 2:13)
- 2. How would you apply 2 Timothy 3:16 when you are reading the Scriptures?
- 3. When was the last time you experience Joshua 1:8 while studying God's Word? Give an example.
- 4. Do you consider yourself a natural man or a spiritual man? What is your proof if you're a spiritual man?
- 5. What battle are you suffering between the word and your soul?