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\*THE WORD OF GOD\*  
  
"In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God and the Word was God".  
\*John 1:1.\*   
  
Our Lord Jesus Christ embodies the whole messages of God as captured in the Holy Bible.  
  
Jesus said:"You search the scriptures because you think they give you eternal life; \*but scriptures point to me"\*   
\*John 5:39\*   
  
The Word became flesh(in Jesus) and dwell among us.  
\*John 1:14.\*   
  
Two Sundays ago, I was given the task to make announcement during Service in my Church.  
  
As usual, I prayed to God for utterances on what to say before mounting the Altar of God.  
  
In the process of conveying the  info; I decided to admonish the people of the need to be more prayerful as the "general fasting" continues; so  
I encouraged them with the Words of Jesus in Matthew:17 :21:  
" \*This kind will not go except by prayer and fasting\*".  
Suddenly, I said:  
"In adddition to prayer and fasting you can add: "The Word"; for you cannot even function without the Word".  
  
I finished the task & returned to my seat. Few minutes later, the Preacher mounted the Altar and started singing a Yoruba song I loved so much as a teenager: 🎤  
\*Oro\* re, iye ni. .  
Oro re, iwosan ni o. .🥁  
Je koro re le ma   
gbenu mi. .👏🏾  
Kin le se rere.   
  
Translation:   
Your Word is life,   
Your Word is healing ..  
Let your Word continues to dwell in me..  
So I can prosper.  
  
As he sang, the  atmosphere became charged    and I felt God's presence heavily as I was singing, hallowing and worshipping God with the consciousness of the impact of the Word of God in that song.  
  
Then Jesus spoke to me:  
" \*I did not tell the disciples about the Word then, because I am the Word and I was with them physically".\*  
  
Suddenly, I found myself crying;  
What an awesome God! He puts His Word in the heart of people to speak out and then does wonders with the same Word.   
  
The bible: which is the Word of God, is a divinely inspired- supernatural book revealing the person and the glory of God as manifested in His Son- JESUS.  
  
The aim of today's sermon is to buttress the fact that JESUS is the Word of God and without Him we cannot function.  
  
✅Jesus Christ proclaimed:  
"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last"  
\*Rev. 22:13.\*   
  
The bible says:  
"Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith..."  
\*Hebrews12:2.\*   
  
Jesus said to the Jews: "your father- Abraham saw my day and he was glad"; Then, they became confused and He told them:   
"Before Abraham was, I am"  
\*John 8:55-58\*  
  
Jesus existed in Trinity; even before the creation with God the Father and the Holy Spirit .  
\*John 14:6-20\*  
  
✅The worlds were framed by the Word of God.  
\*Hebrews 11:3\*  
  
"All things were made & without Him was not anything made that was made"   
\*John 1:3\*   
  
The book of Genesis Chapter 1contains record of \*Creation\*.  
  
Repeatedly, we read \*"God said"\* :which indicates God spoke the \*Word\* to bring the world into existence.  
\*Gen 1:3-29.\*   
  
✅The Psalmist in Psalm 107:20 says: " He sent His \*Word\* and healed them and deliver them.."  
  
Later, the Bible says: "How God anointed Jesus with Holy Spirit and with Power: who went about doing good and \*healing\* all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with Him".  
\*Acts 10:38.\*   
  
Juxtapose the above verses with the song: then you will admit the Word is \*JESUS\*.  
Halleluyah...  
  
✅Jesus said : "I am the light of the world...".  
\*John 8:12\*.  
  
"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path";  
Psalm 119:105   
  
The Psalmist further affirms:  
"The entrance of Your Word giveth light and understanding to the simple"  
Psalm 119:130.  
  
✅"We preach not ourselves, but \*Jesus\* the Lord" \*2Cor 4:5\*  
  
\*Jesus\* is our standard and our role model.  
  
Mahatma Ghandi was famous to have said: " \*I like your Christ but I do not like your Christians; for they are so unlike your Christ".\*   
  
Hum; food for thought!  
  
\*Therefore\* :  
"Preach the \*Word\* be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine"  
2 Tim 4:2.  
  
✅God has highly exalted Him( \*Word\*) and given Him a name: \*JESUS\* which is above every other name" Phill 2:9.  
  
It is not surprising that The Psalmist says God has "magnified His Word above all His name".  
Psalm 138:2b.  
  
Words of mouth are powerful; especially the Word of God.  
  
Jesus \*warns\* :   
"I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak; they shall give account thereof"  
\*Matthew12:36\*   
\*Warning\* whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble.  
\*Prov 21:23.\*   
  
However, when you speak the  \*Word of God;\* you can be sure of the potency of such Word.  
  
The Word of God is quick and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword  
\*Hebrews 4:12.\*  
  
✅Do not harden your heart to the Word of God;   
  
"So faith comes by hearing and hearing through the Word of God"  
\*Romans10:17.\*  
"Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and obey it"  
\*Luke 11:28.\*   
  
\*Lesson\*: Do not despise the Word of God:   
  
This book of the Law: (Word of God) shall not depart out of thy mouth..."  
\*Joshua 1:8\*   
  
The bible says:  
" \*But they mocked the messenger of God and despised his words and misused the prophets, until the wrath of the Lord arose against his people, till there was no remedy"\*  
2nd Chro.36:16.  
  
✅In conclusion, this same Word is the One that saves people from perishing.  
\*John 3:16.\*    
  
Consequently, anyone without the Word of God in him is empty and vain.  
  
Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? you have the words of eternal life".  
\*John 6:68.\*   
  
"I have kept Your Word in my heart that I will not sin against You".  
\*Psalm 119:11\*  
  
If you are still living in sin, \*repent now\*;  
  
Invite \*Jesus\* into your life today and allow His Words to shape your life.   
  
I don't know what Word the Lord has spoken into your life that is yet to come to fruition; do not get downcast.  
"Faithful is He who has called you; who will also do it"  
\*1 Thess 5:24.\*   
  
"So shall my Word  that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and prosper in the thing whereto I sent it"  
\*Isaiah 55:11\*.  
  
Personally, I usually remind God of His Word over my life. I say to \*GOD\* :  
  
"Remember your Word to your servant in which you have made me to hope; this is my comfort in my affliction; for Thy Word has quickened me"  
\*Psalm:  119:49&50\*   
  
\*Prayer\*: Father, whatever it will take for your Word to be fulfilled over my life; please make it happened in Jesus name.🙏🏼  
  
\*Shalom.\*   
  
Signed, Bro Cole