Women of the Word

How to Study the Bible with both Our Hearts and Our Minds

And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds, and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of the ministry, for the building up the body of Christ

Ephesians 4:11-12

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but **the** word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

1 Peter 1:22-25

God Where else will we run?

A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the Lord blows on it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40:6-8

How we have been influenced:

-Saul to Paul

How we have been influenced:

-Jesus Birth

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

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Deuteronomy 7:3

You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods.

Deuteronomy 7:3

Goals

- Deepen a Love for God's Word
- Discover Tools for Studying God's Word
- Learn How to Interpret God's Word
- Increase in Biblical Literacy
- Grow in Ability to Share God's Word

"We treasure the Word of God, because God's Word is true and infallible (Ps. 12:6; Jn. 17:17), it can be trusted as the foundation on which we build our lives. It has authority (Ps. 119:89) and teaches us about God's character and our role in his Kingdom (Matt. 5:17-19). As we seek God through his Word, the Spirit sanctifies us and brings deeper understanding of and intimacy with God (Heb. 4:12). It cannot be reduced to an Instagram post, t-shirt, or coffee mug: it is our very life (Deut. 32:47).

"Our physical and spiritual existence came into being by God's Word, and we continue to be upheld by it today (Ps. 33:6; Heb. 1:3, 11:3; 1 Peter 1:23; Col. 1:16-17). When were immersed in it, we increasingly think, act, and become more and more like Jesus (Rom. 12:2; Heb. 10:7; Eph. 4:22–24). Even so, we often struggle to press into the daily habits of Bible study because it doesn't always feel organic and easy. The reality is, it can be intimidating to take a book as long and robust as the Bible and chip away at it in order to understand and live in light of its truths! Be encouraged that God wants you to know him (Jer. 29:13). He isn't hiding from you (Rom. 1:20, 2:14-15; Heb. 1:1-2; 2 Tim. 3:16)."

-Hunter Beless

During this Class

- Read Scripture
- Plan to Read *Women of the Word* each week
- Answer the Reading Questions
- Come ready to discuss with your group
- Pray that God would equip us more as a church

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of **the honeycomb.** Psalm 19:7-10

To Do This Week

-Read Introduction & Chapter 1 *Turning Things Around: Wrong Ways to Think About & Study the Bible*

-Answer the questions in your Study Guide for the Introduction & Chapter 1