

# **God's Purpose for the World**

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## **I. Introduction.**

A. God gave us his word because it is his provision for growth, his standard for maturity and his preparation for service.

## **II. Get a desire for God's Word that you may grow by. (1 Peter 2:2-3)**

A. We can experience God's graciousness by getting into his Word. (Psalm 119:165)

B. The key is obeying the truth.

C. The Word of God is food for our spiritual needs. (Jeremiah 15:16; Job 23:11-12; Matthew 4:4; Isaiah 55:10)

## **III. Spiritual maturity. (Hebrews 5:12-14)**

A. It is possible to be a Christian for years and still be a spiritual infant.

B. Anyone unskilled in the Word of righteousness is a spiritual babe.

C. The Word of God is given to us to change our lives not give us information. (Hebrews 10:36)

## **IV. The Word of God is what God uses to prepare us for service. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)**

A. The Word of God is inspired so it is authentic and has authority.

B. The Word is profitable for our good.

1. For doctrine.

2. For reproof.

3. For correction.

4. For instruction.

C. God is looking for the right kind of man to use. (Isaiah 66:1-2; 2 Chronicles 16:9)

**Application questions:**

1. What is your plan for knowing the Word of God better?

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2. How can a person foster a desire to know God's Word more?

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3. Why is it critical to have a deep knowledge of God's Word? Explain.

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