

YPG III

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Theme: Discipleship

Title: Establishing The Place of God's Word in the Life of the Disciple

Text: Mark 4

ESTABLISHING CORE LESSONS FOR THE SUCCESS OF DISCIPLESHIP

1. The Lord Jesus had definite goals for His disciples
2. He wanted to teach them core lessons
 - a. To be learnt
 - b. To be established in their lives
3. This would lay a strong foundation for the life and ministry of the disciple

THE PLACE OF GOD'S WORD IN THE LIFE OF THE LORD JESUS

1. He pursued the wisdom from God's Word growing up (Luke 2: 40, 52, Proverbs 2: 1-5)
2. He made reference to it when tested ("It is written" Matthew 4: 1 – 10)
3. He exemplified it in His preaching and teaching ministry (Mark 1: 14 – 15, Mark 1: 21, Mark 4: 1 – 2)
4. The place of God's Word was firmly established in His life!

CORE LESSON 1: THE PLACE OF GOD'S WORD IN OUR LIVES

1. Reasons
 - a. Lack of knowledge
 - b. Lack of understanding
2. Common problems we face today
 - a. The Word of God is not central but peripheral
 - b. We are selective in how we hear the Word of God
 - c. Pursuit of knowledge of the Word of God is not constant

HOW THE WORD OF GOD MAY BE FIRMLY ESTABLISHED IN OUR LIVES

1. The Teacher's role
 - a. The Lord Jesus taught (Mark 4: 1 – 2)
 - b. Teaching must be done constantly
2. The Student's role
 - a. How you hear matters much (Mark 4: 9)
 - b. Types of ground
 - i. Wayside
 - ii. Stony
 - iii. Thorny
 - iv. Good ground
 - c. It reflects the state of the heart
 - d. Only when we hear well will there be fruit

THE PRAYER OF EVERY DISCIPLE: "TEACH ME"

Psalm 119: 33 – 40

1. Teach me
2. Give me understanding
3. Make me walk
4. Incline my heart
5. Turn away my eyes
6. Establish your Word

BIBLE MEMORY TEXT

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