

Sermon ~ Sunday, August 22nd, 2021, by Pastor, Dwight Benoit

Text: Hebrews 4: 12 and Luke 10: 38-42

Title: "GOD'S WORD: The Answer!"

(Hebrews 4: 12)

KJV ~ "For **The WORD of GOD** is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Amplified Bible ~ "For **The WORD of GOD** is living and active and full of power [making it [HIM] operative-surgical, energizing-supply energy, renew, revive, regenerate, and effective-that is, more than affect: influence. **HE** will work it out, accomplish **HIS WORD**]. It [HE] is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating as far as the division of the soul and spirit [the completeness, the whole, all, of a person], and of both joints and marrow [the deepest parts of our nature], exposing and judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart."]

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KJV ~ Luke 10: 38-42

V. 38., "Now it came to pass, as they went... [they is **JESUS** and the 70 other disciples, 10: 1-23, **JESUS** appoints 70 other disciples and sends them out 2 by 2 as **HIS** messengers—**COMmission**, they are to tell-proclaim, **HE'S Coming**... Point: Requirements (how to travel, precautions, where to stay, duties to fulfill. Expect Rejection. Report back to **HIM**— "demons *obey* us when we used **YOUR NAME**—**JESUS** said, 'what's most important—*Salvation!*']

In verses 25-37, a Lawyer *questioned-tempted* **JESUS**, "Who is my neighbor?"

JESUS gave him an answer/command!

The Text...

V. 38., "**HE (JESUS)**, *not the 70*, entered into a certain village [**JESUS** entered—Bethany:

Aramaic language means, "*House of affliction*: that which cause *pain* and *suffering*...

the Village where *Lazarus* was raised from the dead], and a certain woman named *Martha* received [welcomed] **HIM (JESUS)**, into *her* home.

V. 39, And she had a sister called *Mary* [who seated herself at **The LORD'S feet** and was *continually listening* to **HIS WORD [Teaching]**].

V. 40, [But *Martha* was very busy and distracted with all of her serving responsibilities; and she approached **HIM** and said, '**LORD**, is it of no concern of **YOU**, that my sister has left me to do the serving alone? Tell her to help me *and* do her part'].

V. 41, [But **The LORD** replied to her, "Martha, Martha," you are worried and bothered *and* anxious about so many things;

V. 42, But one thing is needful [but *only* one thing is necessary]: and *Mary* has chosen that good part [that which is to her (*anyone, everyone's* advantage), which will not be taken away from her."

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Lessons to be learned... From Hebrews 4: 12, text...

What is meant by **GOD'S WORD**?

- Is it just *The Book*, we call **The Bible**?
- Is it just *The Incarnate WORD of GOD*?

That is, "*The Virgin Mary*" and the *just* man Joseph, **YES**, to **GOD'S** offer, "...you shall conceive of **The HOLY GHOST** and bring forth a son, and thou shalt call **HIS Name JESUS**: for **HE** shall save **HIS** people from their *sins*. (Matthew 1: 20c, 21).

GOD among and *with us* (Matthew 1: 23), **BUT** after **JESUS** *died* and was *buried* and *raised* from the dead, **HE (JESUS)** is now **GOD, The Incarnate WORD** "*in*" us!!!

- *Is The WORD of GOD, just The Divine Logos?*
 - "In the beginning [before all-time] **The WORD (CHRIST)** is... and **The WORD** was with **GOD**, and **The WORD (CHRIST)** is **GOD HIMSELF**.
 - HE** is [continually existing] in the beginning [co-eternally] *with* **GOD** [now and forever].
 - All things were made *and* came into existence *through* **HIM (CHRIST)**; and without **HIM** not even *one thing* was made that has come into being.
 - In HIM** was **Life** [*and* the power to bestow **Life**, right now], and **The Life** is **The Light** of men.
 - The Light** *shines on in* the darkness, and the darkness, do not understand **HIM** or the darkness, do not over-power **HIM** or appropriate **HIM**, that is, take (something) from **HIM** and use it for *its own use*, without **HIS** permission or absorb **HIM** [and is unreceptive] to **HIM**." (John 1: 1-5) **WHO is This Divine Logos?**

JESUS! JESUS! JESUS, The CHRIST!

To just *talk* about **HIM**; to just *sing* about **HIM**; to just *call* **HIM** when we '*need*' **HIM**, is to be like Judas—*betray* **The SON of man** with a *kiss*. To be content to *hear* **HIM**, **BUT not heed HIM!**

- We canNOT *separate* **The Redeemer (JESUS)** from **The Revelation (GOD'S WORD)**!
- We canNOT *treat* **JESUS** as some "mercantile transaction." That is, prey (hunt and kill, for what we want) **The WORD of GOD**... [listen to this petition, 'But **GOD**, **YOUR WORD** said, But my **GOD** shall supply all my *need*...' I *need* a car, house, phone...'] after *preying*, this petitioner rejects **GOD' LORDship** over **The Life HE** died, was *buried*, and *raised* for...
- **CHRIST** and **The WORD (The Book/Bible-GOD'S WORD)** *go together*...

Lessons to be learned Luke 10: 38-42...

- *Courtesies* (welcoming **HIM**) are not *True Confessions* to **CHRIST!**
- *Company* is not *Communing* with **CHRIST!**
- Never think that *Complaining* to **CHRIST** will ever replace *Complimenting* **CHRIST!**
- No *Council* (elected body) can replace *The Counselling-Advice* of **CHRIST!**

Never have I *heard* a man, *speak* like **JESUS** before!

Can't *nobody*, do me *like* **JESUS**, can't *nobody*, do me *like* **The LORD!**

I can't forget when I was *sad*, Head hanging down (and) soul feeling *bad*.

All I could say (was) **LORD** take my heart, **JESUS** heard and saved me (and) gave me a start.

HE'S sweet I know! **HE'S** sweet I know!

Dark clouds may rise, and strong winds may blow, but I'll tell the world, where'er I go,

The SAVIOR found me, and **HE'S** sweet I know!