

*SERIES: THE POWER OF WORDS*  
*THE POWERFUL WORD OF GOD*

Hebrews 4:12-13

**I. Three proofs that the Word of God is living and active**

**Hebrews 4:12 "For the Word of God is living and active."**

A. God **creates** by His Word.

II Peter 3:5 "Long ago by God's Word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water..."

Genesis 1:3 "And God said, 'Let there be light,' And there was light."

B. God **restores** or **saves** by His Word.

John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

John 1:14 "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

C. God **sanctifies** or **changes** us by His Word

John 17:17 "Jesus said, 'Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.'"

**II. The Word of God needs to penetrate to the inside of our lives in order to reveal what's going on for the purpose of creating, restoring and changing us.**

A. The word of God needs to penetrate to the inside of our lives

Hebrews 4:12 "Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit; joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Revelation 1:16 A vision of Jesus... "Out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword."

B. The word of God reveals what's going on inside us for the purpose of creating, restoring, and changing us.

Hebrews 4:13 "Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account."