



## CELL GUIDE

**TOPIC** The Call to Know God's Word

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# MESSAGE SUMMARY

## INTRODUCTION

DSP Low Kok Guan starts off by reminding us to read the Bible. This is a book that when we open it up, the author appears. When we know God's word, we will know Him (Psalm 119:3).

## TWO KEYS TO KNOWING OUR FAITH IS REAL

### 1) Love the Word

In Psalm 119, the key to a blessed life is found in the word of God. We start by loving and valuing the word of God. The Psalmist loved God's word. We can come to a stage of loving the word of God through three ways:

Prayer – Pray for God to cultivate in us a love for reading His Word.

Power – Lives are transformed through the Word. God's Word is alive!

People – Interacting with and being inspired by others who love the Word.

Master this book and let this book master our lives! If we feel that we do not have time, remember that we make time for what is important.

### 2) Learn the Word

A desire to learn pushed the Psalmist to ask God to teach him. The Psalmist was going through a tough time, but he was learning what God was doing in his life. A blessed life is not one without challenges, rather, it is one that has learned that God is present even in times of difficulty. God gives us peace, hope and comfort, and we know that God's word is for real. We don't just want the *logos* (written word), rather, we want the *rhema* (living, Spirit-empowered word of God). The Spirit is the one who leads and teaches us. There are barriers that we have to overcome (e.g. history, cultural, language, geography).

Where to start:

Structure – The chapters and how they are divided, the focus

Theme – The key message, verse and words

Overview – Genre, author, audience, date of occurrence, date of writing, setting, what to look out for

Purpose – Why did God give us this book?

God is waiting to speak to us. We are responsible for our own spiritual growth. Press on!

### 3) Live the Word

The truth is that we don't know, unless we do something about what we know. How do we walk in God's way? Walking with God means walking in obedience to the ways of God. When we live out the Word of God, we will be blessed. God's Word provides us with divine direction and revelations, to lead us into Christ-likeness. We are made in the image of God, and God wants to restore us to his image. Intentions remain intentions unless translated into application. Application will change our lives, not intentions.

## CONCLUSION

The word of God is like a treasure in our hearts. This should inspire us to open the Word of God daily and let it tutor our hearts. The Word of God is where we find the key to a blessed life. We can then say that we seek God with all our hearts, and that is how we progress in our Christian lives. How badly do you want to grow? Learn, love and live the precious word of God.

# QUESTIONS

1. In what way has God's Word impacted your life recently? Share something you have learnt, a choice you made differently, or an attitude that shifted within you.

2. There is a difference between the *logos* (written Word) and *rhema* (living, Spirit-empowered Word). What do you think this difference means in your own walk with God, and how can we move from just reading the Bible to truly hearing God speak through it?

3. Looking at your daily routine, how can you intentionally make space for God's Word? Choose one practical action (e.g. prayer, Bible reading plan like Read.40, journaling, discussing Scripture with someone) that you will commit to this week and share it with the group for accountability.