## The Word Jerry Bridges

I. Introduction.

- II. The Bible is the most valuable and delightful possession. (Psalm 19:7; 119)
  - A. Wisdom is greater than all we can desire. (Proverbs 3:13-15)
  - B. The Words of the Bible are life. (Deuteronomy 32:45-47)
  - C. The Word of God add value to us. (Proverbs 20:15)
  - D. As we get into the Word and as it becomes valuable to us, we become a person who has life and adds value to others. (Isaiah 15:4)

III. The Word of God does three things that make it valuable to us.

A. The Bible makes us wise unto salvation. (2 Timothy 3:16)

B. The Bible leads us to a knowledge of God himself. (Proverbs 2:1-5)

C. The Bible tells us how to live successfully. (Psalm 19:11; Romans 8:29)

IV. We experience the power of the Word of God when we obey it.

A. The Bible is not just for fun. (Ezekiel 33)

B. The Bible emphasizes obedience. (Deuteronomy 17:19; Joshua 1:8; Psalm 119:4-5; Luke 6:46; John 14:21; James 1:22-25)

V. How we can get the Word of God into our hearts.

A. Heart it and then obey it.

- B. Reading it. (Deuteronomy 17:19)
- C. Study it. (Ezra 7:10)
- D. Memorize it. (Psalm 119:11)
- E. Meditate on it. (Joshua 1:8)

VI. Particular passages can be used to fight Satan. (Ephesians 6:17; Matthew 4; Job 31:1; Proverbs 24:4; Ephesians 4:29; James 4:11; 1 Timothy 6:6-8; Proverbs 3)

## **Application questions:**

1. How have you experienced growth from grasping some truth from the Bible?

2. How would you encourage others to spend more time in the Bible?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What is your plan for spending more time in the Bible this week?