The Glory of God

(1 Corinthians 10:31; Ephesians 3:21)

Love God (Matt.

22:37-38)

Grace (Titus 2:11-14; 2 Peter 3:18) Love Others (Matt. 22:39)

Gospel Advancement (Acts 1:8)

Community Discipleship (Acts 2:42-47)

Worship (Colossians 3:16-17)

God's Word (2 Timothy 3:15-4:2; 1 Corinthians 3:9-11)



Holding Fast The Word of Life

Philippians 2:14-16

14 Do all things without grumbling or questioning,

15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

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God commissions every Christian to hold fast to His Word.

In Philippians 2:14-16 we can see at least four reasons why God commissions every Christian to hold fast to His Word.



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II. God's Word helps Christians to have an unargumentative testimony. (2:14b)

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III. God's Word helps Christians to have a godly impact in

this world. (2:15)



 God calls His children to be blameless and innocent. (vs. 15a)

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 God calls His children to be unblemished and holy. (vs. 15b)

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 God calls His children to be shining lights. (vs. 15c)

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IV. God's Word helps Christians to have a lasting, eternal

impact and reward.

(2:16)

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OBSERVATION: God's Word enables Christians to go through life without harboring a complaining or argumentative spirit.

OBSERVATION: Christians who have blameless lives will be holding fast to God's Word of life.

APPLICATION: If you want to grow as a Christian in your walk with God, then you must learn to hold fast to His Word!

APPLICATION:

- Read God's Word!
- Meditate on God's Word!
- Apply & Live Out God's Word!
- Memorize God's Word!
- Share God's Word!

IMPLICATION: If you have no desire at all to hold fast to God's Word of Life, then you are not a Christian.

IMPLICATION: If you are a Christian, you need to be in God's Word and meditating on His truth daily - no matter what it takes!

Psalm 1

- 1 Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
- 2 but his delight is in the Law of the LORD, and on His Law he meditates day and night.

Psalm 1

- 3 He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
- 4 The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Psalm 1

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; 6 for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

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