Sermon Questions Selected Passages

This past weekend we continued to grow in our understanding of God's Word. Last week we studied the specific testimony about what God's Word says about itself. This week we took one step further and studied what God, Himself, says about the Word. We concluded that the Bible believes itself to be perfect and entirely true in all of its testimony and God confirms the same testimony. Moreover, Jesus believes that everything the Word says is testifying about Himself. While you still may have questions or doubts about the Bible, the clear testimony is the Bible and God have no doubts at all.

Here are the notes from this past weekend...

WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT THE WORD

REVIEW from last weekend - What the Word says about the Word

- The Enemy wants you to DOUBT God's
 - o WORD
 - o GOODNESS
 - o **JUSTICE**
 - O AUTHORITY
- The Written Word testifies it is...
 - Eternal
 - Inspired
 - Infallible
 - Inerrant
 - Supernatural
- The written Word reveals the Living Word

The Living Word believed ALL the written Word...

Testifies about Him

Testifies to the Truth

Testifies He is God

Testifies He is <u>central</u> to all <u>salvation</u>

Please use any of the following questions if they prove to be helpful to you...

1. During our review of the testimony of God's Word what stood out to you as most important? What difference does it make to believe in the eternal, inspired, infallible, inerrant and supernatural Word of God? Why would satan want you to doubt God's Word?

- 2. John 1:1 describes Jesus Christ as the Living Word and John 1:14 says that this Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. How unique is this claim to any other religion or religious leader? How does this testimony set Jesus Christ apart?
- 3. Read John 5:39-40 again. Do the Scriptures save? Who does the Scripture reveal? Why is this important? Describe the audacity of Jesus Christ to make the statement that all of the Scripture testifies about Him and He alone has the power to grant life.
- 4. If all the Scripture indeed testifies about Jesus Christ then who is speaking the world into existence in Genesis 1? Who is talking to Moses through the burning bush in Exodus 3? Who is the One who parted the Red Sea? What does this tell us about the deity of Christ?
- 5. In John 18:37, how did Jesus respond when He was questioned by Pilate regarding His kingship? What did Jesus mean when He said He has "come into the world to testify to the truth" and that "everyone who is of the truth hears my voice"? Why is truth foundational to knowing God?
- 6. John 17:17 says, "Thy Word is truth." Jesus said in John 14:6, "I am the way the truth and the life." If the Word of God is true and everything Jesus says is true, then what area does Jesus not have authority? Where are places you see in our culture that reject the truth that God teaches?
- 7. When Jesus spoke in John 8 and said, "Before Abraham was born, I AM," what did the religious leaders understand Him to mean? Were they correct in their understanding that He was claiming to be God? Why do we consistently read that the religious leaders were wanting to kill Jesus?
- 8. Colossians 1:19 and 2:9 make the claim that Jesus is fully God. Hebrews 1:1-3 says He is the exact representation of God. John 10 says that Jesus and the Father are one. Why does the Bible go to such great lengths to show that Jesus is God? Does Jesus ever deny that He is God? Why is Jesus ultimately killed?
- 9. In John 10:35 Jesus says that the Scripture cannot be broken. How important is it to understand that not only does the Bible testify to its perfection but Jesus Christ affirms it?
- 10. Look at John 3:16, John 11:25-26, John 12:32, John 14:6, and 1 Corinthians 15:3-4. How central is the Biblical Jesus to salvation? What is the gift of salvation? If Jesus Christ, Himself, is the gift of salvation then why do so many preach heaven without preaching Christ? Have you received the gift of Jesus Christ, The Eternal Life, as a gift in your own life?