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What is the Key to Success?

2 Timothy 3:16-17

The key is the Word of God. It is God in written form. You can weave through the mind of God through the Word. It is our overcoming force! Build your life on the Word of God!

7 Great Works of the Bible

1. The Word is NOURISHMENT for strength and growth
1 Peter 2:2 – The Word is bread for our soul
2. The Word is a CATALYST for transformation
It is our spiritual mirror!
2 Corinthians 3:18 – Transform into the glory of the Lord
3. The Word is ILLUMINATION for the mind
Psalm 119:130 – It gives understanding to the simple
The Bible is our moral compass to guide us
4. The Word is a SWORD of the Spirit
It is a double edged sword – cuts away the negativity and builds us up
Ephesians 6:19, 1 John 3:21
5. The Word is a CREATIVE force
Heb 11:3 – You can speak things into existence
Mark 11:23 – You can bring life to things that are dead
6. The Word is the AUTHOR OF FAITH
Romans 10:17 – The power of God moves through an atmosphere of worship
When there is a power failure, there is no spark in anything and there is no lasting change!
7. The Word is a CLEANSER
Ephesians 5:26 – So that we can be more like Jesus
It is a disinfectant that will scrub away the dirt

Judges 3:12 – Moab is a picture of our fallen, carnal and fleshly nature

- The rebellious part in us that refuses to submit to God
- Your stubbornness will open a door of oppression in your life

Judges 3:13 – The City of Palms is Jericho (A refreshing place of spring, in the midst of a desert)

- The first thing we encounter in our lives is Jericho – where we find rest in God
- Just like the children of Israel, if we stop and allow our stubbornness to take over, we will lose the Jericho in our lives.

2 Timothy 3:2-5 – Let us not have a form of Christianity but no presence!

Judges 3:15-16 Ehud had a double edged sword. Although he was small and insignificant, he was a balanced person and he could defeat his enemy!

V17 – Eglon is a reflection of the lack of discipline and how he let himself go. Picture of the lawless flesh

V29 – the whole nation was fat!

V20-22 – When the Word of God goes in, all the bad things in our lives have to come out! The Word is a powerful weapon against the flesh.

Psalm 119:9-11 – This is how the Word must be received. Don't let it go! With Jesus in your heart, and the Word in your hands, you can be strong!