

**Feed
MY
Sheep**

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John 21:17 (ESV)

Jesus said to him, “**Feed my sheep.**”

Prophecy: The spiritual weak, lukewarm, Biblically ignorant, Christian will not be able to survive Satan’s attacks now and coming at us in the future. Therefore, Pastors and the church have been commanded by Jesus Himself to, “**Feed MY Sheep!**”

Do not be deceived! The Bible says, “Study to show yourself approved.” Look at Jesus’ admonition to **consume**, “The Word of God!”

Matthew 4:4 (ESV)

Jesus answered, **It is written**, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by **every word that comes from the mouth of God.**”

Take note of the **Proportion** of the Word of God to all other worldly information! Why? **Your survival depends on consuming the Word of God!** Notice that all the encompassing religious wisdom and knowledge rests solely in the Word of God.

When the Religious Scholars of the day ask Jesus a question, HE quickly points out their problem.

Matthew 22:29 (ESV)

But Jesus answered them, “You are wrong, because **you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God.**”

Exact same encouragement in the OT!

Joshua 1:8 (ESV)

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to **all that is written in it**. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

Strength and security come from the knowledge of the Scripture.

Joshua 1:9 (ESV)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Equipped people are the strongest and most courageous! They are the ones who are not frightened and not dismayed. They are the ones who know that God is with them wherever they go!

Majesty and divinity of Scripture are self-evident!

2 Timothy 3:16 (ESV)

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

Knowledge of Scripture is necessary for us to function as God intended in this world!

2 Timothy 3:17 (ESV)

That the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

The complete and equipped person is the one who partakes of the breathed out Word of God.

The Word of God lays out all eternity, all purpose, all substance, and all reason for living! All this is encompassed by the revelation of Jesus Christ. That is why at the end of all time when Jesus returns, **Jesus is presented as the “Word of God”!**

Revelation 19:13 (ESV)

(Jesus descending from heaven) and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.

Every other function and need of human beings can be achieved by any other group. However, Preaching God’s Word only can be accomplished by Christians. This is the primary responsibility of Pastors and the church. BCC; Avenues of Equipping:

#1 Each Sunday Morning; Feed My Sheep!

- ✓ High School – Drew & Fran
- ✓ Jr. High – Greg & Sophie
- ✓ Sunday School – Sydney

#2 Bible Overview – God breathed logic that speaks of Jesus!

#3 Holy Fire Tools – Supernatural of Jesus still at work!

#4 Alpha – How it all flows together

Therefore as a Christian, your primary responsibility is doing what no other person or group of persons in the world can do; share God’s word; feed God’s sheep. Therefore, your responsibility is to be equipped by:

#1 Attend Church – Not an option!

#2 Read the Scriptures - 5 minutes a day

#3 Devotionals

a. Utmost for His Highest

b. Streams in the Desert

c. Jesus Calling

#4 Bible Studies (Ladies do a great job!)

Remember, it is all about Jesus! Jesus said, “Feed MY Sheep!”

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Prophetic Team

Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.