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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 168

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you? God proves His love to you by **His living and active love**. **Heb. 4:12**, *"For the word of God is* <u>living</u> and <u>active</u>. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

The Greek words for *living and active* are *energes and tomoteros* which mean *His word is at work, it is productive and it cuts through anything.* I love that picture of God's word because it is a reminder to us that His word has ultimate power and that it cuts through the "red tape" of life. We may think that His word is not all that important. In fact, many Christians prove that by not spending any time in His word. Bibles lay covered with the dust of many weeks. Scriptures that could make a daily difference in our lives are not memorized or, as David said, hidden in our hearts so that we might not sin against God. Many people don't want to read His word because they don't want to feel guilty for the things they've done. Let me just make this statement today strong and clear. We ARE ALL GUILTY, for we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory. And that's why God's word is so important, because it reminds us that even though we have sinned, Jesus was willing to become sin for us so that we could be made clean, whole and forgiven.

When is the last time you've read through the Bible? Maybe you never have. I encourage you to set aside a few minutes each day to just read and meditate upon God's word. His word is living and active!

Dear Father, thank You for Your Word. Help us to spend time in Your Word and hide Your word in our hearts so that we will not sin against You. In Jesus Name, Amen