

**Starter Question:**

What was the worst style choice you ever made?

**BIG IDEA:**

The Word of God is essential for the life God offers us.

**SUMMARY:**

There are five essentials we each need to build our lives around:

the Grace of God; the Spirit of God; the Word of God; the People of God; the Mission of God.

The Bible is God's Word and it is living, active, full of life, grace, and truth. The Word of God is essential in our lives because it defines truth.

**1. THE WORD OF GOD DEFINES TRUTH.**

Our life views, perspectives, and beliefs are often shaped by these four things:

- Experiences – which become future expectations.
- Circumstances – which become the framework through which we view our lives.
- People – we become like those we hang out with.
- Media – music, movies, social platforms.

All these things are real but they don't necessarily define truth. The Word of God is what defines truth. In this season, with so much media trying to tell us so many different things we need to go back to the essential of the Word of God.

**Question 1**

Growing up, which area(s) influenced you the most? Currently, which area(s) speak loudest in your life?

**2. THE WORD OF GOD IS ENOUGH.**

John 6:63, Hebrews 4:12, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, Isaiah 55:11, Psalm 119:11,105, Matthew 4:4, Luke 11:28, John 8:32

**Question 2**

As a group read a few of the above verses aloud. List some of the descriptive words used to express the dynamic nature of Scripture. How, if at all, do you engage with the Scriptures?

**3. THE WORD OF GOD TRANSFORMS US FROM THE INSIDE OUT.**

There is supernatural power when we hear the Word of God, and apply it to our lives. When we engage the Word of God it begins transforming us from the inside out and becomes essential to our lives.

**Question 3**

What would it look like for the Word of God to be the loudest influencer in your life?