

Word of Power!

Text: Hebrews 1:1-5; Luke 24:32-36

Title:

A fire is either a devastation or a transformation.

Jesus upholds all things by the Word of His power. John 12:48

> Jesus holds the final word.

Isaiah 55:11

- > Every word that Jesus spoke/speaks holds the creative power to change men, heal men, or judge men.
- The purpose of Jesus will always be accomplished.

The super-text for the message is Luke 24:32

"Were not our hearts burning within us as He was speaking."

We must develop a heart that burns within for His Word

"When we are much affected with the things of God, especially with the love of Christ dying for us, and have our hearts thereby drawn up in holy desires and devotions, then our hearts burn within us..." Matthew Henry

"Jesus appears to us and our hearts are kindled...then we have to learn to keep the secret of the burning heart that will go through anything. It is the dull, bald, dreary, commonplace day with commonplace duties and people, that kills the burning heart unless we have learned the secret of abiding in Jesus." Oswald Chambers

How do we break commonplace and develop power-filled uncommon lives?

1 - Break the commonplace spirit, by doing something for Christ. Luke 24:33-35

- > It is about activity in our Christian walk.
- ➤ Be a witness. Share what you know!

Jerusalem to Emmaus was about a 7 mile journey. 14 miles in that day to see results having to do with their faith.

➤ The issue is not how many miles we do for Christ, but how far we are willing to go out of our way for our walk of faith!

2 - Command the wrong emotion! Luke 24:32

Only through the inward burning of the word of God can our emotions ever be commanded.

"Much of our distress as Christians comes not because of sin, but because we are ignorant of the laws of our own nature. For instance, the only test as to whether we ought to allow an emotion to have its way is to see what the outcome of the emotion will be. Push it to logical conclusion and if the outcome us something God would condemn, allow it no more way."

Oswald Chambers

➤ We can never reject a wrong emotion if we are not filled with His Word, His Church, and His Presence.

3 - Long for His Presence! Luke 24:35-53

➤ His Presence not only makes the journey - His Presence *is* the journey.

"Give me the love that leads the way - the faith that nothing can dismay. The hope that no disappointments tire - the passion that'll burn like fire. Let me not sink to be a clod make me thy fuel, flame of God." Amy Carmichael



Practice reading His Word, and then immediately doing something that engages your faith.