

# SERMON / LIFE NOTES

November 14-15  
Essentials (Part 1) – The Bible  
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## SERMON NOTES

The Bible is the inerrant, inspired Word of God that tells us what to believe and how to live

The Bible is the roadmap that leads us to life change (Prov. 3:5-6)

What to believe (Hebrews 4:12)

How to live (James 1:22)

More on the reliability of the Bible:

<https://carm.org/evidence-and-answers>

## GETTING STARTED

What is one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this grab your attention?

Pastor OC spoke about the Bible being a roadmap that leads us to life change. What keeps you from submitting to God’s knowledge and wisdom? Why is it difficult for you to trust Him in this area?

Pastor OC said that it is not enough to know what the Bible says. He challenged us to also do what it says. What area of obedience to God and His Word do you struggle with the most? What do you need to do to overcome this struggle in your life?

## MORE...

What Bible story or passage has been the most difficult for you to grasp or believe?

As you have heard, at Calvary we believe in the inerrancy of the Bible. Why should we care that the Bible is inerrant?

Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17

What is the ultimate benefit from reading and knowing the Word of God? What spiritual transformation of life happens when you apply scripture?

Read John 1:1 and John 1:14

What does it mean that the “Word became flesh and dwelt among us”? How does the fact that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, validate the inerrancy of the Bible?

Read John 7:16-19

What does this verse have to say about how we can know that Jesus’ teaching is real in our lives? How have you experienced this?

“How would you help a person who said, “I’ve tried to read the Bible, but I just don’t get anything out of it?”

## TAKING IT HOME

The Bible has the power to change lives because it is the Living Word of God. All too often we try to change our lives on our own, sometimes because we are not in the Word enough. This week marks the last week of the Fall Session of LifeGroups. We begin the Winter Session in January after a break for Thanksgiving and Christmas. During the break, let us actively seek to fill our hearts with God’s Word on a daily basis. When we do these things, God changes our heart. When our heart is changed, our life is changed.

## FOLLOW UP/ READING

Day 1 Proverbs 3:5-6

Day 2 Hebrews 4:12-13

Day 3 James 1:21-24

Day 4 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Day 5 John 1:14

Day 6 John 7:16-19

Day 7 Matthew 12:33-37