

SMALL BUT SIGNIFICANT WORDS

Texts: Galatians 3:16; John 21:22-23

INTRO: The Bible is the inspired message of God to men. It is the thinking of God revealed in human language. God intends us to study His word & thus to know His will. In our texts, we see the importance of God's exact wording.

In this lesson we want to examine some Bible teachings that hinge on words so small & simple that any accountable person can understand them--yet teachings that are largely ignored by most preachers & other religious teachers.

I. AND. MARK 16:15-16.

- A. Illustrate with coupon offer. Is it necessary to send both the order form and the proof of purchase?
- B. Go and preach; believe and be baptized. Did they obey if they go, but do not preach?
- C. Acts 2:38. Repent and be baptized.

II. FOR. Acts 2:38.

- A. Illustrate with coupon again. Repent and be baptized for the remission of sins.
- B. Compare Matt. 26:28.

III. THE. Jude 3.

Does it make any difference what we contend for? Does it matter what you believe? What I preach? 2 Tim 2:2

IV. ONE. READ EPHESIANS 1:22-23; COLOSSIANS 1:18.

- A. Compare Eph 4:4-6.
- B. See 1 Cor. 12:20 KJV: but one body.

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