Some Titles for God's Word

Law of the LORD
Testimony of the LORD
Statutes of the LORD
Commandment of the LORD
Judgments of the LORD

Precepts
Word
Ordinances

Word of God
Word of Christ
Word of truth
Scripture
Holy Scriptures
Scripture of truth
Book
Book of the law
Book of the LORD
Sword of the Spirit
Oracles of God

Ps. 19:7-9
Ps. 119
Heb. 4:12
Col. 3:16
James 1:18
II Tim. 3:16
II Tim. 3:15
Dan. 10:21
Ps. 40:7
Neh. 8:3
Isa. 34:16
Eph. 6:17
Rom. 3:2
Psalm 19:7 – 9

Literary Pattern

Title

A. Law, testimony, etc.
B. of the LORD

Characteristic / Description

Effect / Result
The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul;

The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;

The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;

The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

Ps. 19:7 – 9
Ps. 19:10 – 11

Characteristic - v. 10  Effect - v. 11

valuable \(\rightarrow\) warning

sweet \(\rightarrow\) reward
1 Thessalonians 2:13

… you welcomed not the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which also effectively works in you who believe.
I Thess. 2:13 – How does the Word work?

10 Ways God's Word works

Ps. 19
– converting the soul saving I Peter 1:23
  (regenerating, quickening)
– making wise guiding Ps. 119:105
– rejoicing the heart
– enlightening the eyes reviving Ps. 119:154
– producing endurance nourishing I Peter 2:2
Rom. 15:4
– producing righteousness
  (MacArthur, Uchiyama)
10 More Ways God's Word Works

- sanctifying
  John 17:17

- enriching
  Col. 3:16

- strengthening
  Ps. 119:28

- prospering
  Joshua 1:8-9

- producing faith
  Rom. 10:17

- producing obedience
  Deut. 17:19-20

- cleansing one's ways
  Ps. 119:9

- supporting life
  Matthew 4:4

- building up in the faith
  Acts 20:32

- comforting
  Romans 15:4
Even MORE Ways God's Word works

- teaching
- training  II Tim. 3:16-17
- counseling  Ps. 119:24
- warning
- rewarding  Ps. 19:11
- judging  Heb. 4:12
- freeing  John 8:31-32
- protecting  Ps. 119:11
- illuminating  Ps. 119:130
- enlightening the eyes  Ps. 19:8
- producing righteousness  Ps. 19:9
- producing hope  Rom. 15:4
- cleansing the heart  John 15:3
- keeping from destructive paths  Ps. 17:4
- promoting growth in grace  I Pet. 2:2
- Admonishing (warning)  Ps. 19:11
God uses His Word to produce:

- Salvation
- Sanctification
- Preparation
  - Maturity
  - Abounding in Good works
Proper Attitude / Response to God's Word

Psalm 1  – Delight
          – Meditate

Job 23:12  – Treasure

John 4:24  – Worship

*in spirit and *in truth
Why is God's Word so wonderful?

- II Tim. 3:16 “God-breathed”
- John 1:1, 14 “the Word was God”

The written Word is an authentic expression of the Living Word.

May be distinguished, but not separated.
God's Word is sufficient for every need of the human heart because the Lord Jesus Christ is sufficient for every need of the human heart, yours and mine.