God’s Word is our Foundation

**Key Themes**
- God’s Word is the foundation for our lives.
- God’s Word is the standard we use to judge every thought.

**Key Passage**
Psalm 19:7–11

**What You HEARD in the WORD**

- The Bible is the starting point from which we make decisions.
- God’s Word is perfect and true.

Answer these questions from today’s lesson.

1. What other terms are used as names for God’s Word, the Bible, in Psalm 19?

2. Name two of the words we found that describe God’s Word.

Fill in the blanks:

3. God’s Word is more precious than _______________

   and sweeter than _______________.

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(1) Law, testimony, statutes, commandment, judgments.  
(2) Perfect, sure, right, pure, true, righteous.  
(3) Gold, honey.)
What if your friend doesn’t think the Bible needs to be our final authority on everything? What if he says, “Do you really believe that the Bible tells you how to answer every question you might have?” What could you tell him?

Well, the Bible doesn’t tell me everything to do, like what bike to buy or what movie to watch or what video game to play. But, the Bible tells me that everything I do should glorify and honor God. I can only know what honors and glorifies God by reading His Word. It gives me the knowledge I need to make wise choices that will please Him.
GOD’S WORD CROSSWORD

Complete the crossword puzzle using these words: BIBLE, BIBLICAL, DESIRES, EVERYTHING, GOLD, HOLY, HONEY, JOY, OBEY, PERFECT, REWARD, UNDERSTAND. Then unscramble the letters in the orange blocks to find the answer to the statement.

**Across**
2. “Converting the soul” means His Word changes our _______.
6. “In keeping them” means we are to ____ God’s commands.
7. Obeying God brings great _______.
8. “Rejoices the heart” means His Word gives us ___ that can’t be explained.
11. In order to be wise, we must view the world through ______ glasses.
12. God’s Word is more to be desired than _______.

**Down**
1. God’s Word has no mistakes. It’s _______!
3. “Omniscient” means God knows _______.
4. Studying the Bible allows us to _______ God’s truth.
5. God’s Word is sweeter than _______.
9. God’s Word “warns” us means we need to avoid the things that displease our ____ God.
10. What is another name for God’s Word?

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Did you ever wonder where the Bible came from?
For Family Study

“One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts” (Psalm 145:4). Commit to praising God’s glorious works to your children. Plan specific family time to hide His Word in your hearts through study and memorization.

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

For Parents

The Bible is as relevant to our lives today as it was when it was written. In the Hebrew poetry of Psalm 19:7–11 we repeatedly read of the trustworthiness of God’s Word: it is perfect, sure, right, pure, true, and righteous. We are wise to follow Jesus’s example and accept God’s Word as authoritative to our daily lives. He quoted Scripture as historical fact, referencing some of the most-attacked accounts in the Bible, including creation (Matthew 19:4–5), Noah and the Flood (Matthew 24:37–39), Sodom and Gomorrah (Matthew 10:15; 11:23–24), Lot and his wife (Luke 17:28–32), and Jonah and the fish (Matthew 12:39–41).

Although others may urge us to “leave the Bible out of it” when discussing God, creation, absolute truth, morality, science, or the Bible itself, we cannot and must not. Christians stand on the Word of the all-knowing God—it is our foundation (Luke 6:47–49). God’s Word is the trustworthy starting point from which we interpret life—using it is like looking through biblical glasses that correct our distorted view, enabling us to see and understand the world.

OutWord For Family Discussion

Suppose your friend is confused about the truth and says, “I don’t understand why there are so many different ideas out there. Some say God is in control; others say He isn’t. Some say God created; others say He didn’t. I just don’t get it!” What will you tell him?

There are different worldviews. Some people have a biblical worldview. They wear biblical glasses and try to see everything through what God’s Word says. Others look to what man says even if it doesn’t line up with what the Bible says.

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Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.