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The Bible and the Believer Three essential benefits of the Word of God

1. The Word of God defends against the enemy.

Eph 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

Illustration: Jesus being tempted (**Matt 4:1-8**)

2. The Word of God illuminates the darkness.

Psalms 119:105 ¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

3. The Word of God equips the believer.

2 Timothy 3:13-17 ¹³ while evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.