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**Title: The Living Word Transforms**

**Series: The Living Word**

**Text: Hebrews 4:11 - 16; 2 Tim 2:15-21**

**Introduction: Present Yourself To God:**

Hebrews 4:11 - 16; 2 Timothy 2:15 - 21

Matthew 4:4; 2 Timothy 3:15; 2 Peter 1:19

1. The Living Word Is Jesus Christ: John 1:1; Luke 24:32
2. The Living Word Must Be Personally Engaged: Acts 4:12; 2 Timothy 2:15
3. The Living Word Must Not Be Tampered With: Mark 7:8 - 13; Revelation 22:16 - 21
4. The Living Word Often Needs to Be Explained: John 15:26; Ephesians 4:1 - 16

**Transformed Is A Command:**

Romans 12:1 - 3

1.1) "Do not be conformed" #4963 *synschematizo* - to conform one's self to another's pattern

1.2) "but be transformed" #3339 *metamorphoo* - to change into another form, to transform, to transfigure

1.3) "by the renewal of your mind" #341 *anakainosis* - a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better (used twice, here and Titus 3:5)

"he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,"

**Transformed Mind Protects From False Doctrine:**

James 3:15 - "This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthy, unspiritual, demonic."

2.1) 1 Timothy 4:1

"Now the Spirit expressly says that in the later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons,"

2.2) 2 Corinthians 11:14

"And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light."

2.3) John 8:44

"You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies."

2.4) Ephesians 6:10 - 20

**"We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ."** 2 Corinthians 10:5

**Transformed Mind Protects From False Guidance:**

James 3:15 "unspiritual" or natural

3.1) 1 Corinthians 2:1 - 16

**Transformed Mind Protects From False Self Image:**

James 3:15 - "earthy"; same Greek word is used of our body.  
Freedom In Christ - I Am statements