## By Every Word of God (Deut. 8:1-10)

Worship is the time in which you exalt God. And when you give worship to God, God gives much grace and answer. It is a time of healing as well. Worship is the time in which you give your heart and offering to the Lord. It is such a precious thing to offer to God. It is hard to receive answers without devotion. There is also something very important, which is receiving the word of God. It is a time for you to go deep into His word. May this be the time of worship in which you receive the lifelong word from God.

## 1. By Every Word of God

There were many important words in today's scripture, but let us take a look at verse 3. It says they were fed with manna so that they may know that man does not live by bread alone but lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. Of course, man must be fed with the physical bread, but the reason why God has given them manna is so that they know to live by every word of God. That is why you question whether everything is finished with God's word. I believe it is an important topic and point of focus. Is it really only the word of God and not bread? It's something you must ask yourself. We always emphasize the importance of the word. We constantly emphasize how important the words of the pulpit message and training are. How many times do we say to follow after and hold onto the word? So, is it really by the word alone? That is why the main point of today's passage is that man does not live by bread alone but by the word of God. Of course, many people question and assume that man must live by bread alone and not by the word of God. That's why you must question yourself, "Is it true that man must live by the word of God and not by bread alone?" This is something you must challenge towards. I believe it is important for you to come to this answer. In the past in our walk of faith, we ended it by receiving much grace. We viewed our worship as successful where you attend church and give worship to God. Yet, today's passage says that is not the case. In other words, you must be able to receive the word of God in your heart. In man's point of view, they worship to receive grace from God, but in God's point of view, it's a much more serious matter. Many of us come to church lighthearted to receive grace from God. But in God's point of view, worship is a serious matter for God. God himself says, "You do not live by bread alone; you live by My word." That is why God doesn't take His word lightly. But we always take God's word lightly. At times, we misuse God's word. God never misuses His word. This is a serious matter. God takes His word very seriously. That is why there are a few important reasons for why we must take God seriously. First and foremost, God created everything in the universe through HIs word alone. We hear this so often to which we no longer receive grace from this. But if you really think about it, it is truly amazing. That means God is the Lord who created all things. He created the heavens and the moon, the stars, and even mankind and all livestocks. What's very important is the fact that all conclusions are within His hands. That is why His word is very important. You must know how serious this matter is, but we

take it so lightly. Secondly, when God proclaimed His word, miracles arose. There is a remnant praise that says that, when Jesus spoke the word, the water turned to wine. Even the dead soul was able to come back to life. Even Jesus said, "By faith alone, your servant will live," and the centurion's servant was able to live. And we all need miracles in life. But we always emphasize and fervently pray to God to work upon us through His miracles. The passage today says, "Don't seek after miracles but seek after HIs word. All the historical figures first received the word of God. They did not receive such tremendous powers at first but first received the word of God to which the power was given to them. Take a look at Moses. His life itself was a miracle, but that was all predestined before creation. Then, when did the miracles take place in his life? The moment the word entered his life. It's the same for Apostle Paul as well. He not only changed the history of the church. He changed the history of the world. His true life began when he met Jesus face to face in the city of Domescus when he received the word of God. For Reverend Ryu, the word "remnant" hit his heart one day. That's when the true remnant movement arose and was able to be led by God to the future. There is another thing that is very important. All the strength and power will come from the word alone. Many question themselves a lot during his seminar graduation ceremony, "Why must I be a pastor when there already countless pastors in the world?" In the midst of that, Reverend Ryu resolved to partake in the gospel movement. That was the word that penetrated his heart. All the historical figures that received the word were able to see continuous miracles take place in their lives. They were able to see the historical work take place. That is why you must first receive the word of God. And there is the fact that God does all things according to His word. When God works upon us, He does not use such ingredients. But for us, the ingredients are important. But for God, the ingredients are His word. That is why this word is very important. In verse 3, God explained the reason why He gave manna to His people. If we were in their state, we would be overjoyed and say hallelujah for the fact that we received manna from above. It might be inevitable for us to feel that way, but they were able to surpass that. God has permitted them to receive the manna from above so they are able to know that they do not live by bread alone but by the word of God. Why is that the case? It's because manna is the result of God's word. This is what it says in Exodus 16:4. The Lord promised to rain bread from heaven for them. That is why the manna did not come on its own. The manna came because the word of God was proclaimed. If you summarize all of this, the Lord God is saying, "Do you possess the word of God that I have given to you? If so, then all things will be added to you. All things, even if unseen, will be given to you, just like I have given my manna to by people." The Lord is trying to say, "You do not live by bread alone; you live by my word." If this is true, then you must live according to His word. You must be able to change and repent if your prayer is not focused on the word of God that has been given to you. Rightfully so, you must be able to follow after the Word and covenant. Just like they received the Word of God, you must receive it as well. If there is anyone who has the mindset that they are not historical figures and do not need to do this, may you change that. You must receive your life-long Word from God. You must pray, "God, please give me Your Word." God will be very pleased with that. For the sake of this life-long Word, He gives you the Word every week. As you communicate with Him, God will give you His Word through the pulpit message. For the sake of that, you must earnestly and sincerely pray to God. You must be able to give your whole heart to the Lord and pray, :Lord, give me Your Word." God does all things according to His Word so it is fundamental for you to do all things within His Word. Since you have received His salvation, you have an eternal connection with God, but do not have a connection daily if you do not hold to His World. God is always waiting for you inside of His Word, but how can you have a connection if you are not within it? God is always calling us to seek His Word but you are always looking elsewhere. The Bible says that if you follow the Word of God, you will have complete victory in all battles. You know the story of Gideon. He did what God told him to do to which he put all the enemies to death. Take a look at King Hezekiah. 185,000 enemies were put to death all at once. This has never been done in all of history. He did exactly what God told him to do. He never served idols. He got rid of all idols as he circuited around the region. Because it was difficult to go to the land of Jerusalem, they had to go up the mountain to give the offering to the Lord. He was able to willingly accept it because it was a long way to get to Jerusalme. King Hezekiah did not accept that and said that the only place to meet God is the Holy Temple. The kings themselves who went against the law were put to death. King Hezekiah believed in the Lord of God and was against things that went against the Word of God. He was a man who made a mistake, but conquered all things. Joshua 8:2 states, "Lay an ambush against the city, behind it." That is the palace God destined for them, so they must go and hide behind it. They did this and had complete victory. When they held to the ark of the covenant, the Jordan river split in half. They simply went around the Jericho walls and it crumbled. The fact that they followed the ark of the covenant is not important, it is the important fact that the word that they followed said to follow the ark of the covenant. Last week, the message said to go to the land of Canaan. You may ask yourself, why would you enter the land of Canaan even if curses are bound to happen. Because of the Word alone, all the curses will be bound. Numbers 14:39-45 records a pitiful story. It is a report of the scouts who lamented throughout the night. The Lord says that anyone under 20 years old will stay in the wilderness for forty years. Moses relayed this to the people. When Moses relayed the people, they mounted greatly and said they would enter the land of Canaan. THey rose early in the morning, when they hiked up to repent before the Lord. Moses asked why they are transgressing the command of the Lord, for the Lord is not among them. He said that if they go to the land of Canaan, they would be transgressing the command of the Lord. God has changed the Word. God commanded them before to go to the land of Canaan, but God changed His Word for them to stay in the wilderness for forty years. They were apologetic before the Lord and therefore stood before Him. Moses said not to go up because they would be struck down from the enemies. The Amalike and Canaanites were ready to kill them. What was the reason? This is because the Lord

stopped His commandment for them to enter the land of Canaan. Mose says that if they go without the Word of God, they would go without Him and would be betraying Him. This may be understandable because they are in a sad state for what they have done, but at least they have the heart to follow the Word of God. But it stated that the Lord was not with them, so they were put to death. Their heart was for the Word of God, but it is not their emotions that God moves according to. It is only the Word of God that will follow through. With a cold heart you must follow God's Word. There are times you must pray with a fervent heart but you must rationally choose the Word of God that he has for this age. Evangelism, 237, and world evangelism. Jeremiah 21:9 states, "He who stays in this city shall die by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence, but he who goes out and surrenders to the Chaldeans who are besieging you shall live and shall have his life as a prize of war." As a child of God, you might hurt your pride while doing this. The people of God who have been called were to kneel down before the enemy and surrender. They felt that it was not right and there were many that fell thetis. They went against God's will to surrender to the enemies saying that it is not God's will. It was to the point in which Jeremiah was almost put to death. They criticized Him, asking why it was the Babylonians over them. Jeremiah 24:5-10 states that God will watch over His people just like the vineyard. The Lord God says, "And I will send sword, famine, and pestilence upon them, until they shall be utterly destroyed from the land that I gave to them and their fathers." What does this mean? Before This took place, Prophet Jeremiah emphasized that they must not do idol worship, saying that the Northern Israelites will invade them if they do not discard it. People of God lacked to listen to the word of God and they continuously served other idols. The Lord commands that if they return to him, he will save them. The Lord commands them to surrender to their enemies, and only then shall they live. For all of God's people who say that they are children of God, if they continuously serve idols, they will be put to death. We have received the message of the Bible scripture that says that if you go to the city and pray for the city, you will be prosperous, receive all land, and bear many children. The standard is God's word. What is the message of today? It is not with bread alone, it is the word of God. If it is not the word of God, but yet, you emphasize the importance of the bread alone, that is religion. May your spiritual eyes be open to change this. You must be a person always centered on the word. God will never yield to anything for the sake of his word. God will never yield to the fact that those who receive salvation will live forever, but those who lack salvation will suffer forever. Whatever the word that God has proclaimed, he will rightfully proclaim it. If there are any words that you believe from the Bible, God will rightfully fulfill them. If you have received the word of God for the sake of saving this age, God will rightfully fulfill it. That is why we continuously emphasize receiving the word of God. God will rightfully fulfill his word. That is more than enough for you. You do not need anything else, You just simply need to hold to the word. That is why we are truly thankful that God has given us the word that if we believe in him, we will be safe. This will exist until the second coming of Jesus. We are truly thankful for that. We all know the parable of the ten virgins. The five vir-

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gins who lacked to have the oil returned back to the Lord. They continuously asked Jesus to open the door for them. Jesus turned his back against them. Jesus said that he did not know them. That is why the closed doors will never open. With that word alone everything was finished. That is when the word that if you believe in me, you will be safe was completed. The moment the door was closed there was no time for them to be saved by God. One may say that it was cruel of God to do. That is why you must be the people of God that are victorious by holding onto the word of God.

## 2. The Word I Hold To

In other words, it is a personal covenant. It is your lifelong covenant and prayer topic. All the seven remnants including the historical Biblical figures had this. That is why you must possess this as well. You must pray for it. It is not just for special people to receive this. God, may you give us the personal covenant to which we can hold onto it for the rest of our lives. The gospel we received is so accurate. I do believe God will give us his personal covenants. How precious does God view those who testify of the gospel? He will give you that personal covenant. That is the lifelong word you must hold to. That is why holding onto this lifelong word he has given to you, you listen to the Sunday message. The Sunday message becomes the specific direction you must take for the sake of the lifelong word God will fulfill through you. In conclusion, it will head towards evangelism and 237. All the words you have received holding onto the gospel lead up to 237. That is why, in today's scripture in verse 1, it says, "The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give your fathers." If you desire to live and multiply, all you have to do is to hold onto the word of God that he gives to you. It is just like the law of God's commandment that you must not serve idols, but you must serve God. Your lifelong direction is to enter the land of Canaan like the Israelites. In verse 2, it says, "And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not." This is God's goal. It is God's goal to test you through everything you go through, whether you are able to keep his word or not. What happens when you keep his word? Work will arise. How can you keep his word, what is the content of it? How can you keep all of the words recorded in the Bible? Here is a summary of that word. That is Jesus Christ. Even last week we went into depth and explained it. You must believe in the word of God just as it has been recorded in the 10 commandments. What is the direction? You must enter the land of Canaan. It is as simple as that. Even now, you must believe in Christ. You must enjoy and know of Christ even more. You must hold onto him correctly and testify it throughout the world. You must raise your life within this. The Lord God said that he would bless us. It is very simple. There are many times that we must be able to live this life, but yet, Satan deceives us and makes it hard for us to live this life. That is what it means for you not to be deceived. That is why you must be able to fight the spiritual battle. You must follow his word and if you do so, he will fulfill it for you. If there is a word God has given to you, you must hold to it. God will rightfully fulfill it for you. You must ask for the answers from God and pray. You must pray just like Moses, allow me to receive the answers. God will be very pleased if you do pray about it. If you say that it is only what the pastors, evangelists, and ministers do, you are wrong. You must ask him for the accurate word that you must live by. Through that, you are able to deeply pray and receive God's given answers. Deep prayer is for you to enjoy his word. Through deep prayer, you will receive deep healing. When you deeply enjoy Christ, you will be able to block the works of Satan and deeply enjoy God's covenant. That is why we continuously emphasize the importance of deep prayer. Today's message that you must hold onto is that man does not live by bread alone, man lives by the living word of God. The Lord God says that if you keep his word, all things will be given to you. In the past, everything was able to be seen, but now, unseen things will be added to you. Do you have assurance? This is the answer. May you hold onto it as your covenant. May you not be shaken, if you keep his word, everything will be added to you. You will be able to eat it and be full and receive continuous answers. That is why he summarized it and said that man does not live by bread alone but lives by the word. May the blessing be upon you. I bless you in the name of the Lord that this answer will be upon you and you are able to stand as a witness to the ends of the world.