

Conviction 2: Jesus Speaks the Words of God



"The friend who attends the bridegroom waits and listens for him...for the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God..." (John 3:29,34)

Five Convictions About Jesus

1. He was sent by God
2. He speaks the words of God
3. He gives the Spirit of God
4. He has all authority
5. He gives eternal life

1. In Jesus, We Hear God Speaking

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was with God in the beginning. **14** The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Hebrews 1:1 In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, **2** but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

Revelation 19: 13 He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.

2. Jesus Speaks Words of Life

Luke 5:1 One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God,

John 6:63 The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. **64** Yet there are some of you who do not believe...**66** From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

67 "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. **68** Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

John 17:6 "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. (logos) **7** Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. **8** For I gave them the words (rhema) you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with

certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. **9** I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. **14** I have given them your word (logos) and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.

3. The Living Word in the Written Word Produces Life

John 5:37 And the Father who sent me has himself testified concerning me. You have never heard his voice nor seen his form, **38** nor does his word dwell in you, for you do not believe the one he sent.

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

2 Timothy 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,...

Romans 10:17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ

1 Peter 1:23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

1 John 2:14 I write to you, fathers, because you have known him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

4. Letting The Word Do His Work

- The Word Is Like Sword

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. **13** Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

- The Word is like water

Isaiah 55:8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. **9** "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. **10** As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, **11** so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. **12** You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands. **13** Instead of the thornbush will grow the pine tree, and instead of briars the myrtle will grow. This will be for the LORD's renown, for an everlasting sign, which will not be destroyed."