THE WORD

I. THE ETERNAL WORD John 1:1-5

Jesus was alive before the beginning of eternity.

"In the beginning the Word already existed".

Not "at the beginning," not "from the beginning," but "in the beginning," Jesus Christ is the Eternal Word.

II. THE INCARNATE WORD John 1:14 Amplified Bible

Christ embodied in human form. (made flesh)

John 14:30, 31 NIV

- 1. The Law, his accusers, or the prince of this world could find nothing against him! He was perfect in every way because <u>He was THE WORD!</u>
- 2. The purpose:
 - a. To redeem: To pay the cost of sin! Romans 6:23 NLT
 - b. He came to Seek and to Save the Lost

III. THE WORD OF FORGIVENESS

Forgiveness:

- 1. It's Author: God the Father Ephesians 4:31, 32
- 2. It's Channel: Christ the Son Ephesians 4:32; Acts 13:38
- 3. It's Foundation: The Blood of Christ **Ephesians 1:6,7**
- 4. It's Completeness: All **John 3:16 AMPC; Psalm 103:3,4** He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins!!!!

IV. THE WORD OF THE CROSS

The cross has made this seemingly impossible blessing possible!

The penalty has been paid in full!!!!

Christ became Sin!

V. THE WORD OF RESURRECTION John 11:25,26a; I Corinthians 6:14

God will raise us from the dead by his power, just as he raised Jesus from the dead.

VI. THREE WAYS TO CULTIVATE A CRAVING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

1. Remember your salvation.

The Word that led you to know Christ,

is the word that will help you grow in Christ.

The Word that saves is the Word that sustains.

2. Remove sin from your life. 1 Peter 2:1, 2

This is an obedience issue.

We can't be passive or dismissive or make excuses. Romans 13:12-14

3. Refocus on the graciousness of God. 1 Peter 2:2, 3

Listen to these words of Jesus John 8:37

Do you have room for the Word?