

# Basics of Christianity

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## WHAT IS THE WORD OF GOD?

"The Word of God" as Speech by God – The Bible (Part 4)

Write Your Memory Verse

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### Learn

The phrase "**the Word of God**" can refer to

- speech by God in the form of **decrees**
  - words of **personal address**
  - speech through **human lips**
- words in **written form** (the Bible)

### Study

Watch the video about the Word of God. What are some benefits of having God's Word written down?

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**We are going to focus on the written form of the Word of God (the Bible) since this is how we can study God's Word repeatedly and how we are able to discuss it since it is available to so many people.** (Since Jesus is not here in bodily form, we do not hear God's words of decree with our ears. Besides, God speaking to people is uncommon even in the Bible. Even if we thought we heard God's words of personal address, we couldn't be sure that what we heard and understood was accurate or true. So it makes sense that we should study God's words in the Bible.)

Look up 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and write it down. What translation did you choose?

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What is scripture? (Use a Bible dictionary.)

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