

“GOD SPEAKS”

*—Pay attention to God’s Word—it’s the truth—
2 Peter 1:12-21*

Introduction:

***I. We need to pay attention to God’s Word because it
_____ us in the truth. vv.12-15***

A. Even so, we need to be _____.vv.12, 13, 15

1. There are ways we can do this:

***II. We need to pay attention to God’s Word because it reveals
_____. vv.16-18***

A. While myths and legends abound, our faith is in the
historical Christ who is now exalted and coming in glory—
affirmed by _____ accounts.

***III. We need to pay attention to God’s Word because of its
_____.vv.19-21***

A. It is a _____ work.vv.20-21

*Questions for reflection or discussion based on the sermon, “God Speaks,”
message #2 from the Memos from Heaven series:*

Getting started: Read the text (2 Peter 1:12-21). Did God speak to you through the sermon? If so, what did He say?

Content: The main idea of this passage comes through in v.19 where we are told that because God has spoken to us, we will do well to pay attention to it. Considering this, answer the following questions:

1. How would you describe your attention span when it comes to paying attention to God’s Word?
2. What has helped you pay more attention to God’s Word in recent days? (e.g., questions, concerns, trials, crisis, etc.)
3. Do you remember a time or season in your spiritual journey with Christ that your attention span for God’s Word dramatically increased? Has that increase been sustained to the present day? Why or why not?
4. Paying attention to God’s Word isn’t always focused on hearing something “new” from God. It often has more to do with timely reminders of what we already know. What are some things you’ve heard God say to you from His Word that you need to be reminded about more often?
5. What are some ways to improve our attention span regarding the Word of God?
6. According to 2 Peter 1:16-18, we are told that the most important reason to pay attention to what God is saying to us is so that we can see Jesus Christ more clearly. How has your vision of Jesus improved through paying closer attention to God’s Word?
7. We learn from vv.20-21 that God’s Word is uniquely set apart from all other human writings. What specifically does God’s Word claim for itself—and how should this motivate the reader to pay attention to what it has to say?

Wrapping up: Take time to thank God for His Word. Ask Him to show you ways of paying closer attention to what it says. Consider committing to memory vv.20-21.