

THE *Spirit of Life*

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WIPE

It's not the hearer of the Word but the doer of the Word that is blessed. To be a doer, we must practice what the Word says. One way to study God's Word is to read it as if you were seeking silver and gold, for His wisdom is better than these things.

I use the word **WIPE** to look for:

Warnings - that must be heeded to be blessed

Instructions - that must be followed to be blessed

Promises - that must be believed to be blessed

Eternal Facts - that we must accept to be blessed

He that received the seed in the good soil is he that hears the Word and understands it and bears fruit. When we dig deep into God's Word, we understand it and we begin to desire it. The Holy Spirit gives us opportunity to practice it and we begin to bear fruits of holiness. The devil sends trials and tribulations to steal the Word before it takes root, or he tempts us with the desires of this world or the lusts of the flesh to make us forget what we heard. We must be joyful during these trials because we understand what he's trying to do. We resist him by being patient and guarding God's Word in our heart by proclaiming "It is written".

God warns us to resist the devil.

God instructs us to love our neighbor as ourselves.

God promises us eternal life.

God's eternal facts say that a place has been prepared for me.

May we heed, follow, believe and accept God's Word. Be Blessed.