



THE ESSENTIALS [Resource Sheet]

One Lord: Matthew 4:4*

Being on Life Support

September 18th, 2016

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Message NOTES:

I. Fasting Facts

II. The Passage: "By Every Word" (4:4)

1. Every Word in Deuteronomy (Deuteronomy 8:1-11)

2. Every Word in the Desert (4:1-3)

III. Every Word, Every Day

* From our Four Essentials Memory Verses booklet. Hope you will join us as we memorize God's word together!

Growth Groups! [Questions to Get You Talking]

1. Talk together for a few minutes about what ideas stood out to you from Sunday's message, or what questions you might still have after hearing it.

2. In Matthew 4:4, Jesus responded to the devil by quoting from Deuteronomy 8. Turn over to that chapter and look at verses 1-10. Did the Israelites have any reason to be afraid for their future? What did Moses want them to remember about their past? What does it mean that God "humbled" them (vs. 2, 3)? How is this humility related to God's word (v. 3)?

3. What do we have in common with these Israelites? How should what Jesus accomplished in the desert in Matthew 4 encourage us?

From Knowing to Showing

What part does the word of God in the Bible play in your life? What is His word competing against in terms of what you hear day in and day out? Think about some practical ways to live each day supported by God's word.

Pointers for Parents

Talk to your kids about how important your words as a parent are for them. Your words both determine and direct their lives. Talk about what happens when they do not trust your words. Tie these same things back to God and why it is so important for us to look to His word before anything else.

REMINDERS

* Our **Growth Groups** are meeting this week, including our **Youth** Growth Group (grades 6-12), which meets again tonight at 6:00pm at the Way of Grace Ministry House.

* Ladies, the **Cry Out** prayer event is taking place this Friday, September 23rd from 6pm-9pm in the Sundance Elementary library. Experience the power and joy of corporate prayer as together we cry out to God.

* We still have needs on our A/V, Ushering, Set-Up, and Children's Ministry teams. Please talk to us about how you can help.

* God has given so generously to us, in both material and spiritual things. In response, let's give generously to God's work through this local church. Your **tithes and offerings** may be placed in the offering box in back.