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OUTLINE 6/22/12: HEBREWS 4:1-16

FULL EXPOSURE, BY THE WORD OF GOD

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The Word of God is: Vs 12 The *omniscient nature* of the truth/This Word is Christ Jesus. John 1:1 / Heb 1:1 / Ps 68:11; 40:7 / Rev 1:14

4 characteristics with four effective applications.

Zoa/zoopoieo - gives life - Ps 119:25; 154 / 1 Cor 15:45 Alive / Active / Penetrating / Discerning

Living/Alive: Life giving—it can quicken men, bring them to spiritual life. It can raise from the dead. Impart life. Acts 7:38 / 1 Peter 1:23 / Ps 19; 119 / John 6:63. It poses the nature of God. Vital/knowing/purposeful/truth relevant. Never archaic.

Powerful: Active. Not dormant, nor is it passive. The Word of God actually acts. **Energetic**—it works, advances according to the mind and will of God to pursue its object. 1 Thess 2:13 / Eph 2:1-5; 3:7; 4:16 - John 1:1-3/ 1 Cor 1:18 / Rom 1:16-17

Sharp/Piercing (**defined as**—a *penetrating* Word): Rev 1:16; 19:12 / 2 Thess 2:7-9 / Ps 149:6-9 / Hos 6:5/ Isa 49:1-3. The Sword metaphor is a warning! Rest in believing or perish in unbelief. Heb 4:11

A comprehensive diagnostician: The scapple of the doctor, lazer of the surgeon, Bone /Marrow: Structure, and the life of the structure. Prov 3:8/10:30/ Isa 66:14

A Critic of thoughts/motives—enthymeseon/ennoion: Inside the *feelings*, and inside the *mind*. Prov 20:5 / 1 Cor 4:5 / Rom 2:16. EXAMPLES: Gen 4:6-7 (Cain) / Gen 20:2-6 Elimelech/Hazael 2 Kg 8:10-13 / John 12:47-48. "to not listen to his word is rejection"

Conclusion, Naked, and Opened: vs 13 *Exposed and made prostrate. Apprehended and incapacitated. The sacrifice and the contender.*

Rest found only in the High priest: vs 14-16 He is Great / He is omniscient /He is sympathetic / He is the only advocate / He is the only mediator / He is able / He calls us to Him, now! Mt 1:28