

¹² For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and judging the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

¹³And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we must give an account.

(Hebrews 4:12-13)

Hebrews 1:1- 4:13

- The God who spoke on Mt. Sinai (by angels to Moses) has now spoken definitively in His Son – pay attention to this "word"!
- Avoid the unbelief of God's people after Sinai (in the wilderness) who failed to enter God's rest – hold fast to Christ!

¹² For the word of God is...

- gives a reason for being diligent to enter God's rest and not fall into unbelief/disobedience
- the "word of God" is the divine instrument of His infallible judgment

Full Exposure Before God

- 1. The Penetrating Power of God's Word
 - God's word reaches into the innermost recesses of the human being
 - God's word discerns and exposes all that goes on in the human heart

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- 2. The Penetrating Gaze of God's Knowledge
 - God knows all persons and all things, and He knows them totally and completely
 - we must give a "word" (an accounting) to Him

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- > Implications:
 - The need for a great high priest let us hold fast to our confession of Christ
 - 2. The present power of God's word allow it to search, expose and correct us