

Taking God at His Word

Chapters 1-2

1. From chapter 1 of *Taking God at his Word*. Did anything stick out to you from this chapter? How were you challenged, encouraged or informed?

2. On pages 18-21, DeYoung makes the argument that Psalm 119 “forces us to consider how we feel about the word of God.”
 - a) From DeYoung’s description of the psalmists affections for God’s word, which one would you say is mostly true about your view of God’s word? Which one is least true?

3. From chapter 2. Did any question arise as you read this chapter? Is there anything you’d like to share from your reading of this chapter?

4. On pages 27-28, DeYoung shares the story of an anonymous professor who heard God supernaturally speak with him. He goes on to make the point that “every single one of us can hear from God *today...*” through his word.
 - a) Are you like the anonymous professor, who things “hearing from God” is more meaningful or powerful than hearing from God through his word?

5. According to 2 Peter 1:16-21 (pages 29-30), what is our “motivation for turning aside from wickedness and making every effort to live an upright and virtuous life”? What is the evidence Peter gives?

6. On pages 34-40, DeYoung gives three truths we learn from 2 Peter 1:16-21 about the nature of scripture – *Scripture is the word of God, the word of God is not less divine because it is given through human instrumentality, and the Bible is without error.*
 - a) Which one do you find most challenged by our culture? How would you (in your own words) answer someone who has this challenge?