

## Responding to God's Word

The Bible is God's Word...

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- 2. The Bible is God's Word, and therefore, it is trustworthy as the complete and <u>final authority</u> for our beliefs and actions.
- 3. We allow it to **challenge** and **shape** us...
- We allow it to challenge and shape us through <u>teaching</u>, <u>groups</u>, in our daily <u>devotion</u>, and through ongoing <u>disciplemaking</u>.

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## **MY APPLICATION**

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1. When you think through a typical week, how much of what you do is automatic (similar to what the rest of the culture is doing), and how much of it is based on intentional values that shape your calendar?
- 2. Our first Core Value as a church is "Responding to God's Word: The Bible is God's Word, and therefore, it is trustworthy as the complete and final authority for our beliefs and actions. We allow it to challenge and shape us through teaching, groups, in our daily devotion, and through ongoing disciplemaking." What thoughts come to mind when you think of this value? How important is this value to you personally?
- 3. In Luke 6:46 Jesus said, "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?" Does it surprise you that Jesus expects us to obey what he says? What are some of the biggest challenges to obedience that you are facing?
- 4. Read Acts 2:42-47 and Matthew 28:19-20. Our Core Value of Responding to God's Word is lived out as we prioritize weekly worship/teaching, small groups, daily devotions, and disciplemaking. This is what the first church practiced. What are some ways that the group could encourage you to put these practices in your life?

## **Memory Verse**

"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"