


SHAPED BY THE WORD

The Heart of Worship

“Dear Sir, I notice that ministers seem to set a great deal of importance on their sermons and spend a great deal of time in preparing them. I have been attending services quite regularly for the past thirty years and during that time, if I estimate correctly, I have listened to no less than 3,000 sermons, but to my consternation, I cannot remember a single one of them. I wonder if a minister’s time might be spent more profitably on something else?”

“Dear Sir, I have been married for 30 years, during that time I have eaten 35,580 meals – mostly of my wife’s cooking. Suddenly, I have discovered that I cannot remember the menu of a single meal. And yet, I have received nourishment from every single one of them. I have the distinct impression that without them, I would have starved to death long ago.”



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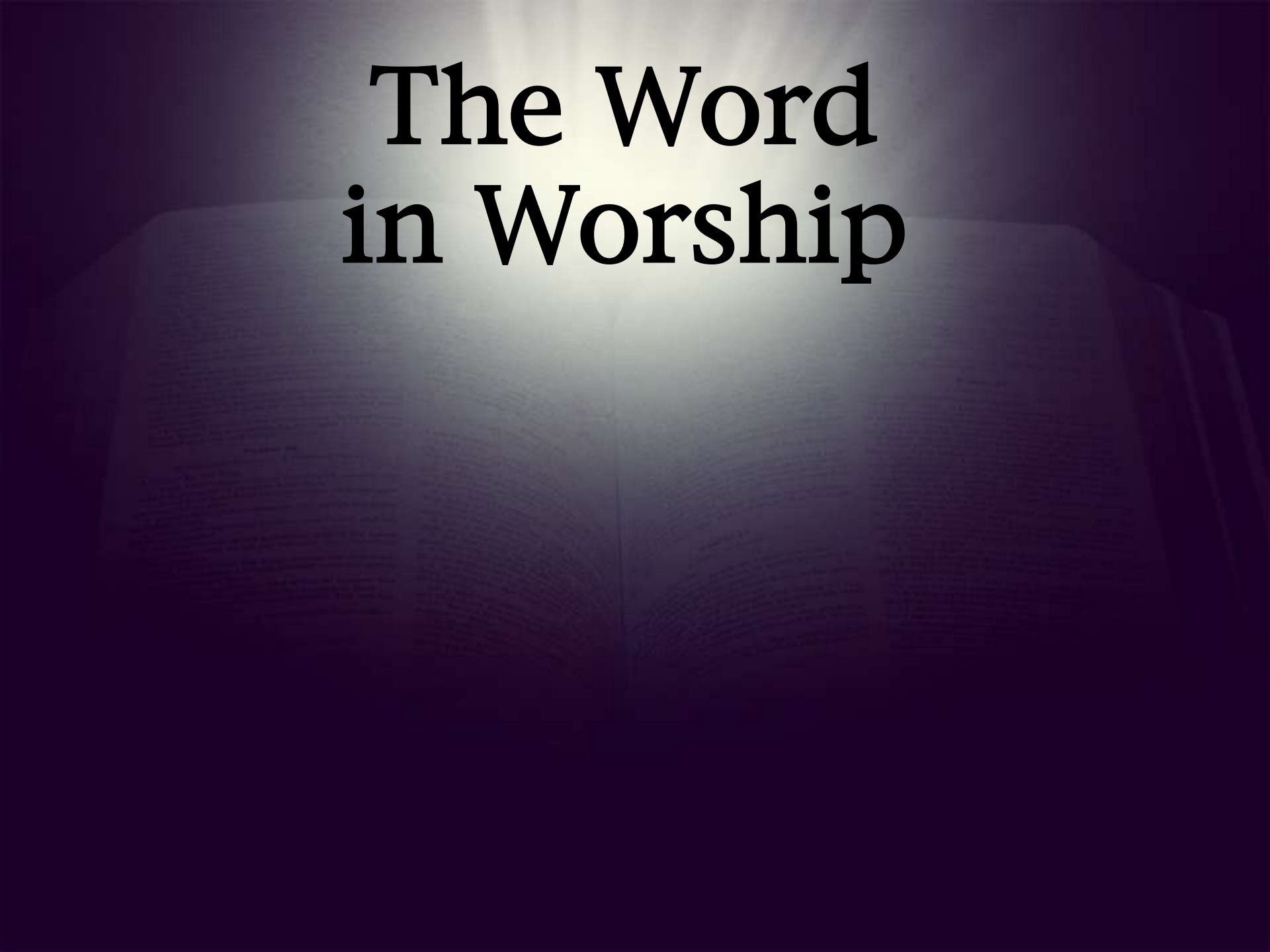
Ezra 7:6 this Ezra went up from Babylonia. He was a scribes killed in the Law of Moses that the Lord, the God of Israel, had given, and the king granted him all that he asked, for the hand of the Lord his God was on him. 7 And there went up also to Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king, some of the people of Israel, and some of the priests and Levites, the singers and gatekeepers, and the temple servants.



8 And Ezra came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which was in the seventh year of the king. 9 For on the first day of the first month he began to go up from Babylonia, and on the first day of the fifth month he came to Jerusalem, for the good hand of his God was on him. 10 For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.



The Word in Worship

An open book is shown from a top-down perspective, slightly angled. The pages are filled with text, but it is too faint to read. The book is centered in the background, and the title 'The Word in Worship' is overlaid on top in a large, black, serif font. The overall lighting is soft, highlighting the book's edges and the texture of the paper.

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Luke 4:14-30

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“For from ancient generations Moses has had in every city those who proclaim him, for he is read every Sabbath in the synagogues.”

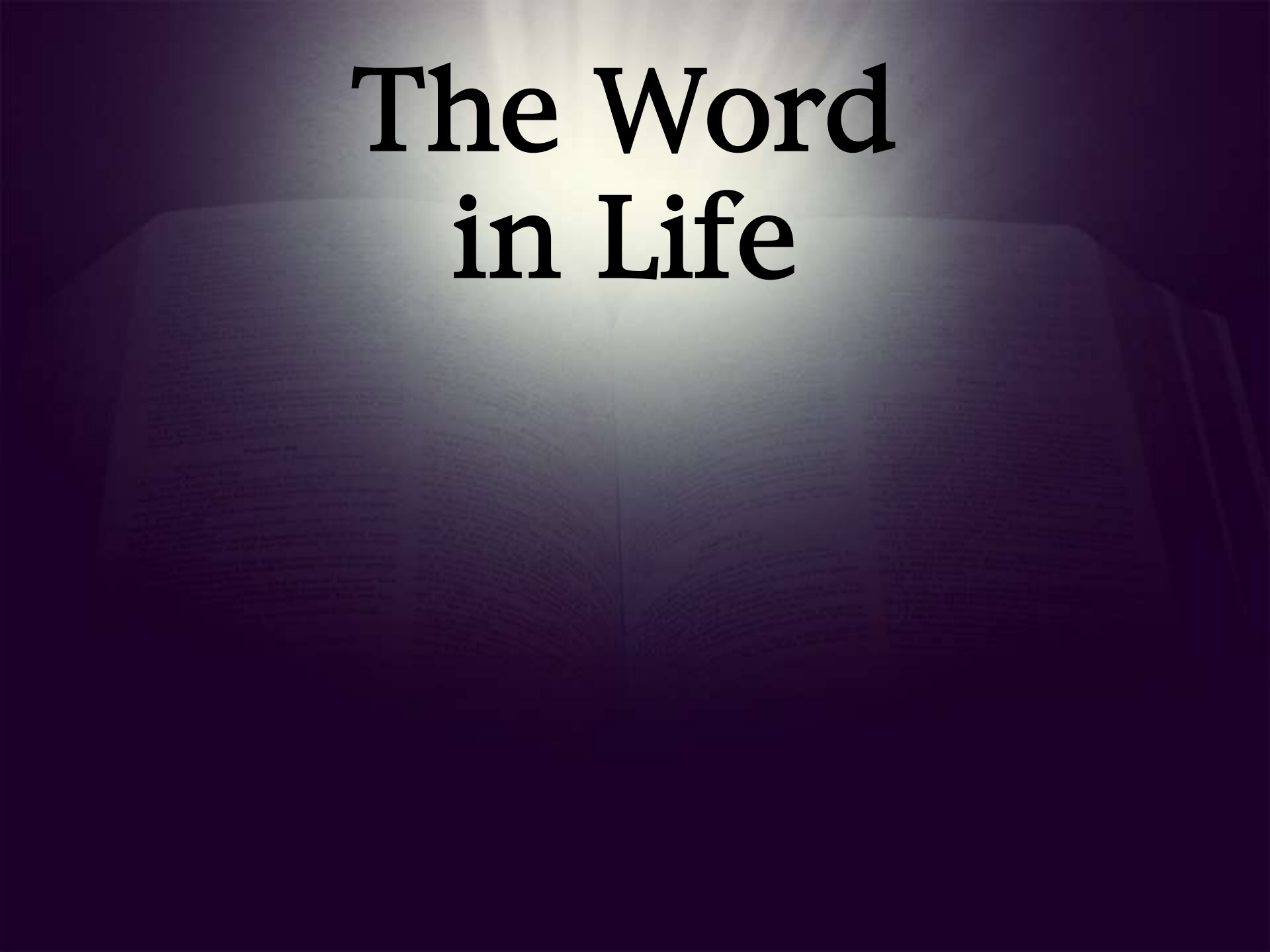
- Acts 15:21

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“Until I come, devote yourself
to the public reading of
Scripture, to exhortation, to
teaching.”

- 1 Timothy 4:13

The Word in Life

An open book is shown from a top-down perspective, lying flat. The pages are filled with text, but the text is too faint to be legible. The book is centered in the frame, and the title 'The Word in Life' is overlaid on top of it in a large, bold, black serif font. The background is a dark, solid color, possibly black or dark purple, which makes the white text of the title stand out.

The Word in Life

Creation began with the word of God. New creation in our lives must also begin with His Word.

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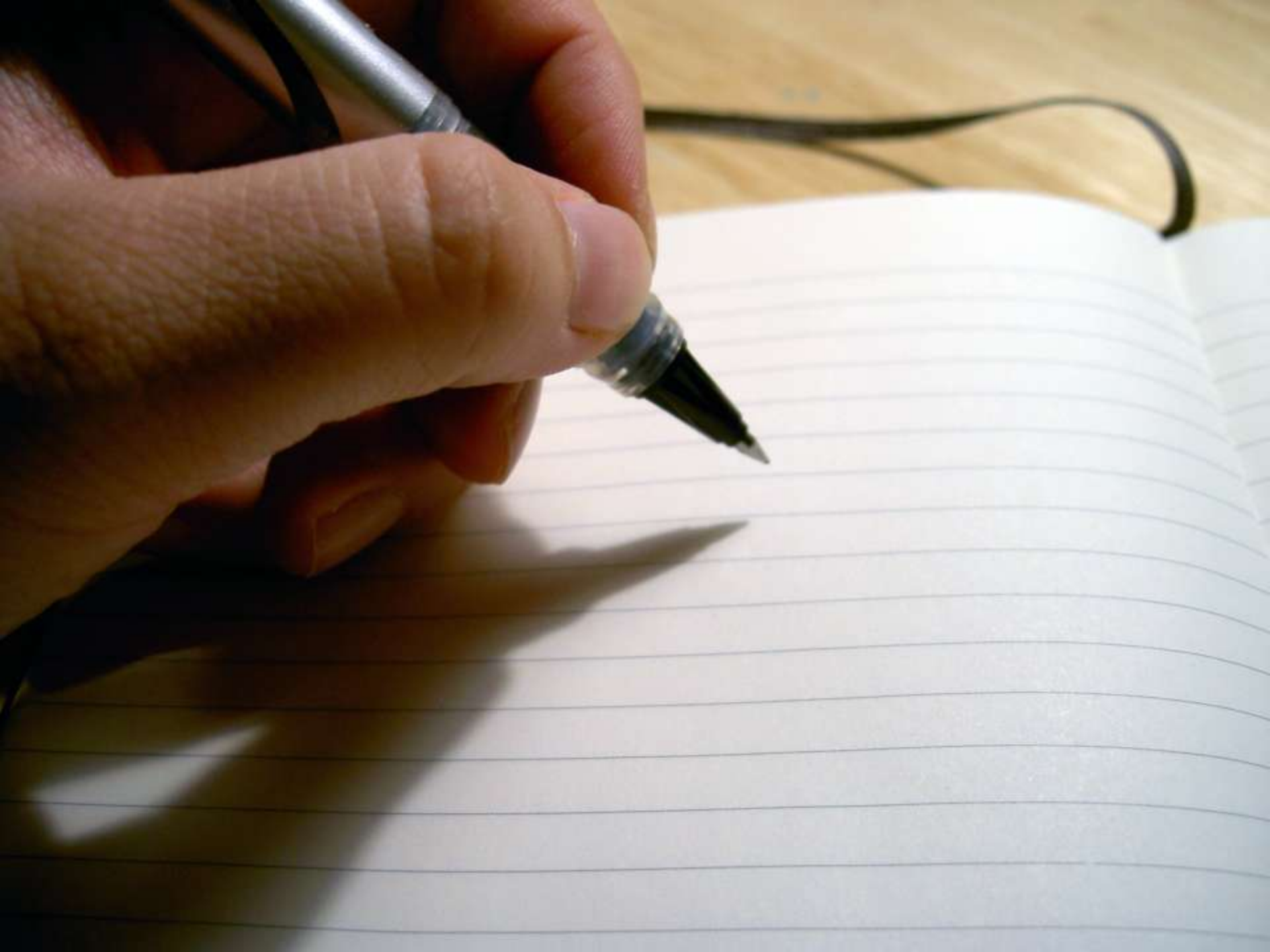
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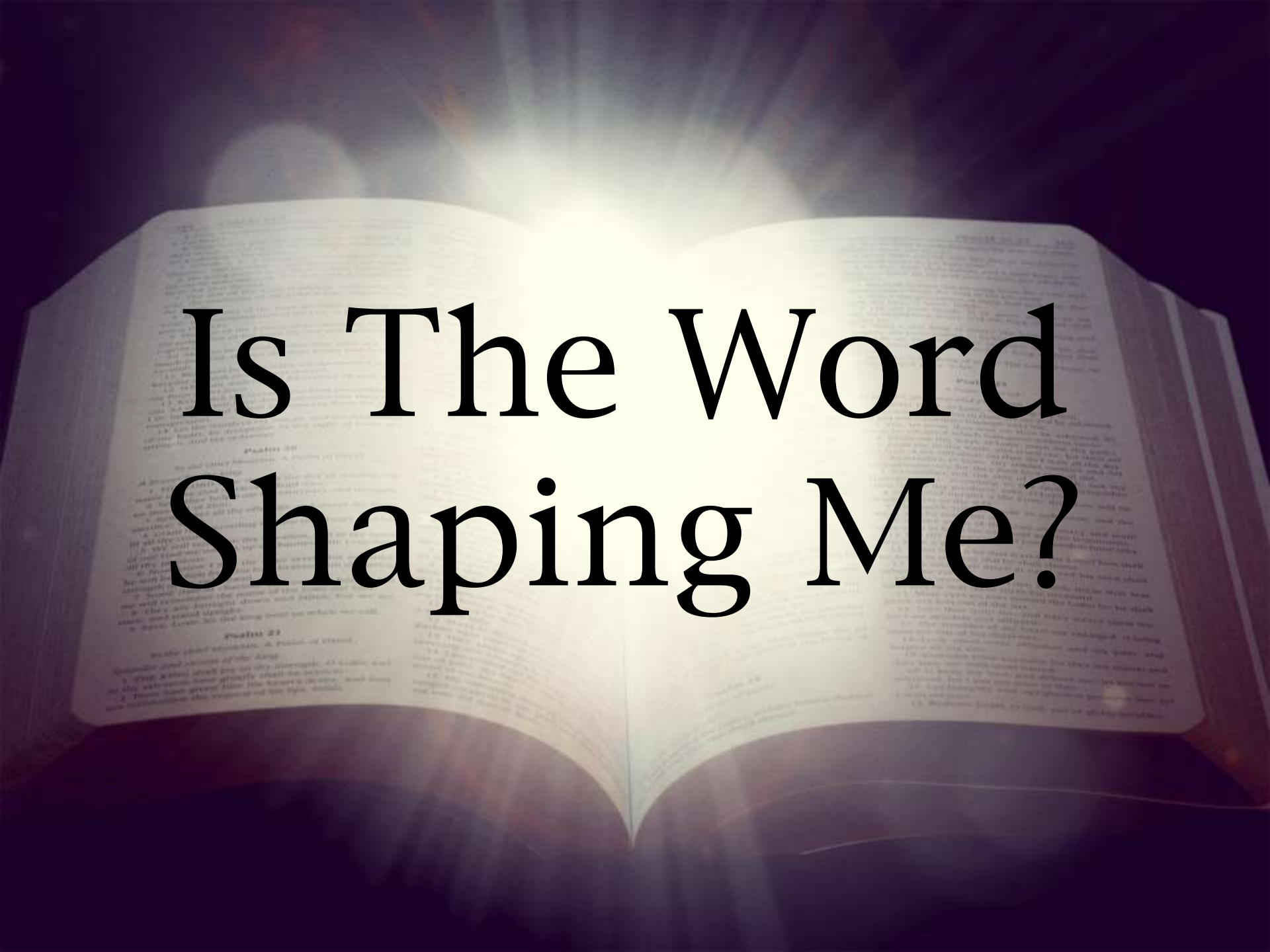
Example – Is there an example to follow?

Command – Is there a command to obey?

Knowledge – Is there something I know now that I didn't know before?







Is The Word Shaping Me?