

Martha, Martha!

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There are many “jewels” found in the word of God and finding them requires guidance by the Holy Spirit who dwells within the believer. God commands the believer to “desire the sincere **MILK** of the **WORD**, that [WE] may **GROW** thereby” (1 PETER 2:2).

“Study to show [OURSELVES] approved unto God, a **WORKMAN** (A TOILER; A TEACHER) that needeth not to be ashamed, **RIGHTLY** dividing the word of truth” (2 TIM. 2:15). And as you study, study **WORDS**.

Hear the rebuke by Jesus to Martha, the sister of Lazarus and Mary (*not the mother of Jesus*), and learn from these words:

“Now it came to pass, as they went, that he (**JESUS**) entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet and **HEARD HIS WORD**.

But Martha was **CUMBERED** about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? Bid her therefore that she help me.

And Jesus answered and said unto her, **Martha, Martha**, thou art **CAREFUL** and **TROUBLED** about many things: But **ONE THING** is **NEEDFUL**: and Mary hath **CHOSEN** that good part, which shall not be taken away from her” (LUKE 10:38-42).

Many sincere people just like Martha choose to put entertainment, household chores, careers, talents, friendships, vacations, education, and too many other worldly desires before “**hearing**” the Word of God. The bible has become a book that is saved for “bedtime” reading. Many times, it’s left to gather dust.



CUMBERED to hinder by obstruction or interference; to hamper

CAREFUL to be anxious about; apprehensive; worried; uneasy in mind

TROUBLED to make “turbid”, i.e. disturb

NEEDFUL requirement; necessary; needful

What about YOU?

Are you preoccupied with the affairs of this life? Do you find more pleasure in sports, entertainment, the beautification of your home, or your appearance? Are you so busy that you hardly find the time to serve God?

Martha was so involved into the routine of things that she negelected “*that good part*” which is feeding on the word of God. Remember, YOU are a soldier of Jesus Christ, and “No man that warreth **entangleth himself with the affairs of this life**; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier” (2 TIM. 2:4).

We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus and the end of this age is at hand. “...Choose you this day whom ye will serve” (JOSHUA 24:15). “Mary hath **CHOSEN** that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.” Use your time wisely in study and prayer. “Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing” (MATTHEW 24:46).