

ROUGH DRAFT
Rough draft on God's Word in Man's Language

This morning I call your attention to Jer. 23:29. Is not my word like fire declares the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

What a great way to stress the power of God's Word. It is like a fire. It burns up everything that gets in its way. It is like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces. I hold in my hand a little book. It is a copy of the KJV. Can this book start a fire. I can rub it on a piece of wood from now till Doomsday and no fire would start. Will this book be a hammer that breaks rocks in pieces, I can take the book anchor and try to hit the rock but the thing that will be brokekn will be the book rather than the rock. Gpd is not speaking here about a human book. He is speaking about His Wrod. His word is like a fire . It will destroy everything that is bad. It will put an end to all that opposes itself to the work of God. It is afire that can be applied to our own hearts. How easy it is for us to slip away from the path God wants us to go in. How easy it is for wrong thoughts and attitudes to come into our minds. Can we cleanse our minds by taking heed thereto according to the God's Word? This is the rock == the fire that will break up and destroy all that is harmful. This is the ~~rock~~ hammer that can break the rock in pieces. It is not some cloth and a bit of leather around some paper ~~is~~ fastened in with a bit of leather. It is not some marks on a piece of paper. It is not even some sounds. It is the idea that God has put there. Ideas that God can use in a tremendous way to break down all that is contrary to His will. What a trmendous thing is the Word. of God. Isa. speaks of it in ch. 55. He says, in vv.10-11, "As the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return to it wihtou watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so it yeilds seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth; it will not return to me empty, but will acoomplish what I desire, and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. God's Word is effective. It ~~ass~~ will accomplish His purposes. If our lives are to count for God as they