

# **THE MOUTH OF GOD**



***Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.***

***Matthew 4:4***

The world is awash in religious talk.

Words that seem to inspire, but leave us empty.

Beautiful words, but without life.

Such words do not come from the mouth of God.

## **Words from the mouth of God...**

....Lift us out of our stupor and set us on our feet.

They give us hope.

They lead us to the truth.

They break our chains.

They cause us to tremble.

They fill us with joy.

## **But where is God's mouth?**

God spoke through prophets.

God spoke through angels.

But God's mouth came close to us only when the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

***In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God.***

***He was in the beginning with God;***

***all things were made through him,***

***and without him was not anything made that was made.***

***In him was life, and the life was the light of men.***

***The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1)***

**Jesus is the mouth of God.**



**He speaks to us through the four gospels.**

**His Spirit tells us to let go of that grudge.**

His guidance rises within us as a little child in Wal-Mart cries, “*Mommy Mommy!, Where is my Mommy?*”

Sometimes he wakes us in the middle of the night to point us in the right direction.

**When we hear his words.... we rise from the dead.**

When we trust those words our fears evaporate.

When we obey them, doors open, mountains move.

When we share his words, rivers of living water flow into other lives.



While religious talk babbles on.

**May God give us ears to hear words from his mouth.**

**And grace to walk in their light.**

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*Prayer: Holy Father, speak to us. Give us words that bring us to life, give us hope, lead us to truth, break our chains, fill us with joy, and yes cause us to tremble in awe. Give us the wisdom and discernment to distinguish your words from dead religious talk. And as we hear these wonderful living words of yours, may we also trust them, obey them, and share them until darkness is dispelled and living water flows from us. Amen.*

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