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# The Church is Built upon the Word

## Sermon Main Points:

- I. Hearing the Word (1-10)
  - A. The rest of the story
  - B. The work of listening
- II. Practicing the Word (11-20)
  - A. Contrast
  - B. Results
- III. Suffering for the Word (21-41)
  - A. What would happen if?
  - B. What does happen when?

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. In what way(s) can you put yourself and/or your family in a position to hear the Word more consistently?
- 2. What "backup plans" might be lingering in your heart? How is God's Word better?
- 3. Although it sounds counterintuitive, what encouragement might we derive from suffering we experience as a result of our commitment to God's Word?

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#### **Going Deeper**

- 1. Is there anyone in your life who needs to hear God's Word that you can share with? How might you go about doing this?
- 2. What area(s) of your life do you need to bring into "surrender" to God's Word?