

# WORD LIVING

October 2006

*“The next generation”*

*What have they learned from us? What will they teach their children?*

## LET'S TURN UP THE HEAT?



Incused in the small hard covering, a kernel can not reach its maximum potential. Heat changes the kernel to useful popcorn.

Like the transformation from a hard kernel to popcorn, each of us has the potential to be transformed into a useful vessel for the Lord's work. And like popcorn, heat is the key to making the change.

There are eight (8) sources of heat that will change us into useful vessels. They are:

1. Making Jesus first in all things.
2. Daily prayer continued all day.
3. Prayerful daily Bible reading.
4. Daily stewardship living.
5. Serving others.
6. Being thankful in all things.
7. Praise and worship.
8. Yield all to the will of Jesus.

Why are these eight considered heat sources for life changes? They are considered heat sources because they affect the control center of the body – the mind. Each heat source strengthens and expands the mind so that the worldly stuff, the fears, and the selfish desires that limit spiritual growth are broken.

## EIGHT WORKING TOGETHER

**Making Jesus first** in all things gives Him total control of our mind and body.

**Daily prayer** continued all day keeps us focused  
**Prayerful daily Bible reading** gives us directions

Daily **stewardship living** makes us living examples

**Serving others** makes us good leaders.

**Being thankful** in all things allows us to feel the awesome grace of God.

**Praise and worship** shows our love for all He has done.

**Yield all** to the will of Jesus invites Him to control every aspect of our lives.

This Jesus controlled heat makes Satan mad. Because wants us to remain popcorn kernels. He wants us to have the name of popcorn but not in the full state. He wants us to carry the name of Jesus but not allow Jesus to control our everyday life.

Satan wants us to feel depressed, focused on the past hurts and issues. Satan wants us in financial bondage, stressed, angry about things not going our way, and living a sinful self focused life.

A speaker shared these words, **“Until being the same becomes painful, we will stay the same.”** Oh that those who are living outside of Christ would feel the pain such that they come running and crying, “what must I do to be saved?”

If you are reading this letter and have never accepted Jesus Christ as your savior now is the time. Romans 10:9 gives you the plan and the heat sources we listed will help you to grow stronger. When you accept Jesus as Savior, tell someone so they can begin praying with you. Prayerfully seek a church family where you can be feed biblical truth.

His steward, Karen

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