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# RE- FLECTING GOD

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Hebrews 4:9-16

A Bible bully is someone who uses scripture as a weapon. Maybe in their youth, Bible bullies were the "sword drill" champions of their Sunday School class (anyone remember "sword drills"?). They learned to find scripture verses in a hurry. Now they use (misuse?) the Bible like literal swords. They seem eager to slice and dice any who might disagree with their slant on life. They learned to find Bible passages (chapter and verse), but sadly like playground bullies, missed the important biblical lessons on kindness and gentleness.

Clearly, when the Bible refers to the scripture as a sword, it is not a call to weaponize the Bible to fit our political slant or theological bent. Rather, it is a call to have the alive and active Word of God pierce our soul and drive us to our knees. It's saying to the written word, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:9). Then allow God's word to penetrate our souls and remove any hindrances to the gospel. Use your "sword" wisely.

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