

## The Bible's Message Is Alive and Active

### Description

Hebrews 4:1-13

Susan, a life-long learner, has taken on Shakespeare, determined to learn all she can about the bard's writings and why people today think he still has much to offer. She tries to read the texts and watches various stage productions.

She is making progress, but still finds it obscure. "What I need is Shakespeare himself to sit beside me and explain what he meant," she mumbles to herself.

Unlike the writings of Shakespeare, Hebrews 4 tells us that "the word of God is alive and active." And that is why the Bible is different from other works of literature. The Bible remains relevant because the same Holy Spirit who inspired the writers many centuries ago is available to the person who reads it today.

But wait, there's more! If we're paying attention, not only does the Spirit help us understand the text, He shows us what to do with it. Sometimes the Scripture calls us to repentance. Sometimes we are called to action. It always calls us to love. We are blessed when we respond in obedience.

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