

# SEACOAST CHURCH

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● God is a God of authority. Job 25:2 We need to get under the authority of God. We'll *never* be all God wants us to be until we live a life of submission.

● What is the authority of God? [2 Timothy 3:16-17](#)  
We're under the authority of the Bible.

## I. What Do People Do With God's Word?

- A. Deny it.
- B. Distort it.
- C. Dissect it
- D. Disregard it. [Proverbs 28:9](#)

## II. What Is The Bible?

- A. A love letter.

◇ It tells the story of a rebellious creation and the unrelenting love of a God who recklessly pursued us at the cost of His Son's life. [1 Jeremiah 31:3](#)

◇ God's love is tender. But God's love is also tough.  
[Hebrews 12:7-8](#)

B. A light. [Psalm 119:105](#)

◇ A lamp illuminates. It penetrates.

C. A lunch. [Jeremiah 15:16](#)

◇ We want to have a diet and exercise church.

[Proverbs 28:26](#)

D. A life. [Hebrews 4:12](#)

[1 Corinthians 1:21](#)

◇ We preach life. The Gospel.

◇ The Good News of Jesus Christ is what gives us eternal life and life to the fullest here and now.

## III. What Should You Do With God's Love Letter?

A. Study it through. [2 Timothy 2:15](#)

B. Pray it in.

C. Live it out. [James 1:22](#)

D. Pass it on.

Next week: Global Impact