



**Kilmakee Presbyterian Church**  
**Showing Growing Going**

## **The sword of the Spirit**

### **Read Ephesians 6:17**

The last piece of physical equipment is handed to us. But what is it exactly?

The main weapon of a regular Roman soldier was a spear/javelin, the sword referred to here is a short sword for close combat.

What does Paul mean by the Word Of God?

**Isaiah 11:4?**

**Deuteronomy 8:3? (cf Matthew 4:4)**

What about **Joshua 1:8?**

**Read John 3:31 - 36** (This is part of John the Baptist's testimony)

Thoughts?

The word in Greek that many people associate with WORD, especially when thinking about Jesus is *logos*, however, in this instance Paul uses *rhema* which can also be translated as utterance.

What does this mean to you?

Let's take some time to look at this passage in Romans.

**Read Romans 10:5 - 17**

And what about this **Isaiah 40:6 - 8?**

So, after this brief flick through Scripture... what is the Word that Paul refers to here?

Now that we have cleared that up (as if we really could!) we turn to another question:

Who wields the SWORD?

There are two readings of this:

1)

2)

Which do you lean upon the most?

And what are the implications of this?

The work of the Spirit in the New Testament:

**John 14:15 - 17**

**John 14:26**

**John 16:7 - 11**

**John 16:13 - 14**

**Romans 8:1 - 17**

**Romans 8:26 - 27**

And of course there are numerous Spiritual Gifts to be considered.

What can we do to be part of this?

Do you find this SWORDplay to be encouraging, challenging, bewildering or something else entirely?