

*Meanings are not in words,  
they are in people.  
Don't let terminology get you  
crossways with truth.*

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Words are imprecise vehicles of communication. If I were to say the color green, you could not from that one statement determine exactly what color I was attempting to describe. Do you imagine the green of grass in the spring or the dull green of a military uniform? Who can know which one I am referring to or if it might even be a third shade which you would not consider green at all? Understanding what people mean takes more than merely hearing their words. Sometimes people say "I love you" or "I hate you" when they really don't mean it because meanings are not in words but in people. In order to understand the words we must understand the individual. For this reason, it is important that we have a personal relationship with God through His Son Jesus so that we might know Him in the fellowship of the Spirit in order to gain a better understanding of His Word.

*Prayer for Today*

Father, I want to know You in Word and in Spirit. Reveal Yourself to me and give me a greater understanding of the intent, and not just the letter of Your Word.

*Scriptures for Today*

2 Corinthians 3:6 Who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life. (NKJV)

Ephesians 5:17 Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. (NKJV)

Philippians 3:10 That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death. (KJV)