

## Sermon Outline

### The Powerful Word (Isaiah 55:10-11)

*Introduction: Rain is probably something that we had to learn to appreciate*

- I. SOME THINGS ARE NOT TRULY APPRECIATED
  - A. Snow and rain always accomplish their purpose
  - B. God's Word always accomplishes its God-intended purpose
  - C. God's Word is not of human origin (2 Peter 1:20)
  
- II. GOD SENT HIS WORD TO GIVE US LIFE
  - A. Without God's Word we were dead in sin
  - B. In Baptism and Communion, the Word connects with earthly elements
  - C. If you have faith, God's powerful Word has indeed created life in you
  
- III. HEARING THE WORD IS NECESSARY FOR OUR SOULS TO LIVE
  - A. Many people doubt the power of the Word
  - B. As we grow, we realize how vital the Word is to our faith-life
  - C. **"Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ."** (Romans 10:17)
  
- IV. THE POWERFUL WORD OF GOD IS FOR EVERYONE
  - A. **"I am not ashamed of the gospel"** (Romans 1:16)
  - B. Sometimes we doubt the power of the Word in others' lives
  - C. God promises that His powerful Word works!

*Conclusion: Next time it rains, remember God's Word always achieves its purpose.*