



Word of Knowledge

MEMORY VERSE:

I Corinthians 12:8, "For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit"; (KJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

The word of knowledge is supernatural knowledge about the present or the past.

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

This week you will learn:

1. What the word of knowledge is.
2. The difference between the word of knowledge and the word of wisdom.
3. Bible examples of the word of knowledge.
4. How the word of knowledge works.

The word of knowledge is supernatural knowledge.

The word of knowledge is not knowledge. Knowledge is something you learn at school. The word of knowledge is something that the Holy Spirit shows you. It is not something you can learn; it is a gift of the Spirit.

What is the difference between the word of knowledge and the word of wisdom?

The word of wisdom always deals with the future. The word of knowledge always deals with the present or something in the past.

There are many Bible examples of the word of knowledge.

1. Ananias and Saul of Tarsus: when the Holy Spirit told Ananias to go pray for Saul, he told him the exact address of the house where Saul was.
2. Israel was at war with Syria. The Holy Spirit told Elisha where the Syrian army was hiding. This saved many lives of Israeli soldiers.
3. The Holy Spirit told Jesus personal secrets of the Samaritan woman whom He met at the well. This opened her heart to believe in Jesus.



How does the word of knowledge work?

1. Sometimes you just get a leading of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said, "I must needs to go through Sam aria."
2. Sometimes you see a picture.
3. Sometimes you just get one or two words. Follow those words and the Holy Spirit will show you more.



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LARGE GROUP SCHEDULE

Today's Date: _____

Lead Teacher: _____

<u>WHO</u>	<u>LESSON OUTLINE</u>	<u>WHAT</u>
_____	1. Participation Awards	
_____	2. Praise & Worship	
_____	3. Announcements	
_____	4. Offering	
_____	5. Motion Comic:	Adventures of the Masked Hero #9
_____	6. Bottom Line:	The word of knowledge is supernatural knowledge about the present or the past.
_____	7. Memory Verse:	I Corinthians 12:8, "For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom: to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit:"
_____	8. Drama:	Martha Stewie: "Martha's Mistake"
_____	9. Object Lesson:	Supernatural Knowledge
_____	10. Short Film:	The Big Game
_____	11. Inter-Active Lesson:	What's That Gift?
_____	12. Altar Call	
_____	13. Digital Review Questions	
_____	14. Small Groups	

MOTION COMIC:
The Adventures of the Masked Hero
Holy Spirit: Episode #9

TO THE KIDS:

- What story was Johnny reading in the Bible? How did the King of Israel know about the enemy's plan?
- This is a Bible example of the word of knowledge. The word of knowledge is when the Holy Spirit tells you some things you don't know in your head.
- What did Heart-Boy tell Johnny to do?
- What did Johnny find in the park?
- How did Heart-Boy know Johnny's bicycle was in the park?
- The Holy Spirit told Johnny where his bicycle was hidden.
- This is another example of the word of knowledge. The word of knowledge is one of the nine gifts of the Spirit.





DRAMA

Martha Stewie: “Martha’s Mistake”

CHARACTERS: Martha Stewie

PROPS: Martha Stewie costume, cinnamon roll

DRAMA SCRIPT:

Martha Stewie: Hello again children!

Teacher: Martha, I’m glad you could make it here today.

Martha Stewie: Yes, well, I must admit on the phone when you said that you had a word of knowledge for me, I was a little taken back.

Teacher: Kids, I was praying yesterday and the Holy Spirit gave me a word of knowledge for Martha Stewie, so I gave her a call.

Martha Stewie: And I’m so glad you did.

Teacher: Would you tell the kids what happened?

Martha Stewie: When I got the call I was baking my world famous Cinnamon Cream Rolls.

Teacher: They sound delicious.

Martha Stewie: They are delectably delightful! That is, unless you accidentally use curry powder instead of cinnamon.

Teacher: Curry powder? That explains why the Lord asked me to call you about checking the ingredients.

Martha Stewie: Yes, if you hadn’t called, my batch of rolls would have been ruined. You see, I was making them for a charity bake sale.

Teacher: I love bake sales, and for charity makes it even better.

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MARTHA STEWIE: “Martha’s Mistake” Drama Script — Continued

Martha Stewie: Yes, the bake sale was a huge success and we raised thousands to build schools in Africa.

Teacher: That’s wonderful. The word of knowledge saved the bake sale!

Martha Stewie: I thought it would be appropriate to bring you one of my cinnamon rolls to say thank you.

Martha hands Teacher a roll and Teacher tries it.

Teacher: That is delicious!

Martha Stewie: I do have one question for you.

Teacher: Sure, Martha. What is it?

Martha Stewie: With all that’s going on in the world, why would the Holy Spirit take the time to give you a word of knowledge about my baking?

Teacher: Well, God knows everything. He knew that one missed ingredient could prevent the money from coming in to build those schools and he used me to help.

Martha Stewie: I had my doubts about this whole word of knowledge thing.

Teacher: The Bible says that God even cares when a sparrow falls, and how much more important are you to God than a bird?

Martha Stewie: Oh my! God cares for me the way I love painting watercolor napkins for my garden parties.

Teacher: Sure, if you say so.

Martha Stewie: Next time I have a dilemma, would you mind if I called so you could have a word of knowledge about it?

Teacher: No. Really the gifts of the Spirit are as the Spirit wills. I didn’t make it happen the Holy Spirit did. I was just in the right place at the right time for God to use me.

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MARTHA STEWIE: “Martha’s Mistake” Drama Script — Continued

Martha Stewie: Once I was in the right place at the right time, but I missed my opportunity. I was doing some domestic archaeology...

Teacher: Domestic archaeology?

Martha Stewie: You know, going to a garage sale. I felt this quiet voice inside lead me to tell a friend to look through a certain box.

Teacher: Did you tell your friend about the box?

Martha Stewie: No, I thought I might sound silly, but later, on the news I saw that some older man had discovered a valuable buffalo head nickel at the very garage sale we were visiting earlier that day.

Teacher: You had a word of knowledge, but ignored it?

Martha Stewie: Now that I know how it works I won't make the same mistake again. Thanks for explaining it to me.

Teacher: You're welcome, Martha. We'll see you next time.

Martha Stewie: I'll bring some of my sizzling cilantro fajita bites. Good-bye kids.

Teacher: Good-bye Martha! See kids, when we have a word of knowledge, it's important that we obey God and share it.

THE END



OBJECT LESSON

Supernatural Knowledge

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:

I Corinthians 12:8

TAKE HOME POINT:

The word of knowledge is supernatural knowledge about the present or the past.

WHAT YOU NEED:

Flash cards

OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:

(Place the flash cards on a table in front of the class.)

Today we are talking about the word of knowledge. What does the Bible mean when it mentions the word of knowledge? (Pick up a flash card.) If I know that $2 + 2 = 4$, is that a word of knowledge? No! (Pick up another flash card.) If I know that $3 \times 3 = 9$, is that a word of knowledge?

If I look at Billy (pick one of the kids in your children's church), and I say, "The Lord told me that you are wearing a blue shirt (pick the color of shirt he/she is wearing), is that the word of knowledge? No! I can see with my own eyes that Billy is wearing a blue shirt.

The facts that I mentioned are all knowledge and all of them are true, but they are not what the Bible calls a word of knowledge.

A word of knowledge is supernatural knowledge. A word of knowledge is when the Lord tells you something in your heart that you don't already know in your head. That is supernatural knowledge and it comes through your spirit, not through your brain.

If I were to say, "There is somebody here who has a pain in their knee and I didn't know that in my head, that is a word of knowledge. If this happens and you are the person with the hurt knee, then go forward and get prayed for. Jesus wants to heal you.

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Supernatural Knowledge Object Lesson — continued

What other examples are there of the word of knowledge?

Have you ever lost something important and couldn't find it? Ask the Holy Spirit to help you. He knows where it is and He is your helper. Sometimes I will see a flash of where my lost item is hiding.

In the Bible, Saul went looking for his dad's donkeys and the Holy Spirit showed him where they were. (1 Samuel 9:3-20)

This doesn't just happen in the Bible. The gifts of the Spirit are for today too.

The word of knowledge is different than the word of wisdom. The word of wisdom is revelation about the future. The word of knowledge is information about the present or sometimes the past.

**INTER-ACTIVE
OBJECT LESSON*****What's That Gift?***

- **WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:** The word of wisdom is a supernatural plan from God.
- **WHAT YOU NEED:** NIV Bible, several volunteers, kid-sized Bible clothes (if you have them).
- **INSTRUCTIONS:**
 - Read the following Bible stories from the NIV Bible.
 - Assign parts and ask kids to act them out as you narrate the story. (Select kids who like to "ham" it up.)
 - After reading the dialog, pause and let the kids say the line of dialog for their particular character.

Story 1: Eli and Samuel (I Samuel 3:1-18)

Characters: Eli, Samuel

Special Notes: Encourage actors to lie down while they are sleeping.

Story 2: Jesus and the Samaritan Woman (John 4:4-19)

Characters: Jesus, Samaritan woman

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

One of these Bible stories is an example of the word of wisdom. Does anyone remember what the word of wisdom is? (Allow for response.)

One of these Bible stories is an example of the word of knowledge? Does anybody remember what the word of knowledge is?

Take a corporate vote from your class.

Correct answers:

- Samuel and Eli is the word of wisdom, because it deals with the future.
- Jesus and the Samaritan woman is the word of knowledge, because it is supernatural knowledge about the present and the past.



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DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED:

Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

▶ TO THE

TEACHER:

The **Digital Review Questions** are a part of "The Masked Hero" download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then **PAUSE** the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Questions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

1. I Corinthians 12:8 says, "For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another ____ by the same Spirit."
A. really big muscles
B. a quick mind
C. the word of knowledge
D. a good heart
2. The word of knowledge is _____.
A. a good grade on my test
B. supernatural knowledge
C. good reading skills
D. the internet
3. The word of knowledge deals with _____.
A. the future
B. the present and the past
C. the present, the past and future
D. infinity and beyond
4. What is a Bible example of the word of knowledge?
A. Samuel & Eli
B. David & Goliath
C. Daniel and the lion's den
D. Jesus and the Samaritan Woman
5. The word of knowledge will help you find lost things.
A. True
B. False
C. Only in the Bible
D. Only in comic books



SUPERCHURCH2.0

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PROP LIST (Props, supplies, costumes and characters)

_____ Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)

_____ How many needed?

_____ Review Prizes (penny candy)

Drama: Martha Stewie: "Martha's Mistake" - Pages 5-7

_____ Martha Stewie Costume

_____ Cinnamon roll (1 per service)

Object Lesson: Supernatural Knowledge- Pages 8-9

_____ Flash cards

Inter-Active Object Lesson: What's That Gift? - Page 10

_____ Kid-sized Bible clothes (Eli, Samuel, Jesus & Samaritan woman)

Small Group: God-Given Words

_____ Scrabble or Boggle game

_____ How many needed?

Special Edition: Pastoring Your Kids

_____ How many needed?