

“Your Weapon” - Part 2
Collide – Part 7
 Ephesians 6:17b
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The Bible is a Reliable Weapon against Satan Because of its . . .

1. UNIQUE PERFECTION.

“Every Word of God is flawless . . .” Proverbs 30:5a

“The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul. . .” Psalm 19:7a

“. . . For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.” Psalm 138:2b (NKJV)

2. UNMATCHED POWER.

“For the Word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

➤ **Power to Convert.**

“For you have been born again, but not to a life that will quickly end. Your new life will last forever because it comes from the eternal, living Word of God.” 1 Peter 1:23 (NLT)

➤ **Power to Comfort.**

“This is my comfort in my affliction, for Your Word has given me life.” Psalm 119:50 (NKJV)

➤ **Power to Cleanse.**

“How can a young person stay pure? By obeying your Word.” Psalm 119:9 (NLT)

3. UNBELIEVABLE PRESERVATION.

“The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the Word of our God stands forever.” Isaiah 40:8

‘Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away.’ Matthew 24:35

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4. UNPARALLED PROTECTION.

❖ **The Word will protect us from Sin.**

“I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against You.” Psalm 119:11 (NLT)

“Guide my steps by Your Word, so I will not be overcome by any evil.” Psalm 119:133 (NLT)

❖ **The Word will protect us from Self.**

“For if you listen to the Word and don’t obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like.” James 1:23-24 (NLT)

❖ **The Word will protect us from Satan.**

Become Skillful With Your Sword By . . .

- **Obeying it!** *Psalm 119:10 (NKJV)*
- **Memorizing it!** *Psalm 119:11 (NKJV)*
- **Speaking it!** *Psalm 119:13 (NKJV)*
- **Prioritizing it!** *Psalm 119:14 (NKJV)*
- **Remembering it!** *Psalm 119:16 (NKJV)*