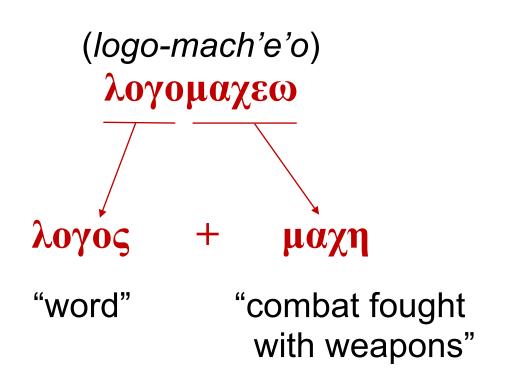


## 2 Timothy 2:14

... and charge them before God not to **wrangle** about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers...

# 1 Timothy 6:4-5

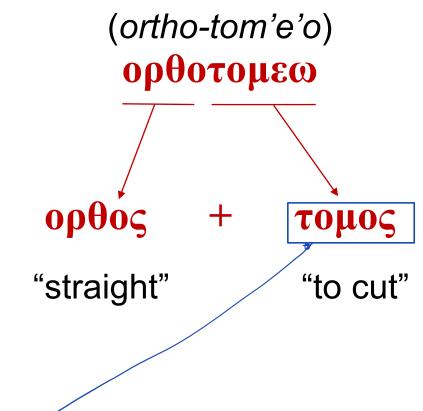
... he is conceited and understands nothing, but he has a morbid interest in controversial questions and **wrangling** about words, out of which arise envy, strife, abusive language, evil suspicions, and constant friction between men of depraved mind and deprived of the truth...



# Words are packaging for The Word – a scabbard for the Sword of the Spirit.

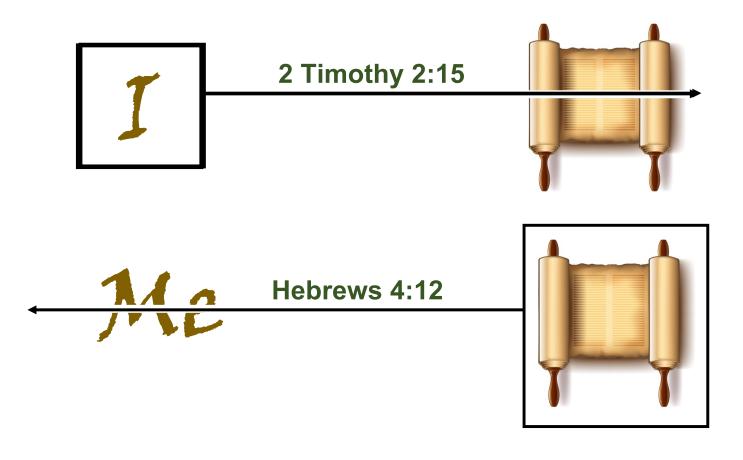
# 2 Timothy 2:15

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, **correctly cutting** the word of truth.



#### Hebrews 4:12

For the Word of God is living and active and **sharper** than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.



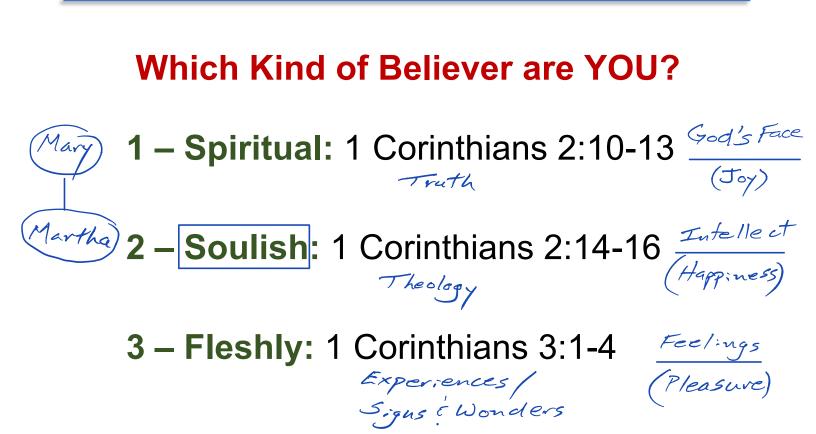
## **Q:** How do we "correctly cut" the Word of truth?

A: The same way the sword of the God's Word cuts us – by discerning between its soul and its spirit.

Matthew 16:5-12

## Numbers 16:5

And he spoke to Korah and all his company, saying, "Tomorrow morning **Adonai will show who is His**, and who is holy, and will bring *him* near to Himself, even the one whom He will choose, He will bring near to Himself."



### James 3:15

This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, **soulish**, demonic.

## Jude 1:19

These are the ones who cause divisions, **soulish**, devoid (lacking) of spirit.

The last thing a good person will do will be to seek to stand aloof from others. On the contrary, that person will seek to be among them at their worst, serving God by serving them. The good person's glory will not be in exemption from service; it will be in still more demanding service. No Christian should ever think of being fit for honor but always as becoming fit for service.

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