

## Language

Just as a little child would learn the language of his/her human parent, someone beginning to learn from the Lord needs to learn His language, how He speaks. For example, He calls His people “sheep,” “wheat,” or “good trees.” People who aren’t His can be “goats,” “chaff,” or “bad trees.” The Lord uses this kind of figurative language all throughout His 66 books, and all of it is important to Him. You can either learn the Lord’s tongue from Him or deal with the babble of men’s teachings.

### *Exercise:*

*Read the following passages and fill in the blanks. These are just some examples of the Lord’s language; thousands could be given.*

- Revelation 1:20      stars = \_\_\_\_\_  
                             lampstands = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 5:6      seven horns and seven eyes = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 5:8      incense = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 11:8      Sodom/Egypt = \_\_\_\_\_  
                             (now read Galatians 4:25)
- Revelation 17:12    horns = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 17:15    waters = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 17:18    the woman = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 19:8    fine linen = \_\_\_\_\_
- Revelation 19:13    His name = \_\_\_\_\_  
                             (now read Exodus 20:7; Matthew 18:20; John 14:13; John 17:6)
- Ephesians 6:17      sword [of the Spirit] = \_\_\_\_\_  
                             (now read Matthew 10:34; Hebrews 4:12)
- Matthew 16:6, 12    leaven = \_\_\_\_\_  
                             (now read Galatians 5:9)
- Luke 8:11            seed = \_\_\_\_\_
- John 6:51            the living bread = \_\_\_\_\_ (see John 1:1)  
                             His flesh = \_\_\_\_\_ (see John 1:14)

### *Suggested chapters to read:*

Matthew 7; Matthew 13; Isaiah 55