

## BIBLE & LIFE

2 Timothy 3:16-17; Eph. 4:17-24  
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*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness...*  
- 2 Tim. 3:16

### I. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

- All Scripture is breathed out by God.
- God is the source of all the Bible.
- The Bible is profitable for all of life.
- The Bible is authoritative for all of life.
- The Bible is sufficient for all of life (Psalm 1:1-3, 19:7-14; John 17:17; 2 Peter 2:3-4).
- How can we not want to spend time with God in his Word daily?!
- We cannot biblically separate the Bible from life or our life from the Bible.

### II. Ephesians 4:17-24

- A wasted life (vss 17-19).
- Dying to self and living for Jesus is where true life is found! (vss. 20-21).
- Repentance and faith are the entire Christian life (vss. 20-21).
- Put off deceitful desires and an ungodly manner of life (vs. 22).
- Renew your mind with the Bible (vs. 23).
- Put on beholding who God is and true righteousness and holiness (vs. 24).
- Who God is, his promises and the gospel motivates us to put off and put on (Ex. 20:1; Rom. 12:1; Eph. 5:1; 2 Cor. 3:18, 5:14-15; Titus 2:11-14).
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**KNOW:** We cannot think biblically about life apart from the Bible...and we cannot think biblically about the Bible apart from our life. The Bible is sufficient for all of life!

**DO:** Put off according to the Bible... renew your mind according to the Bible...put on according to the Bible! Start going to the Bible and Life class during 2nd service next week!

#### Suggested Reading:

*A Theology of Biblical Counseling* by Heath Lambert

*Seeing with New Eyes* by David Powlison

### Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

#### **Please Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

1. Why shouldn't we biblically separate the Bible from our life or our life from the Bible?
2. The Bible is clear that it is sufficient for all of life. Secondly, the great historic confessions of faith teach this also. So... why do some professing Christians go to other than true biblical discipleship/counseling for help with their problems?
3. If true of you, what keeps you from being in the Bible every day? What did you hear in the sermon to help motivate you to spend daily time with God in his Word?
4. Please read Eph. 4:17-24. What are we to specifically put off according to verse 22? How do we specifically do this? Give a specific example.
5. What does verse 23 tell us to do? How do we specifically do this? Give a specific example.
6. What are we to put on according to verse 24? How do we do this? Give a specific example.