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Series | The Difference a Book Makes
Text | 2 Tim. 3:14-17
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Sermon Notes

2 Timothy 3:15 and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. **16** All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, **17** that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.
ESV

Big Idea:

Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. **2** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. *ESV*

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read 2 Timothy 3:15-17. How does the concept of “don’t... but instead...” impact the way we look at the Bible? What is the difference between only saying “don’t” versus “don’t... but instead”?

Tuesday:

Read Romans 12:1-2. Paul appeals to his readers to renew their mind. How do we do that? What do you think he means by “a living sacrifice”? Think of one or two issues in our culture where the idea of “not being conformed” is critical. Can you think of any passages that can help us in our thinking with any of those topics?

Wednesday:

Read all of Romans 12. Highlight all the different “don’t... but instead...” passages.

Thursday:

Read 2 Timothy 3:15-17. What are some of the world’s ideas about the validity or relevance of the Scriptures? How do you feel about such ideas? When we frequently hear messages contrary to the Bible, how can we protect our perspective?

Friday:

Read Romans 3:23 and Romans 5:1-2. While not exactly in the “don’t... but instead...” format, Paul does present a negative and then a positive solution. Have you believed in Jesus for your justification? (Other biblical terms would include “eternal life,” “salvation,” etc.) If not, what is keeping you from doing so today? If so, thank God for your salvation!

Daily Prayer:

Lord, it is remarkable that you have given us your Word and preserved it over the centuries. Thank you that we can know your truth—a truth that remains as relevant and important today as when it was first written. Amen.

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