



Title | The Rest of the Story
Series | The Difference a Book Makes
Text | 2 Timothy 3:15-17
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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:

Psalm 119:9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. 10 With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! 11 I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. *ESV*

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read 2 Timothy 3:15-17. By way of review, in what ways does Paul describe the sufficiency of Scripture? How does the truth that “all” Scripture is God-breathed (inspired) impact how you think about the Bible?

Tuesday:

The entirety of Psalm 119 addresses the greatness of God’s Law (and by application, all of the Bible). It consists of twenty-two stanzas of eight verses each (176 verses total). The first word in the first stanza starts with the first Hebrew letter. Each stanza following starts with the next Hebrew letter, in alphabetical order. Read the first stanza (119:1-8). What does this passage say about God’s Word? What is the author’s desire (see, for example, v. 5-6)? How does this desire line up with your desires? (Side note: You may wish to read one stanza per day over 22 days as a devotional reading).

Wednesday:

In 2 Timothy 3:16, Paul says that the Scriptures are good for “training in righteousness.” In many ways, this is “on-the-job training.” When will this training be complete? Reflect on your life as a believer. Can you see growth in this area in your life?

Thursday:

Paul concludes this important passage by encouraging Timothy, and us by application, that the Scriptures are sufficient to equip us “for every good work.” Does this ring true to you? How does this relate to the commands of the New Testament about relationships (e.g., Ephesians 5:22-6:9)? How does this apply to “everyday business,” such as your job?

Friday:

Read 2 Timothy 3:15 and John 3:16. Paul reminded Timothy, and us, that the process started for him by the wisdom of Scripture that led to salvation through faith in Jesus. Have you believed in him for the gift of salvation? If not, what is stopping you from believing today? If so, who can you pray for that he or she would believe in Jesus? Include asking God for opportunities to share the gospel with that person(s).

Daily Prayer:

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

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