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Our Challenge
2 Timothy 4:1-9
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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

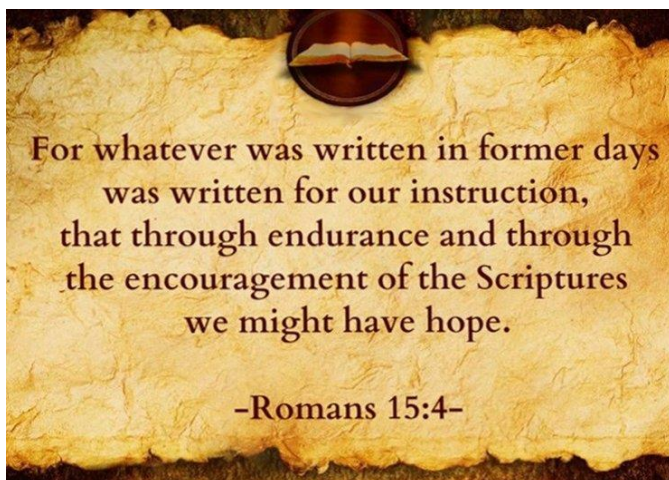
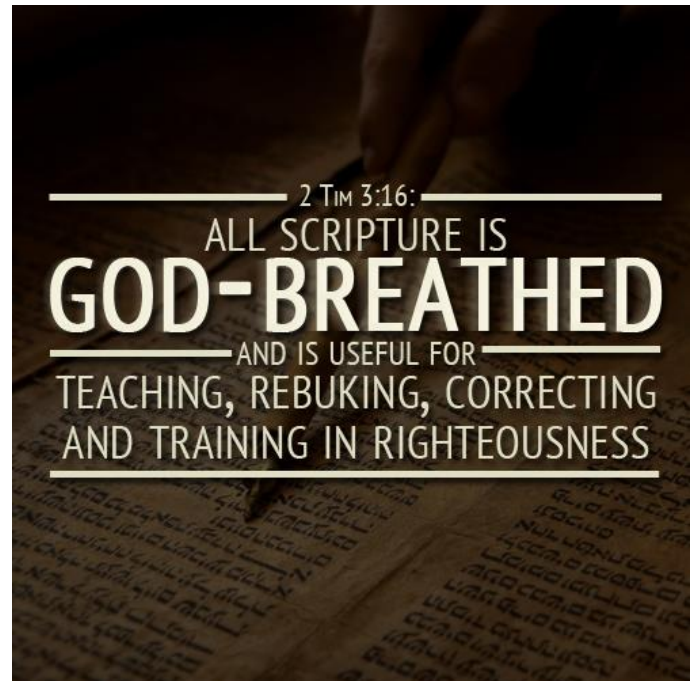
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



In 2 Timothy 3 Paul warrens his readers about treacherous people. Today we must be on the lookout for these same type of people; people that are not following the Word of God but claim to. Unfortunately there many people in our world today that give the appearance of religion only to lead people astray. It is not anything new, these types of people go all the way back to Moses and before. However, we have the greatest resource to overcome false teachers. The Bible we have today is the very breath of God. It equips us and trains us to do God's work. This week we will talk about how important it is to instill the Word of God in your heart so that no one can lead you astray.

2 Timothy 4:1-8 New English Translation

Charge to Timothy Repeated

4 I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is going to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ²Preach the message, be ready whether it is convenient or not, reprove, rebuke, exhort with complete patience and instruction. ³For there will be a time when people will not tolerate sound teaching. Instead, following their own desires, they will accumulate teachers for themselves, because they have an insatiable curiosity to hear new

things. ⁴And they will turn away from hearing the truth, but on the other hand they will turn aside to myths. ⁵You, however, be self-controlled in all things, endure hardship, do an evangelist's work, fulfill your ministry. ⁶For I am already being poured out as an offering, and the time for me to depart is at hand. ⁷I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith! ⁸Finally the crown of righteousness is reserved for me. The Lord, the righteous Judge, will award it to me in that day—and not to me only, but also to all who have set their affection on his appearing.

🔍 **EXAMINE His Word (Observation)** (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?

5. What is emphasized?

6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?

7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

8. Why will people turn away from sound teaching?

9. What is Timothy commanded to do?

10. How is Paul being poured out as an offering?

11. Why will Paul receive a crown?

12. Who else will receive a crown? What do they have to do?

③ EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion)

Why does this MATTER to me?

13. Do people today turn to myths? What kind?

14. How can we make sure we follow the truth?

15. How does seeking to hear something new affect teaching today?

16. How can you accomplish the 4 things listed in verse 5?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

SERMON NOTES