

Text: 2 Timothy 3:14-17

Topics: Discipleship, Salvation, Word of God

Series: Our Core Values

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Why Do We Do That?

Core values define why we do what we do and, characterize everything we do.

I. What You Have Learned (14-15)

Continue to live what you learned from the Word of God.

II. What You Need to Do (16-17)

Use Scripture to prepare God's people for their work.

Our Core Value:

We start with Scripture because God's Word reveals His purposes.

Application Questions - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.

1. Read 2 Timothy 3:14-15. Paul is urging Timothy not to follow the example of some of the people around him. Skim through verses 1-13. How are those people described? Do you see some of this today, and if so, where?

Paul encouraged Timothy to reflect on the lives of those who taught him the sacred writings. Who would that be and what would Timothy have seen in them and been taught by them? (See 2 Timothy 1:5, 13; and 3:10)

2. What did Paul say the sacred writings were able to do in 2 Timothy 3:15?

How would you define salvation? What's the relationship between wisdom and faith in verse 15?

Has this salvation taken hold of you? Explain how it has changed you.

Who are you influencing and in what direction?

3. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. What does inspired mean? How much of Scripture is inspired?

What 4 ways does Paul tell Timothy that Scripture is profitable? What does he say it is profitable for?

4. Give examples of how the Word of God has worked, and is working, in you to make you better able to do the work He has for you.

5. Do you know what work God has for you right now? What are the giftings, the people you have influence with, and the places of potential influence you are frequently in? How is God's Word an important part of this?