"The Power of Scripture" 2 Timothy 3:14-17 6/19/22

1. The Role of Scripture in Salvation – 14-15

2. The Reason for Scripture's Power – 16a

3. The Role of Scripture in Spiritual Maturity – 16b-17

Conclusion: Our Response to the Word of God Should Be:

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- Obey It
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Discussion Questions

The following questions are designed to be used by parents in discussing the sermon with their children but can be used by anyone in discussing the sermon with others.

- 1. What stood out to you in the sermon? Why?
- 2. Why is it necessary that we "continue in what we have learned" from Scripture?
- 3. What is the difference between "learning" and "firmly believing"?
- 4. What does v. 15 tell us about every child's most basic need?
- 5. Since the Bible is different from every other book, how should we treat it differently than any other book?
- 6. How does v. 16 build your confidence in the Word of God?
- 7. What does it mean that Scripture is profitable for "reproof" (v. 16)?

Going Deeper:

These questions are designed for the believer to use in prayer with his/her Lord, and in discussion with brothers and sisters in the Lord:

1. How did this sermon challenge your thinking or grow your understanding?

2. Of the four benefits of Scripture listed in v. 16, which do you most often experience? Least often? Why do you think this is so?

- 3. Scripture is profitable for "training in righteousness" (v. 16). A person going through physical training goes to a gym and submits to what the trainer says he needs to do to be physically fit. In the same way, the believer goes to God's gym (Bible study, prayer, fellowship with other believers, etc.). The athlete WANTS to go through the training and takes his body to the gym. Do you want to go through spiritual training? If so, what is keeping you from it?
- 4. Our response to the Word of God should be:
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Which of these responses are you currently doing? How can you begin doing the ones you are not currently doing?

5. What is the primary way you should be affected by this passage this week?