

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE / FEBRUARY 25

TO APPLY, NOT REHASH, THE SERMON

Read

Read 2 Timothy 3:10–17 and consider making some observations about the passage.

Sermon Recap

Review the sermon with your group, highlighting the following:

- “Our behaviors are inextricably tied to our beliefs. What we believe about the Bible is everything for disciples of Jesus.”
- “As disciples of Jesus, we are immersed in a culture where instead of people looking outward to the truth of God’s Word, they look inward to themselves—my truth, my experience, and my body.”
- Paul says the Bible is not only unique but also useful. “This is what the word *profitable* means, and it specifically speaks of something which will better your life.”
- “How exactly is the Bible useful? It grows us up and it challenges us.”

Group Discussion

1. Share a portion of Scripture that you regularly return to. What about it is meaningful and nourishing for you?
2. The sermon spoke to the Bible’s trustworthiness. What has helped strengthen your faith in the Bible? When do you experience doubt concerning the Bible’s truthfulness? How do you deal with these doubts?
3. We heard about the transformative power of Scripture. Share a story from your life or from someone you know in which the Bible had a transformative impact. What changed, and how did Scripture play a key role in that transformation?
4. Reflect on a time when Scripture provided guidance, comfort, or correction in a practical situation. How can we as a group encourage one another to regularly turn to the Bible for wisdom in everyday life?

SCRIPTURE

- “For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.”

- **Hebrews 4:12–13 (NASB1995)**

PRAYER

- Ask God to ignite a fresh passion and hunger in our hearts for his Word, that we would approach Scripture not just as a routine but as a vital source of life, guidance, and wisdom.
- Pray that as we dive deeper into the Bible, the Holy Spirit would use it to transform us, renewing our minds and conforming us more to the image of Christ. Ask for the grace to apply Scripture to our lives, leading to genuine change in our thoughts, actions, and relationships.