

# COMMUNITYGROUP

The Mission of The Church

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① **How did our time in the Word on Sunday help you to better understand 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2?**

- *How were you encouraged to live for Jesus because of what was preached on Sunday?*

② **What is the command in 2 Timothy 3:14 and why is it significant?**

- *Why would Paul encourage Timothy to “remain” or “continue” in the things that he has learned?*

③ **According to 2 Timothy 3:15, what is the purpose of the “sacred writings”?**

- *What is the problem when Christians make God’s Word a “self-help book” or merely a “guide-book for life”?*
- *The “sacred writings” in the original context are a reference to the Old Testament. How does the Old Testament “make you wise unto salvation through faith in Jesus Christ”?*
- *How did Jesus say something similar to this in John 5:39?*
- *Why is it imperative to understand the Bible as a singular book that is “pointing us to faith in Jesus Christ”?*

④ **Why is it absolutely essential to believe that the Bible is “breathed out by God”?**

- *What are some other bible verses that affirm the truth being taught in 2 Timothy 3:16 (maybe start with 1 Peter 2:20-21)?*
- *How do some Christians today subtly deny that God’s Word is entirely breathed out by God?*

⑤ **Since the Bible is God-breathed, what does that mean for us today?**

- *What does it mean that God’s Word is sufficient for all of life & godliness (2 Peter 1:3)? Do we actually live as though this is true?*

- *What does it mean that God's Word reproves & rebukes us?*
- *What does it mean that God's Word corrects & exhorts you? How is this different than reprove/rebuke?*

**⑥ Why is the proclamation of God's Word essential today?**

- *What will happen in both the Church and our lives when we stop proclaiming the Word of God?*
- *What is God's primary method for saving sinners and sanctifying saints (begin by looking at 2 Timothy 4:2; Psalm 119:9; Psalm 119:7-9; Romans 10:13-14)?*
- *Why must the Word of God be "rightly divided" (2 Timothy 2:15)?*