



From the mouth of God
2 Timothy 3:10-17
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The Text: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

¹⁰ You, however, have followed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, ¹¹ my persecutions and sufferings that happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra—which persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. ¹² Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

- 1) Paul presents Timothy with his own life as an example worthy of following.
 - A. He can do this because of how close they are relationally. Timothy could not follow his lead without intimate knowledge of his life.
 - B. To be familiar with Paul is to be familiar with his persecution.
 - C. Who should expect to be persecuted?

- 2) Paul also reminds Timothy of the foundation that has been laid for him through the faith of his family.

- 3) Scripture is indeed directly from God.
 - A. Teaching
 - B. Reproof
 - C. Correction
 - D. Training in righteousness

Sunday Text Questions for 2 Timothy 3:10-17 (“Entrusted to You” Series)

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- 1) At the beginning of this passage, we see how Paul’s own life provides a great example for Timothy to follow. Why is that?

- 2) Share an example from your own life of a Christian who has helped you understand what it means to follow God simply from the life you saw them lead.

- 3) Paul says that all who desire to live a godly life will be persecuted in v. 12. How should a Christian today think about this if they have not faced persecution?

- 4) What are things that Christians today may be tempted to label as persecution, that might not actually be persecution?

- 5) VV. 14-15 encourage Timothy to remember the truths that he has been taught since childhood. This is a reference back to the opening of the book when Paul mentions the faith of his mother and grandmother. How has a legacy of faith (or lack thereof) impacted your own faith journey?

- 6) V. 16 talks about all scripture being God breathed. How does this impact your view of the authority of Scripture?

- 7) Paul lists four things that scripture is profitable for. While this is not an exhaustive list, let’s spend some time discussing each point.
 - a. What role has scripture played in you forming your ideas about God, his power, his character and his grace?
 - b. What is a time that you felt rebuked by scripture? In other words, where has it pointed out your sin?
 - c. What about correction? How has scripture specifically helped you see the right path?
 - d. The category of training in righteousness seems broad. Explain how you understand this concept working in your own life.