

DISCIPLESHIP ESSENTIALS SERIES

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Topic: Discipleship Essentials "Scripture" 2 Tim 3: 10-17

- Staying connected to God is always a challenge (v10-13)
- Perseverance is the key to growing as a disciple (v14)
- Allowing the Scriptures to guide and direct (v15)
- For it is God speaking words of life to us (v 16)
- Enabling us to fully live out our life as His disciple (v17)







What is that keeps you from studying God's word? We live in a world that holds to very different values.

What is it that might distract you? Why is scripture so important in staying connected to God? How does life go for you when you lose that connection?

The discipleship journey requires perseverance. If we give up, we will never grow. Have you had a time when you gave up on God? What is it from God's word that enables us to continue on - Share together some promises of God found in scripture that enable you to persevere. Paul addressed Timothy twice by saying, "As for you" – in other words, you are different from those in the world. Why is perseverance so important for us to be "set apart."

God's wisdom makes our lives so much easier. Share together how reading and loving the scriptures guides and directs you. Do you think we fully value the wisdom of God's word like we should – What then causes this inconsistency where we know it's valuable to immerse ourselves in scripture, but it doesn't always become a reality?

The scriptures help us to understand God and how we are to live in a broken world. Read v16. God breathed life into His word, which in turns breathes life into us. Share together biblical truth that fills you with a passion for life. Why is obedience to God's teaching so vital for us to live in this joy and hope?

Read v 17. As disciples, we all want to live a life that aligns with God's purposes. How does the Bible equip us? In what areas of your life do you feel inadequate to serve and have a need for more equipping? What biblical truth do you need to take hold of for that to happen? What is your response today to growing in reading and loving the scriptures?



