

Sermon Excerpts:

"The Value and Benefit of Bible Study" Sermon II

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2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT) "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip His people to do every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (MSG) "Every part of Scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another—showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us".

The Scriptures provide all that we need to know to be complete, capable, and competent in our service for Christ.

If we try to live without God's Word, our lives are incomplete, immature, and misfitted.

We are made for God and required to live by the principles and practices from the Word of God.

Preventive Living, Instructive Living, Corrective Living, and Affirmative Living (P.I.C.A.)

5 Benefits of Bible Study:

1. Bible study grows our faith.

- 2. It increases our knowledge of God.
- 3. Bible study gives us wisdom and understanding.
- 4. It equips us to share our faith and invest in others.
- 5. Bible study brings strength and guidance for life.

3 Key Components of Bible Study:

- 1. Comprehension which answers the question "What does the text say?"
- 2. Interpretation which answers the question "What does it mean?"
- 3. Application- which answers the question "How should this truth change my life?"

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- As the Word of God begins to filter and saturate our lives, we become fruitful and productive in the work of Christ.
- It is good to mark your Bible, but it is better to let your Bible mark you.
- Knowing the Bible is of little benefit unless you practice it.
- I read my Bible to know what I ought to do and my newspaper to know what they are doing.
- The Bible is the only book whose Author is always present when it is read.
- The Bible reveals a God who cares
- The Bible reveals a God who cannot be defeated