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Week 5 – The Word of God

**Introduction:**

**2 Timothy 3:16**

All Scripture is God-breathed, and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness...

2 Timothy 3:1-4, 10

2 Peter 1:20-21

**Four Reasons to Love the Bible:**

1. It \_\_\_\_\_ US

2. It \_\_\_\_\_ US

Rebuke = *pointing out error, reveal wrong believing or behaving*

3. It \_\_\_\_\_ US

A result of pointing out wrong beliefs is correction of wrong behavior

4. It \_\_\_\_\_ US

Believers vs. disciples...

**The Goal:**

**2 Timothy 3:17**

...so that the servant of God may be equipped for every good work.

## **QUESTIONS FOR LIFE GROUPS AND PERSONAL REFLECTION:**

### **Personal Life:**

1. In the weekend message, Pastor Jeremy shared from his own testimony about how God used Scripture to save and reorient his entire life. Do you have a story to share about how God has used Scripture in your life? Feel free to share it here...

### **Ponderings:**

2. Teaching, rebuking, correcting and training are all aspects of the process we commonly call "discipleship." Where do you think your relationship with God would be if you did not have access to hearing the teaching of Scripture and reading the Bible for yourself? Discuss...
3. Some Christian traditions seem to pit the Bible and the Holy Spirit against each other, as if one is more important than the other in the process of discipleship. Why is such a dichotomy so silly? Discuss...
4. The mass publishing of the Bible is what spurred on the advancements we now take for granted in western civilization...from human rights to mass literacy and education, to virtually every other kind of progress. Yet, many in our generation seem ignorant of these truths. How can modern believers invest in a renewal of Biblical literacy? Discuss...

### **Promptings:**

5. In what way(s) are you actively ordering your life around the understanding and application of the Holy Scriptures? Try to give specific, concrete examples.  
If your comprehension of God's Word is lacking, what steps can you take to mature in your relationship with Scripture?