

No Greater Joy
June 23 | Weekly Devotionals

OPEN WITH PRAYER.

Sit quietly for a moment before beginning this week's devotionals. Ensure you won't have any interruptions from your TV, phone, or computer. Find somewhere comfortable. Invite the Holy Spirit into this time with you.

Pray.

READ 1 Timothy 3:14-17 AND REFLECT.

"But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

1 Timothy 3:14-17

- What does the term "Holy Scriptures" mean?
- If a friend asked, "what does 'Scripture is God-breathed' mean," how would you answer the question?
- How do you study The Holy Scriptures?
- In what ways have you experienced the "teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness" of the Scriptures?

CONSIDER SCRIPTURE'S INFLUENCE OVER YOUR LIFE.

Read the passages below and answer the questions that follow.

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." -Psalm 119:105

- Do you rely on Scripture to guide your life?
- What other influences impact your life?
- List some good influences.
- List some bad influences.
- Write down ideas on how to remove the bad influences from your life.

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." - Hebrews 4:12

- The author of Hebrews uses a lot of words to describe the word of God; alive, active, sharper (than a double-edge sword), penetrates, dividing, and judges. Obviously, he values the word of God; do you have this much respect for the word of God? Why or why not?
- Do you read the word of God? Do you study it? Do you talk with friends about it?
- Where do your opinions of Scripture come from?

At The Creek, Scripture is held in high regard. As a matter of fact it is one of our seven priorities:

Worship
Gospel
Kingdom
Scripture
Identity
Community
Generosity

If reading The Bible is new to you, [check out this great article explaining one way to start reading the Bible.](#)

Close your time sitting quietly with God. Close your eyes, take a few deep breaths, thank God for your time with him today, thank him for some blessings in your life, ask him to make Scripture a priority in your life.



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