

Gaining Wisdom
Reference: **2 Timothy 3:16-17**
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Reference: **Luke 23:46, Ephesians 2:8-10**, (see screen)

2 Timothy 3:16-17 “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

Today we will look at 2 Timothy 3:16-17 in detail to see what it teaches, what some of the common objections and defenses are, and most importantly how the biblical truth can change the way we live.

Q: What is scripture? / A: Simple Answers is The _____
Reference: Psalm 119:160 (see screen)

Q: What does “given by inspiration of God” mean? / A: Simple Answer is The entire bible was written by _____
Source: (see screen)

Q: What does profitable mean? / A: Simple Answer is the difference between the amount _____ and the amount _____
Reference: Proverbs 3:13-14, Proverbs 8:11 (see screen)

- **Happiness** “...Happy are the people whose God is the _____!” (Psalm 144:15b)
- **Money** “He who loves silver will _____ be satisfied with silver...” (Ecclesiastes 5:10b)
- **Freedom** “Now the LORD is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is _____.” (2nd Corinthians 3:17)
- **Peace & Joy** “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, **peace, joy**, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control against such there is no law” (Galatians 5:22-23)
- **Balance** “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.” (Matthew 6:33)
- **Fulfillment** “Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.” (Romans 13:8)
- **Confidence** “For the _____ will be your confidence, and will keep your foot from being caught.” (Proverbs 3:26)

Q: What does doctrine mean? / A: Simple answer is _____ or information shared from an authoritative source.
Reference: 1 Timothy 4:16 (see screen)

Q: What does reproof mean? / A: Simple answer is an expression of blame or _____ or sharp criticism.
Reference: 1 Samuel 13:13 (see screen)

Q: What does correction mean? / A: Simple answer is the _____ of setting something right.
Reference: Proverbs 10:17 (see screen)

Q: What does instruction in righteousness mean? / A: Simple answer is Instruction in righteousness means our _____ or overall Christian training.

Reference: **Isaiah 41:10**, (see screen)

Reference: 2 Timothy 3:17

1. The man of God: Do justly, love Mercy, and walk humbly with God | Reference: Micah 6:8 (see screen)
2. May be complete: have all of the _____ parts
Reference: Colossians 2:10 (see screen)
3. Thoroughly equipped for every good work: Have everything you _____ to accomplish the task. | Reference: Philippians 4:19 (see screen)

Objection: The Bible is filled with contradictions.

Defense: Psalm 12:6 (see screen)

Application: Through prayer and careful study, _____ will reveal what is typically the simple solution. Reference Psalm 12:6 (see screen)

Objection: Christians can’t even agree with what the Bible is saying.

Defense: Romans 14:1-4 (see screen)

Application: We can intentionally _____ to learn all we can.

Psalm 119:105 “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path”.