



End of the World Part 5

Key Text: 2 Timothy 3:14-17

It one thing to say that you have a high view of scripture; it another thing to live like you have a high view of scripture.

There are only two eternal things, man and God's Word. With that in mind, we must elevate God's word and live it out in the last days.

The stuff we place on the shelf, the things we put frames around, the trophies and whatnots we dust and shine and love to display, the things we're so proud of—it's all headed for the final bonfire ([2 Peter 3:7, 10–12](#)). But not God's Book! – Chuck Swindoll

Setting the Scene:

- The World will get worse – **Don't be surprised.**
- Tough times are coming- **Don't be discouraged.**
- It's easier to stand strong if you **don't stand alone.**
- Believer who build their life on the Bible may be persecuted but they will never be defeated.

"I believe the Bible is the best gift God ever gave to man." - Abraham Lincoln

"Nobody ever outgrows scripture; the Book widens and deepens with our years." Charles Spurgeon

"Most people are bothered by those passages of scripture they do not understand, but the passages that bother me are those I do understand." – Mark Twain

1. Continue to be faithful in what you already know. (Vs. 14-15)

⁵I remember your **genuine faith**, for you **share the faith** that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you. 2 Timothy 1:5

Jesus Described in the Old Testament

• The Messiah

²⁵The woman said, "I know the Messiah is coming—the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."²⁶ Then Jesus told her, "I AM the Messiah! John 4:25-26

Even today some orthodox Jews leave an empty chair around the dinner table because they are reserving it for the Messiah to sit in when He comes. They are still expecting the Messiah to come but not realizing that He has already come. ¹

• The Anointed One

¹⁸"The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, Luke 4:18

• The Lord

⁹In that day the people will proclaim, "This is our God! We trusted in him, and he saved us! This is the LORD, in whom we trusted. Let us rejoice in the salvation he brings!" Isaiah 25:9

¹²There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12

¹ <https://www.whatchristianswanttoknow.com/how-was-jesus-described-in-the-old-testament/>

2. Continue to dig deep into God's Word. (Vs. 16-17)

theopneustos (θεόπνευστος, 2315), "inspired by God" (Theos, "God," pneo, "to breathe"), is used in 2 Tim. 3:16, of the Scriptures as distinct from non-inspired writings.

- **Inspiration:** "Theopneustos, theos, word of God, pneuma, (Dynamic movement of air) (Pneu) Could mean to blow, as to blow air through an instrument to produce a distinct musical sound. Emit a fragrance.

God used Imperfect man to get out his perfect message. The Greek word for "inspired" describes ships sails filled, being carried along over the seas. Paul says every Scripture is the product of the Spirit's work. He filled the writers and carried them along producing His Words. And even though God's Word bears the mark or style of the writer's personality, every Word is the true and sure word of God Himself.²

- Plug into the Power Source. It is the greatest source of power, equip you with wisdom, answers, and the power to overcome in every single situation on earth.
- Picture of God breathing or emitting His own substance into something. (Idea of Fragrance)
- The Bible is not just a book about God, it is a book that actually contains God.(His breathe and Spirit)
- All Scripture: Notice the references of the Old Testament in the New Testament. (James 2:23, 1 Peter 2:6, 2 Peter 3:15-16)

²⁰ Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding, ²¹ or from human initiative. No, those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God. 2 Peter 1:20-21

Purpose Of God's Word

- **Teach:** Paul is saying God's word is the devine source of all truth. It is the authority in matters of doctrine and life. What truth does this passage teach?
- **Reproof:** Calls out all evil and sin. What error in judgment, understanding, or behavior might this passage be reproofing in my life?
- **Corrects:** Corrects the direection of my life. How might this passage correct my life?
- **Train:** Trains us in righteousness. How might this passage train me or prepare for future challenges?

Last Thoughts:

1. Read it! Study It! Live it!
2. Encounter the Living God. I am ready to meet God.
3. Exhalt: Lift God's name above everything.
4. Engage: Step out in obedience. His presence should change us.

² https://www.preceptaustin.org/2_timothy_316-17