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2 Timothy 3:16-17 (Series: Declaring the Gospel)

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 - i. Able to make you wise for salvation
 - ii. Through faith in Christ Jesus
 - 3.) All Scripture (v. 16-17)
 - i. _____ by God (c.f. 2 Pet. 1:21) (see also, 1 Thess. 5:27; Col. 4:16; 1 Tim. 4:13; 2 Pet. 1:21; Rev. 22:18-20; 1 Tim. 4:1-6)
 - ii. Profitable/useful
 - a.) For _____ (doctrine)
 - b.) For reproof (_____ of _____)
 - c.) For _____ (restoration)
 - d.) For _____ in righteousness
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 - a.) For **teaching** (doctrine)
 - b.) For reproof (**convincing of error**)
 - c.) For **correction** (restoration)
 - d.) For **training** in righteousness
 - iii. For the man of God
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Pastor’s Note: In 2 Timothy 3:16-17, Paul finishes laying the foundation for Timothy’s faith and ours as being “Gospel Veracity” and moves into what purpose it serves. Every Christian needs to understand this as they approach the Scriptures.