



How Important Is The Bible?

Key Scriptures

2 Timothy 3:16 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.

2 Peter 1:19-21 ⁹ And we have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, ²⁰ knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. ²¹ For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

Start Talking. Conversation starter for your group.

- What was your favorite book growing up? What is the last book that you read? Do you enjoy reading? Why or why not?
- Why do you think Bible ownership is so high (88% of Americans own a Bible) but Bible engagement is so weak?

Start Thinking.

- Read **2 Timothy 3:1-7**. In verse 7, who is the one who is always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth? How can someone always be learning but never come to the knowledge of the truth?
- How do you determine what is true v. what is not? Do you trust the Bible? Why?
- Read **2 Timothy 3:14-15**. According to these verses, why is God's Word vital?
- Read **2 Timothy 3:16-17**. Imagine you are explaining verses 16 and 17 to an unbeliever, what would you say? What important biblical doctrine or doctrines can we get from these verses?
- In verse 16, we're told that all Scripture is inspired, or God-breathed. Read **2 Peter 1:19-21** as a reference point. How do you understand this statement (God's Word is inspired)? What would you say to persuade someone that the Bible is more than a highly biased history book?

Start Sharing.

- Is reading the Bible a priority to you? Why or why not?
- What are some practical things you can do to prioritize time in God's Word?
- As a LifeGroup, what are some things we can do to help hold one another accountable when it comes to reading God's Word?

Start Doing.

- Join the YouVersion Bible Reading Plan

- Split up into groups and pray - specifically for a passion to read and know God's Word.