WOMEN IN THE WORD FELLOWSHIP BIBLE CHURCH

FOUNDATIONS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Scripture Reference Notes – September 16, 2025 LESSON ONE: Authority of God's Word

Authority is:

The right to exercise power

The power of one whose will and commands must be obeyed

The power or right to give orders, make decisions, and enforce obedience

The authority of God's word and discipleship

The goal of discipleship –

Value is:

Noun – The regard that something is held to deserve, the importance, worth or usefulness of something's merit or worth. 2. A person's principles or standards of behavior, one's judgment of what is important in life.

Verb – Consider someone or something to be important or beneficial, have a high opinion of

"Scripture is God's gift to us through the Holy Spirit. In it, we have both an accurate record of God's revelation and an accurate interpretation of the person and work of Jesus. Only in Scripture do we have what God says in permanent and written form. We become convinced of the authority of Scripture by Scripture itself. God reveals Himself to us through Scripture". Alistar Begg

God's Word on the Authority of Scripture - * indicates verse from Study Book

The Old Testament

The Gospels and Acts

John 1:1-3

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.

The Epistles

2 Timothy 2:15

¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

Use scripture to interpret scripture. Scripture never contradicts scripture.

*2 Timothy 3:14-17

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

God breathed

Profitable for teaching

Reproof and correction

Instruction or training in righteousness

Complete

Equipped

*Hebrews 4:12

¹² For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The Heart

The Soul

The Spirit

2 Peter 1:19-21

¹⁹ 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.

The fulfillment of the prophetic word confirms the reliability of Scripture.

*1 Thessalonians 2:13

¹³ And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

John 2:13-22

¹³ The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. ¹⁵ And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

¹⁸ So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." ²⁰ The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" ²¹ But he was speaking about the temple of his body. ²² When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Case Study – Rightly / Wrongly handling the Word

Mark 7:24-30

²⁴ And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵ But immediately a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶ Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸ But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹ And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰ And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

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