

PAUL TO A "T"
2 TIMOTHY 3:10-4:5

Pray and ask God to help you to know Him better as you study His Word.

Read the Bible passage (preferably without using commentaries).

Begin to answer the questions using your own words.

Questions are based on New International Version (NIV) 1984 edition.

Lesson 24 • 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5 • April 25, 2012

1. What truth, verse or insight from last week's study of **2 Timothy 2:22- 3:9** has been helpful to you?

SECTION I: Read 2 Timothy 3:10-17

2. List the nine things Paul points out about himself that Timothy already knows (**V10-11a**)?
3. a) In **V11b**, Paul also points to persecutions he has endured in which three cities?
- b) Read **Acts 13:50, 14:5** and **14:19**, and summarize what happened to Paul in each city.
- c) From **V11b**, who rescued Paul?
4. a) According to Paul in **V12**, what can we expect if we live a Godly life in Christ Jesus?
- b) Describe your personal experience with persecution, or those you've observed facing persecution and suffering for living a Godly life.
- c) What truths did Jesus impart about being persecuted in **Matthew 5:11-12** and **Romans 5:3-5**?
What comfort do you find in His words?

5. While Christians are being persecuted for their faith, what is happening to evil men and impostors (**V13**)?
6. a) In **V14**, what instruction does Paul give Timothy, and what reason does he give for the instruction?
- b) Fill in the blanks from **V15**: Wisdom comes from _____ and salvation comes through _____ in _____.
7. a) Although there are sixty-six books in the Bible, written by a variety of human authors over the course of hundreds of years, according to **V16**, all Scripture is _____.
- b) Is it easy or difficult for you to accept the Divine inspiration of all Scripture? Why?
8. a) List and then define the four things for which Scripture is useful in **V16**. (It may be helpful to use a dictionary.)
1. _____: _____
2. _____: _____
3. _____: _____
4. _____: _____
- _____
- b) How does the Word of God affect the man of God (**V17**)?
- c) Share about a time when you were taught, rebuked, corrected and/or trained by the Word of God.

SECTION II: Read 2 Timothy 4:1-5

9. In **V1**, how does Paul describe the role of God and of Christ Jesus, and what two things does he have “in view”?
10. a) Paraphrase Paul’s charge to Timothy in **V2**?
- b) Look back in **2 Timothy** and list other verses where Paul emphasized the teaching of God’s Word.

11. a) According to **V3-4**, what will men want to hear and why?

b) Give some examples of how this could be or is played out in churches today.

12. Summarize the call on Timothy's life in **V5**.

13. Reread these verses as if they were written just to you. Ask your Heavenly Father for the wisdom, grace, and courage to teach His Word in whatever circumstances you find yourself and whatever season you are in. Write your prayer.

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read **Hebrews 4:12-13**. What are some of the qualities of the Word of God, and how does the Word work in our lives?

2. As you visualize how the Word of God is described in **Psalms 119:105**, what help does this bring?

3. Read in **Matthew 4:4** where Jesus quoted the book of Deuteronomy. What do you think the verse means?

4. In **Ephesians 6:10-18**, Paul tells us to put on the full armor of God in order to stand against the devil's schemes. What part of the armor is the Word of God, and why is it essential to the armor?

5. How does **2 Peter 1:20-21** affirm the truth in **V16** that "all Scripture is God-breathed"?

