

Salvation and Transformation: The Scriptures in the Lives of Leaders and Their People

II Timothy 3:14-17

❖ We must continue in our submission and devotion to the Scriptures:

➡ Because in them we find salvation (vss. 14-15).

Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. 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. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

- Hebrews 4:11-13(ESV)

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

- James 1:19-21(ESV)

➡ Because through them we are changed and grow as the people of God (vss. 16-17).

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

- Psalm 1:1-3(ESV)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

- Romans 12:1-2(ESV)

Our Response

❖ By the Spirit's help, we must purpose to instruct our children in an atmosphere of grace.

❖ Trusting Jesus, we must not take for granted our commitment to the Scriptures.

❖ For the glory of God, we must strive to walk by faith in the light of His Word.