

2 Timothy -- The Last Words of the Apostle Paul

First Presbyterian Church of Bakersfield
2026 Feb-Mar Sermon Series Study Guide

2 Timothy 3:10-17 (NIV)

10 You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, 11 persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. 12 In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 13 while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, 15 and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Continue in What You Have Learned

OPEN

- Read Acts 13:13-14:20 and note the kinds of persecution Paul faced. What did he endure during his time in those three cities?
- Read 2 Timothy 3:10-17.

STUDY

- Contrast last week's passage (2 Timothy 3:1-9) with verses 10-12. Why do you think Paul makes this contrast?
- According to verses 12-13, what are the consequences of living a godly life? an evil life?
- How have you seen these consequences play out in your own life or in the lives of others around you?
- In verse 14, Paul asks Timothy to continue in what he has learned. What has he learned and from whom?
- From whom are you currently learning about faith?
- How and why does Paul emphasize the importance of Scripture in Timothy's ministry in verses 15-17?
- When has God used Scripture in your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you?
- How important/central is Scripture to your life now in your daily decisions, thoughts, attitudes, actions? -or- What are you learning from God's Word in this season of your life?

PRAY

- Slowly read Psalm 1 together, meditating on the words and praying in response.